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# 4-H Family Newsletter

Placer County, California

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530-889-7386

## Bi-County Officer Training - Saturday, September 29, 2012 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Location: Bear River High School, 11130 Magnolia Road, Grass Valley

Nevada County 4-H will be hosting this informative and exciting training event that is open to all new and returning club officers. "What is this?" you ask. The program includes an inspirational speaker, officer training (president, secretary, treasurer, etc.), songs, and recreation activities. **Training is required for Treasurers and their advisors**, and strongly encouraged for other club officers.

Now is also the time, if it has not already been done, for New Club Officers to meet with their Community Club leaders to plan the coming 4-H club year, develop a proposed budget, plan club fundraising activities to meet those needs and set Program Planning Guide goals for 2012-2013 4-H year.

## New Project Enrollment Deadline

The Placer County 4-H Counsel voted at their May, 2012 meeting to change the 4-H club enrollment and the market animal project deadline to **November 30, 2012**. This date change allows members to be eligible to show and/or sell an animal at the Placer County and Gold Country Fairs, represent Placer County 4-H at State Fair Horse Shows and earn a 4-H Stripe and Year pin. Please refer to the "Steps to Success" on page 3 for additional information.

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. First year members only count 80% of club meetings after enrolling with their club. Enroll on-line and submit required forms and fees to your club to complete the enrollment process.

## Fee Increase

See Connie Schneider the State 4-H Director's comments regarding the 4-H Enrollment fee increase below:

*Dear 4-H Families, and Volunteers,*

*The economic climate has created extreme economic challenges in continuing to provide strong volunteer and programmatic support for 4-H locally. For the past several years, in the face of declining funding from state and federal resources, UC Cooperative Extension and 4-H at the state level have tried to absorb budget shortfalls in order to keep from raising fees to our participants. Unfortunately we have reached the point where we are no longer able to absorb all costs and have realized that fee increases to support and grow our local programming are required. These program fees will be used to provide partial funding for direct local program costs including 4-H staff who support our local volunteers.*

*We encourage local staff and volunteer leadership to work with us to strategize together around the development of a local funding plan to keep 4-H strong and growing. The California 4-H Foundation is a valuable resource with whom to partner in developing a local funding plan. The level of success of such coordinated local fundraising efforts is hoped to mitigate the need for future increases.*

*Connie Schneider, PhD, RD  
Director  
Youth, Families, and Communities Statewide Program  
University of California*

The Placer County 4-H Council approved the statewide fee increase at their June 2012 meeting. The state portion of the 4-H member fee is \$28, which pays for members and leaders insurance, state run program, and fund staff. The additional \$2 will be used to purchase curriculum and other support for the local 4-H program. All of the \$10 volunteer leader fee will go to the state. It is recognized that the fee increase may be a hardship for some families. Check with your local club to strategize how support can be developed.

New Fees:

\$30 Youth

\$10 Adult

## What Constitutes a Project?

Most project work occurs over a period of several weeks or months during a year. In most counties, a **minimum of six hours** of instruction is recommended or required to complete **non-animal** projects. Animal projects require a constant back-up support as the youth work with their animals throughout the year therefore require many more hours of instruction to complete a successful project, thus the minimum of six hours of instruction does not apply.

# ENROLLMENT

## Before attending your first meeting, ENROLL ON-LINE.....<https://california.4honline.com>

It's time to "Join the Fun" by enrolling in 4-H for the 2012-2013 Club Year!!

Go to <https://california.4honline.com> to enter your account and re-enroll. Forgot the steps or have questions? Instructions are on the 4-H website: <http://ucanr.org/jointhefun4h> under "How to Enroll On-line."

**Has your e-mail changed?** Call the 4-H office to update or confirm: 530-889-7386 during office hours or e-mail [casherman@ucdavis.edu](mailto:casherman@ucdavis.edu). Do not proceed until your e-mail has been updated in the 4-H Office.

**IMPORTANT NOTE: DO NOT CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT IF YOU HAVE BEEN ENROLLED IN THE PAST**

As you complete your online enrollment, remember to print out your Medical Release Form. The Volunteer Self Disclosure form is no longer required to be printed. **Please complete the Medical Release form and bring it along with payment to the club's first meeting.** (If needed, this form will be available at the club meeting.)

