A NOTE FROM THE 4-H OFFICE...

I wanted to take this time to address our all of our 4-H families regarding a change in staff here at the 4-H Office. After months of debating and planning I have made the difficult decision to relocate to Washington state in December. I will be joining my fiancé who has been living there since the beginning of August after receiving an assignment to the Coast Guard Station in Washington. My last day here at the 4-H Office will be November 30th. This has been a very difficult decision to make as I love the 4-H program and all the amazing families involved dearly! I want to personally thank all of you for making my time here a wonderful experience that I will cherish forever.

I am very confident that JoLynn Miller, our 4-H Advisor, will ensure the transition in staff is as smooth as possible. If you or someone you know is interested in applying for the position of 4-H Program Representative the position will be open until November 16th. More details can be found at: www.ucanr.edu/tuolumne4hjobposting

I hope everyone has a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving! Please feel free to call me at the office if you have any questions or concerns about the 4-H program. Thank you!

Jennifer Alderson, 4-H Program Representative

ENROLLMENT DEADLINES

The enrollment deadline for returning members who plan to show at fair was October 15th. If you have not paid your enrollment fees you must do so before your November club meetings. If you do not pay your enrollment fees you will be considered an inactive 4-H member and will not be eligible to show at the Mother Lode Fair.

New members have until December 3rd to enroll. For enrollment questions please contact the 4-H Office.

4-H COMMUNITY DINNER

January 19th 4-7pm
Mother Lode Fairgrounds
Each club will have a serving time and also be in charge of a part of the Dinner so ask about it at your club meeting. This is the main fundraiser for Tuolumne County 4-H and it takes all of us to put it on.

All members are encouraged to sell tickets, bring in donated items or gift certificates for the Silent Auction, make a poster to advertise the dinner and create a decorated cake to auction. Tickets are available to check out at your club meetings.

Adult tickets (age 12 and over) are $12. Youth (11 and younger) and Seniors (65 and over) are $8. Adult and Youth/Senior tickets are the same price pre-sale and at the door.

Family tickets for up to 5 people are $40, pre-sale only. All family tickets must have the number of people written on them when they are sold.

Look for complete information on the Community Dinner in the December Tooter.

HOLIDAY OFFICE CLOSURES

The entire UCCE Office will be closed Monday, November 12th for Veteran’s Day and Thursday, November 22nd for the Thanksgiving Holiday. As always, the office is closed on Fridays.

HAUNTED HOUSE

Thank you to Jay Wallace aka Igor, Rick Nelson aka Beetlesauce, and everyone else who helped make a successful 2012 Haunted House. Congratulations to all our performers. Everyone did a great job! Also, thank you to all who came through to see what a great group of kids we have. See you next year!

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning citizenship, leadership and life skills.
40th Annual

4-H COMMUNITY DINNER & Decorated Cake Auction

Saturday, January 19, 2013
Mother Lode Fairgrounds, 4 to 7 pm

TRI TIP & all the fixin's
Baked potato, Green Salad, Roll
Ice Cream & Cover’s Cookie
Vegetarian entrée available

Tickets from 4-H members & at the door
$12 Adults
$8 Seniors 65 & older
$8 Children under 12
$40 Family ticket is pre-sale only, limit 5 people

For information, contact the 4-H office, 533-6990
Proceeds benefit the Tuolumne County 4-H Program for local youth
Western Region Leader Forum
March 21 – 24, 2013 in Hawaii
Hawaii 4-H members, volunteers, faculty and staff are looking forward to seeing you in Hawaii March 21 – 24, 2013 for the Western Region Leader Forum. The conference site is the Waikiki Beach Marriott and Resort (800-848-8100). Refer to code, WR4A, to the person taking your reservation. Registration for the forum may be completed by going to:
http://www.ctahr.hawaii.edu/wrlf/

DEADLINES:
Deadline for Regular Registration is December 31, 2012 - $375
Deadline for Hotel room Rate of $179 is February 21, 2013 - $425

State 4-H Field Day 2013
May 25 at UC Davis
http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/
The State 4-H Field Day takes place annually on the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend at the UC Davis campus from 8:00am until 6:00pm. The event is open to all 4-H members, volunteers, staff and parents. More information will be released in January 2013.

The five categories announced for 2013 State Fashion Revue are generating interest in 4-H sewing and crafts projects, and in counties planning their local events. Check out the descriptions at http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/ and plan to participate in your County Fashion Revue. SFR is coordinating three service projects: little dresses and shorts for Africa, stuffed animals, and drawstring bags. Projects and counties are encouraged to download the patterns and instructions and make the most of all the fabric scraps in your “stash.” The dresses and bags take about a yard of fabric plus bias tape or cording. The shorts are sewn from a new or like-new purchased t-shirt. The stuffed animals are cute and cuddly, made from scraps of fuzzy fabric. Brighten the life of a child close to home or in an impoverished country by donating fabric or your time and have fun at the same time. See the SFR website for questions or contact a committee member.

4-H State Leadership Conference 2013
July 25-28, 2013 at UC Davis
http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/
The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. More information will be released in January 2013.
FOOTHILL 4-H
Hi Foothill 4-H Members!
Thank you to all participants in JoLynn Miller's survey! This will go towards NATIONAL RESEARCH to promote 4-H! This month ATTCA is looking for donations and you can help. Here is what they need: canned pie filling (preferably pumpkin), canned veggies, canned cranberries, turkeys, dinner rolls, and stuffing. Please bring your donation to our next meeting on November 14th at 7pm at the Humane Society. See you there!

