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4-H Family Newsletter

Placer County, California

<http://ucanr.org/placer4h>

530-889-7386

4-H Website/Curriculum/Resources

If you have visited the Placer County 4-H website lately, it is quite evident that there has been many recent changes to the website layout. I know that in this modern time, 4-H families are incredibly busy and unable to always attain resources in person from the County Extension Office. Thus, we are revamping the website to help suit the needs of our 4-H'ers spread throughout Placer County to give access to resources and to stay connected without leaving their neighborhood.

In conjunction, to the new design of the website, we added new social media accounts with twitter, Google+, and YouTube as well as our existing Facebook.

Please find and like Placer County 4-H!

We also started the process of adapting older curriculum for Small and Large Animals. We need your feedback and help to continue to adapt and create curriculum and resources that can help aid project leaders that are beginning, intermediate, and advanced. If you have suggestions on topics that should have curriculum developed and/or good resources to purchase for our lending library, please contact the 4-H Office (530) 889-7386.



Attention 4-H Youth!

California 4-H Uniform Contest - Proposals due April 18, 2014, at 9pm

If you've always complained about the uniform, now is your chance to have a voice in changing it! In response to 4-H members' and volunteers' input and desire to explore options for a new uniform, the State 4-H Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee is facilitating the process to adopt a new uniform. Read the contest rules and voting process here: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/181544.pdf>

"Animal" Youth Fair

Saturday, May 10, 2014

A "hands-on" learning event at the Gold Country Fairgrounds with more information to follow. Please mark your calendar and join in this great countywide event to prepare for entering your animal in the upcoming fairs.

2014 Summer Camp

Dates Announced

Monday, July 14th through Saturday, July 19th

Camp application forms available: May 1, 2014

Camp application deadline: June 13, 2014

Save the date, and join us around the campfire!

Cost: \$100 for 4-H Members, \$135 for Non-Members

Placer County 4-H Events

April 5, 2014	Sectional Presentation Day	http://ucanr.edu/nspresentationdayregistration
April 26, 2014	Bi-County Fashion Revue	Preregistration required. Deadline: April 15 th . Go to the 4-H Calendar webpage to download registration forms.
May 4, 2014	Hulbert Award and Council Scholarship Deadline	Please see article below for details.
May 10, 2014	"Animal" Youth Fair	Gold Country Fairgrounds - More information to come!
May 17, 2014	Meat Goat Showmanship Clinic	See article below for event details. Hosted by Gold Country
July 14 th through July 19 th	Woodchuck Campground Summer Camp	Camp reservation forms posted to website on May 1 st . Submission deadline June 13, 2014.

Northeast Sectional Presentation Day - April 5, 2014

A Nevada, Placer, and Plumas/Sierra County Event

When: Saturday, April 5, 2014

Registration Due: March 27, 2014

Where: Magnolia Elementary School, 22431 Kingston Ln, Grass Valley, CA 95949

Hosted by: Nevada County 4-H

Congratulations to all who participated in the County Presentation Day on March 22, 2014. Each of you can be proud of your efforts. All regular 4-H 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 our Sectional Presentation Day, you are eligible to participate at the State Field on May 31, 2014 at UC Davis.

- Register for the Sectional event on-line at: <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=10135>
- Sectional Evaluators are needed: 1 judge for every 6 youth entered. Judges must have previous experience. Register online at: <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=10058>

2014 Hulbert Award

Applications Due Sunday, May 4, 2013—Interviews: Saturday, May 17, 2014

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.

2014 Placer County 4-H Council Scholarship

Applications Due Sunday, May 4, 2014—Interviews: Saturday, May 17, 2014

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.

Meat Goat Showmanship Clinic

We would like to invite any and all Placer County 4H meat goat exhibitors to this showmanship clinic. Come learn and practice goat showmanship techniques including the proper way to "brace" your goat in preparation for judging at the upcoming fairs. You are encouraged to bring your own goat as our supply of "teaching" goats will be limited.

Please RSVP by calling **530-823-8265** and let us know you plan to attend. We look forward to meeting you.

When: Saturday, May 17, 2014

Time: 9:30-10:45 a.m.

