#### COOPERATIVE EXTENSION UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA STANISLAUS COUNTY







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# OCTOBER—NOVEMBER 2011 ELECTRONIC ONLY

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#### NEWS FROM THE 4-H OFFICE...

Welcome **Yolanda Cruz** to the UC Cooperative Extension office! Yolanda is our new administrative clerk and will mainly be assigned to 4-H and will be answering the 4-H phone. We are happy to have the position filled! A big thank you to Debbie LaBarbera who has been helping keep 4-H going during the hiring process. Debbie, our former 4-H secretary and office manager, will help Yolanda learn the job about once a week. Yolanda's email address will be ycruz@ucdavis.edu. 4-H phone line is (209) 525-6801.

This issue of the Forecast is going out by email only. Please print and share with families without email.

# SUMMER CAMP STAFF APPLICATIONS

We are currently taking applications for 4-H Camp 2012 staff positions at Camp Sylvester. Members that have completed 9th grade at the time of camp can apply. Adults 18 years and older who apply need to complete leader certification before camp starts. Counselors or Assistant Counselors need to have completed 8th grade.

Applications are available at the 4-H office or on the web at <a href="http://stanislaus4h.ucdavis.edu">http://stanislaus4h.ucdavis.edu</a> under Camping Programs. Job descriptions are also found there.

Staff applications and references are due to the 4-H office by October 28, 2011. Interviews on Friday, November 25th. (Director on November 3rd)

**Counselor Applications** are due to the 4-H office by **January 6, 2012.** Interview dates January 24-25th.

## **SUMMER CAMP 2012!**



Camp planning is underway! Two 5 day/4 night sessions will be held so there will plenty of room! Dates for Camp will be Saturday, June 9th to

Wednesday, June 13th and Thursday, June 14th to Monday June 18th. An electronic payment option will be available this year to allow for use of credit cards and payment plans. High school age members can attend as staff, counselors, or assistant counselors and are encouraged to apply! There should be room for 8th graders going into 9th to come as campers.

Club Support: Is your club assisting with camp fees? Some are paying the full way... some \$100, \$50, \$25, ... some nothing. Please financially support your campers and counselors to encourage attendance.

#### KEEP EMAIL ADDRESSES CURRENT

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Be sure to let us know if your email address changes. If you haven't done so already, add your address to the Email Newsletter Notification list:



http://groups.ucanr.org/ Stanislaus4H/documents/newsletter1598.htm

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# GUIDELINES FOR AUTHORIZED USE OF 4-H NAME AND EMBLEM

The 4-H Name and Emblem are protected under federal statute (Title 18 USC 707).

The statement "18 USC 707" must be printed adjacent to the clover whenever we use it outside of our 4-H family. This would include wearing of the logo, promotional brochures, posters, window displays and the like. This statement can be placed to the right of the stem or along the bottom right leaf.

If you contract with a private vendor (as opposed to using the 4-H Source Catalog) for manufactured items, be sure to provide the vendor with guidelines for proper display. See http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/clover/index.asp for details.

As a practical matter, you may continue to use existing clover items, including flags, banners, and clothing without the protection statement. However, as they wear thin or as the clubs have resources to replace them, be sure that the new items are properly marked.

Clubs are permitted to use the clover within the club without county office consent, as long as guidelines for proper display are followed. For a countywide display or if you have questions, contact the county 4-H staff.



#### **NEW 4-H LEADER ORIENTATIONS**

All persons applying to become 4-H leaders must attend an orientation, be fingerprinted and complete the volunteer confidential self-disclosure form. Also, a leader enrollment form is completed and submitted to your club.

#### The next orientations will be:

- ⇒ Tuesday, November 2, 2011
- $\Rightarrow$  Monday, November 21,2011

6:30 pm, 4-H Conference Room.

Please call if you will be attending. 525-6801

#### **CAMP THEME CONTEST**

We're already planning for 2012, and we need a theme to build our program around. To collect a wealth of ideas, we are offering a *free campership* to the person whose theme is selected.

Anyone in our 4-H community can submit a theme. If an adult wins, you have the option of coming as a chaperone or awarding the scholarship to a member in your club. Put your theme in writing and mail or e-mail it to the 4-H office, in care of JoAnn Ratto.

