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4-H Family Newsletter

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Is Your Enrollment Complete? Is Your Status Active?

You must be enrolled for the new 4-H year prior to attending any 4-H functions such as club meetings, project meetings or 4-H events. Each of the following steps in the process must be completed:

1. Enrollment entered on-line. (including current projects)
2. Medical Release Forms and enrollment fees turned into your club Volunteer Enrollment Coordinator (VEC). Adults submit a Self Disclosure Form in addition.
3. Your club VEC will confirm on-line they have received the required forms and fees.
4. The 4-H office will activate youth as they are confirmed by VEC.
5. The 4-H office will activate Adult Volunteers after Live-scan clearance and 4-H Certification is confirmed and the Self Disclosure form has been turned into the office by the VEC.



 **After you are "Active" please revisit your account on-line before December 15th** to be certain all information is as you want it such as enrollment in the specific market animal you desire to take to fair. Also check your status to be certain it is "Active". Questions regarding your enrollment can be directed to your club VEC.

Timeline for Members Enrolling in the 4-H Program

- Returning members must attend 80% of all Club Meetings held within the club year to be considered a member in good standing and to qualify for awards and fair showings. Enroll on-line and submit required forms and fees to your club to complete the enrollment process. There is a misunderstanding that you have until Dec 15th (Steps to Success deadline) to enroll. Please refer to the Steps to Success on page 2 for additional information.
- Only 1st year members count 80% of club meetings after enrolling with club.

The required forms and fees must be submitted through your community club to the 4-H office. VECs also have busy schedules and may not be available to take care of this at the last minute, so please **ACT NOW!!**

To avoid the disappointment of not being able to participate in showing and/or selling an animal at the 2012 Placer County and Gold Country Fairs, **ENROLL NOW, AS DECEMBER 15, 2011 is the deadline.** If in doubt as to the status of your enrollment, please call your club VEC.

This county policy was established in June 1997 by the Placer County 4-H Council and was an unanimous decision of the clubs represented. It is reviewed annually and is incorporated in the "Steps to Success" 2011-2012 handout. There will be **NO WAIVERS CONSIDERED.** The purpose of this policy is to enable youth participating in the 4-H program an adequate amount of time to become knowledgeable and proficient in their chosen project to raise, show and sell animals at the fairs or participate in the State Fair Horse Shows.

Enrollment fees for 2011-2012: Youth \$25 Adult \$6 Make checks payable to your 4-H club.

Enroll on-line, detailed instructions are on our website: <http://ucanr.org/jointhefun4h>

Placer County 4-H Steps to Success 2011-2012

Listed below are the Minimum Requirements for:



- Earning a 4-H Stripe and Year Pin
 - Eligibility to Show and/or sell an animal at the fair.
 - Represent Placer County 4-H at State Fair Horse Shows.
1. Must be enrolled in 4-H prior to attending any 4-H functions such as club meetings, project meetings, or 4-H events.
 2. Must be enrolled in 4-H and any market animal projects by county due date - **December 15, 2011**.
 3. Participate in at least one of the following Countywide Activities or Events:
(dates & events subject to change)
 - Medalist Selection 2011 (June)
 - Summer Camp 2011 (August)
 - Bi-County Officer Training 2011 (October)
 - Achievement Night 2011 (October)
 - "You-Make-It" Craft Expo 2011 (November)
 - Favorite Foods/ Still Exhibit Day 2012 (March)
 - Presentation Day 2012 (March)
 - Lily Day 2012 (April)
 - 4-H Through the Decades 2012 (April)
 - Youth Fair 2012 (May)
 4. Submit a 4-H Record Book which must include:
 - Personal Development Report
 - Project Report form completed and signed by Project Leader for each project.
 - If a Jr. /Teen Leader, the completed Jr. /Teen Leadership Development Report form.
 5. Attend 80% of the project meetings and participate in a minimum of six hours of project instruction per project.
 - After two misses, absences must be made up.
 - You have 60 days to complete make up.
 - Make-up must be pre-approved and Meeting Make-Up Form signed off by the Project Leader.
 6. **Returning members must attend 80% of all Club Meetings held within the club year. Only 1st year members count 80% of club meetings after enrolling with club.**
 - After two misses, absences must be made up.
 - You have 60 days to complete make up.
 - Make-up must be pre-approved and Meeting Make-Up Form signed off by the Community Club Leader.
 7. If you add or drop a project, or any other changes in your enrollment, you must notify your Community Club Leader and the 4-H Office.