Host: Gold Country 4-H Club's Meat Goat Project

Where: Sweet Home Ranch (aka the Penner's)
2475 Moran Ct.
Auburn, CA 95603

Questions or Directions: Call Christy or Samantha Penner at 530 823-8265

Placer County 4-H Events - Continued

Bi-County Fashion Revue - "Springtime In Our Mountains"

When: Saturday, April 26, 2014

Host: Nevada County's Meadowlarks 4-H Club

Time: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Location: Magnolia Intermediate School, 22341 Kingston Ln, Grass Valley 95949

Pre-Registration is Required: Deadline for preregistration is April 18th.

Packet: <http://ucanr.edu/sites/placercounty4h/files/185278.pdf>

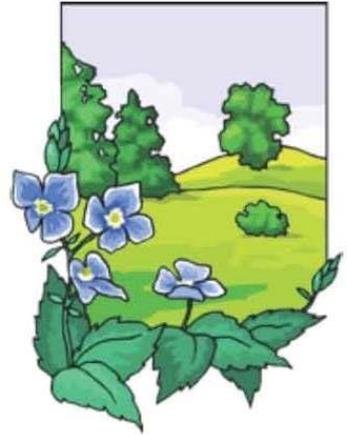
Entry Categories: *Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased* (\$40 limit), *Upcycled, Denim Challenge*, and an *Apron Challenge*. For more information about these Fashion Review categories, see the "2014 State Fashion Revue" article on page 4, or visit the State's 4-H Fashion Revue webpage:

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Events/SFD/SFR/>.

State 4-H service projects: Drawstring bags for foster-care children, and walker and wheelchair bags for seniors.

Program-Cover Contest: Attention all Artists! Design and draw a picture that portrays this year's theme "Springtime in Our Mountains." The winner will receive a \$10 gift card and their design will be used for the cover of the Fashion Revue program. All pictures 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 4-H office by April 18, 2014. You can email your artwork to casherman@ucanr.edu or mail it to the Placer County 4-H Office at 11477 E Ave, Auburn 95603. Please include your name and mailing address if you would like your original art returned.

After the judging and fashion show, we will present a potluck luncheon on Magnolia's patio, so please bring a cold dish to share and enjoy. We do not have access to cold or hot storage units; therefore, please bring cold dishes in ice chests



New 4-H "Healthy Living" Club Officer



The Health Living officer serves as the club's ambassador for health!

By choosing to elect a Health Living Officer your club is taking an active role in promoting healthy lifestyles. The Healthy Living officer will be the leadership for all health activities including:

- Providing ideas on how to incorporate physical activities and healthy eating into each club meeting
- Writing Healthy Living articles for the club newsletter
- Adopting and promoting a club Wellness Plan

For additional Information, download the *Choose Health Officer Guide* developed by Cornell University Extension from the following website:

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/158918.pdf>

Horse Event Dates

Mark Your Calendar!

March 31—Horse Mastership *Written* Testing. Mt Vernon Grange Hall, 3185 Bell Rd, Auburn 95603, from 3:00 PM until 6:00 PM.

April 25—Horse Mandatory Work-in-Kind (for Mastership Testing and Placer County Fair Qualifying Horse Show) Loomis Basin Horseman's Association Arena. Refer to the 4-H calendar webpage for details:

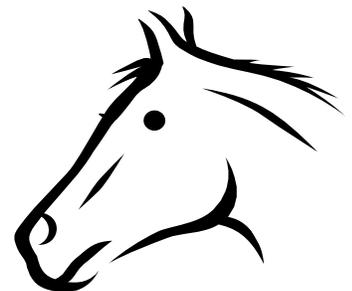
April 27—Horse Mastership *Skills* Testing. Loomis Basin Horsemen's Arena from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM (Rain date: May 4, 2014)

May 18—Placer County Fair Qualifying Horse Show. Loomis Basin Horsemen's Association Arena. Registration due May 2, 2014 (Rain date: June 1, 2014)

Sacramento County "Silver Buckle" Qualifying Horse Show: **May 21-26, 2014**

CA State 4-H Classic: **June 25-29, 2014** at Brookside Equestrian Center, 11120 Bradley Ranch Rd, Elk Grove, CA

CA State Fair "Best of County" Horse Show: **July 13-14, 2014**



Ophir 4-H "Kids Feeding Kids"

Written by Allison Ladd, Ophir 4-H Club Reporter

The Ophir 4-H club has a new group project that is centered around giving back to their community, and they're calling it "Kids feeding kids," because that's literally what they're doing! There are roughly 17,000 children in Placer County, who lack a reliable source of food at home, and with donations throughout the community, Ophir 4-H Club is hoping to produce at least two pigs every year and donate them to the Salvation Army by the end of May. A representative from the Salvation Army in Auburn indicated that this is the time of the year when their supplies are at their lowest because most of their donations for food come during the winter months and holidays. Raising a pig can provide between 125 to 200 pounds of quality meat for families struggling to eat and eat healthy.

