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4-H'ers Address Board of Supervisors

On February 5, 2013 three Placer County 4-H All Stars gave presentations before the Placer County Board of Supervisor's. The following are excerpts from there talks:

Amber Miller: For me, over the years 4-H has provided me with many positive experiences but most of all it has taught me how important it is to give back to my community. In our club, we have many annual community service events such as, making Cookie Jar Mix for the Children Receiving Home and the Adopt-a-Mom program, visiting Senior Care Homes to share Christmas carols and spring crafts, and collecting toys and coats for holiday donations.

This year I am participating in a Community Service 4-H project and one of our goals is to help out the Placer Food Bank. We decided to make ceramic bowls to donate to the Placer Food Bank Empty Bowl Fundraiser and 4-Hers from my club assisted at the dinner event on February 28th. Another goal is to apply for the 4-H Revolution of Responsibility \$1,000 grant to help out a local school in need. There are several Placer County 4-H Clubs that have received the \$1,000 4-H grants to help improve their communities. The Revolution of Responsibility Centennial Campaign is a way to celebrate the 100th year of the 4-H Program in California by funding 1,000 service learning projects at \$1,000 each through the end of 2013!

Mia Zimmer: I joined 4-H the first year I moved to Auburn. I had learned wonderful things about the organization and wished to experience them first hand...And I have. If I could say what the greatest attribute of 4-H is, I would say that it is the production of strong, reliant citizens for this country. 4-H accomplishes this by providing 4-Hers with a sense of personal responsibility, the knowledge of how to make positive choices and how to create strong personal responsibility, the knowledge of how to make positive choices and how to create strong personal morals. Everywhere I look in the organization, I can see youth learning responsibility with leadership positions and the raising of animals. Personally, 4-H has taught me that to be benefitted by something you are doing, you have to put everything you have into it, whether that be when I was raising a steer, running a club or taking care of homesick campers. I now realize that if I sign up for something, I had better treat it as a responsibility, because if I don't, I will never receive anything out of it.

Many young people have trouble with making good decisions for themselves. 4-H teaches youth that understanding consequences and preparing are good choices that lead to positive outcomes. I see kids everyday having to balance the costs of raising an animal, creating something in a project and learning to speak responsibly. Part of making these choices stems from knowing what is right or wrong. Teaching kids that respect and truth are positive morals to possess. As an All Star, I have noticed the change in 4-Hers first hand. I have seen and personally helped people in my community becoming the best they can be. I have witnessed young children struggle to converse with people they have just met become amazing public speakers who volunteer to give presentations at their clubs after only one year of being involved in 4-H. When I see these confident young people who take pride in what they have created, I am proud as well, proud that I belong to an organization that has been doing this for 100 years in California. 4-H, through raising me with many good people, has taught me and numerous others how to be a contributing individual in society. We strive to be the best at everything we do, and 4-H helps us by keeping its promise to make the best better.



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4-H'ers Address Board Of Supervisors - Continued

On February 5, 2013 three Placer County 4-H All Stars gave presentations before the Placer County Board of Supervisor's. The following are excerpts from Andrew Wood's talk:

Andrew Wood: The 4-H program has had an immense impact on my life. Really so much of what I am was shaped by 4-H, but mostly just the good parts of me. The program has done so much; it is a program you can use to improve yourself and your community, yet it is almost impossible to pin down a single definition of what the program is. It can be what you want and what works for you; you receive from it what you put in and usually a lot more.

If you choose to raise animals, 4-H helps by providing you with instruction and almost everything you need. If you want to become a leader, 4-H can train you as an officer and help you build great communication skills. And there is a project to learn and do almost everything, from ukulele to first aid. Since I live in town and don't show animals at the fair, I have more time to spend developing my leadership and communication skills. I serve as an All-Star and am vice-president of my 4-H club of over 100 youth. I came into this program as an inarticulate and very unconfident 8 year old, so 4-H has really done a lot for me.

