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CLUB OPERATIONS WORKSHOP

Tuesday, August 25, 6:30 pm

There will be a 4-H Club Operations Workshop on **Tuesday, August 25th, at 6:30 p.m.** at the CE Office. Topics of discussion will include, among other things: policies for treasurers, using club by-laws, and online enrollment procedures. All leaders and club officers are welcome. (PDR3)

Every club must be represented!!

4-H OFFICER TRAINING SCHOOL

The annual Kings County 4-H Officers Training School will be held on **Wednesday, August 26th** at the CE Office from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Training sessions will be available for most 4-H club officers. (PDR3)

Mark your calendar for

Saturday, October 3, 2009:

Mall Expo (PDR3, 6)

Achievement Night. (PDR3)

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Voice mail messages left at the number above after 5pm on weekdays will be picked up first thing the next morning.

4-H WEEK

Church services will be held at St. Brigid's Church on **Saturday, October 3, 2009**, at 6:00 pm. **If you plan to attend, please contact Cheryl Mattos** at 582-4621 so that she can reserve seats together. Also, if anyone would like to be an altar server, usher, read scripture, or collect and present gifts, please let Cheryl know. It would be appreciated if attendees wear 4-H whites or a 4-H T-shirt if they have one. (PDR3, 6)

THANK YOU'S ARE IMPORTANT

For those 4-H members who received awards at the Kings Fair, please remember to write thank you notes to the donors.

REMINDER - CLUB OFFICER BOOKS

All clubs are reminded that your Treasurer and Secretary books are **due on August 14th**. You may also submit optional Reporter and Historian Books.

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITY !

The Kingsburg District Chamber of Commerce has an upcoming fundraising opportunity with the Kid's Area at the Kingsburg Crayfish & Jazz Festival, **Saturday, Sept. 19, 3:00-9:00 p.m.** Participants will need to develop a "carnival-style" game to be involved. We are asking that pricing for these activities be kept at the 50-cents per person level that day.

For more information, please contact: Jess Chambers, Executive Director, Kingsburg District Chamber of Commerce, 1475 Draper St., Kingsburg CA 93631, (v) (559) 897-1111, (f) (559) 897-4621, jessatkingsburg@aol.com, or www.kingsburgchamberofcommerce.com.

STATE FASHION REVUE

See the website for the latest news, including this year's theme and challenge!

CALIFORNIA 4-H COMPUTER CORPS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS

Purpose

- Increase the use and awareness of technology in the 4-H Youth Development Program
- Maintain the State 4-H YD website (<http://ca4h.org>)
- Maintain and promote 4-H YD email lists for a variety of audiences
- Develop 4-H YD computer project guidelines for use at a local level
- Train 4-H YD members and leaders in computer communication and research technology such as the World Wide Web, email and IM
- Present technology related workshops at various county, sectional, and state 4-H YD conferences
- Present technology related workshops to non-traditional 4-H YD groups, such as school groups

Membership Information

- Membership is a one-year commitment from January to December, with an optional second year, without having to reapply.
- There is a maximum of twenty members on the California 4-H Computer Corps each year.
- Four to eight new members are selected each year.
- Applicant must be age 15 or older (as of December 31 of the year applying).

Applications due September 30, 2009.

Apply online at: <http://ca4h.org/wrp/compcorps/index.asp>.

WASHINGTON FOCUS 2010

4-H members who will be 16 or will have completed the 10th grade by June/July 2009 are eligible to attend the Citizenship Washington Focus program in Washington D.C. during the summer of 2010. If you are interested in attending Washington Focus in the Summer of 2010, **complete a C.E. application by Monday, August 31, 2009.** Interviews will be held at a later date. The application and more information are available on our website or at the UC Cooperative Extension office.

WESTERN REGIONAL LEADERS FORUM

“Blazing Trails”

March 11-14, 2010 – Albuquerque, New Mexico

Join 4-H leaders from 13 western states. Financial assistance will be available from the Kings County 4-H Council. Additional information is available at: <http://aces.nmsu.edu/4h/wrlf2010/index.html>.

New Leaders Orientation

New Leader Orientations are scheduled as follows:

- September 10, 2009, at 7 p.m.
- October 6, 2009, at 6 p.m.
- October 28, 2009, at 7 p.m.

