A NOTE FROM THE 4-H OFFICE...

As many of you have already heard, the UCCE Tuolumne office (which includes the 4-H office) officially became part of a new multi-county partnership on July 1st. As part of a plan to cut costs and pool our resources, the University of California has created one collaborative extension known as Cooperative Extension, Central Sierra which encompasses Tuolumne, Calaveras, Amador and El Dorado counties. El Dorado County will serve as the administrative hub for all four of these counties.

What does this mean to you? The most significant change many people have already seen is a reduction in office hours. Our new hours are Monday through Thursday from 8-5pm. We are closed for lunch from 12-1 and all Fridays. As an 80% employee, my hours will vary depending on whether or not 4-H has a weekend or night event. Robin, our Office Assistant can help with general 4-H questions and collect your enrollment payments and necessary forms. If you would like to meet with me directly you are welcome to call the office or email me at any time in order to set up a meeting time. Other than a slight reduction in staff hours you will see little negative change as a result of this partnership. Clubs, projects and 4-H events will remain local, as will your leaders and members!

What’s the good news? There are many good things about the new multi-county partnership! As 4-H staff, I will be working closely with the 4-H Program Managers in each of the other three counties, sharing ideas & resources. I will then be able to pass on those new ideas, resources and curriculum to both leaders and members. By working together, we hope to promote 4-H to an even larger group of people and help our county’s program be the best it can be!

If you have any questions regarding these changes please contact me at (209)533-6990 or jalderson@ucdavis.edu. We appreciate your patience and support!

Jennifer Alderson, 4-H Program Manager

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 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.

WHO CAN JOIN 4-H?

Any youth who is 9 years old or in 4th grade through age 18, as of December 31, 2011 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 12/31/11 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.
4-H WEBSITE HAS CHANGED
With the new merger and creation of the Cooperative Extension, Central Sierra, the Tuolumne County website has changed! While the existing link to 4-H should still be valid, we are not sure how long it will stay. Please familiarize yourself with the new website and link: [http://www.cecentralsierra.ucanr.org](http://www.cecentralsierra.ucanr.org)
From this homepage you can access ALL counties in the multi-county partnership! If you have time, check out 4-H in the other counties. It is always fun to see how other counties run their 4-H programs in comparison to ours. Past editions of the Tooter, forms and all club information pertinent to you will be listed under the Tuolumne County section. Please call the 4-H Office if you are having trouble locating something on the new site.

NEW 4-H ENROLLMENT SYSTEM
Have you heard about 4-H’s new online enrollment system? Many counties in California have been using an online system for 4-H for years. Starting September 1st, Tuolumne County 4-H will no longer be accepting paper enrollment forms from volunteer leaders or members. Instructions for the new online enrollment system can be found on the CE Central Sierra website at: [http://www.cecentralsierra.ucanr.org](http://www.cecentralsierra.ucanr.org). From the Cooperative Extension Home Page, you should select “4-H Youth Development”, then select the “Tuolumne County” icon. From there you can access all things 4-H in our county including enrollment process information under the tab “Joining 4-H”. Please Note: Your enrollment will not be confirmed until all necessary forms and fees have been received. Make sure you read the enrollment guidelines on the website carefully.
Jennifer Alderson, our 4-H Program Manager, will be at each clubs 1st meeting to explain the enrollment process in further detail. Paper versions of the enrollment guide will also be available at the 1st club meeting for those who do not have internet access. If you do not have internet access and would like a mailed version of the Tooter please fill out a Tooter Subscription Form at your first club meeting. There will also be extra copies of the Tooter each month available for pick up at the 4-H Office.

ENROLLMENT DEADLINES
4-H members and volunteer leaders should enroll as soon as possible after your first club meeting. In order for returning members to be eligible to show at the Mother Lode Fair, you must enroll by October 17th. That deadline is extended for new members until December 16th.

FEES
The mandatory fee for the 2011-2012 4-H year was set at $20. This was a $5 increase from last year. Recognizing that many Tuolumne County families have fallen on hard times because of the current economic situation, Tuolumne County 4-H Council voted to do everything in their power keep the fees at a lower cost for members. As a solution, 4-H Council will be holding an enrollment fundraiser October 18th in order to supplement $5 for every 4-H family. With this $5 supplementation from 4-H Council the fees for this year will remain at $15 for youth and $6 for volunteer leaders.