4-H has also given me a huge array of friends from so many different backgrounds. It sounds kind of weird to put it that way, but being a member of 4-H, participating in 4-H Camp and countywide events as well as just in my local club is a fantastic way of making friends. And they all come from different backgrounds, go to different schools, and use 4-H differently. Camp is my favorite activity in 4-H and I make so many friends there and have the time of my life. As a result of 4-H, I end up having a diverse collection of friends from all over Placer and even Nevada County instead of all of them from one high school or something of the sort.

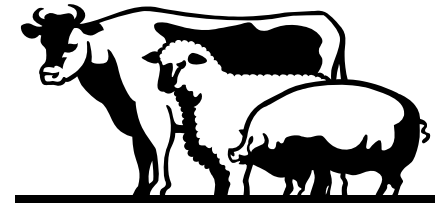
Another great way 4-H has impacted me in a very positive way is getting me involved in raising Guide Dogs for the Blind. Though Guide Dogs is not actually affiliated with 4-H, I joined the Guide dog project through our local 4-H club with my family. This is our family's third dog, the second of which I have been the primary raiser. I love Guide Dogs for the Blind because it enables normal people like me to make a difference in the lives of others and have a lot of fun training an adorable puppy. I totally love bringing Tammie everywhere with me, and though it is extremely hard to give them up later, I know that they will have a good home and help someone less fortunate than me. This program has made me a much better person in this way and I really enjoy it. As I said before, 4-H has definitely made my life a much better place, I guess you could say. It has made me a better person in general and I really enjoy almost every minute involved in it.

Animal Youth Fair - Saturday, May 4, 2013

Location: Gold Country Fairgrounds

Time: 8:00 AM to Noon

Hosted by: Flatlands 4-H Club



This year's Animal Youth Fair will be held in conjunction with the Gold Country Fair "Barnyard Sale." 4-H will be offering showmanship training and practice in all species in preparation for the up-coming fairs. Showing and fitting along with other information will be presented. Please *do not bring your own animals* unless you have not been requested to do so to demonstrate the above training. Cody Sinnock and Ted Williams of Flatlands 4-H Club have generously volunteered to host this event and would greatly appreciate assistance in the different species, especially in the small animal species. For questions, contact: c.sinnock@yahoo.com

4-H supplies such as hats, ties, scarves, record book covers and record book forms will be available for sale. The two tubs of recycled white shirts and pants will also be there for you to go through and see what fits if you need them. Should you have extras and would like to contribute, please bring them.

4-H will be having a booth at the "Barnyard Sale" where we encourage everyone to bring barnyard items you are willing to donate. The sale proceeds will be donated to the Gold Country Fairgrounds. The booth will be manned by teams of two adults and two youth on a shift. Contact Cody (c.sinnock@yahoo.com) or Ted (bar4w@skyhibroadband.net) to volunteer.

North Sectional Presentation Day - April 6, 2013

A Placer, Nevada, and Plumas/Sierra County Event

When: Saturday, April 6, 2013

Registration Due: by March 29, 2013

Where: Lincoln High School, 790 J Street, Lincoln, CA

Hosted by: Placer County 4-H

Congratulations to all who participated in the County Presentation Day on March 23, 2013. Each of you can be proud of your efforts. All regular members, age 9-19 years old who received blue or gold seal, are invited to participate in the Sectional Presentation Day. If you earn a gold seal at Sectional Presentation Day, you are eligible to participate at the State Field on May 25, 2013 at UC Davis.

- Register for the Sectional event on-line at <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=10054>.
- Sectional Evaluators are needed: 1 judge for every 6 youth entered. Judges must have previous experience. Register on-line at: <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=10057>.

Placer County 4-H Events

April 6, 2013	Tri-County Sectional Presentation Day	http://ucanr.edu/NSPresentationdayRegistration
April 18, 2013 5:00 to 6:30 PM	Small Animal Showmanship Event at Gold Country Fair Grounds	Contact Johnna Humber for more information at (530) 878-0733.
April 27, 2013	Bi-County Fashion Revue	Refer to page 4 for more information!
May 4, 2013	Animal Youth Fair	Refer to page 2 for more information!
May 18, 2013 9:00 to 3:00 PM	Hulbert Award and Council Scholarship Interview and Selection	http://ucanr.edu/placer4hscholarships
May 25, 2013	State 4-H Field Day	www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD
August 5 - 10, 2013	Placer County 4-H Summer Camp	http://ucanr.edu/placer4hsummercamp

Youth Still Exhibit Fair – Submitted By Scott Downs

Recently Eureka/Granite Bay 4-H Community Club hosted the Youth Still Exhibit county-wide event at Loomis Veterans Memorial Hall. Our 4-H members set up tables and chairs in the event center anticipating a large crowd to arrive. 4-H county members came with their craft and/or dessert items they intend to enter into the county fair this summer to be evaluated and to get feedback from our judges.