For the latest information and dates of Countywide Events and Activities, Meeting Make-Up Forms and more information on Record Books visit the Placer County 4-H website <http://ucanr.org/placer4h>

County Events:

16th Annual "You-Make-It" Craft Expo

Saturday, November 5, 2011 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Gold Country Fairgrounds- Armory Building, 1273 High Street, Auburn

The "You-Make-It" Craft Expo is such a wonderful opportunity to involve a large audience in 4-H "hands-on" activities at a minimal cost. It makes possible arts and crafts year round. Assisting is a great way for teens, as well as friends of 4-H to become involved. Each year there are new projects along with some returning favorites, in the over 50 different projects to select from. Under the guidance of youth and adult instructors the participants make their project and take it home completed. One Dad expressed how much enjoyment he had watching his kids having such fun creating all of their gifts for giving. Each club mans tables where several projects are offered. Please sign up with your Community Club to assist.



Please save 2011 Pennies to be used for the stepping stone project at the 2011 Craft Expo in November. You can turn them into the 4-H Office.

POSTER CONTEST: Are you creative? Artistic? Up for a challenge? Then try your hand at the "You-Make-It" Craft Expo Poster Contest!! Free Craft Expo project tickets will be given as prizes. It needs to be done on poster board (or same size of different paper). The theme is Holiday or a 4-H promotion such as: *What 4-H is to me* or *4-H is More Than Animals*. Make your poster big, bright, colorful, and easy to read. **Deadline is November 1, 2011.**

Community Club Leader Meetings

Wednesday, November 16th @ 6:30 p.m.

Hosted by Miners Ravine 4-H Club

NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

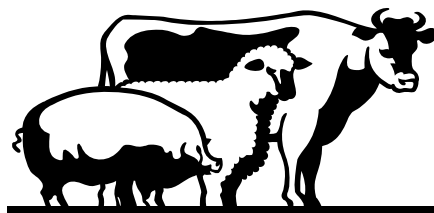
Wednesday, January 25th @ 6:30 p.m.

Hosted by Loomis Community 4-H Club

Livestock Advisory Meeting

Thursday, December 1, 2011 @ 6:00 p.m.

Gold Country Fairgrounds, Tahoe Building



Countywide Projects

Cavy	Lee Bastien	530-633-9046
Cavy All Levels & Show	Johnna Humber	530-878-0733
Consumer Savvy	Kim Bruce	916-224-6117
Dairy Goat	Johnna Humber	530-878-0733
Fashion Revue & Clothing Construction	Dolores Ramsay	916-769-3401
Hobby Sewing	Dolores Ramsay	916-769-3401
Horse Trail Riding-Camping (Advanced)	Julie Schmitz	916-826-6531
Miniature Horse & Donkey	Jackie Rhoades	916-663-3874
Poultry: Sheridan	Lee Bastien	530-633-9046
Poultry: Auburn	Johnna Humber	530-878-0733
Presentation	Isaac Jorgensen	916-624-0355
Public Speaking	June Stewart	530-889-7386
Rabbit	Lee Bastien	530-633-9046
Rabbit Show (Advanced)	Johnna Humber	530-878-0733
Sheep	Karin Sinclair	916-663-3990

Attention Countywide Project Leaders!!

If you are planning on providing a Countywide Project this club year please contact the 4-H office! We are compiling a list of projects to be offered for the upcoming enrollment.

We will need the Project title, contact name and phone number and if possible the month you plan to start your project. This information is very important to have for the 4-H on-line enrollment system and the Club Directory.

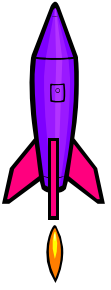
Please call Cindy Mitchell 530-889-7386 or email cmitchell@ucdavis.edu Thank You!

Countywide Presentation Project Returns!!