Once you have completed on-line enrollment, and your forms and payment have been received by the club, you will be confirmed as a member of the club. (The office will activate adults after all application conditions are met.) **YOUTH ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY 4-H PROJECT OR ACTIVITY UNTIL ALL STEPS OF ENROLLMENT ARE COMPLETE.**



**Please note the following fee increase: Youth enrollment is \$30 each and Adult enrollment is \$10.00.**

Please make checks payable to your 4-H Club. If you don't have on-line access or have questions about enrolling, contact your club Volunteer Enrollment Coordinator (VEC) for assistance.

Club	1st Club Meeting	Club Leaders	Phone	VEC	Phone
Alta—Dutch Flat	Tuesday, August 28	Suzanne Miller	530-389-2979	Suzanne Miller	530-389-2979
Dry Creek	Tuesday, September 11	Lois Barsdale	916-771-2050	Susie McAtee	916-771-0814
Eureka/Granite Bay	Tuesday, September 18	Darlene Miller	916-791-6385	Cathy Ellis	916-791-8624
Flatlands	Wednesday, September 12	Cody Sinnock	916-580-9859	Susan Bess	916-698-0037
Foresthill	Thursday, August 9	JoEllen Sellers	530-367-5381	Dee Miravalle	530-401-4836
Gold Country	Thursday, September 20	Johnna Humber	530-878-0733	Heidi Reed	530-886-0644
Long Valley	Tuesday, September 11	Doris Williams	530-885-6195	Suzanna Johnson	530-887-8284
Loomis Community	Wednesday, September 5	Tresa Jorgensen	916-624-0355	Rita DeNatly	916-723-7994
Miners Ravine	Tuesday, September 11	Nathan Baker	916-316-7358	Camille Leonhardt	916-632-8846
Mt Pleasant	Wednesday, September 12	Terry Gage	916-645-1285	Crystal DeLaRosa	916-543-5950
Ophir	Tuesday, September 18	Sharon Coughran	530-823-2460	Lara Lopez	530-889-2454
Placer Hills	Tuesday, September 11	Nikki Wade	530-878-1352	Gaylene Capachi	530-878-4694
Sheridan	Thursday, September 13	Lee Bastien	530-633-9046	Laura Bullard	530-633-4221

### Procedure for selecting projects for this coming 4-H year:

Enroll online, first select the Primary 4-H Club of which you will be a member, then select the projects you will be taking this coming 4-H year from the list your Primary club has to offer. Access the County Wide Project list here: [http://ucanr.org/Countywide\\_Projects/](http://ucanr.org/Countywide_Projects/). Clubs reserve the right to make their projects available to their own club members first and then if a project leader has room and the desire for additional youth in their project arrangements might be negotiated. You must first check with the project leader of another club to determine if space is available and if your schedule is such that you are going to be a regular participant. Please be realistic when determining the volume of projects you are taking so that you can do each project justice. It is not reasonable to select a project and then not attend on a regular basis as this prevents another from having this opportunity.

Parents consider what project you can volunteer to lead thereby giving a broader selection for the youth. If you do volunteer, be certain you are able to devote a minimum of six instructional hours to the project (additional hours are needed for animal projects). It is a great disappointment for youth to sign up for a project that never happens. Start project as soon as possible so time doesn't fly by and the project never happen.

# Steps to Success



## Steps to Success — 2012/2013

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: November 30, 2012\***
  3. Participate in at least one of the following Countywide Activities or Events: (dates & events subject to change)\*\*
    - Summer Camp 2012 (July)
    - Bi-County Officer Training 2012 (September)
    - Still Exhibit Youth Fair 2013 (February)
    - Lily Day 2013 (April)
    - Medalist Selection 2012 (June)
    - "You-Make-It" Craft Expo 2012 (November)
    - Presentation Day 2013 (March)
    - Animal Youth Fair 2013 (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 non-animal project. Animal projects require more hours for follow-up support.
    - 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.
  5. Returning members must attend 80% of all Club Meetings held within the club year. Only first 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 make 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>

\* Date established by 4-H Council action in 2012

\*\* List established by 4-H Council action in 2012

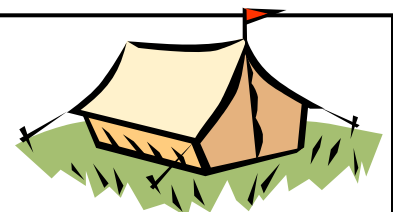
### **4-H Office Closed:**

Monday, September 3<sup>rd</sup> Labor Day

### **LAST CALL! Summer Camp Lost and Found**

Camp was a wonderful week filled with new experiences and fun. If you didn't get home with some of your possessions, please stop by the 4-H office as there is quite a supply of Lost and Found items.

