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February

28...........Camp Steering Comm Meet 6:30-8:30pm

March

8...........Executive Board Meeting 6-8p Ukiah
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15..........Camp Teen Training 6:30-8:30pm
15..........Newsletter Articles Due
21.........I & R Committee Meeting 6-7:30p Ukiah
22.........Camp Steering Comm Meet 6:30-8:30pm
29.........Camp Teen Training 6:30-8:30pm

April

1.........County Council Meeting 9a-2p Ukiah
15.........Newsletter Articles Due
18.........I & R Committee Meeting 6-7:30p Ukiah
19.........Camp Teen Training 6:30-8:30pm
26.........Camp Steering Comm Meet 6:30-8:30pm
29.........Potter Valley Rabbit Show Firehouse in Potter Valley

May

6..........Extravaganza Ft Bragg
13.......Color Me Green Nelson Vineyards
15.........Newsletter Articles Due
16.........I & R Committee Meeting 6-7:30p Ukiah
17.........Camp Teen Training 6:30-8:30pm
24.........Camp Steering Comm Meet 6:30-8:30pm
27.........State Field Day

June

14.........Executive Board Meeting 6-8p Ukiah
15.........Newsletter Articles Due
20.........I & R Committee Meeting 6-7:30p
21.........Camp Teen Training 6:30-8:30pm
28.........Camp Steering Comm Meet 6:30-8:30pm

July

2-6........Summer Camp
4.........UCCE Office Closed
15.........Newsletter Articles Due
15.........County Council Meeting 9a-2p (Coast Office)
UPDATE ON EXTRAVAGANZA IN 2017

There are changes happening to Extravaganza!

Due to the difficulty of getting help on the committee for the Still Portion of the Extravaganza, it will be dropped from the event this year.

The 2017 Extravaganza will be hosted by the Fort Bragg Club and held at Dana Gray School in Fort Bragg on May 6, 2017. The theme is Boots, Chaps & Cowboy Hats. Deadline to enter: April 19, 2017.

Fashion Revue and Food Olympics will be the two main events. The committee is forming now, so as more news becomes available, you’ll be able to read about it in the newsletter.

Sewing Project members, you now know when you’ll need to have your outfits complete. Information on the categories for this year can be found at http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SFD/SFR/ which is the State Fashion Revue website. Our county follows the same categories and rules.

Food Olympics is starting its 2nd year. Last year was a fun success for all who participated. You do not have to be in a cooking project to compete. The categories within Food Olympics are; Favorite Foods, Healthy Living, Cupcake Decorating and Place settings. For more information on Food Olympics check out http://cemendocino.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Fashion_Revue_and_Favorite_Foods/ This was last years’ information but the categories will be the same.

If you would like to help with the event, you can contact Karen and Lucia Jones at bearyboo135@gmail.com or call the UCCE office at 707-463-4495

Mark your calendars, County Presentation Day will be held on Saturday, March 11, 2017 in Mendocino at the K-8 school on Little Lake Road.

Registration starts at 11:00, Opening Assembly at 12:15, and Presentations at 12:45. Presentations are a GREAT way to start learning to speak publicly. There are many different types of Presentations from which to choose.

- Demonstration
- Scientific or Engineering Demonstration
- Educational Display Talk
- Informative Prepared Speech
- Impromptu Speech
- Persuasive Prepared Speech
- Interpretive Reading
- Share the Fun Skit
- Cultural Arts
- Job interview

Come watch to see more!!!!!

The Job Interview Contest will once again take place during State Field Day on May 27, 2017. The 2017 Job Descriptions for the State 4-H Interview Contest have been released and are now available on the State Website.

For more information about the contest please visit: http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SFD/Interview_Contest/ or contact the contest coordinator, Barbara Crane at BCrane@mtsac.edu.
Summer Camp Update ~ Calling all CITs and Campers

Please help spread the word that camp registration deadline is coming up quickly, March 1st

Mendo Lake 4-H Summer Camp 2017 planning is underway. Camp will be held July 2-6, 2017 at Mendocino Woodlands, outside the town of Mendocino. Check out our new camp location http://mendocinowoodlands.org/

Workshops are being planned and part of what will be offered: Shooting Sports-Archery and Rifle, Arts & Crafts, Photography, recycled cars and birds. Many others are being considered, ideas are welcomed.