The contest ends December 1, 2011 (postmarks accepted).

E-mail: jbratto@ucdavis.edu



# FASHION REVUE NEWS "Behind the Seams"

Two Challenge Categories

Do you enjoy shopping? Do you look for great buys? Do you like to

check out garage sales, thrift stores, or consignment shops? Have you ever brought your own 'special touch' to an outfit that makes it unique and individually YOU?

Members are challenged to coordinate and purchase an entire outfit for \$19.99 or less, not counting shoes. The other Challenge Category is Tote Bag Challenge (Simplicity #7161 View A only). Additional categories for 2012 will be Traditional, Consumer Science-Purchased, and Wearable Art-Embellished. In CS-Purchased, the limit has been reduced to \$100 for everything showing. The Recycled category has been discontinued at the State event. In WA-Embellished, the rules clarify that the original garment must be purchased. For event information, the Challenge flyer, and 2011 photos, see the SFR website at <a href="http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/">http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/</a>.

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## **FOCUS TRIPS FOR 2012**



Come and develop your citizenship and leadership skills. Get involved with the 4-H Citizenship Focus Program. Participate in one of the five programs that are available to 4-H members and leaders across the state.

**CA Focus:** (8th grade and above) registration and \$150 deposit is due to the County 4-H office by January 10, 2012.

**Washington Focus:** (16 and older or completed sophomore year in high school) registration and \$1200 deposit is also due January 10, 2012.

Look for more information on the State 4-H web site: <a href="http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/Citizenship/">http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/Citizenship/</a> Focus/GeneralInfo

County delegations work through the program year to prepare for these special opportunities. Besides participating in an educational study/travel program, teams work to impact their own communities and live out their citizenship experience through a plan of action.

Financial assistance applications are due to the County 4-H office for processing by November 30, 2011.

# TURLOCK HOOF-N-HORNS 4-H DAIRY/BEEF GROUP 12th ANNUAL WINTER FARM AND CONSTRUCTION TOY SHOW

Saturday, November 19, 2011 9 am to 3 pm Gratton Elementary School Gym 4500 Gratton Road, Denair, CA



Buy, Sell, or Trade
Admission is \$3 for adults; \$1 for children
Food Available for Purchase
Door Prizes.
For more information call:
Joe Miguel (209) 669-6286

# Hi 4-H Community Service Reminder

Please bring canned foods and/or coats to the November and December Hi 4-H meetings.



#### HI 4-H SAN FRANCISCO TRIP

The Hi 4-H SF shopping trip is on **Sunday, December 4, 2011.** The bus leaves the Ag Center parking lot at 8:15 am and returns around 8:30 pm. Forms available at the November 7th meeting. Return by November 14th at the latest). Parents and leaders are welcome to come based on space available.



#### **HI 4-H SNOW CAMP**

January 13-16, 2012 Camp Sylvester/Dodge Ridge \$25 deposit due December 15th Balance due January 3, 2011

This is becoming a regional teen event. In order to coordinate the expansion of counties and time, members need to submit their registration and deposit by 12/15/11. We will have sign-ups again at the November 7th and December 5th Hi 4-H meetings.

Don't forget...to be eligible to attend Snow Camp you must attend at least two Hi 4-H meetings and be in good standing with your community club. For a Hi 4-H partial scholarship you must have worked at least one shift in the 2011 Fair Milk Bar.

Skiers and Snowboarders—New State 4-H Policy requires helmets to be worn at 4-H activities. It is the responsibility of the participant or the participant's parent/guardian to ensure that the headgear worn complies with standards, carries the proper seals, and is properly fitted and in good condition.

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#### KETTLE KICK-OFF

Salvation Army Annual Fundraiser

Thursday, November 17, 2011 11:30 a.m.—1:30 pm Modesto Centre Plaza \$10 for lunch.

Other donations, private or

from 4-H clubs and groups are gladly accepted! If possible, bring donations to the November Council meeting or send them in by November 17th. We will add your donations to our kettle. Last year the event raised \$183,000!

