

January 2013

4-H Family Newsletter

Placer County, California

http://ucanr.org/placer4h

530-889-7386

Junior Teen Leadership Retreat

When: Saturday, January 19, 2013 Where: Loomis Veteran's Memorial Hall

Who: 6th Grade through High School Time: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM (Please note time change)

Our Placer County All Stars will be conducting this great training in which the Juniors and Teens will have separate room instruction and discussion sessions; intermixed with fun team building games, motivational speaker, and hands-on activities. The training will culminate with lunch for all, plus snacks during the event. If you are interested PLEASE COME even though you are not currently a Junior or Teen leader. Save the date on your calendar. You won't want to miss it. Bring your Record Book, pen, paper, and come join us. There will be awards and incentives for all. To enroll please visit to the following URL: https://ucanr.edu/JTRetreat.

Project Leader's Training Workshop

Tuesday, January 29, 2013 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Located at the 4-H Office at 11477 E Ave., Auburn CA 95603

This meeting will enlighten you as to what the Junior and Teen Leaders learned at their retreat on January 19th and also assist in getting the most out of your wonderful assistants - Junior and Teen Leaders in your projects. We have additional new tools that the State 4-H office has developed to assist that we will be introducing, such as the Thrive program and online record books. We have a Trainer Team of three adults and three youth that have just completed the state Thrive training who would like to share an overview with you. Please register by January 22nd at the following URL: http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=9810.



Achievement Night Update

The Placer County 4-H Council voted at the November 28, 2012 Council meeting to reinstate Achievement Night as a Countywide Event. The 130 plus people attending the 2012 Achievement Night on November 30th can take credit for attending a Countywide event.

On another note, a light weight dark blue zip up the front sweat shirt, small (size 6) was left behind at the "You-Make-It" Craft Expo. It says LOVE on the front in light blue with blue gems. It is at the 4-H office (530) 889-7386 waiting for its owner!

Adult Volunteers are the Heart of the Program! THANK YOU!

For a hundred years the California 4-H Youth Development Program (4-H YDP) has capitalized on the powerful influence of caring adults in the lives of children and youth. Central to the success of 4-H are the talented and dedicated adult volunteers who are the heart of the 4-H program, providing valuable programmatic leadership and building caring and nurturing relationships with our 4-H members.

Let's extend our personal THANKS this holiday to our 4-H Volunteers who make 4-H available for our youth to THRIVE! I express my gratitude to each of you for making a DIFFERENCE IN THE YOUTH TODAY and the positive impact this will have on our future.

Our Best Wishes for a Happy Holiday Season to ALL! - June

Placer Co	ounty 4-H Events	
January 23, 2013	4-H Camp Youth Staff Application Due	http://ucanr.org/placer4h
February 19, 2013	Embryology Workshop	http://ucanr.org/placer4h
February 23, 2013	Still Exhibit Youth Fair	http://ucanr.org/placer4hstillexhibitday
March 25, 2013	County Presentation Day: Pre-registration Due	Web page coming in February
March 30, 2013	County Presentation Day	http://ucanr.edu/placerpresentationday
April 27, 2013	Bi-County Fashion Revue	Web page coming in February

4-H Camp Youth Staff Applications

Application deadline: January 22, 2013—Camp Dates: TBA

With snow falling in the Sierras it doesn't feel like summer camp time, but there is a lot of planning to do. Camp time will be here in no time! This coming 4-H Summer Camp program is going to be an adventuresome one. We are looking for dedicated Teen Leaders to make up the Camp Youth Staff for 2013. If you are willing to work and be a team player, please consider submitting the 4-H Camp Youth Staff Application form to the 4-H office by January 23rd. We have multiple Teen Leadership opportunities. Please check out the 4-H Camp Youth Staff application and see how you would like to become involved.