Kings County 4-H Resource Leaders

What does it take to be a resource leader? Knowledge of a certain project, willingness to share this information with others, and a little training presentation and you are off and running. Please consider helping in this area. It will become apparent in the coming year with Project Proficiency Awards to be developed. We will look to people with the expertise in that project. The application is on the website or contact Denise at the office.

YEAR-END CLUB REPORTS AND CLUB AUDITS

Club officers and leaders should remember that year-end reports for your club are due August 14th. Don't forget to appoint an audit committee for your club soon, as all club treasuries must be audited each year. Contact the CE Office for guidelines on selecting a committee and conducting an audit.

**4-H... More Than You Ever
IMAGINED.**



2009 California 4-H Leaders' Forum -Asilomar

November 6-8, 2009 - “4-H Past, Present, Future”

The 2009 Forum will be November 6-8 at the beautiful Asilomar Conference Center in Pacific Grove, hosted by the South Central Section. The theme is “4-H Past, Present, Future.” Volunteer leaders and staff will be “Building Solid Foundations” together for the 4-H youth development program. [Registration Materials \(PDF\)](#) - Due by September 1, 2009.

The State 4-H Leaders Forum provides a weekend retreat for 4-H volunteers across California to gather for networking, education, relaxation, and fun. Volunteers of all ages, experiences, and locations share this opportunity to further their volunteering "career," find new inspirations, and bring new ideas home to their counties and clubs.

Some of the best, **most practical learning** for 4-H leaders happens there. You'll come home loaded with ideas and activities and the enthusiasm to implement them. You will return with a deeper understanding of the 4-H mission, a stronger sense of what has to happen to accomplish it, and an expanded capacity to make it happen.

Cost for a double room is \$278-\$309 per person, including two nights lodging, meals and conference registration. Further information will be available at: <http://ca4horg/conference/slc/index.asp>. registration is \$45. Individual meals may be purchased at the front desk.

If you wish to stay and eat off-site, the conference registration is \$45. Individual meals may be purchased at the front desk.

Scholarships for First Time Attendees

Five **\$100 scholarships** to attend the Forum are available from the Kings County 4-H Council for leaders who have completed at least two years and who have not received a scholarship to the Forum in the past. If you wish to be considered, call the CE Office and let us know. Selection will be on a first-come, first served basis.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The 4-H Council meetings will be held on the **first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.** on the following dates: (PDR3)

September 1, 2009

October 6, 2009

Wed., November 4, 2008 (Tues. is Election Day)

January 5, 2010

February 2, 2010

March 2, 2010

April 6, 2010

May 4, 2010

STATE 4-H FIELD DAY RESULTS

Over 800 4-H members participated in the 2009 State 4-H Field Day on May 30, 2009 at UC Davis. Over 470 4-H members competed in the State 4-H Presentation Day, over 100 in the State 4-H Fashion Revue, over 100 in the 4-H Plant Science Contest, over 300 in the judging contest, and thirty-eight in the Interview Contest. Over 2,000 stuffed animals were donated by 4-H members for this year's community service project: Teddy Bear Challenge. They are being donated to local children's hospitals.

The following 4-H members participated in State Presentation Day, and received the following awards:

Garrett Crisp, Island 4-H - Gold
Beaujena DeSilva, Grangeville 4-H - Blue
Chad Garrett, Lemoore 4-H - Blue
Maddie Jimenez, Lemoore 4-H - Gold
Brian Lawton, Lemoore 4-H - Gold
Haden Lawton, Lemoore 4-H - Gold
Kaitlen Lawton, Lemoore 4-H - Gold
Elizabeth Shugert, Lemoore 4-H - Blue
Lauren Smith, Lemoore 4-H - Gold
Evelyn Starich, Grangeville 4-H - Blue
Natalie Starich, Grangeville 4-H - Blue
Jeffrey Stine, Lemoore 4-H - Blue
Julia Stine, Lemoore 4-H - Gold

