SUMMER CAMP 2016
Save the Date! August 2-6th. Registration will become available December 1st. Junior Counselor Applications are due November 17th. Please contact the 4-H Office at 209-533-6990 or kmmarkus@ucanr.edu for more information!

TEEN RETREAT
November 12-13, 2016, Camp Sylvester, Pinecrest
4-H Teen Retreat will be held at Camp Sylvester in Pinecrest this year. We are planning a great retreat and are looking forward to using the amazing facilities at Camp Sylvester. Teen Retreat is open to 4-H members 6th grade and up. Registration and a flyer with more information can be found at the bottom of this newsletter. For more information contact the 4-H Office at 209-533-6990 or kmmarkus@ucanr.edu

SONORA REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER DINNER
Tuolumne County 4-H is assisting with the Sonora Regional Medical Center employee holiday dinner. If you are age 12 and up or adult, we need your help! We are volunteering from 4 pm until about 8:30pm on Tuesday, December 6th at the John Muir building at the fairgrounds. You must wear black pants and a white shirt, closed toe shoes, and have hair tied back. You can add your 4-H scarf or tie if you want. If interested, please call Ida Ponder at 743-0578, or contact your Community Leader. SRMC will make a donation to 4-H in return for our help.

LCORT 2017
January 27-29, 2017. If you are a 4-H member age 12-14 as of 12/31/2016, get ready to have a fun weekend at LCORT! Registration is now open! LCORT is held at Wonder Valley Ranch Resort & Conference Center, 6450 Elwood Rd, Sanger, CA 93657, in Fresno County. Cost is $150 per person from South Central counties and $165 from the other Central Area counties (because of fees paid by SCS counties to support LCORT). Youth and adults pay the same fees. Registration is due to the 4-H Office by December 7th. Get the registration here: http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/245932.pdf

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning citizenship, leadership and life skills.
COUNTY LEADERS COUNCIL

All Tuolumne County 4-H members 14 years and older and leaders and may be voting participants in our Leaders Council. The Leaders Council makes important program decisions, establishes local 4-H policies and plans countywide 4-H activities. The Council meets on the 1st Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the UCCE/4-H Office. Our next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 5, 2016.

EXPANSION AND REVIEW COMMITTEE

We are looking for members, leaders and community members to join our Expansion and Review Committee. This committee will look at our 4-H program and make goals for the county to expand and improve. It will also make plans on how to reach these goals. The committee will meet every 6 months. The first meeting of this group will be October 26th at 6:30pm in the UCCE/4-H Office. Please contact Kelsey Markus at the 4-H Office if you are interested in joining this committee.

WRITE THIS DOWN!

Revision to 4-H Presentation Manual

Significant revisions to the 4-H Presentation Manual were made in October, 2016 based on data gathered from the 2016 State Presentation Day and public feedback gathered through an online survey in June, 2016. Significant revisions include:

- Recalibrating the scoring key to ensure better distribution of awards between red, blue, and gold.
- Improving weighting on the evaluation forms, including middle points.
- Providing additional clarification on references, visual aids, and costumes.
- Allowing only evaluators to ask questions

Special Recognition Opportunities at State 4-H Presentation Day

California 4-H offers thematic recognition pins for youth who participate at State 4-H Presentation Day and focus their presentations on one of the four focus areas. The four focus areas for the 2017 State 4-H Presentation Day can be found at: http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SFD/PD/Recognition_Opportunities/.
We will once again be participating in #GivingTuesday, the global day for giving back. This year, thanks to the generous support of the California 4-H Foundation Board and an anonymous donor, up to $20,000 in gifts received on this day through online giving will be matched. All counties are encouraged to participate and gifts will be matched in the order they come in, until we reach $20,000.

Want to learn how to integrate innovative computing and robotics technologies to your 4-H program? Here is a great opportunity! The goal of the C-STEM (Computing, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) Center is to broaden participation of students, especially female and underrepresented minorities, in computing and to develop students’ computer-aided problem-solving skills to tackle real-world STEM problems through integrated computing and STEM education. Please visit their website for more information.

Interested in attending C-STEM events?

6th Annual Conference on Integrated Computing and STEM Education: Bridging the Gap: Promoting Equity through C-STEM, will be held on Saturday, November 5th, 2016 at the UC Davis Conference Center. There will be hands-on sessions for beginners to get started using the C-STEM teaching resources along with a session dedicated to integrating C-STEM in after school programs.