Please Note, Camp Youth Staff will participate in trainings and retreats such as:

- Interview Process
- CPR Training
- Camp Leadership Training
- Must attend 80% of all monthly camp staff meetings starting in February and 100% of camp.
- Everyone, including returning Camp Youth Staff, must complete this application, and return it by January 22nd.
- Prior to participating in any camp meetings, ALL applicants must be enrolled in the current 2012-2013 4-H program
 year.
- Minimum grade is entering 9th grade in the fall of 2013.

Applications are available on-line at: http://ucanr.org/placer4h or at the 4-H office. Contact Carolyn at 530-889-7386 to have one mailed, or email casherman@ucanr.edu to have it e-mailed.

Would you like to be considered for the 4-H Junior Camp Directors position? Returning Jr. Camp Staff, whose last year at camp as a youth is 2013, are encouraged to consider applying for the Jr. Camp Director position. Please write an application letter and mail it to the 4-H Office, 11477 E Avenue, Auburn, CA 95603 post marked by January 22, 2013.

Still Exhibit Youth Fair

Saturday, February 23, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Loomis Memorial Hall, Loomis

This fun county wide hands-on educational day has something to involve everyone's interest. A list of some of the exciting workshops will be published in the February 2013 Newsletter. If you or your club has a specialty you would like to share as a hands-on workshop for everyone to become involved in, please contact the 4-H office @ 530-889-7386.

It is also a great opportunity for all members with Still Projects, for example, electricity, woodworking, food and clothing, etc. to exhibit their work for ribbon awards and help prepare them to exhibit at fairs. Food Entries will be served at the Favorite Foods Luncheon at noon! Yum!!

Categories for Still Exhibits:

- Engineering (Woodworking, Electronics, Small Engines, etc.)
- Family and Consumer Sciences (Clothing, Foods, Home Arts, Fashion, etc)
- Health and Leisure (Creative Art, Crafts, Hobbies, Leather, Photography, etc.)
- Plant Science
- Social Sciences (Computers, Leadership Development, Citizenship)

No advance registration is required. Everyone is invited to attend this fun event! All parents, leaders or members not entering a food category are asked to bring a salad or main dish to serve 8 for the Favorite Foods luncheon.

Placer County 4-H Events - Continued

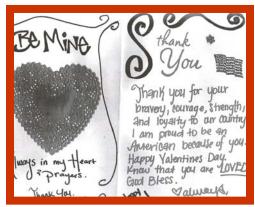
Embryology Workshop for <u>Teachers</u> & 4-H <u>Adult Leaders</u> *Tuesday, February 19, 2013 from 4:30-6:00 p.m. or 6:30-8:00 p.m.*

Placer County 4-H Office, 11477 E Avenue, Auburn

A free workshop taught by June Stewart, Placer County 4-H Program Representative. Register on-line http://ucanr.org/placer4h.



Invitation To All 4-H'ers to Make "VALENTINES FOR VETS" in 2013



Start the New Year out right and help our community thank the brave men and women serving in our U.S. Armed Services by making Valentine's Day Cards. All Community and Project 4-H Groups are invited to participate in this Project by making Valentines for Veterans during their January 2013 meeting. These cards should be handmade and no larger than 8"X10" and should **not** be placed in envelopes.

Cards can be made of heavyweight drawing paper (9"X12" folded in half) or construction paper (folded in half) with colored pens, lace hearts, and patriotic stamps of flags-stars-hearts; your imagination is the limit. Pictures of previous cards for examples are available.

These cards are truly appreciated by the veterans, staff, and volunteers at the VA Hospitals, and by the soldiers serving overseas. Reading copies of Thank You letters will inspire and move you to create your Valentine's Day cards for our Veterans and Soldiers.

County 4-H Presentation Day Saturday, March 30, 2013 8:00 a.m. to Noon

Registration Due: March 25, 2012

Location: To Be Announced

Pre-registration will be REQUIRED and available in

February!

What is a 4-H Presentation?

