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The Newsletter for the 4-H Family

Clover Country 4-H Newsletter

July 2014

This newsletter is online along with Record Book forms, scholarship applications, event registration forms and more! Visit <http://cecentralsierra.ucanr.edu/> for information.

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July 4-H Council Meeting

The next 4-H Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, **July 16th** at the old CCWD Board Room in San Andreas (same location as always). The meeting begins at 7 pm. All 4-H families are welcome to attend! You do not need to be a 4-H leader to attend. Parents and 4-H members may also represent your club.

UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

July 1st, NEW 4-H Year BEGINS!

July 15th, Financial/End of Year forms due from 4-H clubs

July 16th, Calaveras 4-H Council meeting, 7 pm, CCWD Board Room, San Andreas

July 16th, Calaveras 4-H Council Officer Elections & Record Books **DUE** for countywide Record Book Judging

July 19th, Countywide Record Book Judging, Calaveras County Office of Education, adult judges will be needed. Clubs that don't provide judges will not have books from their club judged. **Please no children.**



Welcome to the New 4-H Year!

For enrolling in 4-H this year, the cost per 4-H leader will be \$15 and the cost per 4-H member will be \$40. All details on the enrollment process are at

http://cecentralsierra.ucanr.edu/4-H_Youth_Development/Join_Now/

If you have any questions or problems with enrolling, please contact Nancy Starr at 530/621-5503 or email njstarr@ucanr.edu.

What's Your Online Record Book Experience?

The State 4-H Office is conducting a brief survey on user experiences with the 4-H Online Record Book (ORB). As the ORB begins to enter its fourth year, we would like to know about your experience with ORB anytime since its launch in September 2011. The information you provide will be used to help improve ORB and inform other efforts to move processes online.

The survey should take no more than 5 minutes to complete. Please respond by July 15, 2014.
<http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=13238>

State Leadership Conference News!

Youth registration options and fees:

Spirit of Adventure: Thursday, August 14 - Sunday, August 17, \$469

Thursday arrival begins with an orientation, dinner and a trip to the Santa Cruz Boardwalk. Friday is tour day! Register for one or more Spirit of Adventure Tours (some at an additional fee). Most tours will be back in time to join in the campus treasure hunt fun. The traditional SLC schedule begins Friday late afternoon and continues through Sunday.

Fortune & Glory: Friday, August 15 - Sunday, August 17, \$349

Friday arrival begins with an exciting campus treasure hunt and the first meal served is dinner. The opening keynote is Friday evening to kick off the traditional SLC schedule and educational events.

Registration must be received by July 25, 2014

Late Registration (between July 26 - August 7) - add \$50 to base fee

No registrations accepted after August 7, 2014

Friday Tours: The Friday educational content is all tours. Spirit of Adventure Tours must be selected and fees paid at the time of registration.

Parking: Parking permit should be purchased with your registration and will be given to you at check-in. A parking permit is required each day.

T-shirt: Must be ordered at the time of registration.

Registration, tour details, a tentative general schedule and required forms are available at
<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Conferences/SLC/>

Adult registration options

This year there are two adult volunteer roles, Chaperones and Resident Advisors. Detailed role descriptions can be found on the adult registration form

<http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=12882> . All adults are housed in the dorms with youth delegates. Adults will be strategically placed on dorm floors.

In the past we had Floor Supervisors, Dorm Supervisors and a whole list of other "jobs". So while this change in structure may seem "new" it is designed to streamline adult roles and responsibilities while still ensuring a great leadership development opportunity for youth. We chose the term Resident Advisor to mimic the titles of leadership that college students experience when they live in dorms.

Each county needs to send 1 Chaperone or Resident Advisor for every 10 SLC youth delegates.

We will be sending direct marketing to our teen list serve starting Monday June 22. We will send an email once a week during the weeks leading up to SLC. There will be new and exciting information in each communication. We will be posting to all of our social media sites as well.