TOOTER SUBSCRIPTION
We have around 33 4-H families currently receiving the Tooter newsletter via the U.S. Postal Service. Due to the rising costs of producing and mailing the newsletter, Tuolumne County 4-H will start charging $10/ 4-H year if you still wish to receive the Tooter in the mail. This change will be effective October 1st, 2011. If you are currently receiving the newsletter via email you do not need to do anything unless your email address has changed. To subscribe to the Tooter via email please visit: [http://ucanr.org/sites/Tuolumne_4-H/4H_Tooter_Newsletter](http://ucanr.org/sites/Tuolumne_4-H/4H_Tooter_Newsletter) If you do not have internet access you do not need to do anything unless your email address has changed. To subscribe to the Tooter via email please visit: [http://ucanr.org/sites/Tuolumne_4-H/4H_Tooter_Newsletter](http://ucanr.org/sites/Tuolumne_4-H/4H_Tooter_Newsletter) If you do not have internet access please fill out a Tooter Subscription Form at your first club meeting. There will also be extra copies of the Tooter each month available for pick up a the 4-H Office.

4-H VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
We are always actively recruiting 4-H project leaders. Being a project leader can be a very rewarding and fun experience. Have an idea for a new project? We would love to hear it! If you are interested in becoming a project leader please call the 4-H Office at 533-6990.

NEW LEADER ORIENTATION
If you are a new leader you must come by the 4-H Office to pick up the LiveScan (fingerprinting) request forms and the take home Leader Orientation-Training Confirmation Form. Both need to be completed before you can be approved as a volunteer leader in 4-H. You must be approved as a leader prior to holding your first meeting. The date for our in-house New Leader Orientation is TBA.
TSC PAPER CLOVER WEEK  
Sept 21st-Oct 2nd  
Tractor Supply Company is holding it’s biannual Paper Clover Promotion. A portion of each paper clover sold directly benefits Tuolumne County 4-H. We are looking for members to set up 4-H informational booths and bring examples of their projects at any time (afterschool, weekends, etc.) during the promotion. The last few Paper Clover Promotions have been very successful. Please notify your project leader at your first meeting if you are interested in helping. This is a great way to gear up for National 4-H Week!

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 the Family Picnic on October 1st. Thank you Lucky Trails club for coordinating this!

IRONSTONE CONCOURS d’ELEGANCE  
Saturday, September 24, 10-4  
Ironstone Vineyards, Murphys  
Adults $20, couple or family ticket $35  
Children under 14 free  

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. 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. 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. 4-H participants receive free lunch. If you are interested in helping out with the Concours event please call the 4-H Office to sign up by September 9th.

RON HAMILTON FAMILY BENEFIT  
September 25th, 2-7pm  
Sheriff’s Posse Clubhouse  
Dinner, silent & live auction, entertainment!  
Organized by Ron’s friends, the benefit will help pay his $35,000 in medical bills for treatment of Chiari Malformation, a brain condition. Dinner ticket donation is $25 adult and $10 child under 12. Tickets are available at Let ‘er Buck, Hurst Ranch, Sonora Feed, Pac N Copy, Sierra Bible Church, the Senior Center, and Tuolumne Market. To donate an auction item contact Alicia Frese at 928-5502. To help at the event or for more information, contact Sue Moore at 743-2020. Ron is 4-H Council President and club leader of Tuolumne Pioneers. He does so much for others, we’d like to help him pay his medical bills. Help us help our friend!
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 1st.

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
The National Science Experiment session will focus on “The Power of Wind” this year. The session will be taught by older 4-H members and supervised by an adult leader.

Lunch: Families with last names A-H hors d’oeuvres, I-P a dessert, and Q-Z a salad. 4-H Council will supply hamburgers, veggie 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.

TEEN RETREAT
October 8-9th
3 Links Camp
Since the weather forced us to cancel Teen Retreat twice last year (once in November, once in March) we have decided to try something a little different... We moved it to October! We are hoping the snow will hold off until later this year so we can FINALLY have our Teen Retreat! The All Star and Leadership Teams are busy planning all the fun activities for this great event! Teen Retreat is open to all Tuolumne County 4-H members 6th grade and up. The theme will be Leadership Safari! More information and registration forms will be available at your first club meetings! Save the date!

