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The Newsletter for the 4-H Family

Clover Country 4-H Newsletter

September 2015

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Welcome to Our New and Returning 4-H Families!

Welcome to all new and returning members, families and leaders. 4-H clubs in Calaveras County are still accepting new members.

We are looking forward to another educational and fun 4-H year. 4-H is a great opportunity to meet new people and learn lots of interesting things. Your project leaders and community club leaders are there to help, and are great resources for a productive 4-H experience. Again, welcome and welcome back!

All 4-H activities are led by volunteers. If you and your child want to have a positive and educational 4-H program, it is up to you to take an active part. Consider teaching a project, by yourself or with a friend. You could plan a club activity or fundraiser. Don't expect other parents to do all of the work so your child can enjoy 4-H. We are a strong organization because of the strength of our active volunteers. You don't have to be asked! Step up and say you can help! Your family will have more fun if you're involved.

As a gentle reminder, California 4-H requirement that there be at least 2 adults at every 4-H activity: one must be a certified adult 4-H leader and one can be another adult. One must be at least age 21. Parents, please volunteer to be that additional adult or the leader cannot have the project meeting. If you are dropping off a child, make sure that the second adult is already there. Actually, we hope you do not just drop off your child, as 4-H encourages family involvement. For safety or supervision reasons, some project leaders may require that parents stay with their children. This is a mandatory requirement for primary members.

Who Is A 4-H Leader?

A 4-H leader is an adult volunteer who has been certified through the 4-H Office. Adults who are not 4-H volunteers cannot hold project meetings regardless of whether a 4-H leader is present or not. Would you like to become a 4-H leader? Please call Jennifer at the 4-H office for details on this wonderful opportunity to help the youth of our county, 209/754-6474.

IRONSTONE CONCOURS d'ELEGANCE – Sign Up Now!

Saturday, September 26

Ironstone Concours d'Elegance is a classic car show on the grounds of Ironstone Winery in Murphys. It is a fund raiser for 4-H in the foothill counties, FFA, and State Fair scholarships. 4-H members and families volunteer to help with the event and in return, the Ironstone Concours Foundation helps support our program.

How can you help? We need members of all ages to give presentations, bring project displays, bake cookies, and work in the different venues at the event.

Presentations can be individual or team and are given from 11-12:30. The impromptu speaking contest is 12:30-1:30. Displays are set up from 9:30-2. Members stay with their displays to talk to the general public about 4-H. We recommend members with displays have partners so each person can take breaks to see the car show. Presentations and displays can be about any 4-H project or activity. Small live animals are always an attraction. Members bringing animals must supply their own cages or pens.

Each of the 5 foothill counties (El Dorado, Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne, and Mariposa) is responsible to supply 15 dozen home-made cookies for the award bags given to the sponsors and car show winners. They should be packaged 4-6 per Ziploc bag and must be delivered that day by 9 am. Contact the county office if you can bake cookies and we will arrange for drop off and delivery.

4-H members of all ages and adults to supervise are needed to take tickets, hand out programs, assemble the award bags, and assist in the merchandise booth. Teen members assist with the buffet lunch in the Music Room and hand out welcome baskets to the car show entries. All Stars help with the Gala Lunch and the Awards Ceremony.

Admission and lunch are free for 4-H members volunteering and/or presenting. Admission is free for supervising 4-H adults. Adults signing up to work at the various venues will receive lunch tickets. Lunch is also available for purchase. General admission to the Concours is \$20 per adult or \$35 per couple, and children under 14 are free. A coupon for \$5 off the \$35 fee is available at

4-H registration closes September 19. For more information and to sign up to present or volunteer, please go to: <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=15143>

4-H members are required to wear a white shirt, 4-H tie or scarf, long pants (white preferred, no shorts), and closed-toe shoes. A 4-H hat is recommended. A club t-shirt is acceptable. All Stars must be in the approved All Star uniform for their county. This is by request of the Ironstone Concours Foundation so our members are easily recognizable. Adults, please dress appropriately for an upscale car show.