Warmly,
Jenna Colburn

Shooting Sports Archery Certification Workshop

October 4 & 5, 2014 – Merced County

If you have an interest in sharing your archery skills with youth, how about becoming a 4-H Archery adult volunteer or teen leader. There will be a 4-H archery leader certification training offered in October 2014. The class will be held Saturday, October 4th, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sunday, October 5th, 9 a.m. - 12 noon, at the Safety First Shooting Association, River Oaks Range, 11584 Shaffer Rd, Winton, in Merced County. This class is being hosted by Merced County 4-H. You must be a 4-H leader or member and attend both days to receive certification to teach archery at the project, club and camp levels. The course will include a PowerPoint lecture, review of equipment, practice shooting and teaching, and a written test. The cost is \$35 per person to include a resource binder, and Saturday breakfast & lunch and Sunday breakfast.

Junior and teen leaders are invited but must attend with an adult or have a certified archery adult leader they will be helping back home. If you are already a certified volunteer archery leader and would like to become a trainer, contact Jeanne at 530-524-7278 or email mtlassenlover@gmail.com to discuss options.

Driving directions to the range are at <http://www.safetyfirstshooting.org/html/directions.html>. Dry RV camping is an option. To register, please complete and mail the "CA 4-H Shooting Sports Training Request and Registration Form" available at <http://www.ca4h.org/files/2123.pdf>, and an adult or youth 4-H medical release form and a \$35 check payable to "Merced County 4-H Council" and mail to UCCE, 2145 Wardrobe Ave, Merced, 95341. Registration is due Friday, September 22nd and space is limited. For more information call Darlene McIntyre at [209-385-7418](tel:209-385-7418) or email her at dmcintyre@ucanr.edu or contact Jeanne at the contact information above.

ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT & INVENTORY REPORT REMINDER

You should have received the Financial Report and Inventory Report forms that must be completed by your club's Audit Committee. If you don't have printing capabilities, please let me know and I can put a hard copy in your club's mailbox. I would like the completed reports no later than **July 15th**. Thank you!
~Jennifer

COUNTY RECORD BOOK JUDGING

County Record Book Judging will be held on **Saturday, July 19th**, 9 am at the Calaveras County Office of Education (located in Angels Camp, next to Calaveras Lumber). Leaders and parents are welcome to attend and a complimentary lunch, funded by 4-H Council will be served. Please provide one judge for every ten record books sent from your club.

County
RECORD BOOK
Judging

As incentive to turn record books in for county judging, two names will be drawn from all of the 4-H members who turn in a record book, and become winners of a tablet.

If judges are not provided, the record books from that club will not be judged, unfortunately. Record books will be due by the July 16th 4-H Council meeting - no exceptions. Please provide Jennifer with the judges' names from your club by July 16th. As always we will be making every effort to mix things up with our judges, so that no two judges from the same club are on the same judging team. We will be pairing experienced judges with novice judges, so if you have parents or leaders who have not judged in the past, let them know that they are eligible to judge the books. We ask that no children be in attendance, and that only judges who can be at the event for the full event duration attend.

Auction Items Needed for Ironstone Concours d'Elegance

The Ironstone Concours d'Elegance Foundation is in need of items for their silent auction. The Concours will be held on September 27th. If you would like to make a donation, please contact Gail Kautz at 209/931-0782.

Incentive For Reading the 4-H Newsletter

This month, there will be an incentive prize for registered Calaveras 4-H members who read and answer a question about the 4-H Clover Country Newsletter. This month's prizes are three gift cards, one of the three to be given to the first three Calaveras 4-H families that answer the question (one prize per family, please). The only trick? You must read through the newsletter to find the answer!

This month's question: What is the incentive for turning in your 4-H record book for countywide judging? If you know the answer, call the 4-H Office, 209/754-6474 (leave a message if no answer and spell out your first and last name slowly, and leave a phone number) or email jggoerlitz@ucanr.edu. We are not accepting texts for this. Good luck!

JR. & TEEN LEADERS PLEASE READ

If you state in your record book that you were a Junior or Teen Leader in your project you must enclose the Leadership Project Plan & Report in your record book. It is available on our office website at [http://ucanr.org/sites/Calaveras_4-H_Program/Forms - Publications/Record Books Pubs Forms/](http://ucanr.org/sites/Calaveras_4-H_Program/Forms_-_Publications/Record_Books_Pubs_Forms/).

Club Achievement Nights

Each 4-H club will be hosting their own Achievement Night. Achievement Night is an evening where the 4-H members receive their year pins and medals as well as their stars and club awards. It is suggested that the clubs hold the awards meeting during a Dime or Quarter Dip meal, where family and friends can attend and enjoy a nice meal together.