**All unclaimed by October 31st will be donated to a worthy cause.**



## Fair News

### Gold Country Fair: "Moovin' and Shakin' Cruisin' and Bakin'"

September 6-9, 2012 Gold Country Fairgrounds, Auburn

For the latest Fair Information, to see the Exhibitor Handbook, or to enter on-line visit: [www.goldcountryfair.com](http://www.goldcountryfair.com). Contact June Stewart at (530) 889-7393 for information.



#### Volunteers are needed to assist at the Gold Country Fair on the following dates:

- Tuesday, August 21, 2:00 to 7:00 pm: Receive entries
- Wednesday, August 22, Noon: Runner for judging (High School Teens or Adults)
- Tuesday, September 4, 4:00 to 8:00 pm: Receive Ag/Hort
- Wednesday, September 5, 7:00 to 9:00 am: Receive Baked Goods, Eggs, Floriculture, Food Preservation
- Monday, September 10, 10:00 am to 7 pm: Release entries

**Still Exhibit Building Hosting:** A club will be responsible for hosting each day. **2 adults and 2 youth per 2 hour shift.**

Thursday, September 6, and Friday, September 7, 4:00 to 10:00 pm

Saturday, September 8 and Sunday, September 9, 11:00 am to 10:00 pm

### Would you like to be a part of the Gold Country Fair Junior Fair Board?

We are looking for volunteers to help with various fair board activities including the Special Persons Day, The Award Ceremony, and Sidewalk Chalk events. If you are interested in participating, please, contact Karin Sinclair at [KSinclair7375@hotmail.com](mailto:KSinclair7375@hotmail.com) or (916) 663-3990, or Larry Edmondson at [Larrysgonefishing13@yahoo.com](mailto:Larrysgonefishing13@yahoo.com) or 530 885-9775 for more information.



### Placer County Farm Bureau Members: Youth Livestock Auction Add-Ons

To support the future of Placer County Agriculture and Agricultural Education, Placer County Farm Bureau "adds on" to the auction price of youth livestock projects exhibited by children of current Farm Bureau members at the Placer County, Gold Country and Nevada County Fairs. Send us a letter with your Farm Bureau membership number, and we'll see you at the fair.

Placer County Farm Bureau, 10120 Ophir Road, Newcastle, CA 95658 (916) 663-2929 [pcfb@ncbb.net](mailto:pcfb@ncbb.net)

### Placer County Farm Bureau Scholarships for Ag Students

The Placer County Farm Bureau offers scholarships to children of Placer County Farm Bureau members who are studying Agriculture or related subjects and attending Sierra College.

## 4-H, FFA, and Junior Grange Projects

### Multi-Program Membership Clarification

When a member maintains projects in 4-H, FFA, and/or Junior Grange, the projects may **NOT** be in the same kind of livestock or crop. **Please note the following exception: A 4-H member may take a specie of livestock in FFA and be the Teen Leader for the same specie in 4-H. The member would enroll in the 4-H Leadership project.** All involvement with showmanship and/or selling of that specie will be completed under FFA program.

A member of FFA chapter, Junior Grange, or 4-H club may only transfer projects **ONCE** from one organization to another during a calendar year. This must be by written notification to your 4-H club leadership. To be able to show a project at a fair or show, the project 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).



### 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 State News

### National 4-H Week - October 7-13, 2012

National 4-H Week provides an excellent opportunity to honor the 4-H institution which is celebrating serving youth for over 100 years nationally. In 2013, the State of California celebrates 100 years. During National 4-H Week, 4-H members will be honoring this great organization in a variety of ways. 4-H members will set up window displays in local businesses showing some of the many projects in which they are involved. Radio, newspaper, and television will highlight 4-H members in action.

