CHANGES AT THE 4-H OFFICE
Changes? It looks the same! Sue is still there every day, clubs are meeting to enroll, projects are starting… what is different?

Sue Moore officially retired as the 4-H Youth Development Program Manager on June 30th. She was a Tuolumne County employee. Due to county and state budget cuts, UCCE is looking at a new administrative model for the four foothill counties - Tuolumne, Calaveras, Amador and El Dorado. There will be more cooperation and sharing between programs and staff in the four counties. UCCE programming encompasses agriculture and natural resources, nutrition, Master Gardeners, 4-H youth development, as well as research and community education. Until someone is assigned or hired as 4-H staff in Tuolumne County, Sue is continuing to work as a county relief employee. She is looking forward to training her replacement and then “just” being a 4-H volunteer. If you would like to provide input into the staffing plan, you can contact the UCCE County Directors: Dorothy Smith, dorsmith@ucdavis.edu, 754-6477 or Scott Oneto, sroneto@ucdavis.edu, 223-6834.

WHAT IS 4-H?
4-H is a non-formal educational youth program which follows a learn-by-doing approach. Activities promote leadership, citizenship (being involved in one’s community) and the acquisition of life skills. 4-H is diverse, offering many opportunities for children. In Tuolumne County we offer three programs. Youth may be members of a community club, which is the focus of this newsletter. They can also do short term projects and gain skills in the PM Club afterschool program, in which 4-H is a partner. They can experience a 4-H project like embryology in their classroom. Adults and teens in the community serve as volunteer leaders. 4-H encourages family involvement. 4-H is administered by the University of California Cooperative Extension, in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Agriculture and county government. The first 4-H club began in Ohio in 1902. Tuolumne County 4-H started in 1954.

ENROLLMENT
Welcome new & returning members!
The 4-H program is now enrolling for the 2010-2011 year. Returning members and leaders will receive their forms at September club meetings. If you are changing clubs, let the 4-H Office know. New members can get forms at club meetings, at the 4-H Office, print them from our website, or call the office to have a set mailed to you. Turn in forms at your club meeting. The enrollment fee (set by California 4-H) is $15 per member or $6 per leader, payable to UC Regents.

New members: The best time to enroll in 4-H is at the beginning of the school year, so you don’t miss any activities. Visit a club in September and turn in the forms as soon as possible.

Returning members: You already know when your club meets, so you are responsible for all meetings.

Enrollment forms must be returned before you attend or lead project meetings. You may always contact the 4-H Office to change or add projects after your form is returned. If you plan to exhibit at the Mother Lode Fair, your enrollment form must be received by the 4-H Office by October 20 for returning members and December 15 for new members.

Recruiting is everyone’s job - invite your friends to join 4-H. Tell them about your projects and bring them to your club meeting. Tell your class about 4-H and invite your classmates to join. Help distribute your club flyers at school.

NEW TOOTER, NEW WEBSITE
This is the first Tooter since it was started in 1970 that isn’t being mass mailed to all 4-H families. It was only one page double-sided back then, typed on a typewriter. Now families get it instantly thanks to email and the internet and can print it themselves in color. Families without access to the internet can request a mailed copy but these will be limited.

NEW WEBSITE http://tuolumne4h.ucdavis.edu

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning citizenship, leadership and life skills
WHO CAN JOIN 4-H?
Any youth who is 9 years old or in 4th grade through age 18, as of December 31, 2010 may join a community club as a regular member. For home schooled youth, only the age criteria applies. Youth can remain in 4-H until December 31 of the calendar year in which they turn 19. Special projects, events and activities are offered for teen members.

PRIMARY MEMBERS
Children age 7-8 as of 12/31/10 may join now as Primary Members and have fun in 4-H! Primary members may enroll in up to two projects with leader approval and should have a parent/guardian chaperone with them at all times. Per state rules, they may not handle large animals or take shooting sports but many other projects are open to young members. Primaries are encouraged to wear the 4-H uniform, attend 4-H events, and turn in a primary member report to earn credit for the year. They do not earn medals or credit toward star ranks until they are regular members. Many of our county 4-H events have special classes for Primary members. This summer for the first time, the Mother lode Fair had small livestock showmanship classes for 4-H primary members.

WHY BE A 4-H VOLUNTEER?
You can make a difference! More youth need the values, the skills and the guidance offered by 4-H. We provide practical education in a variety of subject areas. As a 4-H volunteer, you will have support from the Cooperative Extension office, part of the University of California. Being a 4-H volunteer may also help you grow as a person, develop new leadership skills, meet new friends, and have great adventures!

ARE YOU IN 4-H & FFA?
Youth can belong to 4-H, FFA, Grange or show as an independent. However, you must take a different project in each organization. There are also rules about changing a project from one organization to another. If you are in 4-H and also FFA, Grange, or plan to show as an Independent, you should read the policy which is available from the 4-H Office, FFA Advisors, and on the Tuolumne County 4-H website at http://tuolumne4h.ucdavis.edu/

NEW LEADER ORIENTATION
Sessions are held at the UCCE/4-H Office. You must pre-register. The session takes approximately 2 hours; please do not bring children. Volunteer leader application forms may be printed from the website or completed at the meeting. If you want to get a head start and have your fingerprints taken ahead of time, e-mail Sue for that form. Orientation and screening must be completed before an adult is accepted to volunteer in the 4-H program. Welcome to all our new leaders!