THE CALIFORNIA FOCUS EXPERIENCE

By: Jennifer and Allison Mendenhall

From discussing issues to making laws, working in political parties to participating in a mock trial, 4-H delegates from different counties came to Sacramento for a five-day experience on how the government works. Representing Kings County were Jennifer and Allison Mendenhall, Lauren Smith, and Karli Draxler. 4-H exchange student, Monique Jimenez, hosted by the Draxler family, was also in attendance. California Focus is a state 4-H program that teaches youth at their level through fun activities. Members were citizens of the state of Sierra Cascade. Parties nominated citizens to campaign for positions in government, made posters, and helped their chosen nominees write speeches. After the campaign, everyone voted. Members from Kings County are proud to say that one of their delegates, Lauren Smith, was voted Treasurer! Delegates toured the Capitol and met with their Assemblymen. Saturday night entertainment included watching the off-Broadway production of "The Lion King." Each county presented its Plan of Action, and explained the community service activities they planned to do in their areas. The Kings County delegates' project was to publicize different charitable organizations in their local 4-H newsletter as well as on a website (www.koijazz.webs.com/KingsCaliforniaFocus.html). Check it out to see how much they enjoyed serving and how other local 4-H members can do the same. At the formal closing dinner, Kings County was announced as having one of the best Plans of Action presented! Everyone had a blast and we now have a better outlook on how our state government works.

CONGRATULATIONS GRANT OLIVEIRA!

We are pleased to announce that Grant Oliveira has been selected to serve as 2009-2010 State 4-H Ambassador. The 4-H State Ambassador is one of the highest service opportunities and recognition attainable in the 4-H Youth Development Program. Over the next 14 months, he will serve the 4-H Youth Development Program through both education and service and act as a state 4-H representative to various local, sectional and statewide programs and activities, including providing public presentation, workshops and leadership development opportunities. A major responsibility for the Ambassadors will be the planning and implementation of the 4-H State Leadership Conference.

2009 KINGS COUNTY RECORD BOOK JUDGING RESULTS

182 record books were submitted for county judging. 129 received medals. 148 books were submitted for Project Medals. 118 project medals were awarded. The following members received medals that will be awarded at Achievement Night on October 3, 2009. **GOOD JOB EVERYONE!**

ARMONA		JASMINE	MORRIS	BLAINE	SILVEIRA
KALIE	HELMUTH	JESSE	MORRIS	TRENTON	VANDERVEEN
TY	HODGE	JOCELYN	MORRIS	VICTORIA	VANDERVEEN
LEANN	LABANDEIRA	SAGE	MORRIS		
BRIANNA	LANGLEY	MADISON	MYERS	KINGS RIVER	
HANNAH	MACCAGNO	MYLES	MYERS	AUDREY	EVANGELO
PHILLIP	NUNES	LAUREN	PEPE	ZAYNE	EVANGELO
		TYLER	PEPE	KAYNE	GALLEGOS
CENTRAL VALLEY		WILLIAM	PEPE	MORGAN	GALLEGOS
JERRY	COMPTON	JALEESA	RIOS	SYDNEY	GALLEGOS
DEMI	DANELL	TIMOTHY	ROBINSON	MARLENA	MACIEL
RANCE	DANELL	BRAYDEN	SANCHEZ	JOHN PAUL	PIMENTEL
KAROLINA	DRAXLER	CANNON	SANCHEZ	TRAVIS	SMITH
		TYLER	WILLIAMSON	SAGE	SOZINHO
		SHARLEE	YEHL	DANIELLE	STEPHENS
		TAWNY	YEHL	SARAH	VERHEUL
DELTA VIEW		ISLAND		LEMOORE	
ROYCE	CAETANA	CAYCI	ALLISON	JORDAN	BARRY
ALIVIA	MIZE	STEVEN	ALLISON	BAILEY	DOYLE
LEANN	MIZE	REBECCA	ARAGON	MADDIE	JIMENEZ
		ALICIA	COUTO	BRIAN	LAWTON
GRANGEVILLE		GARRETT	CRISP	HADEN	LAWTON
BENJAMIN	BECK	JARRED	CRISP	KAITLEN	LAWTON
TYLER	BECK	SAVANNA	EATON	ALLISON	MENDENHALL
ZACHERY	BECK	MARCI	McEUEEN	JENNIFER	MENDENHALL
CAITLYN	CARDOZA	GRANT	OLIVEIRA	HALEY	SMITH
TONI	CARDOZA	DEAN	PEREZ	LAUREN	SMITH
TYLER	CONWAY	KATIE	PRICE	JEFFREY	STINE
BEAUJENA	DESILVA	LAINÉ	TOMPKINS	JULIA	STINE
ANGELA	GUTIERREZ	REED	TOMPKINS	JACIE	VALENTINE
KATHLEEN	GUTIERREZ			JENNA	VALENTINE
CHRISTOPH	HOLLAR	KINGS HARVEST			
KATIE	LA BLUE	AARON	AVILA	MID VALLEY	
TUCKER	LA BLUE	CALEM	BELL	ERIC	DIAS
MASON	LEWIS	ASHLEY	BLOMQUIST	MEGAN	DIAS
KAYLA	MCCALVY	EMILY	BLOMQUIST	RYAN	DIAS
PAIGE	MCCONNAUG	KINSER	COELHO	LUKE	GOSS
MADISON	MELLO	HAYDEN	COSTA	TYLER	JOHNSON
EVIE	STARICH	BRADY	GUZMAN	MADLINE	PEDRO
NATALIE	STARICH	ASHLEY	HAMILTON	JUSTIN	SEMAS
LEE	WISECARVER	MADISON	HARRIS	VANESSA	SILVA
MADLINE	WISECARVER	MCKENZIE	HARRIS		
		MADILYN	KOELEWYN	OAKVALE	
GUERNSEY		DERRICK	NETTO	JOAN	HARDT
RONNI	BARBEIRO	MACEY	PEARSON	AUDREY	JIMENEZ
COLTAN	KLING	REILLY	REIS	ASHLEY	OLSON
DARRIAN	KLING	DARIAN	ROEBER	RYAN	OLSON
DYLAN	KLING	ALLISON	ROSA	EMILY	SHELBY
MARSHALL	KLING	EMILY	ROSA	KENDALL	WOODS
MARA	LEWIS	JACK	ROSA		
ABBY	MATHEWS				