Fellow club member, Suneet Narwan, Mrs. Ellis, and I were asked to judge the desserts some of the members brought. We talked to the members about how they made their dessert and gave them some tips to help it do well when they enter their dessert in the fair this summer. I sampled a lot of excellent desserts and was able to compliment all of the kids on the quality of their food. Other judges observed the handiwork put into a knitted piece of clothing or the craftsmanship a member used in making her very own doll house. Everything was well made with a lot of attention to detail.

Next, I helped out our members with making cornhusk dolls, a doll which has been made and loved by children for hundreds of years. It's the simple crafts like these which everyone was attracted to. Other craft stations that morning included pom pom animals, heartwarming hand warmers which will be donated to shelters, balloon rockets, and egg carton chicks.

Around lunch time, June Stewart announced that there would be 3 to 4 goat cheese making sessions to view. The cheese that was crafted was extraordinary! It was incredibly delicious and easy to make. The session seemed to

have convinced many parents that they needed to purchase and raise a goat just for the scrumptious cheese!

Audrey, June's daughter, brought two wooden tortilla presses to allow everyone who wished to make delicious handmade tortillas. The kids were allowed to press the dough balls into the flattened tortilla shape, which were then put on top of a portable electric hot plate to be cooked. June dished out her savory pulled pork which she had previously slow cooked in a medley of spices and sauces for over 9 hours, making it extremely tender and tasty. We finished up with a potluck lunch and enjoyed the fair entry desserts made by the 4-H'ers.



I had a great time with wonderful people. I recommend that anyone who is free next year when this fun event is held to go check it out You will be glad that you did.

2013 Revolution of Responsibility

Application Deadlines are as follows:

May 15, 2013 July 15, 2013

Sept 15, 2013 Nov 15, 2013

<http://www.ca4h.org/Support/RofR/>



Placer County 4-H Events - Continued

Bi-County Fashion Revue

Saturday, April 27, 2013

Registration **REQUIRED** by April 21, 2013

Magnolia Middle School located at 22431 Kingston Ln, Grass Valley 95949

PREREGISTRATION IS REQUIRED. Deadline for completed preregistration is April 21, 2013. Application forms will be available on-line soon.

The 2013 Placer/Nevada Bi-County 4-H Fashion Revue will be patterned after the 2013 State 4-H Fashion Revue qualifying guidelines in five categories: *Traditional*, *Consumer Science Purchased* (\$19.99 limit), *Wearable Art-Embellished*, *2 Yard Wonder*, and *Duct Tape Challenge*.

With the following exceptions: there will be a Recycled Category and a Primary members category on the Bi-County level only. Primary members are encouraged to participate for fun and experience (non-competitive). 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. Remember to take a "before" photo holding the yardage and an "after" photo wearing the outfit. This requirement is part of your submission. Specific information about all the categories is posted at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/>.



Tentative schedule for the day:

8:30 Open facilities

9:30 Participants arrive and get dressed. Judges arrive for orientation

10:00-12:00 Judging, Pictures taken, Practice modeling, Workshops for all attendees including Community Service projects

12:00- 1:30 Program Representatives complete the final review and prepare awards

12:00- 1:00 Lunch Break: Potluck cold lunch – Sandwich fixings and dessert will be provided. Everyone please bring salads, side dishes, beverages and such. *We do not have kitchen-use, so please bring an ice chest to maintain your food at the proper temperature.*

1:30 to 2:00 Fashion Revue and Awards Ceremony

Consumer Science Purchased \$19.99 Challenge: Be a wise consumer, develop decision-making skills and shop in new places with a new perspective. Create an entire outfit with out spending over \$19.99. Receipts are required for all visible garments and accessories except shoes. Sales tax does not count in the limit. No prior purchases or gifts; receipts must be dated during the 2012-2013 4-H year. Check out garage sales, thrift stores, or consignment shops. Bring your own 'special touch' to an outfit that makes it unique and individually YOU!