CLUB OFFICER TRAINING
The executive officers - President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer - must be trained with their club leader before officer installation. Club officers need to be prepared before they assume their offices so our clubs are in capable hands! Call the 4-H Office to get your training on the calendar.

RECYCLE YOUR WHITES
Do you have outgrown 4-H whites, hats, scarves or ties in your closet? Please donate your gently used 4-H uniform parts to the recycle box at the 4-H Office. The clothes are free for all Tuolumne County 4-H families.

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR
1  4-H Leaders Council, 7:00 pm
6  UCCE Office closed, Labor Day holiday
18  4-H Sectional Council, 9:30 am, Merced
18-19 Mountain Rangers Coffee Shop at Quilt Show
25  Ironstone Concours d’Elegance, Murphys

COMING IN OCTOBER
2  Livestock Field Day, 4-H SET & Family Picnic
3-9  National 4-H Week
5  All Star Team presentation to the Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors, 9 am
6  4-H Council, 7 pm
10  Achievement Night, 3:00 pm, Sonora High
15  Beef project loan applications due
20  Hi 4-H Haunted House, free to 4-H families
21-23, 28-31  Hi 4-H Haunted House
ALL AMERICAN SOAP BOX DERBY
Are you interested in Soap Box Derby? The local SBD organization invites you to their Family Fun Picnic on Sunday, September 19, 2-5 pm, at the park next to the Sonora Library. They will provide hamburgers; you bring a side dish to share or other food if you wish to grill. This is a good opportunity to meet other racers and families, discuss the upcoming race in Tuolumne, learn more about the sport of soap box derby, and pick up some tips on how to make your car go faster. RSVP to Brad Smith 533-2764, or thefireman6@hotmail.com by September 16 and let us know how many people will be attending.

SBD RALLY RACE: You are invited to the next Soap Box Derby races scheduled for Saturday, October 9 in Tuolumne. They will hold two races on one day: one double elimination race and one single elimination race. Since these are “rally” races, cars will not be impounded in advance. They will be weighed-in on Saturday morning just prior to racing. The flyer and a registration form are available on the website: www.ncaasbd.com.

CONGRATULATIONS!

JAMIE SMITH
Jamie was introduced during the closing assembly of State Leadership Conference at UC Davis along with his fellow 2010-2011 4-H State Ambassador team. The Tuolumne County SLC delegation got to cheer for him! Jamie is attending UOP in Stockton this year but we hope to see him home in Sonora for 4-H events.

ALL STAR TEAM
We have three new Tuolumne County 4-H All Stars. They bring many years of leadership experience to our program and we’re very excited they are All Stars.

☆ Dakota Siebert, 6th year, Tuolumne Pioneers
☆ Stephanie Hankins, 7th year, Tuolumne Pioneers
☆ Alicia Magdaleno, 8th year, Tuolumne Pioneers

Rosemary Terrazas of Tuolumne Pioneers is the only Leadership Team member. Sharon Smales and Shelly Wyatt are the All Star & Leadership Team Advisors.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS
Tuolumne County 4-H Scholarship winners, $300 each
Ros Roberts Award for Life Skills: Samantha Woods
Bonnie Scroggs Award for Community Service: Emily Hamilton
Jeanne Thompson Award for Leadership: Jamie Smith
4-H Samarin Family Vocational Scholarship, $1000 through CA 4-H: Emily Hamilton

IRONSTONE CONCOURS d’ELEGANCE
Saturday, September 25, 10-4
Ironstone Vineyards, Murphys
Adults $20, couple or family ticket $35
Children under 14 free
$2 off coupon at www.ironstonefoundation.org

This classic car show is held on the beautiful grounds of the Ironstone Winery in Murphys. It was started 17 years ago by John and Gail Kautz, to benefit youth groups such 4-H, FFA and State Fair scholarships. This year the show will feature classes for Metal Bodied Station Wagons, 1946 to 1971, Steam and Electric Powered vehicles, and Bentley and Rolls-Royce automobiles. The featured car is the Phantom Corsair, built in 1938 by Rust Heinz. It is a one-of-a-kind car, a “car of the future.” It played a starring role in the movie “The Young at Heart.”

Guests can visit with car owners, tour the winery grounds, view 4-H displays, hear 4-H presentations and watch FFA competitions. This is a fund raiser for foothill 4-H Councils, FFA, and the California State Fair Scholarship program. Attending the Concours counts as a 4-H event attended on your PDR.

The Concours Foundation invites 4-H members from foothill counties to bring project displays and give demonstrations. Guests enjoy seeing 4-H project animals too. 4-H teens from the foothill counties are also invited to serve in visible leadership positions along with FFA members.

All Stars from the 5 foothill counties hand out gift bags to the Car Show sponsors and winners. Each county supplies 15 dozen home made cookies.