Here is a link to the ticket prices, and also a \$5.00 coupon: <http://www.ironstonefoundation.org/ticket-information/>

News from JoLynn Miller, 4-H Advisor

Here is the home site of EdX <https://www.edx.org/> and they have a bunch of courses listed. May be a great way to do a 4-H project! Have the leader enroll (and the youth too for that matter) and they get together to watch/do the course.

There is an educational movement called MOOC which means Massive Open Online Course which universities are starting to offer at free and low cost prices. Thousands of people sign up. There is a MOOC focused on robotics.

<https://www.edx.org/course/electronic-interfaces-bridging-physical-uc-berkeleyx-ee40lx-0>

Here is a link to the National Youth Science day experiment:

There are many ways to host an event. Clubs or projects can do their own or you can host a larger public event. It's a great way for the public to connect 4-h with science. Just for information. If you'd like to do an event please feel free to ask me for more information. jlmler@ucanr.edu

<http://www.4-h.org/4-h-national-youth-science-day/>

In case you didn't know....Here are more resources for you!

<http://www.4-h.org/resource-library/promotional-toolkits/>

4-H Shooting Sports National Championships

June 26 – July 1, 2016

Grand Island, NE

Applications are now being accepted for the 2016 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships in Grand Island, Nebraska. The applications and a list of expectations of potential California 4-H members wishing to participate in the event can be found at

http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/SET/SET_Projects/ShootingSports/. Applications are due online or at the State 4-H Office by October 1, 2015. The online application can be accessed at:

<https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=16058>

Additional information regarding the 2016 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships can be found at: http://www.4-hshootingsports.org/nat_invite.php

Shooting Sports Leaders Wanted!

The Calaveras 4-H Youth Development Program is looking for adults who would like to become certified shooting sports volunteer leaders. There are several trainings that occur during the year, throughout the state in disciplines such as rifle, shotgun, archery and pistol. All shooting sports instructors must complete the program certification.

For more information please contact the Calaveras UCCE/4-H Office at 209/754-6474.

4-H Program Assistant Position, Davis CA

Location: UC ANR - Davis

Date Posted: August 18, 2015

Closing Date: September 8, 2015

As the first point of contact, under supervision of the Youth, Families, and Communities (YFC) Business Manager, provide administrative and programmatic support specific to the activities of the California State 4-H Youth Development Program. Assist with the coordination of statewide events and meetings. Provide administrative support to the 4-H Advisory Committees. Serve as the State Office respondent to programmatic inquiries. Provide administrative support to the YFC Unit in the ANR Building as needed.

Promote, in all ways consistent with the other responsibilities of the position, Accomplishment of the Affirmative Action goals established by the Division. To apply, please visit: <https://jobs.ucop.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=58753>

Food Safety Training For 4-H Volunteers

The Make it Safe, Keep it Safe (MISKIS) training has been designed to provide UC ANR staff and volunteers with food safety information to minimize the risk of foodborne illness. The online training can be taken at: <http://ucanr.edu/sites/MISKIS/>. A quarterly report of those that have taken the Make it Safe, Keep it Safe (MISKIS) training is now available on the 4-H Staff Resources page. Please go to: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/StaffResources/Program_Guide/ for the current list of staff and volunteers that have completed the MISKIS training as of August 14, 2015.

Please contact Anne Iaccopucci at amiaccopucci@ucanr.edu for questions regarding the food safety training.

4-H Enrollment Reminder

By now every 4-H family should have received instructions on how to re-enroll in 4-H. To be eligible to show at the **Calaveras Fair**, the below dates are the deadlines:

Returning member enrollment deadline – October 15th

New member enrollment deadline – December 1st

To Join 4-H Visit <http://california.4honline.com>

To Pay Online Visit http://cecentralsierra.ucanr.edu/4-H_Youth_Development/Join_Now

If you have any questions or problems with the process, please contact Nancy Starr at the UCCE Office in El Dorado County. Nancy can be reached by email at njstarr@ucdavis.edu or by telephone 530/621-5503.

Signed Up For A Project At A Different Club?

4-H parents and members: If a project isn't available through your club, you may have signed up for the project in a different 4-H club. If this is the case, **be sure and contact the project leader** to find out when their project meetings will be held. It is your responsibility to find out their meeting dates.