The project started as a way for the Ophir 4-H Swine Group to introduce and educate the new members on the importance of raising a clean and health animal-for-food consumption. The project members weighed the pigs once a month and studied the rate of weight gain for each pig. They were able to calculate the amount of feed that was consumed and how much weight was gained each day. The project members also learned showmanship techniques and proper treatment and care of the pigs on a daily basis. The Swine Group took a field trip to watch the processing first hand at the butchers shop. Their next field trip will be to deliver the final packages of meat to the Salvation Army, and learn more about how the food is distributed to families. They will see how important it is to support community services that offer healthy options for families that are currently facing extreme challenges.

Ophir 4-H plans on expanding their new community service project, "Kids feeding kids," by educating citizens about the statistics of families and children who are going hungry in our very own community. The project was funded completely by Ophir 4-H, and the entire club, as a whole, received monthly updates about how the project was doing, and at what stage of the donating process they were in. The whole club was involved in the naming process of the project and have the ability to volunteer services to the project.

Ophir 4-H is a great example of a project based on being of service to their community, and putting the 4-H pledge to work! The members are using their head to clearer thinking, their heart to greater loyalty by supporting a local community out of the goodness of their hearts, without receiving any financial gain. Their hands to greater service by stepping up their community service activities to the project level and their health to better living by providing a healthy food source to their community needs. What an inspiration to us all!

Junk Drawer Robotics News

4-H Junk Drawer Robotics Workshop

April 5, 2014, 9:30am - 4:30pm

SCU Robotics Systems Lab, NASA AMES, Mountain View, CA

Register at <http://ucanr.edu/robotics> (we need a minimum of 20; we currently have 5 registered)

The curriculum engages middle school youth in engineering design and the basics of robotics through the use of common household items. This workshops will help prepare 4-H project leaders, teens, and other educators to implement the curriculum. There is no cost to attend and lunch will be provided.

The curriculum is available for sale at www.4-h.org/robotics/.

4-H Engineering and Technology Showcase

May 31, 2014, 9:00am - 4:00pm, UC Davis

Financially supported by Lockheed Martin

Learn more at <http://ucanr.edu/fieldday>

Share knowledge, interact with youth and adults, and engage people in new activities! The showcase will feature robotics, woodworking, rocketry, gis/gps, engines, computers, automotive, farm machinery, and more. Youth exhibiting are eligible for a "4-H engineering" pin.

4-H Robotics Opportunities in Fall 2014

- Do you want to lead a robotics project next year? Tell us the type of training you want: Lego Mindstorm, Junk Drawer Robotics, or other?
- Is your 4-H Junk Drawer Robotics project willing to participate in a 4-H research project looking at what youth learn in robotics projects? Please contact us!

For more information, please contact:

Steven Worker at smworker@ucanr.edu or Richard Mahacek at rlmahacek@ucanr.edu

State and National 4-H News



California Focus - June 13-17, 2014

California Focus is a unique citizenship educational experience that combines hands-on participation in workshops, debates and simulations with speakers, tours, fun activities and new friends from across California. For more information visit their website at:

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Citizenship/Focus/CF/>

Citizenship Washington Focus - June 1-7, 8-14, 15-21, 29-July 5, 2014

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is a week-long 4-H citizenship program for youth ages 14-19 that takes place at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, just 1 mile from the Washington, DC border. Every summer, thousands of young people participate in the program, which provides opportunities for them to:

- Strengthen their communication, leadership, and citizenship skills on a national level
- Understand the importance of civic and social responsibilities as they relate to the development of better citizens and leaders
- Exchange ideas, practice respect, and form friendships with other youth from diverse backgrounds
- Experience hands-on learning using the historical backdrop of Washington, DC.