We have room for 10 at the 4-H table and we would like 2 members in uniform! (Council will pay for their lunch.) For more information, contact JoAnn at the 4-H office.



Reeling in Success Through 4-H

# Leadership Conference Of Regional Teens (LCORT)

January 27—29, 2012 Wonder Valley Ranch, Sanger, CA

7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Grade 4-H'ers

Registration due to the County 4-H Office by December 1st: \$140.00 – includes 2-nights lodging, 4 meals, (starting Saturday morning), snacks, and all registration materials. *Chaperones will be needed based on the number of delegates*. Financial support available from Leaders Council.

# \$10 Late Fee after December 1st!

Download registration forms from the State 4-H website or pick one up at the office.

**Registration Forms:** 

http://www.ca4h.org/files/122083.pdf

# EMERALD STAR APPLICATIONS, PROGRESS REPORTS, AND FINALS



Emerald Star Applications Deadline Monday, November 7, 2011 (Date extended)

A meeting for all Emerald Star candidates, new, in-progress, and those completing their projects will be scheduled for December 14th. If you are completing your project please turn in your final report by November 10th to the 4-H office.

#### SHOOTING STARS 4-H TREE SALE

Great gift idea—Multi-Budded Fruit Trees

Trees Available:

Multi-budded \$25: 4-in-1 Cherry, 5-in-1 Fruit Splash (peach(2), apricot, nectarine, & plum), 5-in-1 Peach, 2-in-1 Apple, and 5-in-1 Plum.



Single-budded \$15: Peach - Florida King, Florida Prince, Halford, Gold Dust, Fay Elberta, Last Chance, O'Henry, Summerset. Cherry - Black Tart, Rainier. Apple - Fuji, Dorset Golden, Gala, Granny Smith, Golden Delicious, Sommerfeld. Apricot -Moorepark, Patterson, Royal Blenheim, Tilton. Nectarine - Fantasia, Maygrand, Panamint, Snow Queen, Sun Grand. Plum - Elephant Heart, Kelsey, Catalina, Santa Rosa. White Peach - Giant Babcock, Donut Stark Saturn, Nectar.

Pomegranate \$10.

Pick-up Location will be the Modesto Farmers' Market between 7 am and noon on December 17th, or make arrangements with a club member to deliver.

Checks should be made out to "Shooting Stars 4-H" and mailed with your order to:

Melody Bold, 16123 Pastoral Ct, Delhi CA 95315 before November 16, 2011.

#### LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING

#### Monday, November 7, 2011, Stanislaus County Ag Center

Executive Board, 6 pm, Club Council meeting, 7 pm. Be sure your club is represented at this meeting. Refreshments will be provided by: **Shooting Stars and Sierra**.

Mark December 5th on your calendar now for the Council's Annual Holiday Potluck, 6 pm, Ag Center Harvest Hall. As usual, all leaders and Hi 4-H members are invited to celebrate the season with fellow participants throughout the county. Council and Hi 4-H meetings will follow at 7 pm.

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#### 4-H HUNTER SAFETY COURSES

A California Dept of Fish & Game Hunter Safety course is required for Shooting Sports members. The course is offered for members over 9 years old—over 12 recommended. Limited to 30. Participates must pre-register and attend all

**days to receive certification.** Contact Jim Atherstone @ (209) 993-7971 for questions and to register.

Session I - Saturday December 3, 2011 Time: 9:00 am to 4:30 pm

Location: Stanislaus County Agriculture Center, Harvest Hall, Computer Room.

Session II - Saturday December 10, 2011 Time: 9:00 am to 4:30 pm

Location: Stanislaus County Agricultural Center, Harvest Hall, Room D & E

Lunch on both days 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Bring your lunch and an extra drink on both days.

Fee is \$ 4.00 per student.

# PRESENT YOUR WAY TO THE STATE IN MAY

County Presentation Day: March 24, 2012 Denair Middle School

Regional Presentation Day: April 2012 (TBA)

Sonora, CA

**State Presentation Day**: May 26, 2012

**UC Davis Campus** 

Now is the time to be brainstorming topics and clever effective ways to communicate your message. Consider topics that relate to your 4-H involvement.