**The race is on!** The first babies born during this week at Sutter Roseville Medical Center and Kaiser Roseville will each be made honorary 4-H members. Much 4-H memorabilia will be bestowed on each of the two newest 4-H honorary members.

**Gifts for these new arrivals will be greatly appreciated!**

### New Highest California 4-H Youth Award

The Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee is pleased to announce the launch of the California 4-H Diamond Clover Award. The Diamond Clover is awarded to the highest achieving 4-H youth members through an application and essay process. All youth who achieve the qualifications are eligible for this award. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year while a young person is between 17 and 19 years of age. Each quarter, applications are reviewed by the Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee and awards are given. Awardees are announced annually at the State Leadership Conference. Applications are available now for submission beginning July 1, 2012 at

[http://www.ca4h.org/Administration/Advisory\\_Committees/IR/](http://www.ca4h.org/Administration/Advisory_Committees/IR/)

**Rationale:** Most youth serving organizations have a highest honor—*Boy Scouts* have Eagle Scouts, *Girl Scouts* have the Gold Award, *Camp Fire USA* has the WoHeLo Award. While the 4-H State Ambassador Program is a very high honor, it is a working honor and is prohibitive to many who may be deserving of a highest youth award.



### 2013 Salute to Excellence 4-H Volunteer Awards

The National 4-H Salute to Excellence Volunteer Recognition Award recognizes 4-H volunteers who demonstrate exemplary service while promoting volunteerism as both an opportunity and a privilege. Additional information is available at <http://4-H.org/salute-to-excellence-awards>. Award categories are as follows:

- The **Volunteer of the Year Award** is for individuals who have served as 4-H volunteers for **less than 10 years** at the local, county, district or state level.
- The **Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer Award** is for individuals who have served **10 or more years** at the local, county, district or state level.

To be considered, nominations should be received by **October 2, 2012**. All nomination packets will be reviewed by the 4-H Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee who will recommend one nominee for each category to the Associate Director of 4-H Program and Policy for final approval. Please note there is no limitation on the number of nominees from each county.

## 4-H Funding Opportunities

### JOIN The Revolution of Responsibility! \$1,000 is available to 4-H Clubs and Groups

**Due: September 15, 2012 and November 15, 2012** <http://ucanr.org/join/>



To JOIN the revolution, 4-H members, with the help of an adult 4-H volunteer mentor, should follow these steps to plan a project.

1. Identify an issue or problem in your community.
2. Find community organizations to collaborate with.
3. Plan the project: form goals, outline tasks, list needed resources, and prepare a budget
4. Prepare ways to document and record your project to share with others.
5. JOIN the revolution at <http://ucanr.org/join/>

A **toolkit** of tips, templates, links, and suggested guidelines has been developed to support your projects. From the initial work to identify a compelling community issue to the final celebration of its completion, use this toolkit to help you carry out the important steps necessary to ensure success. <http://www.ca4h.org/Support/RofR/Toolkit/>

# Countywide Projects

## 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 Carolyn Sherman 530-889-7386 or email [casherman@ucdavis.edu](mailto:casherman@ucdavis.edu). Thank You!

## 4-H Public Speaking Training—Countywide

**Offered by Jarrett Tilford, Starts Monday, September 24, 2011 at 7 p.m.**

*At the 4-H Office, 11477 E Avenue, Auburn*

Over the twenty plus years this project has been offered as a countywide project, the participants express that this training has been most valuable to them; developing life skills and opening doors to new opportunities. This course is required training for our future All-Stars to equip them with the tools to function as County 4-H Ambassadors. Age: 7<sup>th</sup> grade through high school. **Monday Nights: September 24, October 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, November 5, 12, 2012.** Call the 4-H office to register today! (530) 889-7386 or email [casherman@ucdavis.edu](mailto:casherman@ucdavis.edu).

## 17th Annual "You-Make-It" Craft Expo

**Saturday, November 3, 2012, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

*Gold Country Fairgrounds—Armory Building, 1273 High St, 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. The event makes year round arts-and-crafts projects possible. 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 from which to select. Under the guidance of youth and adult instructors, the participants make their project and take it home completed. Each club mans tables where several projects are offered. Please sign up with your Community 4-H Club to assist.