Upcoming 4-H Council Meetings

The September 4-H Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 16th. The meeting will be held at the CCWD Board Room in San Andreas. It begins at 7 pm. All 4-H families are welcome to attend! Please have at least one representative from your club in attendance. You do not need to be a 4-H leader to attend. Parents & 4-H members may also represent your club.

Welcome to Our 4-H Council Officer Team!

They are:

Chris Markus, President

Anita Hatfield, Vice President

Cecilia Osgood, Secretary

Michele Compton, Treasurer

Chris Markus remains All Star Advisor



Thank you to all of you for stepping up to fill these roles!

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK COMING!

National 4-H Week will be held October 4th – 10th. Now is the time to plan with your club to promote 4-H. What can you do?

- Wear your 4-H uniform to school or church.
- Share your 4-H hat and record book with your class.
- Give a demonstration to your classroom or local service groups.
- Put up a public display in a store window or library.
- Invite someone new to your next 4-H meeting.
- Ask neighbors and friends if they would like to join 4-H.
- Community pride recognition (clean up a local park, share pets with members of a convalescent home, canned food drive, etc.)

National 4-H week marketing materials can be found here: <http://www.4-h.org/resource-library/4H-marketing-online-resource-center/4H-campaign-assets/> The theme this year is **4-H Grows Here**. Have a fun National 4-H Week!

Need Help With Record Book Forms?

A great resource for answering questions about the forms is at www.groups.yahoo.com where you can join the group called **ca4hrb**. This site provides an excellent opportunity for 4-H families to ask questions and receive feedback from others, including staff at the State 4-H Office.

4-H Record Book Clinic Upcoming

There will be a Countywide 4-H Record Book Clinic on **Tuesday, November 10th** beginning at 6:30 pm at the old CCWD Board Room in San Andreas (behind San Andreas Mini Mart). You must RSVP the 4-H Office no later than **October 30th** if you plan to attend so that we know how many people we plan to seat. Please call Jennifer at 209/754-6474. This is an excellent opportunity for 4-H members, parents and leaders to learn more about how to fill out record books.

Did You Receive An Awards Plaque or Hat Pin For The Calaveras Fair?

If so, your club leader will be giving you a list of the sponsor names and addresses. Please make sure that you write a letter of thanks to that sponsor. This year's sponsors include:

Mountain Ranch 4-H Club (rabbits and sheep)
Stammerjohan Family (sheep)
Freddie Electric (swine – advanced showmanship)
Colette Busi (beef)
Andrea Stammerjohan-Gowen (sheep)
Jeff Jones Farrier (rabbits)
Cheryl & Elliott Joses
Virginia Steele (rabbits)

Bill Hutchinson (junior exhibits)
Gary & Carol Hinman (goats, sheep, horses, swine)
Tim Magnuson, D.D.S. (pygmy goats & dogs)
Turner's Wild West (horses & ponies)
Angels Camp Veterinary Hospital (dogs)
Bill Hutchinson (rabbits)
Toni Middleton (junior exhibits)
Bob & Susan Middleton (swine)

2016 Salute to Excellence 4-H Volunteer Awards

Information & Deadlines

The National 4-H Salute to Excellence Volunteer Recognition Award recognizes 4-H volunteers who demonstrate exemplary service to 4-H, while promoting service through volunteerism as both an opportunity and a privilege.

California will be nominating two volunteers to be considered as regional honorees. The regional honorees become nominees for the national award, and one volunteer in each category will be named the national honoree.

Selection Criteria

1. The *Volunteer of the Year Award* (VOY) is for currently serving 4-H volunteers who have served as 4-H volunteers for **less than 10 years** at the local, county, district or state level.
2. The *Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer Award* (OLV) is for current or former 4-H volunteers who have served **10 or more years** at the local, county, district or state level.

Please take the time to nominate outstanding individual volunteers using the [Nomination Application](#). Mail completed nomination packet(s) to the UC ANR, State 4-H Office, Attn: Shannon Horrillo, 2801 Second Street, Davis, CA 95618. Nomination Packets must be received **by September 25th**.

If multiple nomination packets are received they will be reviewed by the 4-H Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee who will recommend one nominee for each category to the Associate Director of 4-H Program and Policy for final approval. Please note there is no limitation on the number of nominees from each county.