For more information visit the following website:

<http://www.4hcenter.org/youth-conference-center-overview/educational-programs/citizenship-washington-focus/about/>.

New for 2014: Leadership Washington Focus - July 15-19, 2014

Leadership Washington Focus (LWF) is a 4-H leadership program for youth entering grades 7 through 9. The program will take place at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, just 1 mile from the Washington, D.C. border. For more than 50 years, thousands of 4-H'ers have participated in our high school program, Citizenship Washington Focus and now we are happy to introduce its precursor for middle school 4-H'ers. For more information visit the following website:

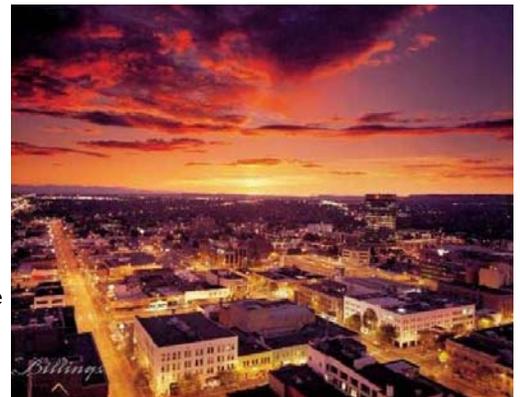
<http://www.4hcenter.org/youth-conference-center-overview/educational-programs/leadership-washington-focus/about/>.

If your interested in participating, contact Jenna Colburn at jcolburn@ucanr.edu

Western Region Leaders' Forum

March 27-30, 2014 at the Crowne Plaza located in downtown Billings, MT.

Join Montana 4-H as they welcome the Western Region Leaders' Forum to Billings in March 2014. Agents, staff, and volunteers are hard at work planning a conference that will help you to "Discover the Past. Present. Possibilities of 4-H". Participants will enjoy a first class conference facility and hotel accommodations, national speakers, local entertainment, and over 60 informational workshops. WRLF is an exciting time to network with peers from across the region sharing ideas and building relationships to carry 4-H into the future. For info: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/175016.pdf>. Registration is now open: <http://wrlf2014.com/registration/>



Community Club Leader Meetings

Wednesday, March 26th @ 6:30 p.m.

Hosted by Flatlands

Next Month's Meeting:

Wednesday, April 23rd @ 6:30 p.m.

Hosted by Mt Pleasant

2014 Revolution of Responsibility

Application Deadlines are as follows:

May 15, 2014

July 15, 2014

September 15, 2014

November 15, 2014

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

2014 State 4-H Events

State 4-H Fashion Revue (SFR)

Entry categories for 2014 will be *Traditional*, *Consumer Science Purchased* (\$40 limit), *“Upcycled”* (use at least one existing garment and transform it into a completely different and usable garment, and the outfit must also include an accessory made from something that wasn't originally an accessory), *Denim Challenge*, and *Apron Challenge* (McCalls pattern numbers 6132 or 6476). Members, leaders and counties are encouraged to plan projects and county fashion revues following the SFR category guidelines. Additional garments to complete the outfit may be sewn or purchased. For the Up-cycle project, be sure to take a “before” photo holding the original item and an “after” photo wearing the outfit. Specific category information is posted at <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/>.



Additional SFR Rules:

- Traditional, Up-cycled and Denim Challenge entries must be sewn as part of the member's Clothing & Textiles project (aka Sewing). There are no project requirements for the CS-Purchased and Apron Challenge categories.
- For all entries, the outfit must be produced and modeled by the individual member.
- All outfits must meet SFR modesty guidelines. New for 2014: all shorts, skirts, dresses, etc. must be at least fingertip length.
- Other categories offered in other years, will not be included at 2014 SFR. Only the 5 categories listed above are included for 2014 at the state event.
- Counties may offer additional categories but all outfits qualifying to advance to SFR must meet SFR guidelines.
- A member may only enter one outfit in SFR.

State Fashion Revue is coordinating **two service projects**: drawstring bags for foster children and walker bags for seniors. Simplicity patterns #2382 & #2822 are recommended patterns for the walker bags. Please see the SFR website for more information: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/>. 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.

