4-H SUMMER CAMP AT CAMP SYLVESTER
June 20-25th, 2014 at Camp Sylvester in Pinecrest
The theme for our first Central Sierra 4-H Camp is “Hollywood Through The Ages.” Camp is open to all youth in Tuolumne, Calaveras, Amador and El Dorado Counties who were 9 by December 31, 2013 and who are not yet in high school. Youth not currently enrolled in 4-H will need to enroll prior to camp. 4-H Leaders are also needed to serve as chaperones and camp cooks. We are also in need of a Health Coordinator (with at least 50 hours of first aid/medical training) and two lifeguards. The cost for campers is $225 and the cost of adults is $50 (waived for our Health Coordinator and lifeguards). Our camp is being planned by a fantastic group of 4-H teens and adults and is shaping up to be a fun and educational experience for youth. Registration forms are available at the 4-H Office or online at: http://ucanr.edu/sites/Tuolumne_4-H/CentralSierraCampSylvester/
Our next camp meeting is Wednesday, April 23rd at 6:00 p.m. All Junior Counselors must attend. All interested adults are encouraged to attend.

COUNTY FASHION REVUE
Saturday, May 3, Mother Lode Christian School
4:00 PM All 4-H members may participate. Fashion Show is open to the public. Register by April 19 using the online survey at: http://ucanr.edu/tcfashionrevue
Entry information is posted on the Tuolumne County website under Forms & Publications, http://ucanr.edu/sites/Tuolumne_4-H/ 4H_Forms_and_Publications/.
Categories match those at State Fashion Revue. Apron Challenge and Consumer Science Purchased ($40 limit) are open to all 4-H members. Traditional, Upcycled, and Denim Challenge are open to Clothing & Textiles (sewing) project members. Limit 2 entries per member. If you have questions about Fashion Revue, contact Sue Moore, 2moores@mlode.com, or Rachel Jones at sierrascoop@sbcglobal.net. Everyone is invited to attend the Fashion Show at 4:00 PM. Attending counts toward your Fair eligibility requirement.

MOTHER LODE FAIR PRE-WEIGHS
The Mother Lode Fair requires every exhibitor of a market steer, market hog, market lamb or market goat to have their animal pre-weighed and ear tagged as a condition of entry into the Fair. Each exhibitor may pre-weigh two large animals, then must select one for entry (steers, hogs, & lambs). An exhibitor may also pre-weigh 2 market goats. The exhibitor is required to be present with their animal(s). Any requests for exceptions must be in writing to the Fair Manager. Beef pre-weigh is Sunday, March 16 from 8-10 AM at Gardella’s Ranch. Swine, sheep and meat goat pre-weigh is Saturday, April 26th (please note this earlier than the previously printed date) at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds. Hogs are 7 AM to noon. Sheep and goats are 12:30-2 PM. Exhibitors may have their animals wormed and vaccinated if they choose. Talk to your project leader for more information.

IRONSTONE CONCOURS D’ELEGANCE
Did you participate in the Ironstone Concours last September? The Ironstone Concours Foundation has given a donation to Tuolumne County 4-H Council to thank us. We used last year’s donation to help youth join 4-H. This year, the donation will be used to help youth attend our new Summer Camp. If your club or

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning citizenship, leadership and life skills.
project members would like to send thank you letters, they should be written to:
   Ironstone Concours Foundation
   PO Box 809
   Murphys, CA 95247

We hope to have a terrific presence at the Ironstone Concours d’Elegance this year on September 27, 2014. It is a classic car show on the grounds of the Ironstone Winery in Murphys. 4-H members from the foothill counties are invited to bring displays and presentations, bake cookies and assemble car show award gift bags, and help at entry gates and other stations during the day. In 2013 we had 15 members and 18 adults helping from Tuolumne County. Let’s see if we can top that for 2014! The partnership between 4-H and the Ironstone Concours Foundation has been a wonderful experience and a significant fundraiser for many years. Look for more details this summer about the 2014 Concours.