For more information visit: <http://www.4-h.org/resource-library/grants-awards/opportunities/salute-to-excellence/program-information/>

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CALAVERAS 4-H COUNCIL

MINUTES

August 19, 2015

7:00 p.m.

CCWD Board Room

1. Call to Order
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. 4-H Pledge

2. Roll Call and Club Reports:

Angelus Ranus (1) Reported their 1st meeting was Monday the 14th they will be holding elections and sign ups

Tri-Dam (2) Kenny reported 1st mtg is Sept 2nd looking forward to the new year

West Point (2) Anita introduced her daughter Cecelia as a new volunteer. A meeting was held to discuss plans for the 2015/2016 4H Yr. They won \$100 from Tractor Supply

Jenny Lind (1) Jared reported the 1st mtg is Aug 20th and the annual fundraiser is Aug 22nd

Mokelumne Hill (4) Sylvia reported the 1st mtg is Aug 20th.

Ex-Officio (1) Guests (2) Jean and Don

3. Additional Agenda Items None

4. Correspondence None

5. Reports

- a. Secretary, submitted by Kelsey Markus in Patty Reed's absence Motion to approve Sylvia B 2nd Jarod Motion passed
- b. Treasurer, M. Compton (Michele has family emergency and won't be in attendance) Treasurer's report read Motion to approve 1st Sylvia 2nd Jarod motion passed
- c. All Star Kenny Reed gave a summary of his project the Ice Cream social at the 2015 fair. It was a success and he learned a lot about planning and implementing a project. Jared Sparrowk is working on orientation night at CHS. His project is in the planning stages and a meeting is set for this week to go over and confirm his timeline and plans.
- d. Staff Jennifer stated the financials went out to the clubs and need to be returned. The Achievement award tallies were due Aug 1st. Jennifer also requested projects info and meeting dates be submitted.
- e. Guest – Jeana Kennedy, Calaveras Animal Disaster Shelter –Gave a presentation on shelters for our animals in case of an evacuation.

6. Old Business

- a. New Fundraising Ideas – Chocolate bars?, Food on Saturday prior to Fair?, Countywide events? Other?
- b. Elections: 4-H Council Secretary and Vice President Cecilia Osgood voted in as our new secretary and Anita Hatfield voted in as our new Vice President. Thank You so much for stepping up.
- c. Countywide 4-H Record Book Judging Recap, attendees Only 8 to 10 books were submitted Thank you to Chris M, Sylvia B, Jennifer G, Denise D and Michele C for judging.
- d. Ironstone Concours, September 26, J. Goerlitz Signups are online so please sign up early to get your desired job.

7. New Business

- a. Yearly calendar/Volunteer opportunities, C. Markus reviewed the 2015/2016 calendar and updates were made where needed
- b. October 7th, National Youth Science Day, C. Markus if interested register online
- c. Fee waivers & club responsibilities, J. Goerlitz/C. Markus discussed the smaller clubs will face a greater challenge than a larger club if clubs were to be required to fund the fee waivers for their club.
- d. Fair -- junior exhibits awards 4-H classes being eliminated & only open classes, if several entries in one class (example: kites) let Laurie at Fairgrounds know by end of September. Class can be added, J. Goerlitz

8. Adjourn. 1st Sylvia 2nd Jared motion to adjourn passed.

Project Wanted!

We are looking for a Cultural Diversity 4-H project. This would be a countywide project that would focus on the cultural differences of the people around us. If you are interested in becoming a project leader for this project, please contact the 4-H Office, 209/754-6474.

Needed – New Location for 4-H Council meetings!

After 2015, we will not have the ability to use the old CCWD Board Room for our Council meetings and other functions. If anyone has suggestions for a new location, please contact the 4-H Office, 754-6474.

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Livestock News

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California Pork Producers Association 2015-2016 Show Pig Scholarship

The Directors of the California Pork Producers Association (CPPA) and the CPPA Youth Committee invite the breeders and junior members of the Association to participate in the 2015-2016 Annual Show Pig Scholarship program. CPPA is very enthused about the impact that this program has had, and asks for your participation, leadership, and support!