Revue Program-Cover Contest: Attention all Artists! Design and draw a picture that portrays this year's theme "Spring Into Fashion." The winner will receive \$10 and their design will be used for the cover of the Fashion Revue program. All submissions should be original artwork, drawn in dark pencil or black ink on a half-sheet of paper (5 1/2" x 4 1/2"). Don't forget to sign your work! Submit your entry to the Placer County 4-H office by April 15, 2013. You can scan and/or email your artwork to casherman@ucanr.edu or mail it to Placer County 4-H, 11477 E Ave, Auburn CA 95603. Please include your name, club, and mailing address to return your art.

Community Leader Council Meetings

Wednesday
April 24th @ 6:30
Hosted by
Flatlands 4-H Club

Next Month's Meeting:
Wednesday
May 22nd @ 6:30
Hosted by ??? 4-H Club

Placer County 4-H Summer Camp - 2013 Camp dates: August 5-10



Save these dates on your busy calendars and plan to join us for an adventuresome camp. Summer Camp registration opens May 1, 2013 and fills on a first come, first served basis. Registration fills up early, so don't miss out! **Summer Camp Adult Volunteer Applications** are available on the web: <http://ucanr.org/placer4h> or may be mailed from the office. **Adult Volunteer applications are due back in the office by May 1, 2013.** An overall background picture on our 4-H Summer Camp structure is included in the application. Returning volunteers please complete an updated application, so that we will know who is still interested in this great opportunity. Thanks!

Save These Dates:

4-H State Leadership Conference "There's No Place Like 4-H" - July 25—28, 2013 at UC Davis. For more information visit: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/>

4-H State Leaders Forum - November 8—10, 2013 at Sacramento. For more information visit: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLF/>.

CA Shooting Sports 1st Annual ARCHERY Match

The First Annual State 4-H Archery Match - Hosted by Mendocino County 4-H Council

It's time to sharpen up your archery skills for the 1st Annual State 4-H Archery Match in partnership with the state 4-H shooting sports program and Mendocino County 4-H Council. **Entries must be postmarked by May 1, 2013 and returned by June 17, 2013.** Don't wait until the last day to enter...once your entries are received, the official match targets and scorecards will be mailed to you. Contact the Mendocino 4-H office at 707-463-4495 for more information. Carolyn has Entry Forms and Flyers in the office; email her at casherman@ucanr.edu or call 530-889-7386 for your copy.

GC & PC Fair - QA / Ethics Mandatory Training

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.**

Placer County Fair Pre-Weigh In:

Sheep, Swine & Goats: Saturday, April 27 from 8-11 AM

Gold Country Fair Pre-Weigh In:

Beef: Saturday, April 6 from 8-11 AM

Sheep, Swine & Goats: Saturday, July 6 from 7-11 AM

Ethics/Quality Assurance is mandatory for all exhibitors, leaders, advisors and independent parents. This mandatory training is required every 5 years for exhibitors entering livestock, small animals and horses in Gold Country Fair, Placer County Fair or California State Fair. Mandatory QA/Ethics training began in 2009, all exhibitors that took the training the first year it was required are good through 2014. If you have questions, please contact the Gold Country Fair Grounds at (530) 823-4533.

Scholarships and Awards

2013 Placer County 4-H Council Scholarship

Applications Due Sunday, May 5, 2013—Interviews: Saturday, May 18, 2013

Placer County 4-H Office, Auburn

\$300 scholarship awards will be awarded this year to qualifying 4-H high school students. This award has been made possible through the raising of a sale animal that is auctioned annually at the Junior Live-stock Auction. Applications are available at the 4-H office or available to download at <http://ucanr.org/placer4hscholarships>, and can be mailed to the office or e-mailed to Carolyn at casherman@ucanr.edu.