PROJECT MEDALISTS 2009-10

CAYCI	ALLISON	SWINE	AARON	AVILA	FOODS
STEVEN	ALLISON	SWINE	ANTHONY	AVILA	DAIRY CATTLE
RHIANNON	ARAGON	HORSE	ASHLEY	AVILA	CLOTHING

Project Medalists Continued

CAYCI	ALLISON	SWINE	SHANNEN	LYNCH	CAKE DECORATING
STEVEN	ALLISON	SWINE	HANNAH	MACCAGNO	COMMUNITY PRIDE
RHIANNON	ARAGON	HORSE	MARLENA	MACIEL	FOODS
AARON	AVILA	FOODS	ABBY	MATHEWS	FOODS
ANTHONY	AVILA	DAIRY CATTLE	PAIGE	MCCONNAUGHY	QUILTING
ASHLEY	AVILA	CLOTHING	MARCI	McEUEEN	HORSE
JULIA	BAKER	SWINE	KATELIN	MELLO	DAIRY CATTLE
KENNEDY	BAKER	DOG CARE	ALLISON	MENDENHALL	POULTRY
RONNI	BARBEIRO	MARINE BIOLOGY	JENNIFER	MENDENHALL	DOG CARE
JORDAN	BARRY	SWINE	ALIVIA	MIZE	FOODS
BENJAMIN	BECK	CITIZENSHIP	JASMINE	MORRIS	DAIRY GOATS
TYLER	BECK	LEADERSHIP	JESSE	MORRIS	MEAT GOATS
ZACHERY	BECK	LEADERSHIP	JOCELYN	MORRIS	DAIRY GOATS
CALEM	BELL	DAIRY CATTLE	SAGE	MORRIS	DAIRY GOATS
ASHLEY	BLOMQUIST	VEGETABLE GARDENS	MADISON	MYERS	PHOTOGRAPHY
EMILY	BLOMQUIST	VEGETABLE GARDENS	MYLES	MYERS	SWINE
KIRSTEN	BROTEMARKLE	FOODS	DERRICK	NETTO	SAFETY- ATV
ROYCE	CAETANA	WELDING	GARRETT	NETTO	DAIRY CATTLE
CAITLYN	CARDOZA	CITIZENSHIP	GRANT	OLIVEIRA	CITIZENSHIP
TONI	CARDOZA	CITIZENSHIP	ASHLEY	OLSON	FOOD PRESERVATION
KINSER	COELHO	SAFETY- ATV	RYAN	OLSON	INDIVIDUAL & GROUP SPORTS
PAITON	COELHO	FOODS	MACEY	PEARSON	DAIRY CATTLE
JERRY	COMPTON	SHOOTING SPORTS	MADELINE	PEDRO	LEADERSHIP
TYLER	CONWAY	CITIZENSHIP	TYLER	PEPE	SWINE
HAYDEN	COSTA	DAIRY CATTLE	WILLIAM	PEPE	SWINE
ALICIA	COUTO	HORSE	DEAN	PEREZ	DAIRY GOATS
GARRETT	CRISP	PHOTOGRAPHY	BRETT	PETERS	SHEEP
JARRED	CRISP	AEROSPACE & ROCKETRY	JACOB	PIMENTEL	DAIRY CATTLE
AIMEE	DANIEL	QUILTING	JOHN PAUL	PIMENTEL	DAIRY CATTLE
ASHLEY	DANIEL	QUILTING	KATIE	PRICE	HORSE
BEAUJENA	DESILVA	SHEEP	REILLY	REIS	FOODS
ERIC	DIAS	DOG CARE	JALEESA	RIOS	PHOTOGRAPHY
BAILEY	DOYLE	ORNAMENTAL HORTICULTURE	TIMOTHY	ROBINSON	SWINE