A presentation is a method used to communicate an idea by showing and/or telling. It can be a demonstration or a talk that uses posters and other visual aids.

A 4-H Presentation helps you learn to research a subject, organize ideas in a logical order, be a teacher and practice public speaking skills.

Placer County Presentation Day will be patterned after the

format for the 4-H Regional and State Presentation Days. A State "Presentations Guide for 4-H Members, version#3" is available on line at http://ucanr.org/placer4h under Events and Activities.

Community Club Leaders and Presentation Project Leaders will have a copy and more copies can be obtained at the 4-H office. This guide is a great resource of information!

To have a successful presentation it must contain the following:

- 1. An introduction—it should briefly cover what is to be shown or told.
- 2. A body—it should illustrate the subject logically and clearly.
- 3. A summary—it should reiterate what has been said so that the audience takes away the main idea.

Don't forget an original and catchy title, this will set the stage for your presentation! Most of all...Enjoy Yourself!



Tuesday, December 25
Tuesday, January 1
Monday, January 21



Community Club Leader Meetings Wednesday, January 23rd @ 6:30 p.m.

Hosted by Long Valley 4-H Club

Next Month's Meeting: Wednesday, February 27th @ 6:30 p.m. Hosted by Gold Country 4-H Club

Fair News a	and Dates	
Placer County Fair	June 20-23, 2013 "Country Days and Racin' Ways"	http://www.placercountyfair.org
PC Pre-Weigh In	Beef Saturday, January 19 8-11 a.m.	Sheep, Swine & Goats: Saturday, April 27 7-11 a.m.
Gold Country Fair	September 5-8, 2013 "Let The Good Times Roll"	http://www.goldcountryfair.com
GC Pre-Weigh In	Beef Saturday, April 6 8-11 a.m.	Sheep, Swine & Goats: Saturday July 6 7-11 a.m.

Placer County and Gold Country Fair would like to remind us:

County, District and State Fairs cannot legally carry liability insurance covering junior exhibitors and/or their exhibits. Liability insurance is the responsibility and at the discretion of the junior exhibitor. Therefore, it is suggested that junior exhibitors consider taking out a liability policy covering themselves and their exhibits. **All Independent Exhibitors are required to show proof of liability insurance**. All other junior Exhibitors (4-H and FFA) are strongly urged to carry liability insurance. A policy may be purchased through California Fair Services Authority for a minimal cost. Please be aware that Gold Country Fair Jr. Livestock Rule # 36, stating that market steers must be under control at all times, will be strictly enforced. **Call the fair office for assistance and applications.** Please note that Top PAY weight for market goats will decrease. Superior Farms announced the top pay weight of 105 pounds beginning in 2013. Existing top pay weight is 125 pounds.

Quality Assurance / Ethics Mandatory Training (Certificate is good for 5 years)

Gold Country Fairgrounds – Tahoe Building Only THREE OPPORTUNITIES, MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Thursday, April 18, 2013 – 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 6, 2013 – 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 18, 2013 – 6:30 p.m.

Mandatory training began in 2009, all exhibitors taking the training, the first year it was required, are good through 2014.

2013 State Fashion Review

State 4-H Fashion Revue (SFR) categories for 2013 will be *Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased* (\$19.99 limit), *Wearable Art-Embellished, 2 Yard Wonder*, and *Duct Tape Challenge*. Members, leaders and counties are encouraged to plan projects and county fashion revues following the SFR category guidelines. To clarify the 2 Yard Wonder, it is a sewing challenge for members in the Clothing and Textiles project, beginning to advanced. Using a 2 yard length of 100% cotton fabric, sew a garment and an accessory. You can use less fabric but not more for this garment and the accessory. There is no specific pattern requirement. Additional garments to complete the outfit may be sewn or purchased. Take a "before" photo holding the yardage and an "after" photo wearing the outfit. Specific information about all the categories is posted at http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/.

