

June/July 2014

# **4-H Family Newsletter**

Nevada County, California http://ucanr.edu/sites/nevadacounty4h 530-273-4563

July Council Meeting DATE CHANGE! Due to a conflict with Camp dates, the July Council meeting date has been changed to Thursday, June 26, at 7:00 p.m. in the Veterans Building Dining Hall.



## CAMP WORK DAY SATURDAY, JUNE 28 START TIME 9:00 a.m.

Come help set up camp! Placer County 4-H and Nevada County 4-H volunteers will be putting up the big tents on Saturday! This is not an overnight event.

If anyone is interested in donating their time and expertise, please email jcsimmons@ucanr.edu for more information.

### FAIR DEADLINE—NEW FOR THIS YEAR!

Market Eggs and Broiler, Turkey and Rabbit Meat Pens Entry Form Deadline: July 1, 4:00 pm\*

\*The Fair Administration Office will have extended hours - 8 am to 7 pm – on Wednesday, June 25, to accept entries.

Rules and details available in the Competition Handbook and at the Fair Administration Office

All Other Livestock—Entry forms due by: Friday, July 18 at 4 pm

Rules and details available in the Competition Handbook, available online and at the Fair Office.

## **Nevada County 4-H Executive Council Officers**

Nevada County 4-H Council voted at the May Council meeting for the positions of Council President and Council Secretary. Congratulations to the new Council President, Lora Willis, of the Grass Valley 4-H Club, and to the new Council Secretary, Sarah Berg, of the Misty Mountain 4-H Club!

Help make the 4-H display at the Nevada County Fair AgSperience area a great place to learn about what Nevada County 4-H has to offer! All clubs please drop off a poster or display about your club by August 1st to the office. Please list the club name, date, time, and place for club meetings, and provide a list of list of all projects, along with photos. Posters and displays from individual projects are also welcome!

Please email Jane Dettner for more information, | jdettner@yahoo.com





# **Nevada County 4-H Council Scholarship Opportunity** for High School Seniors

CRITERIA:

- The Nevada County 4-H Council Scholarship is open to current Nevada County 4-H
  members only, the applicants must be members in good standing of Nevada County 4-H
  for a minimum of 2 years prior to application year.
- They must be accepted into a higher education school for the same year of the scholarship application year. (apply in June for \$, go to school in fall of same year) This would include University, Community College or Trade school.
- The application will consist of (no more than) a 2 page letter outlining the student's 4-H involvement, educational goals, and community service. The letter must be written by and hand signed by the applicant. AND hand signed by both his/her Current 4-H community leader and a current 4-H project leader.
- The applicants will be judged based on leadership, community involvement and a current minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5. (C+)
- Scholarship application letters must be submitted to the 4-H office no later than the close of business hours on June 30th (end of program year). Electronic applications will not be valid, because of the hand signed requirements. They must be mailed or delivered to the 4-H office. The Nevada County 4-H Incentives & Recognition committee will review all applications and vote on the recipients of the (4) available \$250 scholarships. A \$250 scholarship will be awarded per applicant. The awards will not be released until Achievement night. Students will provide proof of GPA at time of application and proof of enrollment to receive their awards.

Questions may be directed to the 4-H Office at 530-273-4563 or jcsimmons@ucanr.edu

## **Nevada County 4-H News & Events**

**PROJECT PROFICIENCIES ARE DUE AUGUST 1st!** Project Proficiencies are due by August 1st at the 4-H Office to receive recognition at Achievement Night for Proficiencies completed during the previous 4-H year. Primary members are not eligible to participate in the Proficiency Program. For more information about Project Proficiencies, please visit: <a href="http://ucanr.edu/sites/nevadacounty4h/Programs/Proficiencies/">http://ucanr.edu/sites/nevadacounty4h/Programs/Proficiencies/</a>

### **CLUB/PROJECT LEADER POLICY REVIEW**

The 4-H Guidelines For Social Media policies can be found here:

4h.ucanr.edu/files/133821.pdf

All clubs and projects must inform the 4-H office if your club, unit, or project has or wishes to establish a Facebook Page, website, Twitter account, or other social media. The Guidelines have instructions for creating an "Official" Facebook Page. If your club, unit, or project currently has a page set up as a "personal profile," please delete it and set up an "official page." For questions, please email jcsimmons@ucanr.edu

**The Outstanding All Star Award** is for the All Star who demonstrates an exemplary job as an All Star. The Outstanding All Star Award is presented at the Nevada County 4-H Achievement Night.