ENROLLMENT FUNDRAISER
October 18th, 4-6:30pm
Sonora Elks Lodge
4-H Council has agreed to hold a fundraiser in the form of a drive thru dinner in order to raise the money needed to supplement $5 on every new and returning members enrollment. This allows the cost of enrollment to remain at $15 instead of the state specified $20. All clubs will have presale dinner tickets available for 4-H members to sell at their first club meetings in September. We hope to see as many members as possible selling these tickets! If you would like to sign up to help with the fundraiser on the date of the event please call Ron Hamilton at 928-1815.

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. 10/19 from 7-8:30 pm is free to 4-H families. This counts as a 4-H event attended.

Thursday 10/20  7-8:30 pm
Friday 10/21   7-9:30 pm
Saturday 10/22  7-9:30 pm
Thursday 10/27  7-8:30 pm
Friday 10/28   7-9:30 pm
Saturday 10/29  3-5:00 pm matinee
Saturday 10/29  7-9:30 pm
Monday 10/31   7-9:00 pm

ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT
Date TBA
Sonora High School
No Achievement Night in October?
Since we moved Teen Retreat to October instead of November, Achievement Night will not be held until later in the year. We are looking at dates in November and early December. Check the October Tooter for an official date and time.
Plan Your Own Worldwide Day of Play Event
September 24, 2011
For the seventh year in a row, Nickelodeon is encouraging kids to get up and go out and play. You can join thousands of clubs, organizations and families to plan a Play Day to celebrate. For more information, please visit pro-social.nick.com/world-wide-day-of-play/.

Volunteer At San Francisco Farm Day
October 20, 2011 • San Francisco
Join agriculture enthusiasts at the 25th anniversary of the first San Francisco Farm Day and California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom. Live farm animal displays, school garden demonstrations, food and farming-themed classroom presentations, and exciting activity stations will allow nearly 10,000 urban San Francisco students to experience agriculture like never before. If your 4-H club or county All Star group would like to participate in the event, complete the online volunteer sign-up at www.learnaboutag.org/anniversary/ and California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom will contact you with more details.

Come Join the Revolution of Responsibility!
2013 marks the centennial for 4-H in California and the 4-H YDP will celebrate by giving back to their communities with youth-designed, youth-led projects where participants learn leadership by actually leading, collaboration by forming relationships with other groups and agencies, and citizenship skills by actively seeking opportunities to make a difference in their communities. The Revolution of Responsibility will celebrate the power of youth taking action and will consolidate all the various funding programs that are provided by the State 4-H Office. Chartered 4-H clubs/units can apply for funding (up to $1,000) to support service-learning projects related to either club or project activities. The first deadline for applications is October 15, 2011 with additional due dates of January 15 and April 15, 2012. For more information, check out the website at: http://www.ca4h.org/Support/RofR/

Captain Planet Foundation: The Captain Planet Foundation is funding grants to schools and community-based organizations that encourage hands-on projects to improve the environment. Up to $2,500 in funding is available for projects that will inspire youth to become active in environmental stewardship and community service activities. The deadline to apply is September 30, 2011. For more information, visit http://www.captainplanetfoundation.org/default.aspx?pid=3&tab=apply.

Educate Girls About Aspects Of Health
The mission of girlshealth.gov is to promote healthy, positive behaviors in girls between the ages of 10 and 16. The site offers girls current, reliable, and useful information on various health issues they will face as they become young women, and tips on handling relationships with family and friends, at school, and at home. Visit the website, www.girlshealth.gov, to take interactive quizzes, ask for advice and download a free Teen Survival Guide. The website also provides information for parents and educators to help teach girls about healthy living.

Placer County Veteran Stand Down
Organizers of this event are seeking volunteers and donations for the event, planned for Sept. 27-29 at the Roseville Fairgrounds, 800 All American Boulevard in Roseville.

“Stand Down” refers to times of war, when exhausted combat units requiring time to rest and recover were removed from the battlefields to a place of relative security and safety. At secure base camp areas, troops were able to take care of personal hygiene, get clean uniforms, enjoy warm meals, receive medical and dental care, mail and receive letters, and enjoy the camaraderie of friends in a safe environment.

Today, Stand Down refers to a grassroots, community-based intervention program designed to help the nation’s Active Duty, Veterans and estimated 107,000 homeless veterans. Stand Downs have been held throughout the nation. This is the first Placer County event. Donations of personal hygiene items, underwear, gift cards, bus passes and other items, financial donations and volunteers for the event are requested. To learn more about how to help, visit http://placercountyveteranstanddown.org or call 916-259-1001.