C-STEM Two Day Academy on November 19-20, December 3-4, and December 10-11, 2016. This is a two-day professional development for STEM teachers and staff on how to use the C-STEM curriculum in their formal and informal program.

State Fashion Revue 2017 committee announces the two state-wide service projects! Suggested by 4-H members, the first is quilt squares for Wounded Warrior quilts. The squares are donated to local quilt guilds that are sewing the quilts. The second was suggested by the American Cancer Society when the port pillows were delivered after 2016 SFR. It is Heart Pillows, given to breast cancer patients after surgery to hold under their arm to relieve pain. The SFR service project youth chairs are creating flyers with instructions, to be posted on the SFR website by November 1. Have you heard about the two SFR Challenge categories? The Stripe/Print/Plaid Challenge is generating many comments! Some questions have been asked about the Knit Challenge. To clarify, it is for a garment or garments constructed of knit fabric, not a stretch woven fabric. Look for SFR information on the service projects, the five entry categories, and committee news at http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SFD/SFR/.

California Focus
Join us! June 16-20, 2017 in Sacramento CA. Find more information here.

Want to be a District leader at CA Focus?
Applications are opening the week of October 25th, see details here.

SPARK SURVEYS
Thank you to the youth that have completed their #4HGo Sparks Surveys in the Online Record Book! If you are one of the first 200 to complete them, you will be receiving a gift card in the mail. These surveys help us learn about you and your 4-H experience. All surveys will be available in ORB (https://4horb.ucanr.edu/login.cfm) until the end of January, but don’t wait—we will run out of gift cards before then! Surveys are open to youth ages 9 and older. If you need help logging into ORB, check out this resources page: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Members/RecordBook/4-H_ORB/.
FOOTHILL
Baby Basket Marin Paris Foothill 4-H will be donating $50.00 Ida will be buying baby things to put in the basket. Goat project next meeting November 3rd at 6:00 p.m. At James town community hall. Sheep meeting January first Monday of every month 5:00 p.m. or 5:30 p.m. more information will be up when date gets closer. Rock Creek November 12th at 9:30 a.m. location riders at 19061 James town road in James town. Swine project first meeting December first Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the library. LCourt age 12-14 years. January 27th you'll leave go to there and come home on the 29th. The theme is Star Wars. Teen Retreat age 11 years and up theme is going to be Monster University it only cost $20 bring a blanket that you don't mind donating at the end. November 12th and 13th. Sonora Regional dinner December 6th at 4:00 p.m. you have to be there will be over before 10:00 p.m. Need older kids to clear tables.

-Grace Crane, Club Reporter

GOLD RUSH COUNTRY
VOLUNTEER LEADER NEEDED!!!! There is currently no one to lead this club. The meetings were typically held in the Cafeteria of Gold Rush Country School at 16331 Hidden Valley Road. If you know of anyone interested in helping lead this club, or would like more information about how to lead, contact Kelsey Markus at 533-6990 or kmmarkus@ucanr.edu

GROVELAND HIGHLANDERS
At our October meeting, we had some Tuolumne county all stars swear in our new officers. We heard from all of our leaders about projects, and more fundraisers. We discussed project enrollment & achievement night, which we then passed out awards for the members not present at awards night.

Jenna Abbott, Groveland Highlanders 4-H club

SONORA CLOVERLEAFS
The Sonora Cloverleafs will be meeting again Tuesday, November 8th, at the Sonora Youth Center (on Beretta St.), starting at 7pm. Remember to bring your canned pie fillings and stuffings for our ATCAA Food Bank collection to our next meeting. Let's reach our goal of 75 items and have a root beer float party!! Also, bring your Cloverleafs shirt design for the shirt contest!! Please contact our club leader, Deniel Sheffield, 209/536-9791, sheffy@msn.com or assistant club leader, Dedra Danicourt, 209/770-6279, danicourt82@gmail.com for information. Record Keeping Project meets before the Cloverleafs club meeting at 6:00, be sure to bring your binders! See you there!!

-Chrissy D. - Club Reporter

TUOLUMNE PIONEERS
We are having a fundraiser on October 29th. This is our once a year fund raising activity for our club so we need as much participation as possible. The Friends of the Fair is holding a craft fair at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds. We will be preparing and serving food at a booth during this event. There are 3 different shifts to sign up for: 10-12:00, 12-2:00, 2-4:00
Please contact Ron Hamilton at 532-9781X324 to sign up for a work time!