RECORD BOOKS
The current record book period is changing to July 16, 2013 - May 31, 2014. For 2013-14 only, books will not cover a full year. The 2014 Mother Lode Fair will not be included in your 2013-14 records. For all projects, especially livestock, be sure to include the value of your project supplies, equipment, and animals on 5/31/2014. You won’t be able to show income from fair but your inventory does have a value.

All record books are due to the 4-H Office no later than Tuesday, June 10th with all signatures in place. This is for both minimum books and complete books. Books will not be turned in to clubs; they will be collected at the 4-H Office. If the office is closed, they can be put through the mail slot in the door. At least a minimum record book is required by June 10 for every member showing in a 4-H class at the fair. If the records are not received, the youth is not eligible to show as a 4-H member. For fair eligibility, the records must show project completion, club meeting attendance, and attendance at one of the qualifying county 4-H events.

A minimum record book includes at least the PDR page 1, a one page 4-H Story, a complete project report form for every project entered in the fair, and for market livestock projects a photo of the member with their animal. All required signatures on the PDR and Project Reports are in place.

A complete record book is more than the minimum. It has the other pages of the PDR filled in, a the project expression pages, and may have a longer story, the Junior/Teen Leadership Report, and the Collection of Work. Every complete book submitted by June 10 earns the member a ticket for an opportunity drawing, with a new Kindle as the prize. Members with complete record books may make corrections between club judging and county judging.

PDR Changes: Club parties may be counted as “event attended” on the PDR (#2) if they are separate from the club meeting and attendance isn’t counted as meeting attendance. A maximum of 2 club parties may be counted in this manner during the year. Presentations to potential buyers may count as “communication skills” on the PDR if each one is listed separately. The production of the marketing flyer can be counted as a communication skill if the flyer is included in the record book. One buyer speech can be counted as a “4-H presentation” on the PDR for each species marketed.

What about next year? The 2014-15 record book period will be 6/1/2014 to 5/31/2015 so it will be a full year and include the 2014 fair.

If you need a record book cover or printed forms, they are available at the 4-H Office. All forms can be found online on the our county website and the state 4-H website. Members are strongly encouraged to utilize the 4-H Online Record Book. If you need assistance with the 4-H ORB, please contact Melanie Curtis at (209) 533-6990.
4-H STATE FIELD DAY, May 31, 2014, 8:00am-6:00pm, UC Davis Campus-Wellman Hall
Revamped State Field Day Webpage: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Events/SFD/
Here you will find an interactive map along all the exciting activities you can participate and enjoy!

New this year at State Field Day: 4-H Engineering and Technology Showcase
Have a 4-H Engineering or Technology project you will like to showcase or demonstrate? Apply here: http://ucanr.edu/exhibit/display_application! Funding for supplies, materials or handouts is available, contact Steven Worker for more information, sworker@ucanr.edu.

2014 STATE FASHION REVUE, May 31, 2014, UC Davis
Theme: California Grown, California Sewn
The State Fashion Revue committee is hard at work planning our event for State Field Day on May 31st. It is time once again for us to seek volunteers to be judges and room monitors. For more information about these rewarding jobs, please contact Sue Moore, SFR Registrar, at 2moores@mlode.com or call 209.743.2020.
The SFR Committee has been answering questions about the new Upcycled category. This is not an alteration. It is taking one or more existing garments, deconstructing them, possibly adding other fabrics or materials, and ending up with a different garment. It is not a dress changed into a different dress. But it could be pants and a shirt changed into a dress. For more details about SFR, see the website at http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/SFR/ Don’t forget to check out this year's service projects!

