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Thanking Your Sponsors

This year's theme for the Amador County Fair is "Saluting the Heroes Among Us." My advice to all Amador County 4-H youth participating in the fair is take this sentiment to heart! There are a lot of people who work very hard to make the fair happen and to make it the amazing fair we are so fortunate to have. These dedicated people are not just fair staff or volunteers, but include the buyers at auction and your class/division sponsors! Sponsors are responsible for special prize you receive in addition to your ribbons. This year, take time to look at who sponsored the class you are in and consider sending them a thank you note. Many of these sponsors are doing this out of their own kindness and don't require a thank you, but it won't hurt!

Did You KNOW...

4-H youth are **1.9 times** more likely to get better grades in school

and **2.1 times** more likely to report high school engagement.



*The Positive Development of Youth: Comprehensive Findings from the 4-H Study of Positive Youth Development, 2013.
<http://www.4-h.org/about/youth-development-research/positive-youth-development-study/>

Remember: members must attend 80% of club and project meetings to participate in the Amador County Fair!

Community Club Meetings

July

Fiddletown

No Meeting

Willow Springs

Date: /13/16 | 7 p.m.

Location: Amador County Fairgrounds

Jackson Gold Wheels

No Meeting

Shenandoah Valley

Date: /8/16 | 6 p.m.

Location: Amador County Fairgrounds

Ione Community

Date: 7/18/16 | 6 p.m.

Location: Ione Elementary

Gold Nugget

No Meeting

August

Fiddletown

Date: 7/6/16 | 7 p.m.

Location: Fiddletown Community Center

Willow Springs

Date: 7/6/16 | 7 p.m.

Location: Amador County Fairgrounds

Jackson Gold Wheels

Date: 7/13/16 | 6 p.m.

Location: Amador 4-H Office

Shenandoah Valley

Date: 7/10/16 | 6 p.m.

Location: Shenandoah School House

Ione Community

No Meeting

Gold Nugget

Date: 7/17/16 | 7 p.m.

Location: Plymouth City Hall

Amador County Club Council

First Tuesday of the month

7 p.m. in the
Large Conference Room
at the 4-H Office

Upcoming Meetings:

August 2nd
September 6th
October 4

Amador



Amador County Fair Dates

MANDATORY Livestock Exhibitors meeting July 26

Junior Livestock Replacement Heifer Auction: Friday, July 29 after Show

Buyer's Brunch: Sunday, July 31 at 9 a.m. in the Livestock Barns

Junior Livestock Auction: Sunday, July 31 starting at 10:30 a.m.

Remember you must have your [Annual Project Report](#) ready for fair!

Remember to Thank your CLASS Sponsors!

Upcoming Events

4-H OPEN Enrollment Begins

Date: 7/1/16

California State Fair

Date: 7/8-24/16

Location: Cal Expo



Central Sierra 4-H Camp

Date: 7/18-22/16

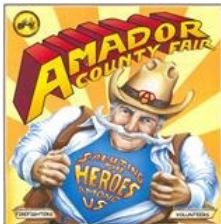
Location: Camp Concord, Lake Tahoe, CA

Amador County Fair

Date: 7/28-31/15 | All Day

Location: Amador Fairgrounds

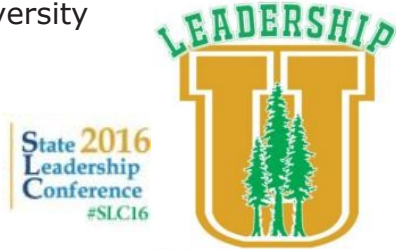
"Saluting the Heroes Among Us"



State Leadership Conference

Date: 7/28-31/16

Location: Humboldt State University



Record Books DUE to Clubs

August Club Meeting or other date set by Club Leader, Check with your Club Calendar!

4-H Horse Classic

Date: 8/3-7/16

Location: Murieta Equestrian Center in Rancho Murieta, CA



Golden Clover Nominations DUE

Date: 8/08/16 | by 5 p.m.



Adult Volunteer Orientation

Date: 8/25/16 | 6 p.m.-9 p.m.

Location: Amador UCCE Office

Amador Program Year Begins

Date: 9/1/16

Adult Volunteer Orientation

Date: 9/15/16 | 6 p.m.-9 p.m.

Location: Amador UCCE Office

Citizenship Weekend

Date: 9/16-18/16

Location: Sacramento

Conurs d'Elegance

Date: 9/24/16 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Location: Ironstone Winery

4-H National Youth Science Day

Date: 10/5/16

Returning Member Enrollment

Deadline For Fair Participation

Date: 10/15/16

Adult Volunteer Orientation

Date: 10/19/16 | 6 p.m.-9 p.m.

Location: Amador UCCE Office

Club Achievement Night

November Club Meeting

Mindfulness Retreat

Date: 11/4-6/16

Location: Camp Ocean Pines, Cambria, CA



State Leaders' Forum

Date: 11/11-13/16

Location: Flamingo Hotel, Santa Rosa, CA

Adult Volunteer Orientation

Date: 11/15/16 | 6 p.m.-9 p.m.

Location: Amador UCCE Office

New Member Enrollment

Deadline For Fair Participation

Date: 12/1/16

Adult Volunteer Orientation

Date: 12/15/16 | 6 p.m.-9 p.m.

Location: Amador UCCE Office

High School Senior?

High School Graduate?

College or Vocational School Student?

Apply for 4-H Higher Education Scholarships

Applications for Higher Education Scholarships administered by the state 4-H office is now available and will be due on **August 1st**.

Find more information [here.](#)

Member Tip of the Month:

What Does a Club Officer Do?

The general duties of holding an office include:

- Learn and act upon the duties of your office.
- Be an active member of the board of officers.
- Attend officer executive board meetings.
- Attend club meetings and activities.
- Lead in planning meetings and events.
- Give your opinion on issues, but also listen to what others have to say.
- Actively represent 4-H in your community.
- Let the officer advisor know if you are unable to attend a meeting.

Learn More Here: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Clubs/Officers/>

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Articles about 4-H or topics of general interest to families are welcome.
Articles are due the 25th of the month email to vmallen@ucanr.edu

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