Community Service for Tuolumne Pioneers
A family in need has been chosen for Thanksgiving. We are putting together a food basket with specific items so our family can cook their own meal at home. These items need to be brought to the November meeting. A sign up sheet was passed around at the meeting. Sienna Fong is the chairperson for the committee. Please contact her to find out what else needs to be purchased. Email at fourfongs4@gmail.com
HI 4-H
Next Meeting will be Wednesday, November 16th

MOUNTAIN RANGERS
VOLUNTEER LEADER NEEDED!!!! There is currently no one to lead this club. The meetings were typically held in the Soulsbyville Elementary School Cafeteria. If you know of anyone interested in helping lead this club, or would like more information about how to lead, contact Kelsey Markus at 533-6990 or kmmarkus@ucanr.edu

LIONS PRIDE
VOLUNTEER LEADER NEEDED!!!! There is currently no one to lead this club. The meetings were typically held at Foothill Leadership Academy afterschool. If you know of anyone interested in helping lead this club, or would like more information about how to lead, contact Kelsey Markus at 533-6990 or kmmarkus@ucanr.edu

COUNTYWIDE PROJECTS

GOATS
The County-Wide Goat Project will be meeting Thursday, November 3rd, starting at 6pm at the Jamestown Community Hall. Please bring your health forms if you haven't already turned them in. Also bring in your APR! See you there! Dedra Danicourt, Project Leader 209/770-6279

CLOVERBUDS
Meet at the 4-H office on the 2nd Friday of each month from 5:30-6:30pm. Contact Emily at small_town_girl@live.com or 209-743-2072

PUBLIC SPEAKING
The County Wide Public Speaking Project will be meeting on the 4th Monday of each month from 5:30-7:30pm at the Masonic Hall located at 16 S Washington St in Sonora. The first meeting will take place on Monday, October 24th. For more information, contact Annette at 209-984-0180

TLC - Countywide Rabbit Project
The Tuolumne Lepus Club - Countywide Rabbit Project will meet on Tuesday Nov. 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the 4-H office. This is not our usual meeting on the 4th Tuesday but has been moved to avoid any conflict with family plans for Thanksgiving.

We will have guest speakers at this meeting, former Tuolumne County All-Star Melinda Crabtree Smith, who is an American Rabbit Breeders Association registrar, and plans to become a licensed judge, and her daughter Trinity Roach who completes in local, state and national youth rabbit judging and knowledge competitions, and was recently-crowned ARBA Princess at the 93rd convention in Del Mar, CA. Anyone interested in learning about what these ladies have accomplished in the rabbit show world are invited to attend.

ART AND CRAFTS
Arts and Crafts Project meets on the first Wednesday of each month from 5:00pm-6:30pm. Contact Summer at 209-743-7934 if you would like to join.
Join Us

At 4-H Teen Retreat

Monster University!

WHAT
A fun weekend brought to you by the Tuolumne County All Stars and Leadership Team. There will be sessions, games, a campfire party, and much, much more!

WHEN
Saturday and Sunday, November 12-13, 2016.
1:00 p.m. on Saturday to 1:00 p.m. on Sunday

WHO
Tuolumne County 4-Hers, 11 years and older

WHERE
“Camp Sylvester” One Dodge Ridge Road, Pinecrest, CA 95364
Checkout their website at www.campsylvester.org

COST
Cost is $20 to all Tuolumne County Members this year.

SERVICE
Bring a gently used blanket for movie night and we will then wash and donate it to the Lambert Center after retreat

BRING
Sleeping bag or bedroll, extra bedding for hard beds, warm clothing, jacket, flashlight, towel & washcloth, personal articles and soap.

CLOTHING
Clothing must be 4-H and weather appropriate at all times, so pack accordingly; no exposed underwear, no open-toed shoes, no excessive skin showing—no short shorts/skirts, no bare midriffs, no spaghetti straps/halter tops

DO NOW
Complete the registration form and medial form. Return to the 4-H Office by November 2nd

QUESTIONS—Contact the 4-H Office at kmmarkus@ucanr.edu or 533-6990
2016 TEEN RETREAT REGISTRATION

Complete and sign registration and Medical Treatment Forms

Return to the 4-H Office by November 2

NAME ___________________________  AGE ___________  YEAR IN 4-H ___________

CLUB ___________________________  PHONE ___________________________

ADDRESS ___________________________  CITY ___________________________  ZIP ___________

Fee: $20 to all Tuolumne County 4-H Members

PERMISSION: I give my permission for my son/daughter to attend the 4-H Teen Retreat at Camp Sylvester on November 12-13, 2016. He/she will be riding home with _______________________________ at 1:00 pm on Sunday.