**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 made on poster board (or the same size of like-kind paper). The theme is Holiday or a 4-H promotion such as "What 4-H Means to Me, or 4-H is More than Animals." Make your poster big, bright, colorful, and easy to read. **Deadline is November 2, 2012.**

## Gold Country 4-H Club Hosting Two County Wide Educational Field Days

**October 13, and October 14, 2012**

*Gold Country Fairgrounds—Small Animal Barn, 1273 High St, Auburn*

Gold Country 4-H Club is hosting and inviting everyone to participate in their Countywide Educational Field Days:

- Rabbit and Cavy Educational Field Day – October 13<sup>th</sup> from 10AM to 4PM
- Poultry Educational Field Day – October 14<sup>th</sup> from 11AM to 5PM

Included in both days activities will be: guest speakers, hands on activities, games, sales area, door prizes, etc. Topics to include but not limited to: nutrition, showmanship, market animals, how to choose show animals, industry, history, etc.

Although this is a six hour event, it does NOT qualify as a completed 4-H animal project; however, these educational field days are a great supplement to any regular 4-H club rabbit, cavy, or poultry project.

Anyone wanting to give a presentation, sponsor an activity, help with the event, RSVP, or ask questions should contact Johnna Humber at 530 878 0733 or e-mail at [dewaltbum@yahoo.com](mailto:dewaltbum@yahoo.com)



## Horse Coordinator Meeting

**Wednesday, October 1, 2012, 7:00 p.m.**

*Loomis Round Table Pizza*

An invitation is extended to everyone, either youth or adult, interested in being a member of the 4-H Horse Coordinator group and participating in all the exciting countywide horse events, such as Horse Camp, Horse Mastership, Play Days, Horse Qualifying Shows and more. Please attend and be a part of the program. Contact Sandy Bentien at (530) 305-3537 for more information.

# Leadership Opportunities

## Attention All Adults: Interested in becoming a 4-H Volunteer Project Leader!



Our 4-H leaders are the backbone of the 4-H program as 4-H is an all volunteer led program. You can open the doors for youth and yourself to gain new life learning experiences through 4-H projects.

There are many reasons to become a volunteer. Some people want to become involved in their children's activities, others want to help children in their community or have a skill to share, and others were 4-H'ers as children and want to share their experiences. Regardless of the reason, the 4-H program is glad you are considering becoming a 4-H leader or have joined the team.

You don't have to be an expert on a subject, just willing to learn with the youth. Many resources are available through the 4-H office to assist you with information to be successful. As a project leader, you can help youth develop into responsible, self-directed, productive citizens of the world. Projects have a focus in **citizenship, leadership, and developing life-skills**, using the experiential learning model of "learning-by-doing".

*Learning-by-doing* is a basic philosophy of 4-H. The 4-H project is one of the areas where learning-by-doing takes place. Within the project, members learn things to do, things to make,

and things to explore. As members gain experience, the size of their projects may be increased and/or they may choose to take on additional projects.

### A 4-H Project is:

- Planned work in an area of interest to the 4-H member
- Guided by a volunteer who is the project leader
- Aimed at planned objectives that can be attained and measured
- Summarized by some form of record keeping

Most project work occurs over a period of several weeks or months during a year.

A minimum of six hours of instruction is required to complete a non-animal project. More hours of instruction are required in animal and other projects to accomplish the goal of the project.

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. 4-H volunteer leaders must be at least 18 years of age.

### To become a 4-H volunteer contact your Community Club Leader and:

- Complete the 4-H New Adult Volunteer on-line application, with payment
- 4-H Certification (view a 25 minute on-line video and complete the follow up quiz)
- A live-scan with Department of Justice clearance.
- Approval from the County Director

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

**All new & returning  
Project Leaders should  
not be conducting  
meetings until  
enrollment is complete.**

**All  
Project Leaders  
are encouraged to  
COMPLETE enrollment by  
October 31, 2012**

### Volunteer Certification Video on-line!!

Hopefully this will be more convenient for new volunteers. After watching the video you will be **required to pass an on-line quiz**.

Visit our website at <http://ucanr.org/4horientation>

## TEENS . . . Say YES to Science

Are you interested in science?