Please note that 4-H clubs will be assuming the responsibility of purchasing 100% Attendance, 100% Uniform and Officer pins. Some of these items are available at www.4hmall.com (we use pin # M 301 GO P for the 100% Uniform and P 398 for the 100% Attendance). The 100% Attendance pins are also available at All Action Awards, and their number is 530/666-3220.

4-H Council will provide stars, stripes and year pins.



ATTENTION CLUB TREASURERS!!!

It's Club Audit Time! The following auditing guidelines are to be used by each community club:

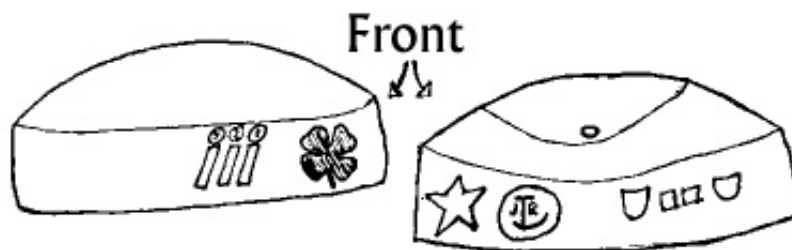
For each 4-H Community Club in Calaveras County, the guidelines set forth in the 4-H Treasurer's Manual are to be used. Each club is to keep documentation of income, expenses, and equipment using the Treasurer's Manual forms. Audit Committee shall follow procedures set for in the Treasurer's Manual.

Copies of the Financial Reporting forms are in the Treasurer's Manual. Documents are to be turned over to the 4-H office by **July 15th**:

Each community club leader has been sent a copy of the required forms. Please contact your community club leader to help you organize your club's audit.

THE 4-H FELT HAT EXPLAINED

Green hat - through 8th grade
White hat - 9th grade and above



Service Stripes for 4-H Hat:

White bar on green - worn on green hat, one bar for each year of 4-H completed.

Gold bar on green - worn on green hat, one bar for each year of junior leadership completed (7th and 8th grade only).

Green bar on white - worn on white hat, one bar for each year of 4-H completed.

Gold bar on white - worn on white hat, one bar for each year of junior or teen leadership completed (9th grade on).

When a member reaches 9th grade and begins wearing a white hat he/she will receive new service stripes at Achievement Night to put on the 4-H hat. The service stripes from the green 4-H hat should not be transferred to the white hat as the member will receive stripes to represent past years for the new hat.

4-H HAT ETIQUETTE

A 4-H member wears a green hat through the 8th grade and a white hat beginning with the 9th grade.

Service stripes (year stripes) are worn directly behind the clover on the right side of the hat.

Achievement pins (year pins) are fastened to the hat just above the stripes for the corresponding year, starting with the first year pin next to the 4-H clover.

Star rank emblems are worn in front on the left side; only the highest star earned is worn. The all star replaces the gold star. The All Star pin should be fastened to the center of the All Star emblem.

Medals are usually worn on the left side of the hat behind the emblems but may be worn on either side of the hat. The cap should reflect the dignity of the 4-H club work and should be kept clean. Only pins and emblems earned while representing 4-H should be worn on the hat.

The junior/teen leader emblem is place behind the star 3/8 to 1/2 inch and is worn only while serving as a junior or teen leader. If you don't have a star rank emblem the jr./teen leader emblem is worn about 1/2 inch from the front fold of the cap on the left side. Only one jr./teen leader emblem should be on the hat. The Hi 4-H emblem is worn behind that.

Always write your name in your hat!!!

Congratulations to Our New All Star Pledge

We have a new All Star Pledge, Kenny Reed! Congratulations to Kenny! We look forward to working with Kenny this upcoming 4-H year. You will be seeing Kenny at many 4-H events and know he will do a great job!

Thank you also to our All Star Selection Committee – Chris Markus, Kelsey Markus and Sylvia Belt.

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CALAVERAS 4-H COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes
April 23rd, 2014

President – Chris Markus Vice President - Kenny Reed Secretary – Patty Reed
Treasurer – Kathy Carlin

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm. In attendance were the following clubs: Angelus Ranus (2) Murphys (0) Mountain Ranch (4) San Andreas (3) Tri-Dam (6) West Point (1) Jenny Lind (5) Mokelumne Hill (0) Copper Hills (0) Calaveras Wranglers (6) Countywide (0) and Ex-Officio (1) No guests.