We need 4-H members of any age to sign up to bake cookies, bring displays, give presentations, and participate in the impromptu speaking contest. 4-H teens are needed to help at the ticket booths, merchandize booth, serving at the buffet lunch, assisting with the Gala Lunch and live auction, and handing out gift bags. One adult per group of members receives free admission. 4-H participants receive free lunch.

Tuolumne County 4-H has Concours tickets for sale. Half of the $20 price stays here, to benefit 4-H Council. So if you’re planning to attend, buy your tickets at the 4-H Office!

Please call or email Sue at the 4-H Office by September 13 to participate or volunteer at the Concours.
2010 JUNIOR LIVESTOCK CAMP
Stanislaus County Fairgrounds, Turlock
October 9th: Dairy Cattle, Sheep, & Beef
October 10th: Meat Goats & Swine
Guest speakers: Glen Martin & Kevin Mock for Goats
For Swine we will have Todd Kennedy & Ryan Sites
Check-in Starts at 8 am
Free Admission, Free T-Shirts & Prizes Sponsored by Associated Feed & Farm Supply
Ethics training is back for both days! (1-2 pm)
Flyers and registration forms can be downloaded at http://www.associatedfeed.com
RSVP by October 4th to Kim Morris at Associated Feed, 209-664-3304
Lunch will be available for purchase for $6.50.

NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE
The 2011 conference will be held April 2-9 at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, MD. The National 4-H Conference is the Secretary of Agriculture's premier youth development opportunity to engage youth in developing recommendations for the 4-H Youth Development Program. 4-H members at least 15 years old, volunteers and staff may apply to join the California delegation; applications must be postmarked by October 1, 2010. More information is available at http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/N4-HC/

CITIZENSHIP FOCUS

More information is available at: http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/Citizenship/Focus/ or from Pat English, penglish@ucdavis.edu.

California’s 4-H International Exchange Program will host students from Costa Rica, Finland, and Japan as well as send delegates outbound to Australia. The hosting programs are all about sharing your regular summer life with a teen from another culture. There is no expectation that students tour California. Find out more by contacting Pat English at the CA4H office.

YOUTH COMMISSION
The Tuolumne County Board of Supervisors is creating a County Youth Commission.

The first meeting is Thursday, September 27 at 4:00 pm in the Board Chambers at 2 South Green Street, Sonora. Unfortunately, the deadline to apply was August 31. If you might be interested in representing county youth on this new board, which will advise the Board of Supervisors, you should attend their first meeting and contact Alicia Jamar, the Board Clerk for an application, ajamar@co.tuolumne.ca.us. Applications will be kept on file for two years.

STATE RECORD BOOK JUDGES
Would you like to be a judge at State record book judging? 4-H Record Book Judge applications are due to the California State 4-H office by September 30, with judging scheduled for December 3-5, 2010. Please contact Quang “Hogan” Tong, qtong@ucdavis.edu with questions. Applications can be found at http://www.ca4h.org.

EVERYDAY HEROES
Youth Service America (YSA) has created an Everyday Young Hero Award program. This is an opportunity to provide recognition to a dedicated individual involved in 4-H, age 5-25, WHO goes above and beyond to help their community. Award winners are recognized with a certificate, letter and a feature on the YSA website. Application submissions for awards recipients is an ongoing process. You may visit www.YSA.org/awards/hero to nominate a deserving 4-H'er.

STATE FASHION REVUE $15 CHALLENGE
The Challenge category for the 2011 State Fashion Revue is the $15 Challenge. It will be a category in our County Fashion Revue also. The Challenge is to assemble a complete outfit, not counting shoes, for $15 or less. This includes anything that shows, like accessories. Receipts are required but can be handwritten if from a yard sale. 4-H members are encouraged to be creative thrifty bargain hunters. If you’d like to know more about Fashion Revue, check out the website at http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/

The state committee will be holding their first meeting on Sunday, September 13 from 11-2 at the UCCE San Joaquin office in Stockton. If you’d like to be part of a state event committee, talk to Sue Moore at the 4-H Office!
COMING IN OCTOBER...

LIVESTOCK FIELD DAY
NATIONAL SCIENCE EXPERIMENT
& 4-H FAMILY PICNIC

If you’re interested in 4-H livestock projects, science or having fun with 4-H friends, come to the Fairgrounds swine barn on Saturday, October 2nd.

The schedule for the day is
7 am Setup (volunteer help appreciated)
9-12 Livestock Field Day & SET experiment
1 Lunch
1:30 -3 Games

Livestock: Youth and parents are invited to see and learn about the 4-H livestock projects, both large and small animals. Some stations will be hands-on; some will be demos. Teen and adult leaders will be on hand to answer your questions. Youth are invited to complete the judging classes to test your reasoning skills. Ribbons and medals will be awarded. Tuolumne Pioneers is chairing this event, so sign up with Ron Hamilton to give a presentation or supply a judging class, 928-1815.