Our new Deans and Directors have been chosen and an informational meeting was held on January 18th for interested counselors and parents.

Applications for camper and counselor in training are all posted on the summer camp website: http://celake.ucanr.edu/Mendocino-Lake_4-H_Summer_Camp/Camp_Registration_Forms/

Important dates are as follows:

Counselor- Counselors will need to complete 14 hours of training. Training dates are tentative include: 3-15, 4-19, 5-17, 6-21 at the Ukiah 4-H office 6:30-8:30 pm. The Saturday training will be April 29th at Mendocino Woodlands Camp.

Counselor in Training (CIT)- All 12-13 year olds who are interested in having the role of a CIT, needs to register for camp by March 1st. A non-refundable $100 is due at that time with the remaining $75 due on April 15th. CIT’s will have 2 trainings prior to camp. These days are yet to be determined, CITs are encouraged to attend.

Campers: We need campers! All 9-13 year olds need to register for camp by March 1st. A non-refundable $100 is due at that time with the remaining $75 due on April 15th.

Adult Camp Staff: Adults interested in attending camp and helping with sessions and activities are invited to apply. The cost for adults is covered by Mendo-Lake 4-H Summer Camp Committee. A mandatory training will be held closer to camp, the date is not set yet. Space is limited and registration forms will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis. If you have any additional questions or would like to share your ideas, please contact the 4-H staff at 707-263-6838.

If the family is applying for a scholarship they hold all payment until they hear about the scholarship. The due date seems very early this year and we have families saying they are send their children and are surprised with they hear the due date. It is early because we have to pay for the facility in installments and the next payment is coming soon. The cabins have 4 WALLS!
Color Me Green 5K Run/Walk

A County Council Fundraiser hosted by the Willits 4-H Club will be held May 13th at Nelson Vineyards; South of Ukiah, just off of Hwy 101. It is a VERY good fundraiser and a lot of fun to do!

http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=20005

Above is the link to the survey. Please read it carefully and share with everyone.

Clubs are challenged to form a team; of members, leaders, parents, friends and more.

If you are having company for Mothers day (the next day) invite your company to join us!

Linda is forming a “senior” adult team. Who can join this team? Anyone! It’s sure to be a be a slow noisy team!
A paper registration form will soon be finalized.

Each and every club in Mendocino is expected to participate. This is our only Council Fundraiser for the year.

There are lots of small jobs that can be done before the event. During the event, people will be needed for registration at 8am and people to work at the water stations and color throwing stations.

Alexis England from Willits is the adult in charge. She does have a small committee that is working on this but would LOVE more help.

Alexis can be reached at lexi050505@gmail.com or 707-354-0076.

Sign up early to save.

Most of the work is done prior to the event. The event itself is set up the morning before the run. The run starts and really doesn’t take that long.

It’s a fun, healthy way to support 4-H. You can run or walk the course. It’s up to you. Linda plans on walking and hopes that you’ll join her. :)

Watch the newsletter for more information.

PG&E SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

I wanted to bring to your attention the attached information about the PG&E Better Together STEM Scholarship Program. Please share with any students or educators who may be interested!

The program awards a total of $100,000 in scholarships annually to local high school, community college and non-traditional students pursuing higher education in engineering, computer science, cyber security and environmental sciences.

Scholarship winners will receive $5,000 per year, renewable for up to four years for undergrad education.

The deadline to apply for the PG&E Better Together STEM Scholarship is March 31. Scholarship winners will be announced this summer. For more information and to apply, visit pge.com/educationprograms.

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**SCRIBE’S ARTICLES**

The **Mendocino Spartans** had our club meeting January 12th. After our normal business meeting we had a Presentation Day Workshop. It turns out we are hosting County Presentation Day on Saturday, March 11th at the Mendocino K-8 School. This county wide event is a great opportunity for 4-Hers to participate alongside fellow, enthusiastic 4-H members. The leaders and members are all super busy planning to make this the best Presentation Day! Hope to see you all there!