STATE 4-H LEADERS FORUM 2014
Time of Inspiration - When was the last time you felt inspired at a 4-H project meeting? This year for the California State Leaders Forum– “101 Way’s 4-H Thrives” we aim to rekindle our capacity for inspiration and innovation; for the inspiration of what we do in 4-H, for relishing the inspiration of the people we know in 4-H, for the inspiration of strengthening our vision for the future of 4-H. Come join your fellow 4-H leaders and staff for an inspiring and innovative experience, a networking opportunity; inspiring and refreshing your 4-H commitment at the State Leaders Forum in Sacramento on Nov. 14 – 16, 2013. We will be updating the web page http://ucanr.edu/slf2014 for information, soon.
The SLF Workshop Request for Proposal Form will be ready soon for you to fill out and submit. Proposals are due by June 30. Contact Sandy Cohen (530) 210-6993 / sandybear74@hotmail.com if you have any questions.
more information, see: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Administration/Advisory_Committees/

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS WORKSHOP - PISTOL DISCIPLINE
Friday, May 2nd, 2014 – 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Facility Location: Madera County 4-H class room, 328 S. Madera Avenue, Madera CA, 93637-5465
A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the pistol discipline will be held at the Madera County 4H office in Madera, CA. This is a one day-twelve hours course. This course will be held indoors using the Creedmoor portable air gun range and Crosman Silhouette 1700P PCP pistols donated by the NRA. Participants may also bring their own AIR pistols to use should they choose. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a volunteer and can lead a pistol project at the club level. The cost for this course is $30.00 to cover the instruction binder each participant will receive. Teen leaders are invited to attend. Eye protecting will be provided, however, students may bring their own eye protection if desired. Polycarbonate prescription eye glasses are acceptable.

To register for the course or receive more information, contact Sammy Ashworth at (559) 707-0755 or E-mail sdashworth@gmail.com Please fill out and bring the medical documents posted at: http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/20100.pdf and http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/4726.pdf
CLOVERBUDS
The April 1st meeting has been cancelled due to the winter storm warnings. Our next meeting will be May 6th. For questions or concerns please contact Dedra Danicourt 209-770-6279.

FOOTHILL 4-H
The next meeting will be April 9th at 7:00 p.m. or you can come at 6:00 p.m. to do record books. Don’t forget fair weigh-ins are on April 26th. Officer nominations will take place at meeting. Nominees will need to make a speech stating why and how they will work in that office. Please ask people ahead of time, we need to do this in an orderly fashion because we have guest speakers. Any questions please contact Sharon Smales 532-5036 or Ida Ponder 985-5515.

GROVELELAND HIGHLANDERS
At our March meeting we had a Rocket presentation, and several Home Arts presentations. We'll have other project’s presentations at our April 8th meeting. It’s been fun seeing everyone getting ready for the fair with their new projects in sewing, rabbits, turkeys, and pigs.
   Reported by Maricela Martinez

HI 4-H
The pancake breakfast is over and was well attended. Thank you to all who came to support Hi 4-H. Also, thank you to all who youth members and adult volunteers who worked at the breakfast. Everyone is excited about the Disneyland trip. We leave on April 4th and come home last on April 6th.
The next Hi 4-H meeting will be April 16th at 7:00 p.m. at Sonora Youth Center. If you have any questions please call Linda Mager, 532-5896

MOUNTAIN RANGERS
Next meeting is Wednesday, April 9th at 6:00 at Soulsbyville Elementary School.

SONORA CLOVERLEAFS
Hello Sonora Cloverleafs members! The next meeting will be Tuesday, April 15 at 7 p.m. Deniel Sheffield's contact information: 536-9791 or sheffy@msn.com . I would like to thank Amanda and Chriissy for presenting their demonstration at the March meeting. I would also like to thank the public speaking group for presenting their presentations at the February meeting. At the April meeting please bring healthy granola bars and pop-top cans for Nancy’s Food Pantry. The ice cream social will begin after the April club meeting. Members who signed up to bring items for the ice cream social will get an e-mail from Deniel.
   Grace Bowman– Reporter

TUOLUMNE PIONEERS
The Tuolumne Pioneers 4-H will meet Monday April 14, 2014 at 7:00. We will have a guest speaker from Rehorse Rescue. For those wanting help with record books we will meet at 6:00 the same night. Both of these meetings are at the Mother Lode Christian School.
COMPUTERS & TECHNOLOGY
We will not have an April meeting. Our next meeting will be on Monday, May 5th. We will be working on speakers and earphones and perhaps a solar charger.