Next Large Livestock Meeting will be November 17, 2011, 7 pm. Next Small Animal Livestock Meeting is January 26, 2012 at 7 pm. Both are at the 4-H office conference room.

#### SHOOTING SPORTS LEADER MEETINGS



Attention Shooting Sports Air Rifle Leaders!

Leader meetings will be held at the home of Jim Atherstone at 6:30-8 pm on the following dates:

November 21st, December 19th, January 16th, February 20th\* and March 19th (3rd Mondays).

\*The February meeting will be at the Ag Center from 6:30 pm to completion and each club is to bring 3 adults to make score cards, targets, relay score boards, etc. for the Don Hagland Match.

Questions about the meetings and directions to Jim Atherstone's house (828 Grimes Ave, Modesto) can be answered by calling Jim at (209) 993-7971.

# **4-H Shooting Sports Workshop For Rifle Discipline**

Watsonville, CA

Saturday, October 29, 2011, 2010 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Sunday, October 30, 2011, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

Upon successful completion of this course, 4-H leaders will be certified as Trainers in the shooting sports discipline of rifle. They can then return to their county and lead a club/camp project or certify project volunteer leaders. There is a \$25.00 fee for the course.

To register for the class contact:

Stephanie Fontana at <u>sfontana@ucdavis.edu</u> or call 831-763-8015.

For Questions contact:

Randy Turnquist at <u>randy@randyt.com</u> or 831-566-2590

For directions to the class site, visit www.pajarovalleyrodandgun.org



Don't forget to send thank you's to Associated Feed, P.O. Box 2367, Turlock, CA 95381 and Stanislaus Farm Supply, 624 E. Service Rd. Modesto, CA 95358 for the wonderful Livestock Camp they hosted. Page 6 FORECAST

### **CALLING ALL BAKERS**

This is a contest you can't lose! First prize is \$100, second prize is \$50, and every entrant will feed 20 hungry people homemade pumpkin pie on Thanksgiving.



The **16th Annual Pumpkin Pie Contest** is open to everyone. On Monday, November 21st just drop off 2 pies between 2:00 and 6:00 pm at Dubyak Family Chiropractic, located at 3008 Geer Road, Turlock (at Monte Vista next to Starbucks). All pies are donated to United Samaritan Foundation's Daily Bread Program and served as dessert on Thanksgiving Day.

Five local dignitaries will judge the entries on Monday evening. The winners will be notified immediately and the pies will be refrigerated until Thursday when they are delivered by the USF bread trucks on Thanksgiving.

For more information, please call 668-1944.



#### **Star Awards**

Congratulations to members achieving star ranks. These members are to be

#### **Platinum Star**

Kristen Alamo, Sacred Heart Patrick Aldridge, Newman Michael Bopp, Empire Jelena Bravo, Einstein Acres Taylor Menezes, Shiloh Caitlyn Wherry, K. Klovers

#### **Emerald Star**

Lilianna Bento, Mt. View
Jackson Calbreath, Hughson
Nicolaus Coleman, Sacred
Heart
Patrick Germann, Westport
Nicole Milligan, Westport
Emily Pinheiro, Orange
Blossom
Megan Rivera, Sierra

Cylina Silva, Mt. View
Denise Thompson, Orange
Blossom
Melissa Thompson, Orange
Blossom
Madison Wedge, Waterford
John Westberg, Shooting Stars
Kayla Weststeyn, Hughson
Kyla McClure, Westport

#### All Star

Amanda Autrey, Waterford Brad Borges, Hughson Lauren Rivera, Sierra Kayla Weststeyn, Hughson

#### MEMORIAL GARDEN BRICKS

You can support the Ag Center Memorial Garden by purchasing a brick. With the establishment of the U.S. flagpole, donated in honor of Capt. Ray Hill, Jr., and the State flagpole to honor the men and women of Stanislaus County who serve our great nation, the funds raised for the garden will enhance and sustain these honors.

The first bricks surround the White Oak tree, at the mid-point of the quad, and enhance our "Tree of Life" with the "Eternal Ring of Names." Following completion of this ring, additional bricks will border the walkways that radiate from the circular tree planter to the buildings. This project will span many years and will be an ongoing process.