Hello 4-H Families,  
I am very excited to announce that baby goats are here! This is by far my favorite time in 4-H! I got to go out to the Braught’s barn on January 7th with Mason Kelly and we helped Shanna deliver Tuesday’s quads! Yes Tuesday is the goats name and yes she had 4 babies! Although she did not even look big enough to have that many. Also Charlie Tuna has brought 2 wonderful, beautiful babies into the world.  
The beef group is up and running, I heard that they had a meeting out at the Shamrock I don’t exactly know what they worked on but my mom saw pictures so she showed me so I could write about it in this report. Their projects looked great.  
 Hailey Musgrave  
**Long Valley 4-H**

**Redwood Valley/Calpella 4H Club Scribes by Lily Lewis**

Hello 4H families! At our December meeting Kyle talked about Wreaths Across America that was happening on December 17th, 2016 and encourage club members to come and help lay wreaths. We also had our annual potluck and awards ceremony. We also discussed the 4H camp that is being held in July of 2017.  
Our January meet was cancelled due to the weather and all the flooding. Our next meeting is February 14, 2017 at the Redwood Valley Grange.

**Clarification for Ages of Junior and Teen Leaders**

Junior leaders (intermediate members): To become a junior leader, members must be at least 11 and no more than 13 years old by December 31st of the program year.
Teen leaders (senior members): To become a teen leader, members must be at least 14 and no more than 19 years old by December 31st of the program year.

The information is straight from the State 4-H website.

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**4-H Shooting Sports Workshop**

**Rifle Discipline Bakersfield, CA**

**Saturday, March 18, 2017 – 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, March 19, 2017 – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at the UC Cooperative Extension Office, 1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue in Bakersfield. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a rifle trainer and can lead a rifle project at the club level or serve as county trainer to certify other leaders.

There is no cost for the course. To register for the course or receive more information, contact John Borba at: jaborba@ucanr.edu

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**LEGOS**

Check out one of our newest projects, **Legos**.  
Mendocino Spartan club has a very active and engaging Lego project.  
They learn using Legos. This could be a future engineer.

What new and exciting projects does your club have?
State 4-H Updates

Open invitation: CA 4-H State Management Board Meetings
Want to find out what is happening in 4-H? Do you have a topic you want to see discussed? The State Management Board will meet in Davis on the following dates in 2017:

- Saturday, February 18th
- Sunday, April 30th
- Saturday, June 10th
- Saturday, August 19th

You can attend in person or call in. Mark these dates on your calendar and check for details closer to the meeting dates. Sue Garcia, Secretary, CA 4-H State Management Board

California Focus registration and District Leader applications are now open. The 2017 California Focus will be held June 16-20, 2017 at the Holiday Inn Capitol Plaza in Sacramento. At Cal Focus youth ages 14-19 will experience California’s legislative, political, and judicial processes in action. Check out California Focus Event Page on the state website for more information.

Important Cal Focus Dates:
- Week of December 11: California Focus registration open
- January 16th: California Focus District Leader applications due
- Week of April 3rd: California Focus registration ends
- June 16-20: California Focus

Keep up with the State Ambassadors on their official snapchat, @ca4hsa; on the California 4-H Instagram, @ca4h; and the State Ambassador page on the State Website

State 4-H Updates

New Federal Regulations to Impact Livestock Producers
As of January 1, 2017, all medically-important antibiotics for use in or on feed and in water will require a Veterinary Feed Directive (VFD) or a prescription. This new regulation will affect all livestock producers including 4-H and FFA members.

The State 4-H Office, in coordination with the UC Davis Veterinary Medicine Extension, and the California Department of Food and Agriculture will be presenting a one-hour webinar on multiple dates to further explain the new regulations and their implications.

Webinar Dates:
- January 11th 10:00-11:00 am
- January 17th 10:00-11:00 am
- February 6th 10:00-11:00 am
- February 28th 10:00-11:00 am

The webinars will be hosted in Zoom Conferencing. Please join one of these webinars from PC, Mac, Linux, iOS or Android at: https://ucanr.zoom.us/j/174735292. 4-H staff, volunteers, and FFA instructors are encouraged to attend.