Coming this January! Countywide Presentation Project lead by the enthusiastic team of Isaac Jorgensen, Amy Sullivan, and Matt DeNatly! All are welcome to come and improve their ability to speak in public. Join the fun, make new friends, learn new skills, and prepare a presentation for Presentation Day. Tentative dates and times are Wednesdays, January 11, 25 and February 8th from 6:00-8:00 pm. Location and final times to follow in the January newsletter.

If you are interested or have any questions please email or call Isaac Jorgensen at wjorgensen@sbcglobal.net or 916-624-0355

More Opportunities



Student Rocketeers Wanted!

Team America Rocketry Challenge Registration Opens

Registration for the 2012 Team America Rocketry Challenge is now open. The world's largest rocket competition is open to 1,000 student teams in grades 7-12 from any U.S. school, home school, or non-profit youth organization. Registration forms can be found at http://www.rocketcontest.org/pdf/application_2012.pdf or by going to www.rocketcontest.org.

The annual rocket contest, sponsored by the Aerospace Industries Association, challenges teams of three to 10 students to design and build a rocket that will climb to 800 feet with two raw eggs as the payload and stay aloft for 43 to 47 seconds. The eggs must then return to earth unbroken. The 2012 contest rules and registration information are available at www.rocketcontest.org.

"The Team America Rocketry Challenge is a vital part of our industry's outreach to young people," said Marion C. Blakey, AIA president and CEO. "TARC provides a great opportunity for students to work with scientists and engineers and learn in an exciting and fun environment."

The top 100 TARC teams will be invited to compete at the National Finals on May 12 competition just outside of Washington, DC. Student participants compete for \$60,000 in prizes, scholarships and a Raytheon Corporation sponsored trip to the 2012 international air show in Farnborough for an international fly-off.

AIA sponsors TARC with the National Association of Rocketry, NASA, the Defense Department, the American Association of Physics Teachers and AIA member companies. The contest is celebrating its ten year anniversary and is proving to be a catalyst for generating student interest in math and science.



Domestic Exchange

A 4-H group in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania would like to establish a two-way Domestic Exchange with a California 4-H club. Lancaster County is known for its scenic Amish countryside and is centrally located just hours away from Washington DC, Philadelphia, New York, and Atlantic shore points. Ten Pennsylvania 4-H'ers would like to offer many new experiences - visits to the Amish sites to learn and experience their way of life, a day at Hershey Park riding the rides and seeing the shows, or time in their newest water park. The area offers historic sites such as Gettysburg (Civil War), Philadelphia, and Washington DC.

Lancaster is known for its rich farm land and a wide range of farm tours are available. If your club is interested contact 4-H volunteer leader Sharon Sherick at: ssherick@dejazzd.com. 4-H policies concerning domestic exchanges can be found at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Administration/Policies/Chapter7/>.

California 4-H North Section Youth Council Tech Team Applications Available

<http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Volunteers/Councils/Sectional/North/>

Applications are now available for the newly formed 4-H North Section Youth Council Tech Team. The 4-H North Section Tech Team is one of the new projects and service opportunities being offered by the University of California 4-H Youth Development Program North Section Council. We are looking for intermediate and senior 4-H members who are interested in the areas of technology and community service, and would like to serve the 4-H Youth Development Program in roles that promote learning and leadership through education and service. There is no deadline to apply.



There will be quarterly project meetings for members and interested parties who would like to apply to become a member of the North Section Tech Team at each of the North Section Council meetings. Team members will be selected by application review and notified of their opportunity for membership interviews; to be held at a regular North Section Council meeting. Applicants will be notified of their acceptance following a review of their application and interview.

This project is open to any future applicants on an ongoing basis. Please contact Mathew T. Portillo PhD at mtportillo@ucdavis.edu or John H McIntosh at mcintosh@inreach.com or for more information please see the Tech Team section on our website.

It's What YOU Do That Counts!

Are you a young woman between the ages of 14 and 17 who volunteer in your community or school? Who sees challenges instead of obstacles? Hope instead of despair? If you are a young woman who believes in the power of volunteer action, then you may be eligible to win a **Soroptimist Violet Richardson Award** which includes recognition and a financial award.