Join the 4-H Technology Leadership Team - Applications due May 31, 2014

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/SET/Tech/CTLT/>

Do you have an interest and experience in technology? Think about joining the 4-H Technology Leadership Team! 4-H members age 16 and older and 4-H volunteers may apply. Candidates must have some type of technology experience where he/she could lead an hour workshop. Technologies could include photography, video, website design, social media, hardware, GPS/GIS, computer support, graphic design, 3D imaging, smartphones, programming, biotech, engineering, technology & society.

Golden Clover Applications

Deadline: 11:50 PM on May 1, 2014

Application available on the 4-H state website:

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Members/GoldenClover/>

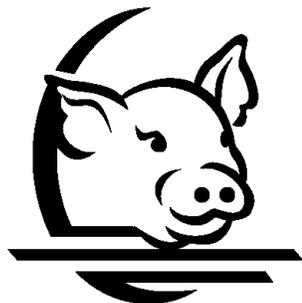
Higher Education Scholarship Applications

Deadline: 11:50 PM on May 1, 2014

Application available on the 4-H state website:

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Members/Scholarships/>

Colusa FFA Livestock “Skill-A-Thon”



Where: Colusa County Fairgrounds (In conjunction with Colusa Western Days)

When: April 5, 2014 - 9:30 AM Check-In, and 10:00 AM Competition Starts

Fees: \$15 fee per team for awards (silver trays and rosettes), \$5 for individuals

Open to 4-H'ers, FFA, Grange, and Independent youth. Test your knowledge and skills during written and hands-on activities.. The event includes 4 classes of Livestock Judging.

Individual and team awards to be distributed. Age divisions: 10 & under, 11 to 14 year olds, and 15 to 19 year olds. A study guide is available, contact Andrea Thomas at aaelitegenetics@hotmail.com or call (530) 218-1968 for a registration form.

State 4-H Field Day

Save the Date! - May 31, 2014 at UC Davis

The State 4-H Field Day takes place annually on the last Saturday of May at the UC Davis campus from 8:00am until 6:00pm. This event, open to all 4-H members, volunteers, staff, and parents, welcomes between 1,000 and 1,400 people each year. Enjoy the "picnic" feel and bring your chairs to socialize for the day on the Wellman Hall east lawn. The State 4-H Office provides coordination and facility support. Each contest and activity is coordinated by a group of 4-H staff, volunteers, and youth. During the event, 4-H members may participate in a variety of contests. Some contests require pre-qualification and/or pre-registration, and some events are open to all 4-H'ers during the day.

EVENTS HELD AT STATE 4-H FIELD DAY:

NEW this year: Chess Tournament: The tournament is "Blitz" style. Two people play each other twice per round and there are 4 rounds, which is 8 games total. Each game is 15 minutes and 30 minutes per round, which is 2 hrs total. The playoffs are in the afternoon, after lunch. Visit <http://4-hchessmasters.webs.com/> to register and for more information!

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. <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Events/SFD/PD/>

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*, *Up-cycle*, and *Denim and Apron Challenges*. Refer to page 5 of this newsletter for more information. 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. Contact: Jillian Barden at jmmilambarden@ucdavis.edu.

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

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 is 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 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 required): 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

State Leadership Conference – August 14-17, 2014 at UC Santa Cruz

<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. For descriptions of the education sessions, visit this website:

<http://www.ca4h.org/files/167525.pdf>

Science Camp for High School 4-H'ers

30th Annual California Range & Natural Resources Science Camp for High School Students - June 15th-20th

Where: University of California's Elkus 4-H/Youth Ranch just south of Half Moon Bay

Mark your calendars for this great opportunity! **April 18th is the deadline for submitting applications for Range Camp!** Range Camp is a week-long camp experience for students ages 15-18 who have an interest in the science and conservation of natural resources in California. Students learn plant identification, principles of livestock and wildlife management, forestry, fire ecology, hydrology and water quality, geology and soils, and management of stream and river environments. Field activities include learning to read wildlife 'sign', outdoor navigation with compasses, maps and GPS, forest management, a tour of a working ranch, and a beach BBQ. Information and applications are available at <http://www.rangelands.org/casrm/HTML/rangecamps.html>. Cost is \$400.00. Applications will be considered until May 30, 2014 if spaces remain.