CODE OF CONDUCT: All participants shall adhere to the core values of the University of California 4-H Youth Development Program, and respect the individual rights, safety, and property of others.

While attending Tuolumne County 4-H Teen Retreat:

1. General 4-H Code of Conduct will be followed. Code of Conduct can be accessed here or at the 4-H Office
2. All delegates are expected to attend all planned activities of the event. All participants shall be appropriately dressed at all times. This includes no exposed underwear, no open-toed shoes, no excessive skin showing—no short shorts/skirts, no bare midriffs, no spaghetti straps/halter tops
3. Delegate behavior shall be appropriate at all times. This includes not handling belongings of others, not entering a cabin assigned to the opposite gender, and not damaging equipment regardless of ownership. Display of overly affectionate attention between participants is prohibited.
4. The possession and use of alcoholic beverages, tobacco products, and drugs other than prescription medication is prohibited.
5. Setting off fire alarms or tampering with fire extinguishing equipment or other emergency equipment is prohibited.
6. Obscene and discriminatory language, roughhousing, and insubordination will not be tolerated at any time.
7. Youth members and volunteers will demonstrate respect for one another at all times.
8. All participants must be in their assigned area at curfew and will comply with the quiet hours and lights out.
9. No participant may leave the grounds unless permission is secured from the leader in charge.
10. Youth must comply with other rules of the event.

Infractions of the 4-H Code of Conduct must be reported promptly by anyone observing them to the 4-H leader in charge of the event, who with the County 4-H Office will have responsibility for disciplinary action. The parent/guardian will be notified of action taken. Penalties may include any or all of the following:

* Sending the participant home
* Barring the participant from future 4-H events
* Assessing the participant the cost of damages and repairs for damage or destruction of property
* Releasing the participant to the nearest law enforcement agency and/or the proper authorities
* Termination of 4-H membership

I have read the Code of Conduct and agree to abide by its rules. I understand that infraction of this Code will result in any or all of the penalties listed above.

Signature of Member: ___________________________  Date: ___________________________

Signature of Parent/Guardian: ___________________________  Date: ___________________________
2017 Tuolumne 4-H Camp Junior Counselor Information

THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING TO BE A JUNIOR COUNSELOR!

Thank you for considering to become a Junior Counselor. This job will be one of the most exhausting and rewarding experiences of your life. You will have the opportunity to learn from fellow JC’s, adult volunteers, and the youth who attend camp.

WHEN AND WHERE IS CAMP?

Summer Camp will be held from August 2nd-6th, 2017 at Camp Silver Spur in Tuolumne.

WHAT IS A JUNIOR COUNSELOR?

JCs are 4-H youth leaders who have been selected to participate in the camp program. They must be at least 14 years as of December 31st, 2017. Their responsibilities include planning camp, teaching activities, organizing and hosting events during camp, serving as camp program staff and as a cabin counselor for a group of campers. Junior counselors are mentors, teachers and role models. They work in teams to help with logistics, activity planning, evening programs, traditions, enrichment activities, and group challenges.

WHAT IS THE TIME COMMITMENT?

There will be monthly planning meetings at the beginning of each month from January through June. As a JC, you are required to attend 4 out of these 6 meetings. In your application, you can vote for the dates that work best in your schedule. We try to accommodate all busy schedules. There will also be a weekend retreat with the JCs and Adult Chaperones. At our first meeting, we will decide what date is best for this retreat. There may be additional meetings or tasks that you will complete at home that arise as camp planning progresses, these will be given once they are known. You will be required to come to camp early and leave late in order to help with set up and clean up.

WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO TO BECOME A JUNIOR COUNSELOR?

Turn in the attached application to the 4-H Office by November 17th. You will then be contacted for an interview in December. The interview is an opportunity for a few of the adult volunteers and 4-H program staff to get to know you. The questions are intended to be straight forward and easy to understand. Interviews are a big part of life as we grow older, the Camp Committee finds this to be a good opportunity for you to practice these skills as well as get to know you better.