Your donation of \$76 will purchase an engraved brick to leave a lasting tribute to a person, business or club. Forms at the 4-H office or on our website. Pam Atherstone if you have questions. 521-5096.



#### WINDOW DISPLAY RESULTS

Congratulations to all clubs who constructed displays. Our new All Stars judged the displays during 4-H Week. Their choices for top honors were:

1st — Westport 4-H

2nd — Sacred Heart 4-H

3rd — Newman 4-H

See pictures on our website:

http://ucanr.org/sites/Stanislaus4-H/4-H\_Events/National\_4-H\_Week

# WESTPORT 4-H ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST



November 20, 2011, 8 am to 12 pm, Westport School Cafeteria

More information available from Club Leader, DeAnn Sciarini, 531-0788 **FORECAST** Page 7



#### THE 4-H RECORD BOOK

4-H Record Books serve a variety of purposes in the 4-H Youth Development Program. While society has changed, so have the goals of 4-H record-keeping.

4-H Record Books allow 4-H

members to reflect on their yearly work completed as well as maintain records of project and club work. 4-H members demonstrate growth and measure achievements across their years in 4-H.

In record-keeping, 4-H members develop the following life skills:

- •Maintaining records of 4-H project, club work and school and community activities
- •Keeping personal and business records
- •Improving communication with other people
- •Learning time management and organizational skills
- •Learning responsibility and developing goal setting skills

The format is computer friendly, and is easy to

complete and update. It is also in the state I&R record competition format. Highlights of the 4-H record book will be featured in the Forecast over the next months.

# The Personal Development Report

### Part 1: Projects Completed\*

Only 4-H projects with a completed and signed "Annual Project Report" may be counted. During the current year, 80% attendance is required for any achievement rank.

To receive credit, the project report must be included in your 4-H Record Book.

\* Required for a Star Rank

Complete Record Book Manual can be downloaded from http://ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/recordbook

Next month...Part 2: Project Skill Activities

Find more record book information on our website: http://ucanr.org/sites/Stanislaus4-H/About\_4-H/4-H Record Books/

#### **NOVEMBER 2011**

#### 2 New Leader Training, 6:30 pm H-I

- 3 Horse Project Leaders Mtg, 7 pm H-I
- 5 Kiernan Klovers Autumn Harvest Tri Tip Dinner, Harvest 4 Hi 4-H San Francisco Outing
- 7 Council Exec Board Mtg, 6:00 pm Hi 4-H Meeting, 7:00 pm Leaders Council Mtg, 7:00 pm Emerald Star Applications Due – extended due date

#### 5-6 Hi 4-H Beach Campout

11 Veterans Day - Office Closed

#### 11-13 State Leaders Forum, Asilomar

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- 15 Camp Committee Mtg., 6:30 pm
- 17 Livestock Meeting, 7 pm

No Small Animal Livestock Meeting

20 Westport 4-H Pancake Breakfast

21 Leader Orientation, 6:30 pm, Conference Room Shooting Sports Leaders Mtg @ Jim Atherstone's, 6:30 pm

Farm Yard Experience Meeting, 6:00 pm, Conf. Room

21-25 Thanksgiving Holiday, Office Closed/County Furlough

25 Camp Staff Interviews

#### **DECEMBER 2011**

- 1 LCORT Registration Due Horse Project Leaders Mtg, 7 pm
- 5 Council Exec Board Mtg, 6:00 pm Leaders Council Meeting & Potluck, 6:00 pm Hi 4-H Meeting, 7:00 pm
- 9 Emerald Star Meeting, 6:30 pm
- 13 Leader Orientation, 6:30 pm, Conference Room
- 16 Livestock Meetings (canceled for December)
- 15 FORECAST Articles Due Last day for Club 4-H Online Access No Livestock Leaders Meeting
- 19 Shooting Sports Leaders Mtg @ Jim Atherstone's, 6:30 pm
- 20 Camp Committee Meeting, 6:30 pm, Ag Center 26-30 Christmas Holiday-Office Closed/County Furlough