National Science Experiment, 4-H2O, will focus on water quality and climate change. The experiment engages youth to learn how carbon dioxide can affect aquatic animals, plants and other living organisms in lakes, streams, rivers and oceans. Join us as we learn about CO2 gas released into the atmosphere based on the carbon footprint. The experiment will be led by 4-H teens during the morning Field Day. We will follow up with more activities the next week at Achievement Night and club meetings.

Lunch: Thank you Deniel Sheffield for chairing the Potluck and Tuolumne Pioneers BBQ Crew for cooking. Families with last names A-H hors d’oeuvres, I-P a dessert, and Q-Z a salad. 4-H Council will supply hamburgers, veg burgers and hot dogs, table service & lemonade. All new and returning 4-H families are invited. Bring food to share and join us!

Games: Games on the livestock lawn for children of all ages are hosted by the Tuolumne County 4-H All Star and Leadership Teams.

ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT

Sunday, October 10 at 3:00 pm
Sonora High Auditorium

All 4-H families are invited to join the All Star Team as we celebrate the achievements of our 4-H members. Every member who completed last year with a written record will be recognized on stage, including primary members. Star ranks will be presented along with awards for record books, leaders, clubs and club officers.

Registration begins at 2:30, with the program at 3:00. Please sign in on your club’s roster. Wear your 4-H uniform, club T-shirt or dress neatly. Each club should designate two past-year officers to present their members’ year pins. Each family is asked to contribute a plate of “finger foods” for refreshments. Thank you Groveland Highlanders for coordinating the refreshments. Come join us for an exciting afternoon.

MARKET BEEF LOANS

The Sonora Rotary Club offers loans to 4-H and FFA members to set up their market livestock projects through the Lowell Martin Memorial Loan Fund. Beef project loans are $800.

Applications are at the 4-H Office and on the TC 4-H website and are due by October 15.

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

Taking the Lead is the theme for National 4-H Week, October 3-9. This week is set aside to recognize the contributions 4-H makes to the community, to publicize 4-H, and to invite new participants to join. You can be part of National 4-H Week by making and displaying a poster at school, giving a presentation in your 4-H uniform or club t-shirt for your class or at a service club, inviting a friend to a 4-H meeting, wearing your uniform to church, donating to the First Baby Basket or doing a community service activity during this week. If you would like to attend the Board of Supervisors meeting on October 5, meet us at the 4-H Office at 8:30 am.

Parents - You can celebrate National 4-H Week by recruiting other adults to be project leaders or enrolling yourself. Our program is dependent upon volunteers for its success.

4-H WEEK BABY BASKET

This is a traditional activity to honor the first baby born to Tuolumne County parents during National 4-H Week. Every 4-H club is invited to contribute. If you would like to donate baby items or gift certificates, please bring them to the 4-H Office or to Achievement Night on October 10. Thank you Lucky Trails club for coordinating this!
HI 4-H HAUNTED HOUSE

Construction has started! The Hi 4-H Haunted House is located in the red barn behind JS West Lumber on South Washington Street in Sonora. We are indebted to both JS West and the Symons Foundation for allowing us to use the barn free of charge.

This 4-H activity is meant for teens & adults. Except for the Saturday matinee, it is too scary for young children. There will be eight evening performances; cost is $6 per person. The Saturday matinee with the lights on is $1 each. Group rates for 10+ are available with advance purchase; group rate is $3 each.

Wed. 10/20 from 7-8:30 pm is free to 4-H families. This counts as a 4-H event attended.

Thursday 10/21 7-8:30 pm
Friday 10/22 7-9:30 pm
Saturday 10/23 3-5:00 matinee
Saturday 10/23 7-9:30 pm
Thursday 10/28 7-8:30 pm
Friday 10/29 7-9:30 pm
Saturday 10/30 7-9:30 pm
Sunday 10/31 7-9:30 pm

MAKE IT WITH WOOL

Contestants have 3 ways to enter the California contest:

1. Enter first in the District Contest in Bakersfield in January. Finalists chosen will move on to the state contest. Contact Bonnie Hargis, Central Valley District Director, 34378 7th Standard Rd., Bakersfield, CA 93314. (661) 399-2383. Entry deadline is October 15.

2. Enter first in the At Large District Photo Contest Entries due by October 15. Finalists will move on to the state contest. Mail entry and photos to Julie Castillo, State Director.

3. Enter the State Contest directly. This is usually held in November, with entries due October 31. Entry forms and contest rules brochures are available at http://www.sheepusa.org/MIWW_Contest_Information.

Please contact the State Director with any questions about how to enter, filling out the forms, resources for wool, verifying fabric wool content, etc.

Julie Castillo, CA State Director
P.O. Box 5181 • Santa Maria, CA 93456
805-922-2797 • Calif.wool@gmail.com

STATE 4-H FUNDING OPPS

For Service-Learning 4-H Projects (up to $5,000): Are you addressing a current issue in your community? Do you have a new idea that will help solve a local problem? If you have the ideas and the manpower and need some money to make your project happen, submit an application through the Service-Learning RFP Program. Funds are awarded on a competitive basis and applications are due September 15. Applications are online at http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/FundingOpps/Legacy/.