2014-15 State 4-H Advisory Committees

The State 4-H Office is accepting statewide 4-H Advisory Committee applications for the 2014-15 program year. All 4-H members, adult volunteers, county and state 4-H YDP staff, as well as community partners are encouraged to apply. The committees offer insight, review and input for the operation and management of the statewide 4-H YDP. Applications are due to the CA State 4-H Office postmarked by May 31, 2014 or online at:

<https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=12323> by 11:59pm on May 31, 2014.

For more information, see: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Administration/Advisory_Committees/

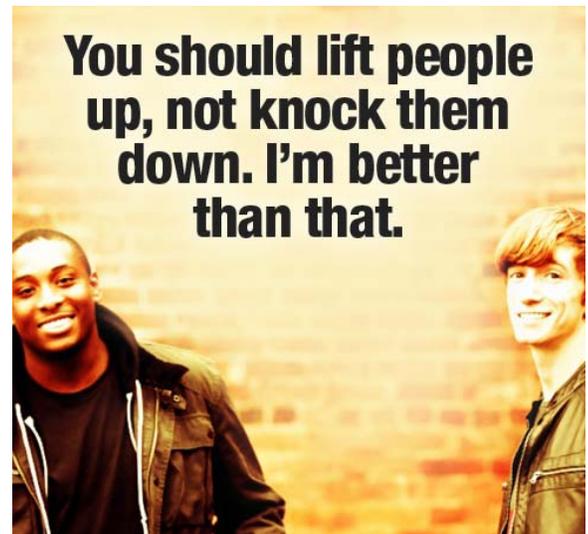
What is Bullying?

Bullying is about power. It can involve one or more individuals preying on someone perceived as being weaker or more vulnerable. It can be face-to-face or online. It can be physical, psychological, or emotional. It can include hitting, teasing, shunning, or spreading rumors.

- Bullying should not be viewed as a normal part of growing up. It cannot just be dismissed as "kids being kids."
- Bullying can cause lasting damage to the child being bullied and in extreme cases...bodily harm.

The 4-H Office is in the process of releasing resources for how to identify and handle bullying. Please refer to the links below for additional bullying resources, and if you have any questions contact: Jessica Trumble-Pitel at jctrumble@ucanr.edu

- <http://www.stopbullying.gov/>
- <http://www.nhptv.org/kn/vs/bullying.asp>



2014-15 State Fair

California State Fair Youth Competition Deadlines

Watch for 2014 Competition Handbooks and enter online at www.bigfun.org

The **2014 California State Fair** runs **July 11-17** at Cal Expo in Sacramento.

All shows are open with no prerequisites for entry. Questions? Contact the State Fair Entry Office at (916) 263-3149.



- Youth Art *Fine Art, Crafts & Hobbies, Fashion & Textile, Media*April 18
- California Kidz Kitchen (Baking, Canning) June 20
- Junior Livestock (All categories) June 6
- Fur & Feathers - Junior Rabbits, Poultry, Dog Care & Training June 6
- Junior Cavy..... June 20

Fair News and Dates

Placer County Fair	June 19-22, 2014 "Summer Beach Party"	http://www.placercountyfair.org Entry closing date: Friday, May 23, 2014
PC Pre-Weigh In		Sheep, Swine* & Goats: Saturday, April 12 7-11 a.m.
Gold Country Fair	September 4-7, 2014 "Family, Food & Fun" (tentative theme)	http://www.goldcountryfair.com Entry closing date: Tuesday, August 5, 2014
GC Pre-Weigh In	Beef Saturday, April 5 8-11 a.m.	Sheep, Swine* & Goats: Saturday, June 28 7-11 a.m.

* Market Hog Weights Changed as Mandated by Yosemite Meats

Minimum weight 215; Maximum weight 270. Hogs weighing over 270 will be disqualified.

Due to the increased concern and to alleviate the spread of PEDV, porcine virus, the following changes will be implemented: Market hogs will NOT be pre-weighed or pre-tagged for Placer County Fair. Direction and recommendations from CDFA and the State Veterinarian, will determine changes in feeder and breeding classes at both fairs and pre-weigh at Gold Country Fair. The fair will keep everyone updated.

Fairs have been directed by California Dept of Food and Agriculture to cut water usage by 40%. The direction includes no washing of animals at the Fair. Please be prepared to assist us in making such changes by washing your animals once prior to showing, limiting your use of grooming materials that necessitate washing after the show and also using animal blankets. The exception here is swine, as we realize hogs must go to the wash rack to stay cool and healthy. Our hope is that this mandate is lifted prior to show season.