Please note: Foothill 4-H is also having a canned food drive on December 1st from 10:30-2:30 in front of Safeway. Call Amanda Bloom for more information at (209)532-0173.

Hanna Lopez, Reporter

GROVELAND HIGHLANDERS
At the October meeting, our new officers were installed by All Star Danny. Jennifer Alderson answered questions and gave information to new members. We also collected baby items for the county baby basket. Our November Meeting will be held November 13th. We will initiate new members, and make pine cone turkey decorations for our Groveland Community Thanksgiving Dinner.

Sammy West, Reporter

HI 4-H
Thanks to all the Hi 4-H'ers who helped put together a terrific Haunted House. The rest of this year's activity will include Adopt-a-Family, Pancake Breakfast and finally our Disneyland trip. Anyone planning to go on the Disneyland trip: Please come to the November meeting. Packets for the place mat ad sales will be handed out. The place mats will be used at the pancake breakfast in March. The money raised through the place mat ads sales and breakfast will help pay for the cost of the bus and motel for the Disneyland trip. All members will have to pay for their own Disneyland ticket and cost of meals. Money earned at the Haunted House can be used toward your ticket. The cost of the ticket will be $160 for a 3 day hopper pass. This is higher than last year, so now is the time to start saving your money! Please note date and location of our next meeting: Our next meeting will be November 15th at 7pm at the Haunted House location. Any questions, call Linda Mager, 532-5896 or Linda Hembree, 532-8656.

SONORA CLOVERLEAFS
Thanks to all members that brought donations for the 4H Baby Basket and the Motherlode Food Project. The next Cloverleafs 4H Meeting is on Tuesday, November 13. Before the meeting, we will hold the Annual Dollar a Plate Potluck Fundraiser starting at 6:30. Members should bring a plate to feed 12, their families, plates and silverware, and a dollar per family member to eat. The club meeting will start around 7:15. Officers should wear 4H whites or the club t-shirt for officer installation. Please bring in a food item for the ATCAA Holiday Food Basket Drive. For more information, contact Deniel Sheffield at 536-9791 or sheffy@msn.com.

Kathryn Baker, Reporter

TUOLUMNE PIONEERS
The Meeting of the Tuolumne Pioneers will be Monday November 12, 2012 at 7:00. Don't forget our new meeting place is at Mother Lode Christian School. Remember to bring your items for the baby we are supporting for Thanksgiving. We will be doing a fun Thanksgiving Community Service Activity after the meeting. Please remember to bring your candle orders to the Nov meeting. Shelly will be collecting them and get the candles ordered by 11/13. If you have any questions contact Shelly at 662-4655.

Happy Thanksgiving to all our 4-H families!
COUNTYWIDE PROJECTS

**BEEF**
Our next meeting will be Monday, November 26th at 6pm at the RCD Office. The office is located at 18285 Hwy 108 Suite #6 in Jamestown. Contact Lindsay if you have any questions at 559-9066.

**CITIZENSHIP**
Our next meeting will be November 26th at 7pm at the 4-H Office. Contact Anita at 536-4098 with any questions.

**CULTURAL ARTS**
Our next meeting will be November 26th at 8pm at the 4-H Office. Contact Anita at 536-4098 with any questions.

**DOG CARE & TRAINING**
Our next meeting will be November 12th. We will be meeting on the Livestock Lawn at the Mother Lode Fairgrounds. Call Mary Barrett at 536-0526 with any questions.

**GOATS**
Our November meeting will be on the Thursday, the 1st at 6:30pm. Due to some conflicts with individual events, we may be changing the date and time of our meetings. You will be contacted by phone or email when changes are made. A big welcome to our new and returning members this year! I can be reached at 536-4933.

Beth Moore

**HEALTHY LIVING**
Due to a lack of interest, this countywide project will be canceled. The Tuolumne Pioneers will include a portion of this project after our regularly scheduled club meeting each month. See you on 11/12/12 at Mother Lode Christian School!

**POULTRY**
Countywide Poultry will begin on November 15th in the 4H Office at 7PM. Poultry Project will be covering disease, housing, showmanship, breeding, and much, much more! We will be doing sign ups and project overview on our first meeting. Parents are always welcome to stay! If you have any questions, please call us at 209-586-2784. See you then!

Greg and Lynn Hummel

**PUBLIC SPEAKING**
The Public Speaking project will meet on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month from 5:45-7:45pm at the 4-H Office. Dates include the following: November 14 (first meeting), November 28, December 12 (no meeting on December 28), January 9, January 23, February 13, February 27, March 13, and March 27. Space is limited to 12 members. Please contact Raelene Juarez at 536-1176 for more information.

**THRIVE**
Thrive has moved!! We will be meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, 6-7pm, at the 4-H office. Thrive is a new project to Tuolumne County. Hands on, fun activities for 6th-12th grade members that want to become leaders. Learn how to set and achieve goals, find your Spark, and be a leader for fellow members. Contact Shelly Wyatt: 662-4655 if you are interested in this project. Perfect for Junior/Teen Leaders looking for additional leadership experience and knowledge! If turnout is low at the November meeting we will be forced to cancel this project, so please help get the word out!

Don’t see your project news here?
If you are a Project Leader and would like a news article published in the monthly Tooter please email or call the 4-H Office by the 25th of each month with your submission. This is a great way to keep your members and parents up-to-date on project meeting dates and activities!

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