For 4-H Clubs and Projects (up to $2,500): Are you initiating a new project in your county or does your existing project need additional financial help? Funds can be requested by 4-H clubs to enable youth to develop citizenship, leadership, or life skills. New and innovative projects are encouraged but existing 4-H work that expands the reach of 4-H or increases public awareness of the program is also eligible. Applications for the Dean Memorial 4-H Legacy Fund are online at http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/FundingOpps/Legacy/ and due by September 15.

NEWS

To view the 4-H State Updates or SET E-news go to http://www.ca4h.org/News/

To view the National 4-H news, go to http://4-h.org/news/4hnews.php

STATE LEADERS FORUM

November 5-7, 2009
“Upgrade, S.E.T. Your System, GO!” emphasizes sharing ideas educating youth in science, engineering, and technology. It is for adult leaders and held at the Asilomar Conference Center, in Pacific Grove. Registration is $45 and housing with meals is $205-$265, both due now. For more information, go to http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLF/.

COUNTY RECORD BOOK JUDGING

Congratulations to the 33 members who submitted complete record books for County Judging. Thank you to judges Nancy Anders, Krishna Hamilton, Ron Hamilton, Sue Moore, Ida Ponder, Deniel Sheffield, Sharon Smales, Gwen Swenson, Carol Willmon, and Shelly Wyatt. Record book awards will be announced at Achievement Night on October 10 and printed in the November Tooter.

SENIOR RECORD BOOKS

Are you interested in sending your senior record book to State Judging? If so, please let the county 4-H Office know. Three additional forms need to be completed to summarize your previous years in 4-H and Sue is willing to assist you in getting your book ready. The books need to be completed and delivered to the 4-H Office by October 22.
WATER - TOPIC FOR PRESENTATIONS

As you start to consider topics for your 4-H presentations for this year’s cycle of county - sectional - state 4-H presentation days – think WATER! At the State 4-H Presentation Day on May 28, 2011 at UC Davis, a special recognition pin will be awarded to 4-H members who relate their presentations (all categories are eligible) to water. Potential topics include water quality, conservation, water cycle, effects on plants and organisms, water in cultural contexts, human impacts on water, phases and/or properties of water, storage and transportation. For more information, please contact Steven Worker at smworker@ucdavis.edu.

4-H & TRACTOR SUPPLY CO.

National 4-H is partnering again with TSC for 4-H Memory Contest: TSC wants to hear about your favorite 4-H memory! Contest details can be found in the Fall 2010 Out Here magazine at TSC stores and online at http://www.tractorsupply.com/content/home/contests_sweepstakes_special_events. The winner will receive a $1,000 TSC gift card and a 4-H gift pack including 4-H branded items. Two runners-up will receive a $500 TSC gift card and 4-H gift pack including 4-H branded items.

Out Here with Animals: a one-day event to Kick off National 4-H Week, held on Saturday, October 2. They will provide space and pens for projects to display their animals and publicize 4-H. Unfortunately, this is our Livestock Field Day so our leaders, members and animals are already busy! Do we have projects who would like to participate, but on a different day? The 4-H Office can provide a table-top display but not organize the event.

Paper Clover promotion: 4-H Paper Clovers will be sold at Tractor Supply Company, including the store in Sonora from November 5-14. Customers may purchase the Paper Clovers for $1 each and have them displayed in the store. For each paper clover, our local 4-H Council will receive 70¢. In the first Paper Clover event during June, our local store sold 235 Clovers, which translated into a check for $164.50 to our 4-H Council. Be thinking of how you, your project, or your club can promote 4-H at the TSC store during the Paper Clover campaign.

DAY OF SERVICE

Saturday, October 9 throughout Tuolumne County 4-H Council has committed to providing teams to help senior citizens and disabled residents during the First Annual Day of Service. Join the fun, lend a hand and make a difference in the life of an older adult. Assistance with light yard work and minor home maintenance is needed. Do you have a rake or shovel, weed eater or truck? Then we need you! Contact Ron Hamilton to sign up for one of the 4-H teams. The event is sponsored by the Older Adult Outreach & Engagement Program of the Mother Lode Office of Catholic Charities, 532-7632.

CLUB OFFICER STORIES

The State 4-H Office is re-writing the 4-H Club officer Manual. A committee of 4-H youth is partnering with Ravinder Rangi, a new 4-H Office staff member on the revisions. Ravi is asking for help from club officers throughout California 4-H.

Consider showcasing the work happening in your county 4-H club programs for your peers across California by having young people in your area write a short story about their experiences, joys, challenges or lessons learned from being a 4-H club officer. Topics can include, but are not limited to the following:

- Youth development
- Overcoming obstacles
- Thriving through engagement
- Youth-adult partnerships
- Parliamentary procedure
- Stories about being in a particular club officer role (president, treasurer, etc.)
- Strategies for club officer success
- Funny club officers anecdotes/stories; and
- Goal setting/management for club officers.