The following rules will be strictly enforced for both fairs:

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.

Jr. Livestock Rule #25, GROOMING AND CARE OF ANIMALS - Jr. exhibitors are expected to groom and care for their own animal(s) when at the Fair, or the animal(s) and exhibitor may be subject to disqualification and loss of premiums. Parents, 4-H Leaders and FFA Advisors, Jr. Grange Advisors, Sr. Herdsmen and any other adults are prohibited from grooming junior livestock. Failure to comply with this rule may cause forfeit of premiums and exhibit privileges and market animals may not sell.

Gold Country Fair Rule #24 will be changed to read – "Early morning feeding of animal(s) and cleaning of pens may be done by parents ONLY to enable exhibitors to attend school." This allows parents to feed and clean pens Thursday and Friday mornings only during Gold Country fair.

Gold Country Fair Showmanship class order will change to begin with Novice Showmanship and allow winning exhibitors to advance one level. Placer County Fair will remain the same, beginning with Senior Showmanship.

All Futurity Divisions at Gold Country Fair will be replaced with a Skill-a-Thon and Judging Competition. This change will allow exhibitors further education in all species.

NEW – Placer County Fair exhibitors selling animals will not be paid until their buyer has paid in full. Checks will be available following the fair, beginning mid-July, 2014.

We would like to thank all exhibitors who participated in the 2013 Community Service workdays. Your efforts made an amazing difference, and many volunteers generated great ideas for new projects.

Gold Country Fairground Improvement Days

The 2014 Gold Country Fairgrounds Improvement Days:

- Sunday, April 13th 8:00am - Noon
- Sunday, May 4th 7:30am - 11:30am
- Saturday, June 28th 7:30am - 11:30am
- Sunday, July 13th 7:00am - 11:00am
- Saturday, August 2nd 7:00am - 11:00am

Register for these events here:

<https://adobeformscentral.com/?f=T9aUiUqaddhQzgSobiNc2Q>

If you are able to lead one of the Fairground Improvement Days, please contact Nichole Farley at 916.316.6066 or nfarley@goldcountryfair.com

Quality Assurance/Ethics Mandatory Training - Gold Country Fairgrounds' Tahoe Building

- Thursday, April 10th - 6:30 pm
- Thursday, June 12th - 6:30 pm
- Thursday, July 10th - 6:30 pm

This mandatory training began in 2009; therefore, all exhibitors taking the training the first year it was required are approved through 2014.

Shooting Sports Matches

State 30th Annual 4-H Shooting Sports Match

The 2014 Annual State 4-H Shooting Sports Match rules and entry forms are now available on the State 4-H Shooting Sports website at: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/SET/ShootingSports/> Entry due date is March 10, 2014. Targets and will be mailed upon receipt. The age categories are junior, intermediate and senior. Completed targets must be returned by June 23, 2014. If you have questions, contact Jacki Zedier in Siskiyou County at 530-842-2711 or email: jkzediker@ucanr.edu

State 4-H Shooting Sports Archery Match



The 2nd Annual State 4-H Shooting Sports Archery Match Rules and Entry Form is now available on the State 4-H Shooting Sports website. Entry due date is April 1, 2014. Targets and scorecards will be mailed upon receipt of your registrations. Individuals may enter traditional, and/or compound and three shooting distances. The age categories are Junior, Intermediate and Senior. Completed scorecards must be returned by June 16, 2014. If you have questions, contact Linda Edgington at 707-463-4495 or email lgedgington@ucanr.edu. Check our 4-H website for additional details: <http://ucanr.edu/sites/placercounty4h/?calitem=228930&g=25577>

Daisy/4-H Shooting Sports Scholarship - Deadline: April 1

Daisy Air Guns is offering two \$500 scholarships for graduating seniors who meet the academic criteria and who have been active in 4-H Shooting Sports. Call the 4-H office for a scholarship application at 530-889-7386.

Share Your 4-H Experience!

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

NEXT NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

April 12, 2014

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 Mail: <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/>

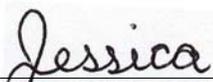
California 4hOnline: (enrollment) <https://california.4honline.com>

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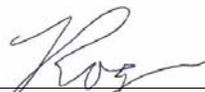
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