The *Violet Richardson Award* recognizes young women who make the community and world a better place through volunteer efforts such as fighting drugs, crime and violence; cleaning up the environment; and working to end discrimination and poverty. Volunteer actions that benefit women and girls are especially valued.

Applications are available on www.siamericanriver.org Contact Kathy Dunbar at 530-269-2030 or mkskatherined@yahoo.com for information. **Completed application are due December 1.**



Member Stories

A Packed Mother by Sophia Stewart

Is it time? Will we be there when she has them? These are some of the questions that are starting to build up in my mind, as Opal baas repeatedly and picks at her food. This is unusual for her because Opal is usually starving. I don't blame her, Opal will soon be the proud mother of three or four kids.

I spoke to Opal today about what she thought about her soon-to-come babies. She had no comment.

Because Opal didn't say anything, I thought that you might be left hanging (like I am at the end of a Harry Potter book). You are probably wanting to know: How long is the gestation period?, and many other questions. So I did some research. A goat's gestation period is 150 days. Also they can have from 1 to 7 babies, but I think it is more common to have 2 or 3. If there are more questions, then you are welcome to write me a comment.

Opal is one of our very pregnant goats who is going to kid very soon. She is daughter to Magic and Kentucky, and wife to Buddy (a male goat up the street).

Buddy's house is where we board the Goaty Girls when we are away. Lately we've been holding back because the birth of her soon to come babies. We first met our neighbors Russ and Karen when all 3 goats disappeared one morning. Apparently Buddy has a potent odor. When Magic went into heat, she trailed him up the hill by his smell alone. Luckily, the girls had tags on their collars, and were traceable. We were worried about the goats until Russ called.

The last birth was the birth of Frida and Opal, but we weren't there, so we don't know what it looks like.

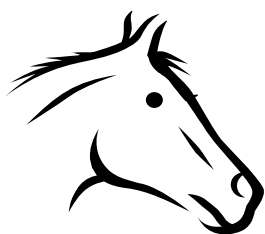
Update..... Opal is baaing, not eating, and contracting. 1 kid, 2 kids, 3 kids, 4 kids. Opal just had 4 adorable kids.

What we did to assist the birth: Opal went into her hut. We knew she was hurting because she was grinding her teeth, baaing, and pushing against the wall. She was laying down and getting up. She couldn't get comfortable. We went in with her. Magic, her mother came galloping across the pasture to be with her also when she started to scream. Then, out popped a baby. It was in a fluid filled sac. I cleared the mouth (Mama helped because I thought I might kill it!) We rubbed it down with straw to wake it up. Then we moved it up to Opal's face. By then another had come out. Papa helped with the 3rd, and Grace the last baby. We helped the babies each to the teat to get their first colostrum, which gives them immunity to diseases their mama has exposure to. Magic and Opal were both licking the kids and knickering sweetly in mama baby talk. The babies dried quickly and started walking around within the first 5 minutes. We held them. They are kitten sized. We tied the umbilical cord with dental floss and clipped them.

2 girls and 2 boys! One girl is named Jubilee, the other girl's name is Naomi, one boy is Bambi, and the other Bolt. They play, drink, nap, and cuddle with you.



Coordinator Groups



Horse Coordinator Group

Excerpts from email to Present and Past Horse Leaders

Written by Sandy Bentien, new Placer County 4-H Horse Coordinator

October 5th we had our first Placer County 4-H Horse Coordinators meeting of the new 4-H year. It was a great start to the year with 7 adults and one youth attending. There were fresh faces and much enthusiasm to re-ignite the fire of our countywide horse events and meetings. We as leaders to our youth, need to spread excitement among our youth in our individual groups. We can accomplish this by involving them in the running of the County Horse events and meetings. Ideally, we would have a board of youth that run the Coordinator meetings and make decisions and plans for County Horse Events. At one time, this group was large and strong with events largely attended. I believe it can be that way again, but only if we as leaders step in and encourage the youth as well as the parents. Our youth are an investment to everyone of us and we need to encourage and help them grow as such. Again, I believe we can do that by being excited ourselves about the possibilities. After all, kids and horses.... What could be better? Get your kids involved in our meetings and event planning.