This scholarship is designed to promote interaction between the leaders of today and those of tomorrow by providing junior members a high quality show pig for their county fair, as well as gain a depth of knowledge about the swine industry from the breeder. It is the goal of the show pig scholarship to assist junior members with strong scholastic skills, who may not be financially able to purchase a show pig, and have an interest in the swine industry.

Information and applications are available on the CPPA website at the following link – <http://www.calpork.com/ProducerResources/1845/ShowPigScholarship.aspx#.VedK3jZRHIU>

Deadline to submit applications – October 1, 2015

For questions, please contact the CPPA office at (916) 447-8950 or info@calpork.com

Horse Day

October 24, 2015 at UC Davis

<http://animalscience.ucdavis.edu/HorseBarn/Events%20and%20Clinics/Horse%20Day%20Page.htm>

Goat Day

Our small, family farm in Davis, CA is hosting an Educational Goat Day/ Open Barn in October! I wanted to extend an invitation to your County 4-H groups. This event is admission free and family-friendly. It is educationally focused with a bit of fun thrown in as well. We are presenting a vet speaker, live demonstrations of basic goat care, and real-time ultrasounds on bred does. There will also be a petting area for children, a raffle with prizes, and a BBQ lunch. We will require a sanitizing foot bath before entry for bio security purposes.

Crees Brothers Farm

Davis, CA

lauracrees@yahoo.com

www.creesbrothersfarm.weebly.com

www.facebook.com/creesbrothersfarm

Livestock Quiz Bowl

The State 4-H Office will be hosting a livestock quiz bowl at the Grand National Exposition, Horse Show and Rodeo at Cow Palace on October 17th. This event is open to both 4-H and FFA members, and the top 4-H team and the top FFA team at this contest will be eligible to compete at the Western National Round Up in Denver, Colorado in January.

Eligibility

1. Each 4-H county and FFA chapter may enter multiple teams of four (4) or five (5) contestants. One team member will be designated as an alternate if five (5) are entered. Teams may be selected by any procedure, which the club/chapter deems appropriate.
2. Contestant must already have passed his or her 14th birthday, and may not have reached his or her 19th birthday, as of January 1 of the current year.
3. All contestants must be members of 4-H or FFA in the 4-H county/FFA chapter they represent.
4. Contestants may not have participated in post-secondary coursework in the subject area of this competition, nor has he or she participated in training for post-secondary competition in the subject area of this competition. Violation of this will result in forfeiture of any awards or recognition which has been won in this Competitive Event.
5. An individual may enter a National 4-H competitive event in a specific program area only once. Participating members of a team entry are ineligible to enter the same event again as a part of another team. Any individual who has participated in a National 4-H or FFA competitive event in a specific program area may not enter the same event at the state level.

Registration

Livestock Quiz Bowl teams must be pre-registered. Entries must be RECEIVED by October 2, 2015. The paper registration forms can be found under the contest rules section. To register a team online [click here](#) or mail your completed registration forms to the 4-H Office:

California 4-H Office
Livestock Quiz Bowl
ATTN: Alyssa Sankey
2801 2nd St.
Davis, CA 95618.

Contacts

For more information please visit http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/Livestock_Quiz_Bowl/, or contact Nikki Wilson, Contest Superintendent, 760-403-0863, wilsonfarms84@gmail.com or Alyssa Sankey, State 4-H Program Representative for Animal Science Education, 530-750-1340, ajsankey@ucanr.edu



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"Catch A Special Thrill"

C.A.S.T. for Kids Fishing Fun Fair

Saturday October 10, 2015

New Melones Lake ~ Mark Twain Recreation Area



FREE fishing event for disabled & disadvantaged children ages 5-16

Pre-registration is required for both participants and volunteers by October 2, register at: <http://www.castforkids.org/events-calendar/cast-events/lake-new-melones/>

Fishing
BBQ lunch
Free T-shirt
Fishing Tackle
Activities
Water Safety



For information contact Ranger Mike at 209-536-9094 ext. 233

This event is made possible by the generous support of community members, businesses, local service clubs, and organizations. The C.A.S.T. for Kids Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. Donations gladly accepted.