Submit stories for consideration and possible publication no later than 5 pm on Sunday, September 26, 2010. Email stories to: rsrangi@ucdavis.edu

2011 4-H SUPPLY SOURCEBOOK

To request your own copy, go to http://4hmall.4-h.org/Sourcebook/single.html
STATE 4-H SET NEWS
4-H science, engineering, and technology (SET) projects engage youth in experiential and inquiry-based learning in a positive youth development environment. Through participation, youth improve their science, engineering, and technology knowledge, skills, and confidence. The goal of the 4-H SET initiative is to increase the number of youth pursuing education and careers in science, engineering and technology. More information is available at http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/

The Water Drop Project is in conjunction with a current research expedition to Antarctica called ICE AGED, which is studying the changing conditions of sea floor communities in Antarctica. Youth are invited to create a “water drop” and send it to the scientists at the Moss Landing Marine Lab in Antarctica, and then follow along with updates about the expedition. Complete details can be found online at http://iceaged2010.mlml.calstate.edu/water-drop/

On October 10 (10-10-10), the planet is getting to work on climate change! 350 is a grassroots effort to reduce the amount of atmospheric carbon dioxide to a sustainable 350 parts per million (ppm) from its current state of 392 ppm. On October 10, 2010 there will be events throughout the world aimed at reducing the global carbon footprint. More information is available at http://www.350.org/.

Green Courses, Certificates, Colleges, and Careers
is a free workshop held by the Sacramento Municipal Utilities District (SMUD) for all counselors, teachers, parents, and students interested in environmentally friendly careers. The workshop will be held on September 29 from 4 – 6 pm in Sacramento. Pre-register by contacting etcmail@smud.org or call (916) 732-6738.

On Saturday, October 9, 2010, plan to participate in the 4-H2O World of Water (WOW) Seminar from San Mateo/San Francisco County 4-H through the 4-H2O Toyota Community Grant. The seminar will be held at the San Mateo County Event Center from 10:30-3. The seminar will feature SET ready learning activities and models about water conservation and water quality. The activities can be completed at 4-H camp, at club meetings or at project meetings. In the discussion groups, participants will look at the data collected from the 4-H National Youth Science Day and brainstorm local implementation practices for improving and preserving water quality and increasing water conservation. Email Mary Meyer at mgmeyer@ucdavis.edu or call 650-726-9059 ext. 106 for more information.

The DoRight Leadership Corps will be holding two, 4 hour online training sessions on October 12 & 21. The training will provide volunteers, teachers, and afterschool educators with an opportunity to expand their knowledge and expertise in sustainability and entrepreneurship and to enhance the linkages between classroom-based learning with community-based project work. All participants will receive the full DoRight Leadership Corps resource manual. The workshop is free. The syllabus and registration material are posted online at http://eec1.ucdavis.edu/epyc/SEWorkshop.

The Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Program (WHEP) training is being held on October 16 at the Cache Creek Nature Center in Woodland from 9:00 - 3:00. The program teaches fish and wildlife management, habitat requirements, and scientific inquiry tools to better understand and investigate the environment. California 4-H WHEP includes experiential activities for participants of all ages, from primary to senior. Registration is online at http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/EE/WHEP/ and due by October 6. The workshop costs $20. Contact Mary Engebreth with questions at maryengebreth@comcast.net or (707) 996-2981.

Reserve the date – February 5, 2011 – for the 3rd annual statewide 4-H science, engineering, and technology workshops! Workshops will take place in multiple locations across the state. The locations and the curricula are still being planned. If you have suggestions, please send them to Steven Worker at smworker@ucdavis.edu.

Planning for the new 4-H Club year? A wide variety of 4-H SET-Ready curricula can help you plan your project! Free, online, downloadable curricula are available in rabbits, veterinary medicine, filmmaking, water quality testing, environmental education, agriculture, and primary member activities. Download them at http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Curriculum/ Other curricula are available for purchase from the National 4-H Council at http://www.4-hmall.org/Category/4-hcurriculum.aspx.

On September 18, the UC Davis Animal Science Department is hosting a field day for sheep producers. Topics include nutrition, grazing management, sheep and crop integration, animal health assessments, marketing and tail docking. There will also be tours available for youth and families who want to know more about the UC Davis campus and facilities. $15 registration before September 10. More information is available at http://animalscience.ucdavis.edu/events/SheepFieldDay/
FOOTHILL 4-H
Welcome Back Foothill families! Our first meeting is Wednesday, September 8th at 7 pm at the Humane Society meeting room in Jamestown. We will be distributing enrollment forms and discussing our projects and activities for this year. Bring a parent and your $15 fee to enroll. Call Ida Ponder 984-5515 or Sharon Smales 532-5036.

GROVELAND HIGHLANDERS
We invite all Groveland area youth to join our 4-H club! We meet at Tenaya School on the second Tuesday night each month. We look forward to seeing you at 7 pm on September 14th. Please bring a friend who might want to join 4-H. For more information, contact me at 962-7528.
Carol Willmon, Club Leader

HI 4-H
Hi 4-H is both a project and a club. It is a project open to all 4-H members in the 7th grade and above who are enrolled in any club. It is a club for members in 7th grade and up who only do the Hi 4-H and/or the Haunted House project. Whether you are in Hi 4-H project or Hi 4-H club, the meetings are the third Wednesday each month at 7 pm at the Sonora Youth Center. Come join us on September 15th. Leaders are Linda Mager, 532-5896, Anita Payne, 532-8309, and Linda Hembree, 532-8656.