West Point -- Ticket sales continue for their Tri-tip dinner. It's pick up only
Jenny Lind -- Planning June elections, annual dinner in August and fair prep.
Tri-Dam - - Looking forward to fair
San Andreas - Getting ready for fair and looking forward to a good time.
Mt. Ranch 3rd annual chili cook off was a delicious success.
Wranglers – Horse play date set for April 26th
Correspondence: None.
Additional Agenda item None

Reports

Secretary Report: Patty Reed– March Minutes motion to approve as read Kelsey M 2nd Shannon S motion passed.

Treasurer report: Kathy Carlin – March treasurers report read Motion to approve Anita 2nd Kenny R Motion passed

All Stars: Julia and Jarod reported on the Home Arts Expo. They handed out awards

Staff: Jennifer reported 2014-2015 Member fees will not change. Discussion regarding the start time for the Council meeting, it was agreed 7pm works best for most. Jennifer commented the Mt. Ranch Chili cook off was a nice event and she took several great pictures.

At a recent staff meeting there was a discussion on how to increase record book judging entries so for 2014 there will be raffle prizes for two entrants at county judging. (maybe a tablet). Current enrollment 228 members 69 leaders

Old Business

New Fundraising ideas - Looking at 100 for 100 fundraiser which will be further discussed after fair.

Candy sales --Total profit was \$1425.

Kiss the Pig - Kelsey reported things are well underway in the contest. Motion made to spend 50% on State Leadership Conference and 50% on other conferences. Motion passed with 17 Yeas.

4H Booth at fair - Setting up the booth at fair will be Jennifer, Chris and Sylvia and anyone else who can help. We are always looking for new display boards. See Chris M for sign up sheet

Ag Awareness – Was a successful event with many 4Hers in attendance with poultry, goats, Alpacas (not to be confused with llamas.) rabbits, covies and a few dogs.

Board of Supervisors March 25th had many 4H members in attendance and presented supervisors with gifts. Several of the members brought rabbits and poultry.

Children's Fair The dwarf goat was a favorite and it was a great day with lots of participation

Home Arts Expo Tina Enderlein was the Chili cook off winner.

4H Camp - - Elena talked about 4H camp available this summer.

New Business

Toyon 4H Club - Kevin Hesser was introduced and he discussed the plans on a 4H club at Toyon. He stated that there are many valuable resources and facilities, which can be utilized. This would open up 4H to youth who otherwise may not be able to participate.

4H Council Constitution Tabled to June

Fall Club Officer Training/Leader Retreat Day - Chris M/Jennifer G. Dates for September 7th as the first choice with September 21st as a second choice.

Day of Science/Service Day May 8th – Chris M. is working with Starbucks to have people to sign up for water surveys.

Adjournment: 8:48 Motion to adjourn 1st Kelsey M - 2nd Kayomi P - Motion passed meeting adjourned.



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BALLOT
2014/15 4-H COUNCIL OFFICERS

Voting is limited to active members only. This includes all volunteer men and women who are actively serving in administrative, assistant, project or activity capacity as leaders in the promotion and operation of the 4-H program, and 4-H members who are in 9th grade and up. A ballot cast by an ineligible voter will forfeit the ballot. Please submit only one ballot per voter.

1. The voter is to mark an "X" next to the candidate's name that he/she is voting for and may choose one candidate per office. Space is available for a write-in candidate. Be sure the person you are voting for will accept the position if elected.

Once you have voted, the bottom portion needs to be filled out with each voter's name and address. This information is confidential and is used only for purposes of verification.

PRESIDENT CHRIS MARKUS
 KENNY REED

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VICE PRESIDENT KENNY REED
 CHRIS MARKUS
 WRITE IN _____

SECRETARY PATTY REED
 WRITE IN _____

TREASURER MARY PAYNE
 WRITE IN _____

NAME OF VOTER: please print

ADDRESS:



4-H DAY OAKLAND RAIDERS



Come celebrate 4-H Day and cheer on the Oakland Raiders! \$20 from each ticket sold benefits 4-H in your community.