Equine Field Day Registration
Registration for the 2017 Equine Field Day is now open.

Regular Registration: $10 for 4-H Members and 4-H Volunteers
4-H Members and Adults Walk-in Registration: $15 for 4-H Members and 4-H Volunteers
4-H Members and Adults Regular Registration ends March 11, 2017. For more information about the event visit: 4-H Equine Field Day.

Attention!! Do you have experience doing voice over work and want to share your skills with CA 4-H? Maybe you have a passion for radio or voice work and are looking for an opportunity to use your skills and passion. We are currently looking for 4-H adult volunteers and youth members who would be willing to be voice talent for the online courses that we are developing. If interested, please contact Scott Mautte at the 4-H state office
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2017 UC Davis, CA&ES Field Day
The UC Davis, College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences Field Day will take place March 3-4, 2017 at UC Davis. This field day is open to both FFA and 4-H members. 4-H members may compete in any of the contests offered. Please note that the Livestock Judging, the Poultry Judging and the Dairy Judging contests are considered State qualifiers to attend the National events.

Registration Deadlines

- December 2nd - Online Registration opens.
- February 3rd - Online Registration Deadline - Payments must be postmarked by this date. A $25 late fee for payments postmarked after this date will be enforced.
- February 10th - AgriScience Fair and Job Interview materials due.
- February 10th - Online registration closed - Late registrations will no longer be accepted.

To register your team, please follow the instruction included in the attached letter.

For more information about the event, please visit: http://www.caes.ucdavis.edu/connect/events/field-day

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AgDiscovery is a two week residential outreach program sponsored by different United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) programs for high school students in partnership with selected universities. AgDiscovery is a unique opportunity for students to gain a first-hand look at the many career paths open to them in agriculture. Students live on a college campus and learn about different agriculture careers from university professors, scientists, and other professionals who work for the U.S. Government in a variety of fields.

Students selected for the 2017 AgDiscovery summer session will pay only the cost of their transportation to get from their home to the college campus for the start of the session and back again at the end of the session. The cost of tuition, room and board, and lab supplies for the 2 week program will be covered by various programs within APHIS.

See the current AgDiscovery website for age requirements. Students can only apply for one program this year. Applicants will be notified on or before May 8, 2017 if they have been selected for one of the 22 AgDiscovery programs this summer. If you have questions about the AgDiscovery program, please call APHIS at 301-851-4199 or send an email.

Applications can be submitted as: 1) A fillable PDF application which can mailed, along with the required two-page essay and 3 references to the address (listed on the side) for Ms. Tammy Lowry. 2) Hard copy applications must be postmarked no later than March 1, 2017. APHIS will not accept application packages that are incomplete or received after March 1, 2017.

National 4-H Council Youth Advisory Committee Recruiting - The National 4-H Council’s Board of Trustees has voted to change its composition and governance structure. One of the changes includes the development of a Youth Advisory Committee. This Youth Advisory Committee will consist of 4-H alumni between the ages of 18 and 23, and will be responsible for working alongside Council staff on fundraising and marketing efforts targeted at other young alumni. We will be looking for 4-H alumni who are creative thinkers, can influence their peer networks and have the ability to lead large-scale initiatives. Our application process will be similar in nature to those we have used for Youth Trustees and Youth In Action awards. We will be accepting applications January-March, and reviewing/interviewing applicants April and May for a June, 2017 election.

USDA-APHIS AgDiscovery Program
ATTN: Ms. Tammy Lowry
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4700 River Road, Unit 92, Suite 6C-04.13
Riverdale, MD 20737-1234
Web Sites

National 4-H Council
www.4-h.org

California State 4-H Website:
http://4h.ucanr.edu/

Record Book forms, officer manuals, Policy Handbook, opportunities for youth and leaders, etc. Click on Resources for links to electronic 4-H forms, policies, and opportunities.

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Yahoo Groups for Community Club Leaders
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/4h-ccl/
Valuable site for discussing issues, sharing information and resources for curriculum, materials and project ideas.

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