We discussed several things such as Horse Camp, Horse Shows/Gymkhanas, "Countywide Horse Standard", Clinics, more parent and child involvement at meetings and events, and change of meeting dates. Each project or individual club needs to have at least one representative at every Coordinator meeting.

**Next Meeting: Placer County 4-H Horse Coordinator Meeting
Monday, November 7th at 7:00 pm
At the Round Table Pizza in Loomis**

Project Leader Resources

Your First Meeting

Your first project meeting of the year is your most important in getting the project off to a good start. Use the **First Project Meeting Outline** below to organize the meeting.

Invite members of your Leadership Team (other leaders, staff, and/or youth leaders) and parents to your first meeting. Review with everyone the calendar for the year, project goals and expectations, project costs, rules and discipline, project requirements and pertinent information. Allow plenty of time for questions and answers.

Introduce the Junior/Teen Leaders and discuss their role. Include an overview of the project with visuals, speakers, or members who have taken the project in the past.

First Project Meeting Outline *Duration: 1 to 1 ½ hours (maximum)*

1. **Introduce** yourself and others. Take roll.
2. **Review project goals and expectations.** Discuss skills and knowledge to be covered during the year. (A blackboard, posters, or sheets of blank newsprint are helpful.) Discuss project requirements, rules, and discipline.
3. **Use experienced members, parents, and others** in the community as resources.
4. **Discuss with the group:**
 - Number, frequency, place, and time of meetings
 - How project supplies used at meetings will be acquired
 - How expenses will be met
 - What to bring to meetings
 - Dates of special activities, and how to participate
 - Completion date for the project
5. **Fun activity** – Use a game, a relay, or some other fun and interactive activity to reinforce what was discussed earlier.
6. **Hand out project materials**, answer questions, make assignments.
7. **Adjourn.**
8. **Review the meeting** with your Junior/Teen Leaders and/or Assistant Leaders. See how they feel about the meeting. Help them analyze their part. Be encouraging and supportive. (Do this after every meeting.)

NEW Volunteers, Have you completed the enrollment process?

We want to remind you this is an application process. All parts of the process must be completed **BEFORE** you begin serving as a 4-H volunteer:

- After enrolling on-line: turn in your required forms with payment of \$6.00 to club Volunteer Enrollment Coordinator (VEC).
- 4-H Certification (view a 25 minute video on-line at <http://ucanr.org/4horientation> and pass the quiz)
- A live-scan with Department of Justice clearance. Forms and information are available from your club VEC or the 4-H Office.
- Approval from the County Director

Please allow a minimum of 10 days for live-scan to clear through the Department of Justice. You will be notified when your application has been approved.



Funding Opportunities

DO SOMETHING GRANTS

Deadline: Weekly

<http://www.dosomething.org/grants/FAQ>

A variety of Do Something Grants of \$250 are offered to youth each week. These community action grants help turn dream projects into a reality and take existing projects on a variety of issues to the next level. Past grantees have used the money to create a community-run organic farm, publish a youth-written literary magazine for women of color, and even create an organization that teaches sick kids how to fly.

State and National Events

2011 4-H National Youth Science Day

<http://www.4-h.org/4-h-national-youth-science-day/>

The fourth annual 4-H National Youth Science Day (NYSD) was held nationally on Wednesday, October 5, 2011. Created to combat a shortage of American young people pursuing science college majors and careers, 4-H National Youth Science Day seeks to spark early interest and leadership in science.

4-H National Experiment: 2011 Experiment: Wired for Wind: In this year's experiment youth will enhance their engineering skills by designing, building, and testing two different wind turbine models. This year's National Science Experiment will also help youth relate their scientific experiences back to their own lives by determining the best location for a wind farm in their state or local area by calculating wind power and studying wind data and maps. More information and downloadable versions of the youth and facilitator's guides are available at <http://www.4-h.org/4-h-national-youth-science-day/>.

"Save the Date!" - The 2012 California 4-H Camping Conference

March 23 – 25th, 2012

Camp Campbell in Boulder Creek, CA.