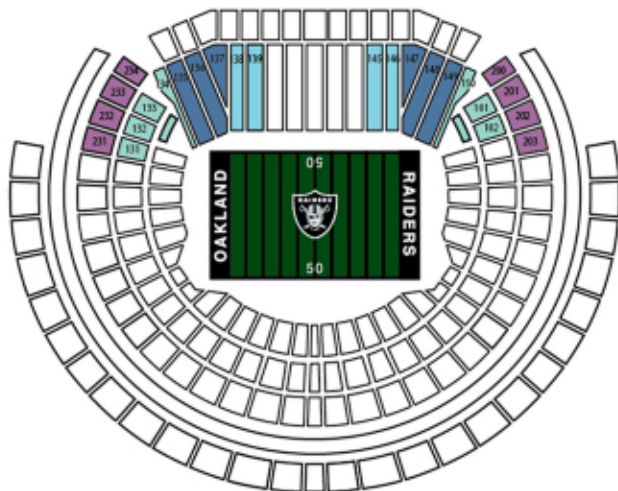
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**SUNDAY DECEMBER 21, 2014
1:25PM KICKOFF**

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4-H Science, Engineering, and Technology Impacting Local Communities: Backyard Gardens Build Communities!

In Fremont, CA, over 4,000 families receive food from the Tri-City Food bank each month. Most of it is non-perishable, canned, bottled and/or boxed; however, a body needs more fresh food in its natural state in order to grow healthy and strong.

The Bayside 4-H Junior Master Gardener Project members (ages 5-14), collaborated with local community members to study and implement requirements for an urban agriculture site in the San Francisco Bay Area. They applied for a 4-H Revolution of Responsibility grant to plant a vegetable garden plus enough fruit trees to create a backyard orchard to produce fruit. They planted several varieties of squash, cilantro, cucumbers, parsley, tomatoes, basil, leeks, and chard in three raised beds. In addition, the group utilized high-density orchard planting techniques to plant 20 new fruit trees, several multi-graft, that will produce almost 50 varieties of fruit.



The project united 4-H members, knowledgeable mentors and community members with a common goal: building community through backyard gardening. The Bayside 4-H Junior Master Gardener Project members gained life skills while sustaining a service-oriented garden and backyard orchard, such as project management, empathy for others, teamwork and presentation skills. As a result, the garden boxes are currently overflowing with plentiful new growth and ripening vegetables, fruits and herbs. Late summer and fall donations are expected to reach at least 15 pounds of fresh, local, organic produce per week.

View all of the 4-H Revolution of Responsibility projects at <http://ca4hfoundation.org/>. Apply for a 4-H Revolution of Responsibility \$1,000 minigrant at <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Support/RofR/>

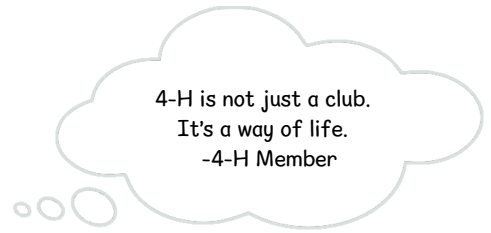
Member Tip of the Month:

Did you know 4-H members can apply for up to \$1,000 to carry out a service-learning project in their community? The next application deadline is July 15. Learn more on the Revolution of Responsibility movement for positive change on our website: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Support/RofR/>





Happening soon ...



2014 State Fair 4-H Throwdown

July 22 & 24- 2014

Like to cook? California 4-H members are invited to participate in the 4-H Cooking ThrowDown at the CA State Fair. We will have 2 days of FUN cooking challenges.

July 22—Jr. teams, youth 9-13 yrs

July 24th—Senior Teams, youth 14-19 yrs

Teams will consist of 3 youth. You will have 1 hour to prepare a 3 course meal using a surprise secret ingredient. A judge will taste all courses prepared and the winners of each qualifying round will then compete to determine the daily 4-H ThrowDown Champion! **New this year:** The winning Senior team is eligible to attend the National 4-H Food Challenge at the Texas State Fair!

Come participate in this fun challenge! [Register](#) by **July 1**.

4-H FilmFest 2014

August 3-6, 2014

<http://4h.missouri.edu/go/events/filmfest/>

All across the country, teams of 4-H youth are working to produce films for presentation at 4-H FilmFest 2014 in St. Louis. "Voices of 4-H History" will be one of the categories that youth produced films will be competing in this August. Films submitted by **July 1, 2014** will be judged for exhibition during the FilmFest, August 3-6, 2014. To view the youth produced films from the 2013 FilmFest, go to "Screening Room" at the following web address: <http://4h.missouri.edu/go/events/filmfest/results2013.htm>



4-H State Leadership Conference

"Raiders of the Lost Leadership"

August 14-17, 2014

U.C. Santa Cruz

Ages 13-19

The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four day leadership training, networking, and learning experience.