The SFR committee is coordinating three service projects: Little dresses and shorts for Africa, stuffed animals, and drawstring bags. Patterns, instructions and donation guidelines will be posted this month on the SFR website. The SFR committee is excited to announce that 43 finished quilts were donated to the American Legion for the Quilts for Wounded Warriors service project. An additional 40 quilt tops will be completed with materials purchased with the Revolution of Responsibility grant. The committee hosted a quilting booth at the State Fair, a service learning workshop at State Leadership Conference, and had their first meeting to plan 2013 SFR. Please see the SFR website for more information!

Projects and counties are encouraged to download the patterns and instructions and make the most of all the fabric scraps in your "stash." The dresses and bags take about a yard of fabric plus bias tape or cording. The shorts are sewn from a new or like-new purchased tee-shirt. The stuffed animals are cute and cuddly, made from scraps of fuzzy fabric. Brighten the life of a child close to home or in an impoverished country by donating fabric or your time and have fun at the same time. See the SFR website for questions or contact a committee member.

This State Fashion Review is a "qualifying event," meaning that you must pre-qualify by submitting items at a County level event before submitting them to the State Fashion Review. Watch the 4-H website for additional information regarding the 2013 Placer/Nevada Bi-County



Other Opportunities

Archery Certification Training Available

This training is offered to adult volunteers and junior/teen leaders on Saturday, January 19th, 9 AM – 5 PM, and Sunday, January 20th, 8 AM- 12 noon, at the Livermore-Pleasanton Rod & Gun Club, 4000 Dagnino Road, Livermore, CA 94551 in Alameda County. You must be an enrolled 4-H leader or member and attend both days to receive certification to teach archery at the project, club, and/or camp level. The course will include a PowerPoint lecture, review of equipment, practice shooting and teaching, and a written test. The cost is \$50 per person to include a resource binder, range fees, and Saturday lunch. Overnight RV parking, water & power only, is available for an additional fee.

To register, please complete and mail the "CA 4-H Shooting Sports Training Request and Registration Form" available at http://www.ca4h.org/files/2123.pdf, an adult or youth 4-H



medical release form available at http://ucanr.edu/sites/placercounty4h/files/70998.pdf, and a \$50 check payable to "De Arroyo 4-H Club." Mail your packet to Jennifer Siders, 4967 Erica Way, Livermore, CA 94550. Registration is due Monday, January 7, 2013 and space is limited. For more information call Jenny at 925-321-6009 or email her at jsiders@gmail.com.

Shooting Sports Rifle Discipline Training — January 12 & 13, 2013

The 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at the UC Cooperative Extension office, 1031 South Mt Vernon Ave, in Bakersfield, CA. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a rifle trainer, and can lead a rifle project at the club level, or serve as a county trainer to certify other leaders. There is no cost for the course. To register for the course or receive more information, contact John Borba at; idabcubacuto.

18th Annual Placer GROWN Farm Conference

Saturday, January 26, 2013

Lincoln High School, 790 J Street, Lincoln



Make plans today to attend one of your top agricultural education opportunities in 2013. The Lincoln FFA will prepare lunch. The PlacerGROWN Farm Conference is sponsored by PlacerGROWN, UC Cooperative Extension, and the Placer County Agricultural Marketing Program. This year's keynote address will feature a panel discussion on trends affecting foothill agriculture over the next ten years. These would be trends in land use, water, demographics, food purchases, local food, crops, livestock, and marketing. You will have the opportunity to provide your viewpoint on future trends through the use of clickers. You will also hear an update on PlacerGROWN and what 2013 will look like for the organization. The conference will again feature a variety of workshops, trade

show, and lunch. Grant support is being provided by the USDA Risk Management Agency.