There will be hands-on training for adult and teen leaders who help plan and administer 4-H camping programs. More details will follow in the next edition of Updates.

National 4-H Conference

March 24 – March 29, 2012

<http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/N4-HC/>

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 on the website above. For more information please contact Steven Worker at smworker@ucdavis.edu

Important dates to remember:

- October 31, 2011 Applications due
- November 14, Notifications out to applicants
- December 10, Team Meeting State Office
- February 11, Team Meeting State Office



State Fashion Revue

May 26, 2012

<http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/>

The State Fashion Revue Committee announces the addition of a new challenge for the 2012 SFR - Bag Up Fashion Challenge. Sew a tote bag from Simplicity pattern #7161, View A only, and model it with an outfit that coordinates with the tote bag. You will not be judged on the outfit, but how the tote bag is presented and the overall appearance of your outfit. Be creative! Show off your personality in your design. This cute, easy to make tote bag will become a wonderful accessory to your wardrobe or make a great gift to give after

the Fashion Revue contest. NOTE: This Simplicity pattern will be discontinued as of February 2012. Please plan to purchase your pattern early. If you are unable to find a pattern, please contact Mary from the SFR committee at maryengebret@comcast.net and we will see that your county office receives a pattern to be shared in your county. If you, your project, or your county would like more information about SFR, additional categories or service projects that will be eligible at SFR, or would like to assist our committee, please visit our website.

2012 Citizenship Focus Program

www.ca4h.org/Projects/Citizenship/Focus/

California Focus – June 15-19, 2012

Washington Focus #1

Heritage Trail I – June 24-30, 2012

Road to Democracy – June 24-July 2, 2012

Washington Focus #2

Heritage Trail I – July 8-14, 2012

Global Journey – July 8-17, 2012



Meet 4-H'ers from across California while you expand your life skills and learn more about your community and state. An information packet will arrive in your county 4-H office by mid-October or information is available now on the web. **Registrations are due January 16.** For questions contact Pat English at pnenglish@ucdavis.edu or 530-754-8520.

Making a Difference

Wayne Vineyard honored for 55 years as 4-H Leader

At Achievement Night held October 8th many youth and adults were honored for their involvement in 4-H. Wayne Vineyard was recognized for 55 years of service as a Volunteer 4-H Leader. Wayne was a youth member for 8 years with the Mt. Pleasant 4-H Club. He took over the leadership of the Beef project from his mother, who also received her 50 year 4-H Leader pin. We owe a big debt of gratitude to Wayne for making Summer Camp possible by keeping the equipment up and running for the past 55+ years.



Wayne exemplifies his goal of "helping youth develop interest in Agriculture and Leadership" through continuing support of youth as President of the Board of Directors for Placer County Fair and the Jr. Livestock Auction. The Vineyard Family demonstrate "4-H being a family affair and a way of life" through their many accomplishments. Six generations of the Vineyard family have been active in farming and 4-H raising sheep, cattle and since 1960 added growing rice. They were honored for 150 years involvement in Agriculture in California and in 2002 Wayne was named "Placer County Farmer of the Year".

When asked his most valuable thing he gained from his 4-H involvement, he enthusiastically says "found my wife through 4-H". Barbara is to receive her 55th year 4-H leader pin next year.

"Friend of 4-H"

Laurie Johnson Honored at 2011 4-H Achievement Night

Laurie Johnson grew up as a 4-H member of Mt. Vernon Mavericks 4-H Club enjoying participating in sewing, crafts, horse, sheep, beef and Home Furnishing as her favorite project. She served as President and Secretary of her club as well as being in FFA. Laurie was the first Placer County Horse Queen in 1970 at the age of 16. She loved all of the activities of HI 4-H, especially the dances and socials held at Placer High. Summer Camp at Woodchuck Flat was an annual highlight and she enjoyed becoming old enough to be a Camp Counselor. Laurie's children have gone through the 4-H program at which time she was a volunteer leader for over 15 years in Mt. Pleasant 4-H Club. Her grandchildren will soon be of age to join.