WHAT IF I AM NOT A 4-H MEMBER?

You do not have to be part of the 4-H Club program in order to be part of Camp. You will be enrolled as a Camp Committee Member and only have to attend the requirements listed above. However, you are also able to participate in any 4-H function.

WHAT IF I AM NOT SELECTED TO BE A JUNIOR COUNSELOR?

The role of a JC is a hard one. It takes a level of maturity and ability to work in a team that not everyone is ready for right away. If you are not selected, the interview committee may suggest that you are paired with another JC to be a “trainee” for this year. The committee may also suggest you be a camper for another year in order to gain more skills.

WHAT IS THE YOUTH DIRECTOR AND WHAT DO THEY DO?

Two 4-H youth are selected to serve as camp directors. They are responsible for leading the team of junior counselors, planning and conducting the training retreat, and serve as support for their junior counselors. They provide a second line of discipline and assist with cabin issues, conduct daytime patrol, cabin inspection and evening bed checks. Additional time outside of the monthly meetings will be required of the Youth Directors.

QUESTIONS—Contact the 4-H Office at kmmarkus@ucanr.edu or 533-6990
2017 Tuolumne County 4-H Summer Camp  
Junior Counselor Application  
August 2-6  
Camp Silver Spur  
Applications Due: November 17th  

Name ___________________________________________ County ___________________  
Gender: Female ____ Male ____  Youth age on 12/31/2017 ____  Birthday _____/_____/_______  
Address _______________________________________ City __________________ Zip _________  
E-mail address that is checked regularly: ________________________________________________  
Telephone: (____) ____________ Can you receive texts? Yes___ No ____  
Are you currently enrolled in 4-H? Yes___ No ____ If Yes, what club? _______________________________  

Please submit an additional piece of paper with the following questions being answered (it can be typed or hand written, but must be legible):  
1) What experience do you have working with youth aging from 5-19 years old?  
2) What experience do you have with camp programs?  
3) Why do you want to be a Junior Counselor at 4-H Camp?  
4) What do you feel you will get out of being a Junior Counselor at 4-H Camp?  
5) If you wish to be a Youth Director, please tell why you would like this role, what experiences you have that would make you qualified for this role, and how much additional time you have to give to meet the requirements of having this role.  

There will be monthly meetings to plan camp and allow for training. Please circle the date that works best for you for each month. We will try to accommodate all Junior Counselor Schedules. It will be mandatory to attend 4 out of the 6 pre-scheduled meetings. All meetings will be from 6:30pm-8:00pm and meet at the UCCE/4-H Office in Sonora.  

January: Tuesday, 3rd Thursday, 5th Friday, 6th  
February: Thursday, 2nd Monday, 6th Tuesday, 7th  
March: Thursday, 2nd Monday, 6th Tuesday, 7th  
April: Monday, 3rd Tuesday, 4th Thursday, 6th  
May: Monday, 1st Tuesday, 2nd Thursday, 4th  
June: Thursday, 1st Monday, 5th Tuesday, 6th  

For more information:  
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kmarkus@ucanr.edu

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SAVE THE DATE!

2017 Tuolumne 4-H Summer Camp
August 2nd-6th

Registration for Summer Camp will be available December 1st. Space is limited, first come first serve.

Cost: Early Bird discount: $260 by February 28th, $300 after March 1st. ($50 deposit holds you at this cost, final payment due June 1st, additional $40 4-H enrollment applies for youth not currently enrolled in 4-H)

Junior Counselor Applications are being accepted now, due to the Tuolumne 4-H Office by November 17th

Adult Chaperones needed

For more information, contact the Tuolumne 4-H Office at 209-533-6990 or kmmarkus@ucanr.edu

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YOU ARE INVITED TO BE
A MEMBER OF THE TUOLUMNE COUNTY
4-H EXPANSION AND REVIEW COMMITTEE

Wednesday, October 26th
6:30pm-8:00pm

UCCE/4-H Office
52 N. Washington St.
Sonora, Ca 95370

Purpose of the E&R Committee:
To review the Tuolumne County 4-H Program and develop recommendations and an outreach plan to engage more diverse audiences in our program and expand the program to meet the needs of more young people.

*This is the first meeting of the E&R Committee. We hope to have your insight and experience to help look over our program and develop a plan to make Tuolumne County 4-H the best it can be.

For more information, contact:
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TOOTER NEWS
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News for the December is Tooter is due November 20th

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