Do you like working with young children?

Do you need to earn community service hours?

If you answered YES to these questions, then we have a great opportunity for you!

The 4-H YES in Afterschool Project puts teens into local afterschool programs, teaching a fun, hands-on science curriculum to children ages 5-8. 4-H Youth Development staff will be training interested teens in the YES (Youth Experiences in Science) curriculum. Teams of teens will work once a week in a local afterschool program, teaching sessions from *Bubbles*, *Collections*, *Snails*, *Energy*, *Kitchen Science*, *Worms*, or *Recycle/Reuse*. This program will run for 8 weeks beginning in September at afterschool sites in Auburn and Roseville. You must be in the 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> grade and no older than 18 in order to apply.

If you are a teen interested in applying for the Teen Teacher position, please see our webpage at <http://ucanr.org/4hyes> for the job description and application. You may also email Kim Laehle at [kalaehle@ucdavis.edu](mailto:kalaehle@ucdavis.edu) with questions.

**Applications are due by 5:00 p.m. in the Placer County 4-H office on Sunday, August 27, 2012.**

**Don't delay!!! Apply online today!**



# State & National 4-H News & Events

## "We Help Youth Put the Pieces Together "2012 W.H.Y. Conference - September 21-23, 2012

Camp Diamond Arrow Located in Nevada City

<http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/Sectional>

This annual event is for 4-H members, 6<sup>th</sup> grade and older, and volunteer adult leaders to learn about leadership, citizenship, and life skills. Cost is \$95 if registered by August 20th, \$105 after that date.

## State Record Book Competition: <http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Members/RecordBook/RBCompetition/>



To help youth prepare 4-H Record Books for state competition there is a 2012 Addendum to the Record Book Manual posted on the California website. Youth, who are planning to submit a 2012 Record Book to State Competition, should review this addendum for the most current guidelines. Individuals wishing to be 2012 Record Book judge need to complete and submit the Judge's Application by September 30, 2012 by following the link to the application by survey. All necessary forms needed to submit your book are available on the above website.

## State 4-H Leaders' Forum - November 9-11, 2012

Asilomar Conference Center in Pacific Grove, CA

Registration fee increases after September 1, 2012 | \$60 registration;

\$235.50 to \$374.50 per room <http://ucanr.org/slfregister>

For conference information go to: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLF/>

The State 4-H Leaders Forum provides a weekend retreat for 4-H volunteers across California to gather for networking, education, relaxation, and fun. The 2012 theme is "4-H in a Minute" Highlights are: A keynote address by Nancy Franz of the Iowa 4-H program that will transform the way you present 4-H to your community. A schedule that balances informative workshops with time to enjoy the Asilomar Conference Grounds and the adjacent state beach. Assemblies filled with both fun and information. Opportunities to network with your 4-H peers from throughout the state.



## Western Region Leader Forum - March 21-24, 2012

Marriott Resort in Waikiki, Hawaii

The conference site is the Waikiki Beach Marriott and Resort. It is a beautiful hotel located on Waikiki Beach in Honolulu. You will need to register at the hotel before you register for the conference so you will have the confirmation code required to avoid the surcharge for those who choose to attend WRLF and stay at another location. Reservations at the Marriott may be made by calling 800-848-8100. The state has reserved a block of rooms which you will need to refer to when you register by giving the 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



# 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.

Please review the importance of the Code of Conduct and the core values of the 4-H Youth Development Program as we approach the fair season and new 4-H year. You can find the online Code of Conduct here: <http://ucanr.org/placer4hforms>.



## 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. 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.

**Leadership: Supervision in Vehicles (Chapter 11 Section 4.C CA 4-H Policy Handbook)** 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.

1. Adult Volunteers should not be alone in vehicles with members.
2. Adult Volunteers should not be one-on-one in a vehicle with members other than their own child/children.
3. Adult volunteers must have current Youth Medical Release and Health History Form from the member's parents/guardians before transporting any members in their vehicle to any 4-H YDP activity or event.

### Share Your 4-H Experience!

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

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Send it via e-mail to: [casherman@ucdavis.edu](mailto:casherman@ucdavis.edu) All articles are subject to approval by the 4-H Program Representative.

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**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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