"Save the Fair Benefit" Placer County Barnyard Hoedown Saturday, January 26, 2013

Placer County Fair Grounds, 800 All America City Blvd, Roseville, CA

Make plans to attend the "Save the Fair Benefit" event where Matt Larson, Patrick Walsh, and *Branded* will perform. Enjoy an evening of "BBQ Dinner with Tri-Tip and Chicken and all the Fixin's," Live Music, Raffle Prizes, Auction, and more. The event begins at 6:00 p.m. and admission is \$40.00. Tickets can be purchased online at www.PlacerCountyFair.org or by calling (916) 786-2023. Event sponsored by Placer County Fair and All American Speedway.



State & National 4-H News & Events

4-H Honey Bee Essay Contest sponsored by the Foundation for the Preservation for Honey Bees, Inc., has made the essay criteria and application information available for those interested. The deadline for application submission is on or before **February 15, 2013**. Go to this URL: http://www.ca4h.org/files/156350.pdf for full essay application details.

State 4-H Field Day 2013 – May 25, 2013 at UC Davis

http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/

The **State Fashion Revue** committee is taking a walk down memory lane. Youth members from throughout the state will celebrate the 2013 California 4-H Centennial at "Timeless Fashions," the 2013 SFR at UC Davis, on May 25. The 2013 categories are: Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased \$19.99, Wearable Art Embellished, 2 Yard Wonder, and the Duct Tape Challenge. State winners receive an SFR garment bag. The committee is looking for donors to cover the \$50 cost per garment bag, or two donations of \$25 together per bag. Is your county or club interested in contributing? The committee is no longer accepting Quilts for Wounded Warriors, but is finishing and sending the ones donated this summer. SFR is coordinating three big service projects for 2013: Little Dresses and Shorts for Africa, A Zoo of Hugs (stuffed animals for foster children), and drawstring bags for foster care shelters. Information is on the State Fashion Revue website at http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/. Sewing project meetings have started, so please follow the SFR category guidelines and start creating your clothing project!

2013 Presentations!

The 2013 **Special Recognition** is awarded to 4-H members who relate their presentations (all categories are eligible) to one of the following four focus areas:

• Citizenship: C is for Contribute

• Thrive: The Path to Thriving

Healthy Living: Physical Activity

 Science, Engineering and Technology (SET): Engineering to Solve the World's Problems

The 2013 **Special Recognition** opportunities information is available at http://www.ca4h.org/files/124730.pdf. Members focusing their presentation on one of these themes will earn a special pin at the State 4-H Presentation Day!

The 2013 Impromptu Topics are available at http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/PD/ and select Impromptu Topics in the lower section of the page to download the PDF.

The 2013 Senior and Intermediate Problem Solving presentation fact sets are available at

<u>http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/PD/.</u> Problem Solving presentations allow the member to select a position on an issue and develop a presentation to defend that position. NO pre-qualification is required to enter this category at the State 4-H Presentation Day (that is, a gold medal at a sectional competition is not required to enter the Problem Solving category).

The Exhibit and Display Application for State Field Day is available online!

To apply online, go to this URL: http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=9588. Applications are due by April 1st, 2013. Educational exhibits and displays constitute a unique aspect of the State 4-H Field Day. These exhibits are a great opportunity to share knowledge, interact with youth and adults, and engage people in new activities. Possibilities for displays include hands-on activities, community service crafts, informative booths, etc. Contact Megan Oats at msoats@ucdavis.edu for more information.

State Leadership Conference – July 25-28, 2013 at UC Davis

http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/

The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. More information will be released in January 2013.

Annual Swine Educational Day - Saturday, February 2, 2013

California State University, Chico Farm Pavilion

8:00-9:00 am - Registration and Sale Preview (\$5 Registration Fee)

9:00-9:30 am - Keynote Speaker

9:30-11:30 am – Educational Workshops:

Showmanship

- Nutrition
- Show Pig Selection & Live Evaluation
- Health & Disease

• Carcass Fabrication

11:30-12:15 - Lunch Break

12:30 pm - Show Pig Sale

Check out their website for more detailed information: www.thepigpage.com/chicostate

State & National 4-H News & Events - Continued

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.