LUCKY TRAILS
Hope summer was great for everyone. Congratulations to everyone at the Mother Lode Fair. Our first club meeting will be on Tuesday, September 14th at 6:30 pm at the 4-H office meeting room. Hope to see you there!
Sue Griffiths, Club Leader, 532-9313

MOUNTAIN RANGERS
Hope you had a wonderful summer! Our first meeting night is Thursday, September 9th. We will be having an enrollment Open House at Curtis Creek School in Room B-1 at 6:00 pm with a guest speaker at 6:30. If you have any questions please call me at 586-1922.
Gwen Swenson, Club Leader

SONORA CLOVERLEAFS
Welcome Back Cloverleafs!
I'm sure everyone had a great summer. I can't wait to start a new 4-H year. Our officers will be meeting to plan out some interesting and exciting activities for our club. The first meeting for the year is Tuesday, September 14th at 7 pm at the Sonora Youth Center. Please bring $15 for the enrollment fee, a parent to sign your forms, a friend interested in joining 4-H and a great attitude. If you have any questions or need more information, please feel free to contact Deniel Sheffield at 536-9791 or sheffv@msn.com
Deniel Sheffield, Club Leader

TUOLUMNE PIONEERS
Our first club meeting will be on Monday, September 13th at 7 pm at Summerville Elementary. You must bring an adult. We have new projects, new activities and great ideas! We really need more volunteer leaders. For more information, call Ron and Kris Hamilton at 928-1815, or Shelly Wyatt at 532-3241 or Rhonda Harris at 743-2355.

4-H COUNCIL
Tuolumne County 4-H Council meets every month to plan and organize county-wide activities and events. Meetings are the first Wednesday at 7 pm at the UCCE/4-H Office. Is your club represented? It is very important that all clubs attend Council meetings. Changes to improve our program are made at these meetings and if your club is not represented your ideas and input are not heard. Don’t just expect your Club Leader to attend - you can too! Teens and adults, we especially encourage you to get involved.

4-H Council is currently planning
- Harry Hinkle record book award judging
- Audits of club officer records
- Tuolumne County representation at the Concours
- Livestock Field Day, Family Picnic and the National Science Experiment
- National 4-H Week activities
- Achievement Night
- Leaders attending State Leaders Forum
- Teen Retreat
- Sue’s retirement party
- 2011 Community Dinner
- Who will take over the support functions Sue has been doing for Council and Club Leaders?

This is a huge list and we need help from 4-H teens and adults, not just leaders, to be successful. We look forward to seeing you at the next Council meeting!
County-wide projects are open to members from any club. Call the leader listed for information. Additional projects will be announced as they are confirmed.

**BEEF**
Check back in October for first meeting information. New members, you will need a commitment for parent involvement to enroll in this project. It is also recommended that you have prior experience in raising large animals.

**CLOTHING & TEXTILES** Sue Moore and Jan Kahl teach a sewing project meeting on Sunday afternoons. Project size is limited with returning members having priority. Call Sue at 533-6990.

Karen Ross teaches a sewing project and has room for one more member. Call her at 984-0779.

We would love to have more people volunteer as sewing project leaders. You don’t need to be an expert. The 4-H office even has 2 sewing machines that can be checked out. Call the 4-H office for more information.

**DOG TRAINING**
The Dog Project finished the year with a dog show for family and friends. Participating 4-H members were Sarajean St. John and Blackie, Hannah Suderman and Waldo, Rebecca Suderman and Peter, Alyssa Walker and Kona, and Hannah Johnson and Annie. Congratulations to all of them for a great job.

The dog project will have its first meeting Sept.21st at the fair grounds swine barn from 6-7:30. Returning and new members are encouraged to come with your leashed dog, treats, and poop bags. You will learn some dog obedience commands, complete medical forms and receive the year’s lesson plan. We will be meeting the 1st and 3rd Tuesday each month. Join us!

Mary Barrett, 536-0526, thebarretts9622@sbcglobal.net
Jo-Ann Gritz, 532-7593, jgritz@mlode.com

**EXOTIC BIRDS**
The County Wide Exotic Bird project will meet on the 3rd Sunday of each month starting on October 17th at 6:30 pm at the 4-H office meeting room. This project is open to all 4-H members interested in learning about Exotic Birds. Bird ownership is not required but encouraged. We’re planning another fun year in the Exotic Bird Project so come and join us.

Mike Mainguth, 533-3135, mainguth@mlode.com

**GPS**
We have some hand held GPS units and would like to offer this project again. Is there someone who could teach a project about using GPS and learning to map coordinates on a laptop computer?

**HI 4-H & HAUNTED HOUSE**
Hi 4-H is for youths 7th grade and older. Hi 4-H puts on the Haunted House in October, serves a pancake breakfast in March, takes a trip in April, has a float in the Roundup parade in May, and assists with the CAST fishing day in June. In between we help in a couple of community service projects.