Laurie has worked many years in the Agricultural industry and fair and expositions. She is currently the CEO of Gold Country Fair. Thanks Laurie for all your dedication to the youth of our community. You exemplify all the qualities we hope our youth will emulate such as integrity, compassion, and self worth of each individual in all you do. We honor you as a wonderful "Friend of 4-H".

4-H Policy

THE 4-H CODE OF CONDUCT

When members, volunteers and parents attend an event where 4-H is represented, we must follow the Code of Conduct which was signed during your enrollment and given to parents. These are guidelines for understanding what behavior is expected while performing within the course of the 4-H Youth Development Program.

Upon enrollment as a member, or appointment as a volunteer in the 4-H Youth Development Program, you must:

- Respect individuals rights, safety, and property of others.
- Be committed to the core values, educational goals and standards of the 4-H Youth Development Program.
- Not act in a detrimental way to the 4-H Youth Development Program or in conflict with its policies or procedures.
- Not participate in the use of obscene and discriminatory language at any 4-H activity.
- Not possess or use weapons, alcoholic beverages and/or illegal drugs (or be under the influence thereof) when involved in any 4-H event, meeting or activity.

4-H/FFA/Junior Membership Clarified

When a member maintains projects in 4-H, FFA, and Junior Grange, the projects may **NOT** be in the same kind of livestock or crop. A member of FFA chapter, Junior Grange or 4-H club may transfer projects from one organization to another only **ONCE** during a calendar year. This must be a written notification.

To be able to show a project at a fair or show, it must be under the supervision of the organization which it will be shown for at least 60 days prior to the fair or show for market animals (150 days for market beef and 30 days for market rabbits and poultry).

Supervision in Vehicles: CA 4-H Policy Handbook, Chapter 11, Section IV.C

UC and the 4-H YDP are committed to protecting members in a proactive manner against child abuse and/or neglect. These policies are primarily for the protection of members; however, they also serve to protect adult volunteers and 4-H YDP staff from false accusations of abuse.

- A. Supervision in Vehicles
- B. Adults should not be alone in vehicles with members.
- C. Adult volunteers should not be one-on-one in a vehicle with members other than their own child.
- D. Adult volunteers must have current Youth Medical Release and Health History Form and Health History Form from parents/guardians before transporting members in any vehicle to any 4-H YDP activity or event.

JOIN THE REVOLUTION OF RESPONSIBILITY

Annette Leeland, Executive Director California 4-H Foundation

Last year, we began many conversations held around the state with our 4-H stakeholders about how best to recognize the fact that 4-H has been changing lives and communities across California for 100 years. How should we celebrate our centennial in 2013?

You told us that what you wanted was a visible and powerful way to celebrate our work and accomplishments, so people would have a true and comprehensive picture of all the programs, projects, and activities that make up 4-H. Something that communicates that 4-H is not only about raising animals and taking them to fair but also about building leaders and recognizing that young people are powerful resources and leaders in our communities right now. 4-H prepares leaders who step up and take responsibility for themselves and for their communities -- not sometime in the future -- but right now.

So keeping your excellent suggestions in mind, the CA 4-H Foundation and the state 4-H program team have come up with an exciting plan to achieve the goals you told us were most important. We are calling it the Revolution of Responsibility Centennial Campaign. This name is borrowed from the National 4-H marketing effort being launched across the country. California is the first state to take this marketing effort state-wide. This exciting campaign will both raise visibility for 4-H across our state and allow us to demonstrate very powerfully the impact that all of you are making in your communities throughout California.



The campaign is simple and elegant:

In the next 2 ½ years 4-H clubs across California will be supported to create 1,000 service learning projects in 1,000 communities across California, essentially 1 for every club in California. During that time, the 4-H Foundation

is raising and making available up to \$1,000 for each club to identify a need in their community, and then research, design and implement a project that addresses that need and incorporates the three statewide program focus areas wherever possible (Science, Engineering and Technology, Healthy Living, and Citizenship).

The group will then document the project so that it can be publicized, locally, across the state, and even nationally. That means we are raising a million dollars to go directly to clubs to implement their projects. We expect that important partnerships will be established in doing these projects, donors and alumni will be inspired by the work to support us, and everyone will see the value of 4-H across California. A companion corporate and foundation-focused capacity building effort is anticipated to generate funds to support staffing to meet the growing needs of our organization as the impacts become widely known.