Don't miss out on one of the most fun and educational events CA 4-H has to offer!

Registration DUE July 25, 2014.

Registration info: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Conferences/SLC/>

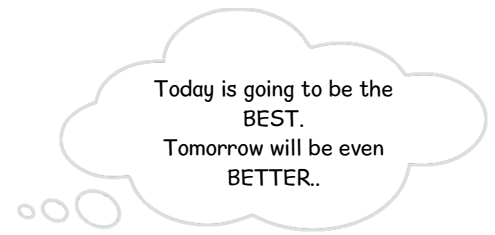
See last year's SLC [photos](#).

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4-H Calendar of Events



July

7/11/2014 [2014 CA State Fair July 11-27- 2014](#)

7/22/2014 [2014 State Fair 4-H Throwdown](#)

August

8/3/2014 [4-H Film Fest 2014](#)

8/14/2014 [State Leadership Conference](#)

September

9/13/2014 [South Section Meeting](#)

October

10/1/2014 [Deadline: CA 4-H Quick Start Record Book Course](#)

10/4/2014 [North Section Meeting](#)

10/4/2014 [Shooting Sports Archery Certification Workshop](#)

10/18/2014 [Shooting Sports Leaders Meeting](#)

November

11/3/2014 [Deadline: Records Books for State Competition](#)

11/14/2014 [Save the date: 2014 State 4-H Leaders' Forum](#)

SLF 2014

What Inspires You?

The **California State 4-H Leaders' Forum 2014** offers both information and inspiration, sometimes in an unconventional way. This is a unique opportunity for networking and weaving more tightly the fabric of our 4-H program. Volunteer leaders who have inspired youth and adults through the years, from first year leaders to the more experienced, will be honored for their service.

Scintillating and thought-provoking workshop proposals are arriving. Be inspired to make a contribution to the educational program at SLF. There is still time for you to submit your proposal (**due by June 30**). <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Conferences/SLF/>

SLF will be held on Nov. 14 – 16, 2014 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Sacramento. Early bird registration ends Sept. 1, so get registered soon and use your saved pennies to spend at the silent auction. Should you be inspired to contribute items for the silent auction or the live auction, please let us know, at your earliest convenience, so we can arrange to pick up the items. We would gratefully accept monetary donations, as well. Please contact Cindy Dixon, conference chair at: cin_mom@sbcglobal.net

For registration information and forms see: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Conferences/SLF/>.

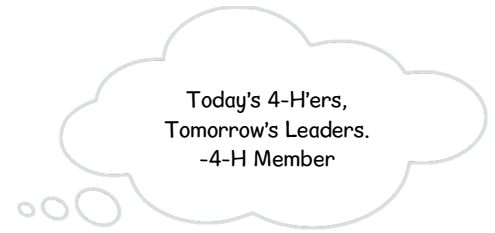


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Scholarships, Awards & Grants



The Ben Cohen StandUp Foundation Grants

Deadline: June 30

More [info](#).

Summer of Service Awards

Deadline: July 31

More [info](#).

Global Youth Service Day 2015 Lead Agency Program

Deadline: July 31

More [info](#).

Dollar General Afterschool Literacy Award from Afterschool Alliance

Deadline: August 15

More [info](#).

The Home Depot Foundation Community Impact Grants

Deadline: August 15

More [info](#).

State Ambassador Corner:

Since our last installment of *State Ambassador Corner*, the team has been tirelessly working on State Leadership Conference. It will be held on August 14th-17th at UC Santa Cruz. The theme we chose this year is "Raiders of the Lost Leadership." With a core message of SEEK. LEARN, CHANGE. Each of the State Ambassadors has been working in their respective committees for SLC: Education, Recreation, Assemblies, and Logistics. Each committee has been working on different aspects of the conference.

The Education committee has been gathering sessions and tours for the youth, and this year are doing a career-focused approach to give the delegation something new and interesting to experience. The hope is that the delegation will be exposed to different career opportunities, which might help them determine what they may want to pursue in the future. The State Ambassadors are excited to announce that all educational conference sessions have been confirmed!