On-Line Record Book Info

Did you know that the 4-H Online Record Book is not just for youth members?



The 4-H Online Record Book (ORB) has approximately 4500 users statewide. Adult volunteers can also access their own Online Record Book account using their 4-H Online user name and password, and track their volunteer hours, communicate with youth in their clubs and projects, and review and approve reports from their youth. To get started using ORB today, click on the following link: https://ucanr.edu/4hbook/login.cfm

The State 4-H Office is offering a 3-hour 4-H Online Record Book training for counties desiring it. This training (ORB Internet Café) will walk participants through how to use all aspects of the 4-H Online Record Book in a fun and engaging way. Please contact the Placer County office at (530) 889-7386 if you desire to bring this training here. For general information and help about the Online Record Book, you can check out the following resources:

- ORB Webinar Archives http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Members/RecordBook/ORB/
- ORB Login Help http://www.ca4h.org/files/121045.pdf
- ORB Bug Report http://www.ca4h.org/recordbookbugs/

Share Your 4-H Experience!

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

NEXT NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

February 13, 2013

Send it via e-mail to: casherman@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.

Please 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

PLACER COUNTY OFFICE:

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Placer County 4-H Clubs Directory

2012-2013 4-H Calendar Some dates subject to change.

March 2013	1-2 CA Ag & Enviro Sciences Field Day	12-15 Tri-State Camping Conference	hers 17-30 Lily Day Collection	25 County Presentation Day - Pre-Registration Deadline	27 Community Leader/Council Meeting
February 2013	12 Holiday OFFICE CLOSED	18 Holiday OFFICE CLOSED	19 Embryology Workshop for Teachers	23 Still Exhibits Youth Fair27 Community Leader/Council Meeting	
January 2013	1 Holiday OFFICE CLOSED	21 Holiday OFFICE CLOSED	19 Junior/Teen Leadership Retreat	23 Community Leader/Council Meeting	
December 2012	 Festival of Lights Parade, Auburn 	10 Children's Fantasy Fair	25 Holiday OFFICE CLOSED	NO COMMUNITY LEADER MEETING	
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30 County Presentation Day

July 2013 4 Holiday OFFICE CLOSED	24 Community Leader/Council MeetingTBA Summer Camp12-28 State Fair	24 Community Leader/Council Meeting 25-28 4-H State Leadership Conference @ UC San Diego	
June 2013 TBA Horse Camp (tentative)	15 Medalist Selection14-18 California Focus—Sacramento20-23 Placer County Fair	26 Community Leader/Council Meeting 26-30 State Fair Qualifying Horse Show English, Western, Gymkhana, and Jumping	June 30-July 1 4-H Washington Focus Road to Democracy
May 2013 4 Sectional Presentation Day	11 Hulbert Award & Council Scholarship Interviews TBA Animal Youth Fair	 22 Community Leader/Council Meeting 25 State 4-H Field Day @ UC Davis Fashion Revue, Presentations 27 Holiday OFFICE CLOSED 	
April 2013 24 Community Leader/Council Meeting	27 Bi-County Fashion RevueTBA Horse Mastership Test (rain date 5/?)		

August 2013 28 Community Leader/Council Meeting	September 2013 2 Holiday OFFICE CLOSED	October 2013 6-12 National 4-H Week	November 2013 2 "You-Make-It" Craft Expo
	5-8 Gold Country Fair	TBA Achievement Night	8-10 CA Leadership Forum
	TBA Bi-County Officer Training	7 Holiday OFFICE CLOSED	11 Holiday OFFICE CLOSED
	25 Community Leader/Council Meeting	23 Community Leader/Council Meeting	14 Community Leader/Council Meeting
			28-29 Holiday OFFICE CLOSED
			30 Enrollment Deadline for Fair Showing