The beauty of the **Revolution of Responsibility** is that service learning, which takes the form of youth identified, youth-led projects, is already core to the 4-H experience so this campaign is not asking you to do something new, we are already doing it! We are simply being more intentional and more focused in providing a great opportunity for every California 4-H member, volunteer, and staff to engage in genuine learning and action that solves community problems across our state.

To learn more about how to join the Revolution of Responsibility go to <http://www.ca4h.org/Support/RofR/>. (Be sure to check out the video from the Redwood Club in Alameda. They were the first recipient of a \$1,000 award to take their effort to the next level!)

Got Whites?

Have you considered recycling your children's uniforms? Children have a way of growing and their clothes just don't keep up! The 4-H office has a selection of "whites" which others have contributed. Come by, try them on and **donate your "out grows"** to the supply. Hopefully there is something that will work for you!



Hats, Scarves, Ties, & Record Book Covers are available for purchase at the 4-H Office.

Ties \$12.00 each Hats & Scarves \$13.25
Record Book Covers \$2.50

Cash or check accepted. No ATM or credit cards.

4-H Office Closed:

Friday, November 11

Thursday & Friday, November 24-25

Monday, December 26

Monday, January 2

4-H Policy

General Liability Insurance: UC's General Liability & Self Insurance program does not cover 4-H youth members and it does not cover project animals, including damages or injury caused by the animals. Since junior exhibitors have been sued for injuries sustained at fairs, it is suggested that junior exhibitors consider taking out a liability policy through a private company covering themselves and their exhibit. Home Owner policies may include or can often be written to include this coverage. Much more General Liability Insurance information can be found at <http://www.ca4h.org/Administration/Policies/>

Accident and Sickness Insurance: 4-H Youth and Certified Volunteers are covered by The Hartford Accident/Sickness Insurance Policy. It covers injuries to 4-H members and volunteers caused by project animals. Much more Accident and Sickness Insurance information can be found at <http://www.ca4h.org/Administration/Policies/>.

Leadership: A Minimum of Two Adults (Chapter 11 Section 4.B CA 4-H Policy Handbook) Protection of youth is of utmost importance in the California 4-H YDP. Therefore, 4-H YDP staff, adult volunteers and members should adhere to these policies at all times.

1. There will be two (2) adult volunteers with members at all times.
2. In some occasions it may be impractical to have two (2) appointed adult volunteers present; in these situations there should be one (1) appointed adult volunteer and another adult or 4-H YDP staff member (one of which must be at least 21 years of age).
3. The adult in charge of the event must be an adult volunteer as appointed by the county director.
4. In general, no one-on-one interactions should occur in private. This includes between members and adults or among youth. If personal discussions are necessary, they should be conducted in an area that is in view of other adult volunteers and members.

4-H Fundraising Approval

To: ALL 4-H, which includes but not limited to; Clubs, Coordinator groups, summer camps

All 4-H fundraising activities must have prior approval from the County Director. Form 8.7 Fundraising Approval is available on the website at <http://ucanr.org/placer4hforms> or the 4-H office. **This process is to be completed prior to promotion of and the actual fundraising activity.**

Find answers to all your 4-H policy questions at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Administration/Policies/>

Share Your 4-H Experience!

Any 4-H member can submit an article for this newsletter.

NEXT NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

January 16, 2012

Send it via e-mail to: cmitchell@ucdavis.edu All articles are subject to approval by the 4-H Program Representative. After approval, articles are published as space permits. A digital picture with your article is a great addition.

Send photos in JPG format.

More 4-H Links:

California State 4-H Website: <http://www.ca4h.org>

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

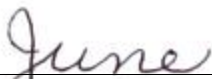
State 4-H Newsletters: <http://www.ca4h.org/News>

4-H Clover Safety Notes: <http://safety.ucanr.org/4h/>

National 4-H Headquarters Website: <http://www.4-h.org>

National 4-H Council: <http://www.fourhcouncil.edu/>

California 4hOnline: (enrollment) <https://california.4honline.com>



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