2013 Hulbert Award

Applications Due Sunday, May 5, 2013—Interviews: Saturday, May 18, 2013

Placer County 4-H Office, Auburn

This award was established by Laura and Neil Hulbert, who were strong supporters of youth activities. The funds are to be bequeathed annually in the amount of \$2,500 each award. **This year's awards will go to one male, one female and three additional awards open to either male or female.** Placer County students between 14 and 18 years of age (by Jan. 1 of the selection year), and currently enrolled in Placer County 4-H. Additional information and applications are available at the 4-H office or available to download at <http://ucanr.org/placer4hscholarships>, and can be mailed to the office or e-mailed to Carolyn at casherman@ucanr.edu.

Photography Competition @ State 4-H Field Day



Do you enjoy photography? Are you looking for opportunities to showcase your photographs to fellow 4-H members from around California? Enter in the California 4-H Photography Competition to showcase your work and for a chance to win awards such as Best of Show! Any 4-H member aged 9-19 can participate. You do **NOT** have to be enrolled in the photography project to enter! The event will be held in Hart Hall at UC Davis from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm. Hosted by the California 4-H Technology Leadership Team. Registration is open until **May 3, 2013**. Submission information and registration maybe completed at this web address:

<https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=9661>, email John

Trammell at: techdude4h@gmail.com, or call him at (909) 844-1747. He'd love to hear from you!

California Bountiful At The Sacramento Kings Event

California Bountiful At The Sacramento Kings Event - April 3, 2013 @ 7:00 PM

Support *California Bountiful* and watch the Sacramento Kings take on the Houston Rockets on Wednesday, April 3, 2013 at 7:00 PM. To purchase discount tickets, visit: www.kingsticketsave.com and enter the special offer code: **farm** Contact Stephen House at 916.928-3601 or shouse@kings.com

State 4-H Field Day Events

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

The **Exhibit and Display Application** for State Field Day is now located online this year! To apply use this web page: <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=9588>. Note that 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. More information is available on the survey, or contact Megan Oats at msoats@ucdavis.edu.

EVENTS HELD AT STATE 4-H FIELD DAY:

State 4-H Presentation Day (pre-qualification and pre-registration required): Volunteer judges provide written feedback to individual or teams of 4-H members on their presentations. Judging is criterion-based using a rubric. Types of presentations vary between demonstrations, prepared speech, interpretive reading, impromptu, and others. Contact: Jacki Zediker at jkzediker@ucdavis.edu or visit the website: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/PD/>

Special Recognition at 2013 State Presentation Day - A special recognition pin will be awarded for youth who participate in State Presentation Day and focus their presentations on healthy living. This year's focus area is physical activity. Potential topics may include muscle strengthening, heart rate importance, workout wear, Zumba, activity log, exercise trends, fitness apps, stretching, benefits of exercise, fun ways to work out, 'exergaming', recreational sports, types of activity, making time for fitness, safe places in your community to be active, and more. For details visit: http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/PD/Recognition_Opportunities/

State 4-H Fashion Revue (pre-qualification and pre-registration required): Volunteer judges provide feedback on 4-H members' clothing and accessory choices using criterion-based rubrics. Categories are Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased, Wearable Art Embellished, and Challenge. Open to the public are multiple service, craft, judging and fashion activities, and a fashion show. Organized by a committee of youth and adult volunteers. State Fashion Revue committee has received questions about the 2 Yard Wonder category. To clarify, a garment and coordinating accessory are created out of a two yard length of 45" wide woven cotton fabric. For the garment and accessory, only this piece of fabric may be used (for example, no additional fabric for lining). Take a photo holding the two yards of fabric. Members may use any pattern and the outfit may include other sewn or purchased garments and accessories. Contact: Jillian Barden at jmmilambarden@ucdavis.edu. For more info: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/SFR/>

State 4-H Interview Contest (pre-registration encouraged): Before the event, 4-H members select a mock job and develop a cover letter and resume. At the event, 4-H members are interviewed and evaluated by three judges using a rubric. Contact: Kelly Hinde at hindekelly@gmail.com or visit this website: <http://www.ca4h.org/files/135975.pdf>

State 4-H Plant Science Contest (no pre-registration necessary): The contest is organized into three parts: judging, plant identification, and written test. The four highest ranking senior 4-H members are qualified to participate in the national contest. Contact: Terry Berke at terry.berke@monsanto.com.