National 4-H Conference
This is a working conference in which youth and adults develop recommendations to help guide 4-H Youth Development Programs nationally and in their communities. This event brings together youth, volunteer leaders, and state and county extension staff members from across the United States, the U.S. territories, and the Canadian provinces.

Applications are now available at: http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/N4-HC/

For more information please contact Quang “Hogan” Tong at qtong@ucdavis.edu

Important dates to remember:
2012 National 4-H Conference
March 24 – March 29, 2012
October 31, 2011 Applications due
November 14, Notifications out to applicants
FOOTHILL 4-H
Welcome back Foothill 4-H’ers!!! Our first meeting of the year is at the Humane Society in Jamestown at 7pm on September 14th. We will be telling you about all of the projects that we are looking forward to this next year. We would like to invite any parents or family friends who are interested in becoming new leaders. We would really like to give the kids new projects to try this year. At the meeting we will be going over the new online enrollment system and all things 4-H. For more information please call Ida Ponder 984-5515 or Sharon Smale 532-5036.
Sharon & Ida, Club Leaders

GROVELAND HIGHLANDERS
Welcome back Groveland Highlanders! We are getting ready for a great year! Our first meeting will be the 3rd Tuesday (a change I know) September 20th at 7pm. Our 4-H Program Manager, Jennifer Alderson, will be there to tell us about changes in the 4h enrollment process. Please bring your $15 for enrollment to this meeting.
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 in the county. It is a club for 4-H members, 7th grade and up, who only want to do Hi 4-H and/or the Haunted House Project. All meetings for Hi 4-H, both club and project, are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm at the Sonora Youth Center. Our first meeting will be September 21st. Please come join us and bring a friend. The leaders are Linda Mager, 532-5896, Anita Payne, 532-8309 and Linda Hembree 532-8656

LUCKY TRAILS
Welcome back Lucky Trails members! We would first like to congratulate everyone who participated in the fair this year. Everyone did an outstanding job! For our end of the year party we had a great time at Pizza Factory and Miniature Golf! The results of our officer elections are as follows: President-Humphrey Quirie, Vice President- George Quirie, Secretary-Emily Wright, Treasurer-Joshua Brewer, Sergeant of Arms-Joshua Brewer, Historian-Allaura McCulloch. Our first meeting of the year will be held at the 4-H Office on Wednesday, September 13th at 6:30pm. Bring your $15 enrollment fee and a parent. Hope to see everyone there!
Sue Griffiths, Club Leader, 532-9313

MOUNTAIN RANGERS
Welcome back Mountain Rangers! Hope everyone had an amazing summer. Our first meeting of the new year will be held on Wednesday, September 14 at 6pm at Soulsbyville Elementary in the cafeteria. As you can see, we have changed the location and the day of the week to the benefit of our club. We will be having an enrollment Open House with refreshments. Bring all of your friends and family that may be interested in 4-H so they can see what a great time we have and the benefits of becoming a 4-H member. Please bring a parent to our first meeting along with your enrollment fee of $15.00. If you have any questions, please feel free to call either Gwen Swenson at 586-1922 or Anita Vicini at 928-5702

SONORA CLOVERLEAFS
Welcome back Cloverleafs! Hope you had a wonderful summer and a great time at the county fair. Our first club meeting will be on Tuesday, September 13th at 7pm. 4-H is always looking for new project leaders, if you have an interesting skill or idea for a project let our club leader-Deniel Sheffield- or our 4-H program manager-Jennifer Alderson- know. You can contact Deniel at (209)536-9791 or at sheffy@msn.com and Jennifer at (209)533-6990 or at jdalderson@ucdavis.edu. Jennifer will be at our first club meeting to talk about 4-H’s new enrollment procedures. Hope to see you there! If you know anyone interested in 4-H, bring them along. We could always use new members!
Deniel Sheffield, Club Leader

TUOLUMNE PIONEERS
Our first club meeting will be held at Summerville Elementary School on September 12th at 7pm. Bring a parent and a friend! We have a few new and exciting projects to offer and are looking forward to another great year! For more information, call Ron and Kris Hamilton at 928-1815, or Shelly Wyatt at 532-3241 or Rhonda Harris at 743-2355.
Faith Hamilton, Reporter
The newest project within the Tuolumne Pioneers club, the Citizenship/Heritage Project, will meet September 15th from 6:30-7:30pm at Shelly Wyatt’s house in Tuolumne. We need Junior & Teen Leaders! Call Shelly for more info at 662-4655.
Shelly Wyatt, Project Leader
COUNTYWIDE PROJECTS

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Countywide projects are open to members from any club. Call the leader listed for information. Additional projects will be announced as they are confirmed.