The Recreation committee is planning another outstanding dance and a plethora of new activities for our delegation to experience. The Assemblies committee has secured an excellent set of speakers that they hope will bring the "wow" factor to the conference as well as planning some ground breaking, unique assemblies for the entire delegation. Logistics committee has been making sure the details of the conference are picture perfect for the delegates, as well as ensuring each delegate has an amazing experience.

Aside from SLC planning you may have seen us at State Field Day we had a great day and enjoyed spending time with the 4-H members from across the state. State Ambassador, Rachel will be representing the team at California Focus this year. She will be serving as a District Leader. We look forward to the summer events and seeing everyone at SLC in August!





Program Updates

4-H builds self-esteem, and helps youth to realize that their opinion counts and that they can make a difference.
-4-H Volunteer

POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

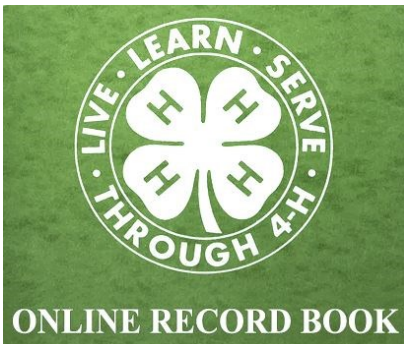
Online Record Book Surveys are open from May 1, 2014 to August 31, 2014!!!

We would like as many 4-H members as possible to complete surveys in the Online Record Book (ORB). It is our way to find out about you and how the California 4-H Youth Development Program is doing overall. To encourage 4-H members to complete surveys online we have established incentives for completing the required Spark Score Questions.

Want a chance to win?

All youth who completed all the required Spark Score Questions in ORB before January 31, 2014 *and* who complete all the required Spark Score Questions that are available between May 1, 2014 and August 31, 2014 will receive a **\$50 gift card** in the fall of 2014. Make sure to log on and complete your surveys!

Thank you to all the youth who completed the 4-H Uniform Questionnaire and Online Record Book surveys at State Field Day this year! We gave out over 175 gift cards for survey completion. Your participation is helping us make the best better! A list of the youth winners can be found here: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Research/Evaluation_Updates/



The 4-H Online Record Book Launches New Help Website

We have now launched a new ORB Help Website at www.4horb.weebly.com/.

This site will be updated regularly with "How to" directions and video helps in using the California 4-H Online Record Book.

To ask a question, report a problem or make a suggestion about the 4-H Online Record Book, please fill out the ORB Request Form which you can find at <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=11078>.

MILITARY PROGRAM

4-H Military Program

As Military Families move frequently and experience the difficulties surrounding lengthy and frequent deployments, 4-H provides predictable programming and a safe and nurturing environment for military kids.

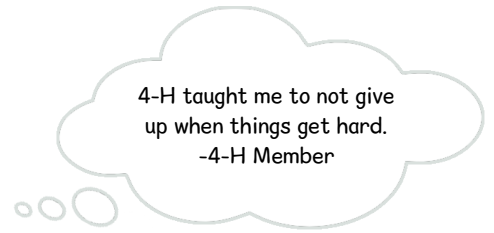
Viewing the video below, will help to understand how 4-H can play a big role in the life of a military child, as they cope with the stresses and strains of parent's deployment. More info:

<http://www.4hmilitarypartnerships.org/p.aspx?tabid=71>





Program Updates



CITIZENSHIP/LEADERSHIP



Save the Date: 2015 National 4-H Conference

Washington D.C.—April 11-16, 2015

National 4-H Conference delegates have an opportunity to increase knowledge, resources, and skills that will empower them to make an impact on their community in a meaningful and genuine way.

Applications available **August 1, 2014.**

Revolution of Responsibility Service Learning Mini-Grants

4-H groups can apply for up to \$1,000 to identify, plan, and carry out a service-learning project in their community. Projects will be focused on the three key content areas that form the core of all 4-H programs, Science, Healthy Living, and Citizenship.