HORSE PROJECTS
Horse Level Riding and Ground Tests have been moved back to June 7th due to weather concerns.

GOATS
We are going to start doing hands on with the goats the first Sunday of April, May and June to prepare for fair. This will take place from 11-12 a.m. at Rod and Beth Moore’s house at 12150 Railway Lane, Sonora. So if there are any members out there that are not in the county wide goat project, you are welcome to join us also. We are preparing to do a fundraiser to help with expense of the fair and it will be through It’s Yo Good Yogurt on May 24th at both of their locations the whole day. Don’t forget that we have also been invited to participate in the Spring Festival in downtown Sonora at Courthouse Park on April 26th from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Dedra Danicourt is heading this up, so call her if you have any questions about this at 770-6279.

GOOGLE MAPPING
We will hold the introductory meeting to the Google Mapping 4-H project on Tuesday, March 11th at 5:30pm. The location will be at the Tuolumne County 4H Office (UC Cooperative Extension office at 52 N. Washington St.). It will be especially important for parents of children under 13 years of age to attend as there are some special rules for this age group to use Google products. For more information, contact Lee Pagni at lee@studiomundo.com.

POULTRY
Our next poultry meeting will be on Thursday April 17th at 7PM in the 4H Office. We will be covering showmanship and fitting with our special guest speaker Poultry Judge Mr.Eric Kutch. Project reports will be handed out at this meeting and will be due at our last meeting in May. See you then!!!
  Lynn & Greg Hummel, 209-586-2784

RABBITS
Our last meeting did not have the greatest turn out but that is okay. We hope everyone had a great spring break and enjoyed the little rain we got. Our next meeting is the fourth Wednesday of next month which will be the 23rd. This meeting will take place at the Sonora Moose Lodge, at 6:30. Everyone bring your rabbit that you will be planning on showing at the fair, we will be practicing showmanship. Hope to see everyone there, ready and excited for showmanship! Questions? Call questions contact Gail Aruta at 532-5257.

SET TEAM
We will not have an April training. Team members are encouraged to visit PM Club sites with Lego Robotics, Bubbles or Playdoughs and Polymers. Contact Melanie Curtis at 533-6990 if you need to check out a kit or kits.
Kid’s Day in the Garden and
UCCE 100 Year Centennial Celebration—May 3rd, 2014

The Tuolumne Master Gardeners will be celebrating the UCCE 100 Year Centennial in the Demonstration Garden by hosting Kid’s Day. Kid’s Day focuses on gardening activities designed for children, although adults are welcome to participate. The Demonstration Garden is located on 251 So. Barretta Street in Sonora (Cassina Alternative High School). The Garden opens at 10:00 am and closes at 1:00 pm. All Activities are FREE!!  4–H members may set up posters displays as part of the event and older members may help lead the day’s activities. Please contact Melanie Curtis at (209) 533-6990 by April 28th if you would like to set up a display or help lead an activity.

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
DAY OF SCIENCE AND SERVICE, May 8, 2014
http://ucanr.edu/sites/100years/Day_of_Science_and_Service/

On May 8, 2014, create a buzz and be a scientist for a day. Get outside, record your observations, share your pictures, and tell us what’s happening in your community. Science is everywhere. Join the University of California in a one day science project and tell us what you see. Take a walk, visit a park or garden, and help us paint a picture of California’s food and water resources. Your answers will help us build a more secure future for you and your community. We are looking for at least four 4-Hers to help the public conduct one or more of the experiments at community locations with Wi-Fi available. If we are able to secure four to eight members to assist with this project, IPad Minis will be purchased for use in our local 4-H Program. All individuals who participate will receive a UCCE Centennial item (such as a tote bag, travel mug, frisbee or similar item). Call Melanie Curtis at (209) 533-6990 to volunteer or for additional information.

Did you know that 4-H is a program of the University of California? We are part of UC Cooperative Extension, which is 100 years old this year! To celebrate, counties all over California will be hosting events during the month of May.
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