We are starting now with the planning and building of the Haunted House. You don’t have to wait for the first Hi 4-H meeting to sign up. Contact Jay Wallace (533-1907), Linda Mager (532-5896) or Linda Hembree (532-8656) and we will let you know when to show up for work. We are currently working on Saturdays starting at 9 am. This activity is geared for teens in 7th grade and up and adult leaders. If you are younger than 7th grade, you must be accompanied by a parent or guardian during all Haunted House performance nights. All youth working in the Haunted House must be enrolled as 4-H members and all adults must go through the 4-H screening process.

If you do not want to participate in the Haunted House but would like to be a member of Hi 4-H and join us for our other activities, come to our first meeting, Wednesday, September 15 at the Sonora Youth Center.

**HORSE**
We will have at least three horse projects this year.

Lori Mills will teach Rock Creek Riders, a county-wide project. Contact her at 984-0447

Ronda Amos will teach horse project for members living in the Groveland area, 962-7774.

**Ranch Riders** is the name for our new Horse project, which will be led by Sarah Barnum, Melissa Moore and Jen Alderson. Their first meeting will be Sunday, September 26 at noon at the Butler Ranch, 14000 Twist Road, Jamestown. This meeting is for members and parents, no horses. All levels of riders are welcome (no primary members). Members must have their own horse and have transportation to future meetings. Call us first about the project.

Jen Alderson, 352-8804
MEAT GOATS
Lucky Trails has a Meat Goat project that is open to members in other clubs. Contact Sue Griffiths, 532-9313.

POULTRY Welcome to Countywide Poultry! This year we will be covering diseases, housing, showmanship and how to raise market and fancy poultry. Market poultry includes meat birds and turkeys. We will meet the third Thursday each month at 7 pm at the 4-H Office, starting November 18. Contact Lynn or Greg Hummel at 586-2784 if you have any questions. See you then!

PUBLIC SPEAKING
4-H presentations are often cited as the most beneficial of all 4-H activities because a confident speaker carries that skill over to everything else in life. Sue Moore will be teaching a county-wide public speaking project to encourage members to develop skills in organizing and giving presentations. We will have fun along the way and prepare for County Presentation Day in the spring. The first meeting will be the first Thursday, October 7th from 6:30-8 pm at the UCCE/4-H Office. Email Sue at samoore@ucdavis.edu to sign up.

PYGMY GOATS
Our first project meeting will be on the first Tuesday, October 5, 2010 at 6:30 pm at the 4-H Office. We are looking forward to once again working with the youth of Tuolumne County. Please bring along a friend if you know they may be interested in this project. If you have any questions, contact Rod Moore at 840-1725 or Beth Moore at 840-3463.

RABBIT
The TLC project, aka Tuolumne Lepus Club, aka county-wide rabbits, will hold their next meeting on Wednesday, September 22, at 6:30 pm at the 4-H office. This project will cover selection, different breeds, housing and care for your rabbits, breeding and genetics, showmanship and preparing for competition. For information, contact Gail Aruta at 532-5257 or gailaru@yahoo.com.

RACING PIGEONS
Congratulations to Dashiel and Tennessee Tillery who raced their birds for the first time from Yerington, Nevada. They took 70th place out of 177 birds over 93 miles in their first club race of the young bird season.

This project focuses on the exciting and rewarding sport of Homing Pigeons. We cover all aspects of raising Homers, from housing, feeding, breeding, racing and much, much more. We will also be taking a couple of field trips. Any member who is interested in pigeons is welcome to join; you don’t need to own birds. Contact Alicia & Alex Encoyand for information at 768-0281.

SCRAPBOOKING PROJECT is new this year, led by Rhonda Harris. Space is limited to 14. Project meetings will be held at the Craft Cottage – 14317 Mono Way, Sonora at 6 pm. The class schedule is the 3rd Thursday of each month September thru May except December. The first meeting will be September 16. Cost will be $10-$20 for the first class to purchase the book and starter materials. Each class thereafter will be approximately $5 for materials. Call Rhonda to sign up at 743-2355.

SHOOTING SPORTS - ARCHERY
Don & Patricia Carlson will be repeating their popular Archery project this fall. Contact them at 586-2628 for information.

SHOOTING SPORTS - RIFLE
Signups for the 4-H Shooting Sports-Rifle project will be on Tuesday, September 7th at 6 pm at the Mother Lode Gun Club on Jamestown Road. BE EARLY. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis. Youth must be at least 10 years old in 2010 to shoot on the range and must be accompanied to signups by a parent or guardian. This project meets for 8 weeks, every Tuesday night starting September 14. The first meeting is a mandatory safety class. The cost is $25, with all equipment provided. The MLGC junior shooting program is open to the public as well as 4-H members. For more information, please contact Roger Wilson at 768-1906.

SWINE - MOUNTAIN COUNTY HOGS is led by the Stegalls. Call Kathy at 694-8679 for more information.

OTHER PROJECTS will be added as information becomes available. Watch this section of the newsletter for information about projects that may interest you.
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