### Outstanding All Star Performance Award Criteria:

The Outstanding Performance Award is presented to the All Star who fulfills their responsibilities as developed in the *All Stars' Plan of Action* and with consideration of the following:

- □ Attendance at 4-H events.
- □ Shows leadership involving 4-H and other community activities.
- Has an active relationship with the 4-H County Council.
- $_{\Box}$  Has presented his/herself as a positive, enthusiastic role model for all 4-H members and others throughout the 4-H year.
- □ Is an active participant in developing and implementing the *All Stars' Plan of Action*.

**All Star Outstanding Performance Award application process:** Here is how to nominate an All Star. Anyone can submit a nomination letter. Please submit nomination letters to the 4-H office by **August 1**. In letters of nomination, please consider the above selection criteria, and reference All Star participation, leadership, and accomplishments.

The All Star Advisors and the Nevada County 4-H Leaders Council officers will review the nomination letters and determine if the All Star has fulfilled the requirements. The current Outstanding All Star is encouraged to be part of the committee.

For more information, please email jcsimmons@ucanr.edu

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Junior	Traditional	Allison Bousfield Ava Trest Lucy Durham Elizabeth Glomson Gaby Rosenburg Melanie Franklin Adelle Hollmer Kylie Winter	County Winner Alternate County Winner Medalist-at-Large Medalist-at-Large Medalist-at-Large Blue Blue Blue
Intermediate	Upcycled	Victoria Warmuth	County Winner
	Denim Challenge	Jeralee Groves	Blue
	Consumer-Science Purchased	e Victoria Warmuth Alyssa Ross	County Winner Alternate County Winner
	Apron Challenge	Victoria Pellerin	County Winner
Senior	Traditional	Mekayla Ross	Blue
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## **Countywide Citizenship Project News**

Updated applications are available on the county website and in the office for the Countywide Citizenship Project which includes the Cal Focus and DC trips next summer. Deadline for the applications to be returned to the office is AUGUST 1ST. Think about it now, because it is easy to forget with fair coming up, too. The first project meeting is September 11th, and is MANDATORY for all project members <u>and</u> parents. We will have to make some hard decisions due to the increase in cost and number of delegates planning on going. Deposits are not due until October 15th.

Sue Ramey—Citizenship Coordinator

## **Nevada County 4-H News & Events**

What is the 4-H Emerald Star? The Emerald Star program is designed for 4-H members aged 8th grade and above. In general, the Emerald Star project's purpose includes:

- 1. Providing an opportunity for 4-H members to develop projects in their community or in 4-H beyond the club level
- Improving, creating, and expanding 4-H programs.
- 3. Helping individual 4-H Emerald Star candidates grow and improve in the areas of organization, leadership, and project planning

This program is designed to help youth learn about project planning, organization, and presentation. As an example, youth can develop an action plan for some type of event. They then organize and facilitate this event. After completion and presentation of their project, they are awarded with the Emerald Star ranking. For more information about the Nevada County 4-H Emerald Star:



http://ucanr.edu/sites/nevadacounty4h/Programs/Emerald Star/

## **Member News**

Hello, my name is Aidan Wahl. I am a member of Clear Creek 4-H. I have been in 4-H for 6 years and this is my 3<sup>rd</sup> year in the swine project. This year, our pigs are from our sow, Jaylo. She is a Hampshire/Yorkshire cross bred and was bred to a Yorkshire boar. They are growing really fast at a rate of 2+ pounds per day! We try to breed for pigs born in March because they grow so fast but these were born in February. We have to weigh their food and weigh them on a regular basis to keep them gaining to stay on track for fair. I hope all my fellow swine members have a great year too! I have learned a lot in the swine group this year and hope to continue next year. I love my pig and hope he does well at fair. My other interests are reading, baseball and football. See you at fair!!!