BEEF
This project is pending leader approval. Check back in October for information on the first meeting!

DOG TRAINING
Got Dog?? The countywide Dog Care and Training Project will have their first meeting Tuesday, Sept 20 at 6 pm at the 4 H office. Join us for a fun project learning all about dogs and training yours for the 4H Dog Show. You can work with any dog belonging to you or a family member. The first meeting will be without dogs. For more information, contact project leaders Mary Barrett 536-0526 or Jo-Ann Gritz 532-7593

EXOTIC BIRDS & PIGEONS
The Exotic Bird and Pigeon projects will be combined this year. Please call Alicia Encoy and for more information at 768-0281.

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 (Rock Creek Riders)
Please contact Lori Mills at 984-0447 for more information on joining this project.

HORSE (Ranch Riders)
Ranch Riders 4-H Horse Project is countywide and open to all levels and disciplines of riders. We meet once a month, usually at the Tuolumne County Sheriff’s Posse Grounds in Jamestown. We had an amazing time last year and are looking forward to the new 4-H year! Expect more field trips, opportunities for shows and trail rides! In order to fully participate in this project you must own your own horse and have transportation to and from meetings. Members who do not own a horse and would simply like to learn more about horses are welcome to join as well. Our first meeting will be held at the 4-H Office on Sunday, September 25th at 2pm. Parents/guardians are required to attend the first meeting. Please no horses at this first meeting. This project is limited to the first 20 participants with priority given to returning members. For more information call Jennifer Alderson at 352-8804, Melissa Moore at 559-2142 or Sarah Barnum at 743-9434. We look forward to seeing everyone at the first meeting!

KNITTING
We will be starting our Knitting project Saturday, September 17th from 1-4pm. We will be meeting every 3rd Saturday from September thru March in Sonora. All levels of knitters are welcome. In addition to learning the basics (cast on, bind off, knit and purl) we will be exploring other stitches, posting patterns on the internet, using texture and colors to create works of art. If you are interested in joining this project please email me at tamagdaleno@yahoo.com. Please include “4-H Knitting” in the subject line of your email. Space is limited to 8 members.

Trish Magdaleno, Project Leader & Sydney Jones, Junior Leader

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

POULTRY
Check back soon for information on the first Poultry meeting! For more information on this project call Greg & Lynn Hummel at 586-2784.

Happy Labor Day!
COUNTYWIDE PROJECTS

PYGMY GOATS
Project meetings will be held the second Saturday of each month at the Sonora Youth Center from 10:00 am to 11:30 am. Kayce Thompson, 352-1590, is now the project leader and Beth Moore, 559-7538, is her assistant leader. We look forward to a new year and working with the youth.

RABBITS (TLC)
TLC Rabbits meets at the 4-H Office at 6:30pm every 4th Wednesday of the month from September to June, except November (date TBA) and December. New project members please come to an informational session at 5:30pm prior to the first meeting on September 28th. Contact project leaders Gail Aruta, 532-5257, or Heather Swenson, 586-1922, if you have any questions.

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 6th at 6pm 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 2011 to shoot on the range and must be accompanied to signups and all sessions by a parent or guardian. The first meeting will be held September 13 and is mandatory. The sessions will then run every Tuesday until November. 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 Rodger Tidball at 984-4933.

SEWING
Karen Ross is teaching a countywide Sewing project again this year. Space is limited so please call ahead. Karen can be reached at 984-0779.

Sue Moore and Jan Kahl will be teaching Clothing & Textiles (aka Sewing). Space is limited and priority is given to returning project members. Contact Sue at 743-2020 or 2moores@mlode.com to register. The first meeting will be Sunday, September 18 from 1-2:30 pm at the UCCE Office to discuss plans for the year. Bring a parent and your tape measure.

SWINE - MOUNTAIN COUNTY HOGS is led by Gary and Kathy Stegall. 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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