2014 Application dates: July 15, 2014 | November 15, 2014 | September 15, 2014



HEALTHY LIVING

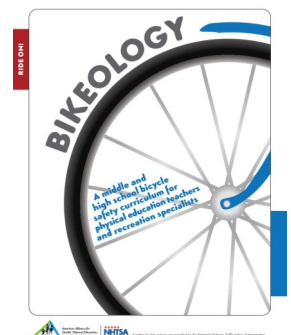
Congratulations to the National 4-H Healthy Living Youth Ambassadors!

Out of 60 applicants, 5 youth ambassadors and 2 alternate teen ambassadors have been chosen to serve for the next two years. Ru Ekanayake (LA County) has been selected as an ambassador and Tristan Chester (Fresno) has been selected as an alternate. Ru and Tristan will work with the National 4-H Healthy Regional Coordinators to help plan and support 4-H Healthy Living programs. They will inform 4-H youth, 4-H volunteers, University faculty and other interested persons about 4-H Healthy Living opportunities, resources, and program ideas that will help strengthen and expand 4-H Healthy Living programs.

New Bicycle Safety Curriculum Now Available

A new bicycle-safety curriculum is now available free of charge for those working with students in grades 6-12 from the Society of Health and Physical Educators (SHAPE America) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).

The curriculum includes lessons and assessments for the skills and knowledge students need to enjoy a lifetime of safe bicycling: http://www.shapeamerica.org/publications/resources/teachingtools/qualitytype/bicycle_curriculum.cfm





Program Updates

Every day I use what I learned and practiced in 4-H. It was the best activity of my youth and life!
-4-H Member

SCIENCE, ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY (SET)

Inspire A Future Scientist Video Contest

<http://www.4-h.org/about/partners/hughesnetinspireafuturescientist.aspx>

Entries due **June 30, 2014**.

Submit a 15-second video telling us why you love science using the form below or using the hashtag [#4HFutureScientist](#). If your video is selected as the winner, you could receive a \$1,000 cash prize and a trip to 4-H National Youth Science Day this October. 4-H and HughesNet are excited to be partnering to grow future scientists.

The Coalition for Science AfterSchool will Sunset on June 30, 2014!

<http://afterschoolscience.org/>

For ten years the Coalition for Science After School has championed the need to make science an integral component of out-of-school time programming, bringing together innovative minds and successful implementers of science learning opportunities for young people.

Given the tremendous growth of the STEM in out-of-school time field over the past decade, the Coalition will sunset operations at the end of June.



4-H National Youth Science Day (NYSD) - October 2014

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/SET/NYSD/>

The 2014 NYSD is titled, *Rockets to the Rescue* where youth will be tasked with the mission: design and build an aerodynamic food transportation device that can deliver a payload of nutritious food to disaster victims. Youth will learn engineering concepts, develop math skills, learn about nutrition and help solve a relevant, global issue. The focus of 4-H NYSD is to encourage youth to experience science in a fun, constructive manner, increase interest in the sciences and encourage participation in support of 4-H programs. [Pre-order](#) NYSD kits.

ANIMAL SCIENCE EDUCATION

New 4-H Curricula Available!

[Sheep - From the Animal's Point of View: What Does It Mean to Be a Sheep?](#)

[Swine - From the Animal's Point of View: What Does It Mean to Be a Pig?](#)

[Veterinary Science, Rabbits, and Bio-Security](#)

[Other Beef & Swine](#)



More Updates



National Youth Summit Series
Washington, DC

REGISTER NOW *A New Generation of Leaders. Today's Biggest Issues.*

Aerospace Engineering

September 24 - 28,
2014

Robotics

October 9 - 13,
2014

Maker Summit

November 6 - 10,
2014

Agri-Science

January 15 - 19, 2015

Healthy Living

February 12 - 16,
2015

You are invited to participate in a National Youth Summit in Washington, D.C. Registration is open to all, not just 4-Hers! More information at <http://www.nationalyouthsummit.org/home/>

4-H History Preservation

There is no better guide toward our future than to learn from and build upon our past. The primary purpose of the 4-H History Preservation website is to provide a central resource on 4-H history, particularly at the national level.

Learn more about this movement and what you can do to help:

<http://4-hhistorypreservation.com/>

[May 2014 Newsletter](#)

[Hands on 4-H History](#)





The 4-H Pledge

I pledge my...

HEAD to clearer thinking,

HEART to greater loyalty,

HANDS to larger service,

HEALTH to better living,

for my club, my

community,

my country and my

world.

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