Entomology Contest (no pre-registration necessary): The contest is divided into two parts: insect identification and knowledge. In the insect identification contest, 4-H members will identify 25-30 common local insects as well as exotic insects by using their common name and insect order. In the knowledge contest, 4-H members will be questioned on the human and environmental impact of insects, biology, taxonomy, anatomy, behavior, and insect disease. Contact: Amanda Penicks at PKSBackyardfarms@aol.com

State 4-H Photography Contest (pre-registration required): 4-H members may submit two photographs in various categories. Contact: John Trammell at techdude4h@gmail.com.

State 4-H Film Festival (pre-registration required): Provides a venue for teams of 4-H members to showcase their films. View a selection of previous year's films at <http://www.youtube.com/user/California4H>. Contact: Clay Ferguson at czc3@pacbell.net.

Judging Contest (no pre-registration necessary): In each class, youth rank four items based on a standard; typically ten classes. Contact: Mary Ann Smith at maryann.smith@imperial.edu.

Logo Design Contest (no pre-registration necessary): In the morning, 4-H members may submit their logo design for the following year's Field Day. In the afternoon, 4-H members vote on their favorite design.

4-H MyPlate Challenge (no pre-registration necessary): We invite you to submit a photograph illustrating how you're creating healthy meals using MyPlate as a guide. The goal of the challenge is to encourage healthy eating habits and raise awareness around USDA's MyPlate dietary guidelines. Contact: Anne Iaccopucci at amiaccopucci@ucanr.edu

2013 4-H Presentation Day Themes

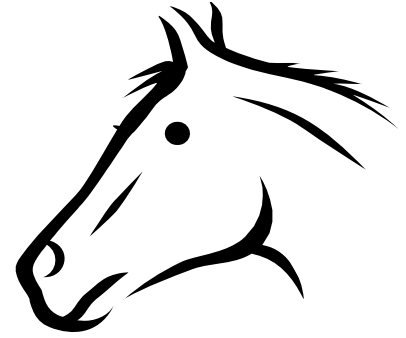
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California 4-H will offer a thematic recognition pin for youth who participate in State Presentation Day and focus their presentations on one of the following areas: *Engineering to Solve the World's Problems*, *Physical Activity*, *The Path to Thriving and C is for Contribute*. *Specific to Science, Engineering and Technology (SET)*: Engineering is the application of science to solve human issues by constructing technologies, structures, machines, devices, and systems. Scientists may ask why and develop an experiment to answer the question while engineers identify a need and then create a solution to meet the need. How can you use the engineering design process and the practices of engineering to solve California, the nation, and the world's social, economic and environmental problems? How do you use engineering practices in your 4-H projects – animals, foods, health, plants, leadership, and others?

Horse Coordinator Group Events

Horse Project Events:

- **Long Valley Sponsored Horse Show and Play Day on Sunday, April 14, 2013** from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the Loomis Basin Horseman's Arena.
- **Horse Mastership Written Test Wednesday, April 17, 2013** from 4:00 to 7:00 PM - Location: Newcastle Portuguese Hall @ 690 Taylor Rd, Newcastle CA 95658
- **Horse Mastership Skills Test Sunday, April 28, 2013** from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM Location: LBHA in Loomis (rain date May 5)
Horse Mastership Mandatory Work-in-kind Date: Friday, April 12, 2013
- **State 4-H Qualifying Championship Horse Show: English, Western, Gymkhana, & Jumping, June 29-30, 2013** Location: Brookside Equestrian Center, Elk Grove. For more information about the location visit: <http://www.brooksideshowpark.com>.
- **Placer 4-H Horse Camp - June 9-14, 2013** - Location: Gold Country Fairgrounds
Horse Camp Mandatory Work-in-kind Date: TBA Watch the Placer County 4-H Horse Project webpage for details as they become available.