### Aidan Wahl

My name is Cayce Andes. I am a 4-H member in the Clear Creek Club. I've been showing pigs at the fair for three years. This year I bought my pig from the Turnages. My pigs names are Rambo and Adrianne. I have a guilt and a barrow. I bought my pigs on April 27,2014. My pigs have already eaten 375 pounds of food since I purchased them. My pigs have funny personalities and I enjoy raising pigs for my 4-H projects for the Nevada County Fair. Going to the fair with my pigs has helped me create memories of fun and rewarding experiences. I am looking very forward to the 2014 Nevada County Fair. Don't forget June 21, 2014 Fun Fair.

## Cayce Andes

# DC DELEGATES SEEKING DONATIONS TO HELP NEVADA COUNTY HOMELESS AND NEEDY VETERANS

Feeling a special concern for the Nevada County military veterans, this year's 2014 D.C. Delegates' Plan of Action is helping out our military homeless vets. The D.C. Delegates would like to ask for help in completing their Plan of Action by asking fellow 4-Hers for some help in securing some items that we will not be able to buy. Our Revolution of Responsibility grant will be used to purchase sleeping bags, tents, boots, and mess kits for the homeless veterans. All of these items will be given without charge to the needy or homeless veterans. The supplies we are asking you to donate to help us with are:

- Socks
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- Underwear
- Various jeans
- Bottled water
- Canned foods
- Non perishable foods
- Kleenex
- Toilet paper
- Boots (size needed 10, 10W, 11, 11W)
- 1 and 2 man tents
- Hygiene supplies
- Camp stoves
- Camping cookware
- Mess kits

These items can be new or used, we just ask that they are in good condition. Whatever you can help with would be greatly appreciated. This is a great outreach to our local veterans and an educational avenue for the youth within the program. Please drop off your donations on Mondays at the Veterans Office in the Grass Valley Veterans Building between 1 and 3 p.m.. Thank you for all your support and time in reading this letter. For more information, please call 530-432-4248.

Sincerely, The 2014 D.C. Delegates Richard, Seth, and Megan Volheim



# 2014 MARKET EGGS INFORMATION by Sue Ramey

For full information about market egg entries, consult the Nevada County Fair Entry Guidebook.

## Market Egg entries are for the 5-9 age group only

Limit one dozen eggs per exhibitor. Market egg exhibitors may not enter any other market animal class. Market eggs must be gathered, cleaned and selected by the exhibitor.

Enter eggs in fair by July 1 at 4 pm

Bring eggs between 7 and 8 am Wednesday morning of fair, Aug 6 Judging begins at 8 am August 6th

Judge is looking for your dozen eggs to be:

Clean

Same size

Same color

Point side down

Fresh

Judge may break out an egg from your dozen to check:

Freshness

the white of a fresh egg has a jello consistency

the white gets watery as it ages

always store eggs point down to keep fresh

Blood spots – a disqualification

Check at home for blood spots by candling

(rotate each egg on a bright flashlight in a dark closet)

Judge may ask questions: Practice until you know the answers.

How many laying hens do you have?

What breeds are your laying hens?

What do you feed your hens?

How often do you collect the eggs?

The 1st to 5th place eggs can sell at the Silent Auction on Sunday

Make up a cute basket for your eggs and bring a fresh dozen

Some exhibitors add gifts to the basket (mug, special coffee, jam, etc)

Silent Auction is 8:30 am until live auction ends (approx 3pm)

Stand behind your eggs on the table off and on all day

Smile and talk to the bidders, tell them about your chickens

Parents – you will want to bring an Easy Up to keep exhibitors and eggs shaded

### **4-H UNIFORM VOTING!**

## Uniform voting will be open through June 30, 2014

In response to 4-H members' and volunteers' input and desire to explore options for a new uniform, the State 4-H Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee is facilitating the process to adopt a new uniform. Uniform voting is done through the Online Record Book, and full instructions are available here:

http://4h.ucanr.edu/Administration/Advisory\_Committees/IR/4-H\_Uniform\_Voting/

The State 4-H office asked 4-H members to submit their design ideas for a State 4-H uniform. After reviewing the entries, the large majority of proposals included blue jeans as well as have options for dressing up or down depending on what they are doing. Therefore the State Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee is presenting a standard uniform with a variety of options to the membership for your consideration.