Horse Mastership Mandatory Work-in-kind

Friday, April 12, 2013, 4:30 p.m. until we are finished or darkness, whichever comes first

Loomis Basin Horseman's Association allows us to use their arena and facilities at no charge in exchange for any work they ask us to do. We will be painting for sure. You must arrive promptly and be signed in and ready to work by 4:30. Late arrivals will not be accepted. **What to wear:** grubby clothes you don't mind getting dirty or covered with paint or disposable painting coveralls from a local paint store. **What to bring:** LBHA will provide the paint. We need to bring our own brushes (of all sizes), rollers, roller handles, tarps/drop cloths, and rag towels. It would also be helpful to bring saw horses, blue masking tape, paint trays and buckets if you have any of these items at home. If you have any questions please feel free to contact: Sami Macon, Horse Mastership Coordinator at: flyingmule@wavecable.com or (530) 888-9645.

2013 Horse Mastership Testing

Wednesday, April 17, 2013 and Sunday, April 28, 2013

Written test: Wednesday, April 17, from 4:00 to 7:00pm at Newcastle Portuguese Hall

Skills test: Sunday, April 28, time: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at Loomis Basin Horsemen's Arena
(Rain Date: Sunday, May 5, 2013)

Attire: Full 4-H uniform (white pants, long sleeve white shirt, hat and scarf)

In order to participate in Horse Mastership Testing a member must:

- Be in a 4-H Horse project for the 2012-2013 project year
- Participate in the MANDATORY work-in-kind event on April 12, 2013
- Submit your completed Horse Mastership Registration form to the 4-H office no later than **April 8, 2013**. (Please note that forms submitted after this date will not be accepted.)

Study guides for the written test and the skills tests themselves as well as registration forms are available on line at the 4-H website: <http://ucanr.org/placer4horse>.

NEW for 2013: If you are a teen (15 years or older), you may take more than two levels (Level 1 through 4) this year in an attempt to complete all six levels before aging out of 4-H. Note that Levels 5 and 6 may only be taken consecutively.

SAVE THE DATE:

**Placer County Fair Qualifying
Horse Show—May 19, 2013**
More information to come!

Long Valley Sponsored Horse Show and Play Day

Sunday, April 14, 2013, registration opens @ 9:00 AM and Classes finish @ 4:00 PM

Registration opens at 9:00 AM at the event. You may download the registration form and pre-register by mail before the event. Cost to 4-H Members is \$3.00 per class or \$20.00 for the day. Mini Horses fees are \$5.00 for the day. Rain date: Sunday, April 21, 2013; same time, same location. Download the class schedule from the 4-H calendar webpage here: <http://ucanr.edu/sites/placercounty4h/?calitem=130493&g=25577>.

2013 State 4-H Horse Classic - Celebrating 100 Years of California 4-H

DATE: June 26-30 2013

LOCATION: Brookside Equestrian Center, 11120 Bradley Ranch Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624. For directions check the center's webpage: www.california-equestrian-center.com

June Stewart Retires In June 2013!

June Stewart has decided to retire as of late June 2013. This will conclude over 22 years as the 4-H Program Representative here in Placer County. I have had the pleasure to supervise June since July 2007. June gives 100% to everything and exemplifies the 4-H Motto: "To Make the Best Better." During her career, June has provided support to the 4-H club program, expanded Summer Camp, and developed an Embryology program that serves over 5,000 children annually in Placer and the surrounding counties.

June received the Placer County **Heroes Award** on November 21, 2012. The Placer County Board of Supervisors created the program in 2002 to recognize acts of heroism, longstanding community service, and exceptional acts that dramatically improved or impacted people's lives. She was nominated by District 3 Supervisor Jim Holmes and is pictured with her award.

June's commitment to the Placer County 4-H program has always been to empower adults provide opportunities for youth to develop in building skills and leadership. After retiring, June will continue to provide some support for 4-H Camp and Embryology. June has been an outstanding employee and advocate for the 4-H program. We will be planning a retirement party and will provide more details at a later date.



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

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

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