#### STATE 4-H OFFICE SURVEY ABOUT ONLINE RECORD BOOK USER EXPERIENCE

The State 4-H Office is conducting a brief survey on user experiences with the 4-H Online Record Book (ORB). As the ORB begins to enter its fourth year, we would like to know about your experience with ORB anytime since its launch in September 2011. The information you provide will be used to help improve ORB and inform other efforts to move processes online.

The survey should take no more than 5 minutes to complete. Please respond by July 15, 2014. <a href="http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=13238">http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=13238</a>



The 4-H **State Leadership Conference** brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. The conference provides advanced leadership training and is an opportunity for 4-H members to network and share ideas with other 4-Hers from across the state. The conference focuses on providing high school youth with experiential education on leadership development, civic engagement, college admissions and other 4-H proiect areas.

Youth delegates gain exposure to the campus by living in the residence halls, eating in the dining commons, and participating in educational sessions, many of which are taught by UC faculty and staff.

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The conference is planned by a team of high school 4-H members and adult advisors. Working in strong youth-adult partnership, the team designs the educational, recreational and logistical components of the conference. **This year the conference will be held at U.C. Santa Cruz, August 14-17.** To learn more, visit:

http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Conferences/SLC/

## **NEVADA COUNTY EVENTS & MEETINGS**

July 7-11, 2014	Nevada County 4-H Camp	Woodchuck Flat Campground
August 1, 2014	Proficiencies Due	4-H Office
August 1, 2014	Countywide Citizenship Applications Due	4-H Office
August 1, 2014	Outstanding All Star Nominations Due	4-H Office
August 6– 10, 2014	Nevada County Fair	Nevada County Fairgrounds
August 14, 2014	Mandatory Community Leader Meeting	Vets Bldg. Dining Hall

### PLEASE NOTE!

The July County Council meeting has been rescheduled for Thursday, June 26, at 7:00 p.m. in the Veterans Building Dining Hall.

**NO COUNCIL MEETING IN JULY OR AUGUST!** 

Next Council meeting
June 26,

**COUNCIL MEETINGS** The Nevada County 4-H Leader's Council meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month except for June, August, and December at 7pm at the Grass Valley Veteran's Memorial Building, 255 South Auburn Street, Grass Valley.

The purpose of the council meetings is to bring representatives together from all clubs to plan events, share ideas and information, and to determine appropriate actions as needed. Agendas are put together during the week before each meeting. To add items

to the agenda, notify the current president by the 1st of the month.

All 4-H volunteers, members, and their families are invited to attend council meetings and add their ideas and concerns. But only certified volunteers and youth members 9th grade and above can make a motion or vote.

Meeting minutes can be found at:

http://ucanr.edu/sites/nevadacounty4h/Leaders\_Council/Agendas,\_Meeting\_Minutes/

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

The Executive Committee holds a regular meeting on Tuesday during the week prior to the Council meeting. They meet at 6:00 pm at the Grass Valley Veteran's Memorial Building, 255 South Auburn Street, Grass Valley. The Executive Committee consists of the Council officers, 1 community club leader from each recognized club or their designee, and the current All Stars.

**NEXT EX. COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMER 2, 2014** 



#### 4-H Links:

California State 4-H Website: http://www.ca4h.org State 4-H Newsletters: http://www.ca4h.org/News National 4-H Headquarters Website: http://www.4-h.org

4-H Mall: http://www.4-hmall.org

4-H Clover Safety Notes: http://safety.ucanr.org/4h/National 4-H Council: http://www.fourhcouncil.edu/

STATE 4-H INFORMATION LINKS				
On-going	California 4hOnline (enrollment)	https://california.4honline.com		
On-going	California 4-H Foundation	www.ca4hfoundation.org		

### **Share Your 4-H Experience!**

Any 4-H member can submit an article for this newsletter. Tell us about a special event or community service you have participated in. A digital picture with your article is a great addition. NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Due the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Send it via e-mail to: <a href="mailto:jcsimmons@ucanr.edu">jcsimmons@ucanr.edu</a>

All articles are subject to approval by the 4-H Youth Development Advisor. After approval, articles are published as space permits. Send photos in JPG format.

Roger Ingram County Director

Jill Simmons 4-H Youth Development Representative



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