KAROLINA	DRAXLER	FOOD PRESERVATION	DARIAN	ROEBER	ARCHERY
AUDREY	EVANGELO	CLOTHING	AUSTIN	SEMAS	SMALL ENGINES
ZAYNE	EVANGELO	DAIRY CATTLE	JUSTIN	SEMAS	WELDING
BAYLEE	GALLEGOS	POULTRY	EMILY	SHELBY	SHEEP
KAYNE	GALLEGOS	POULTRY	DUSTIN	SILVA	DAIRY CATTLE
MORGAN	GALLEGOS	POULTRY	BLAINE	SILVEIRA	SAFETY- ATV
SYDNEY	GALLEGOS	POULTRY	HALEY	SMITH	DOG CARE
LUKE	GOSS	POULTRY	LAUREN	SMITH	DOG CARE
BRADY	GUZMAN	LIVESTOCK JUDGING	TRAVIS	SMITH	POULTRY
JOAN	HARDT	POULTRY	EVIE	STARICH	QUILTING
MADISON	HARRIS	SWINE	NATALIE	STARICH	FOODS
MCKENZIE	HARRIS	ARCHERY	DANIELLE	STEPHENS	BEGINNING 4-H
KALIE	HELMUTH	SHEEP	JEFFREY	STINE	ARCHERY
AUDREY	JIMENEZ	SHEEP	JULIA	STINE	DOG CARE
CELESTE	JIMENEZ	SHEEP	LAINE	TOMPKINS	HORSE
MADDIE	JIMENEZ	ARTS & CRAFTS	JACIE	VALENTINE	LEADERSHIP
TYLER	JOHNSON	COMMUNITY PRIDE	TRENTON	VANDERVEEN	ELECTRICITY/ELECTRONICS
COLTAN	KLING	BEEF CATTLE	VICTORIA	VANDERVEEN	SHEEP
DARRIAN	KLING	BEEF CATTLE	GARTH	VERDEGAAL	SWINE
DYLAN	KLING	BEEF CATTLE	GRANT	VERDEGAAL	SWINE
MARSHALL	KLING	BEEF CATTLE	KATELYN	WILHELM	RABBITS
MADILYN	KOELEWYN	SWINE	TYLER	WILLIAMSON	MARKET CALVES
KATIE	LA BLUE	SHOOTING SPORTS	MADELINE	WISECARVER	LEADERSHIP
TUCKER	LA BLUE	SHOOTING SPORTS	KENDALL	WOODS	SHEEP
LEANN	LABANDEIRA	COMMUNITY PRIDE	SHARLEE	YEHL	PHOTOGRAPHY
BRIAN	LAWTON	SWINE			
HADEN	LAWTON	SWINE			

**The winner of the Brock Toledo Dairy Award is Macey Pearson
*Kings Harvest 4-H.***

**The winner of the Marion Brasil Sheep Award is Victoria VanderVeen,
*Kings Harvest 4-H.***

EMERALD STAR PROGRAM

Attention 4-H members who intend to apply to become a Kings County All Star in the future: Completing an Emerald Star project is a requirement for those applying for All Star.

Purpose: The purpose of the Emerald Star Program is to provide leadership opportunities to 4-H members. A secondary purpose is to prepare 4-H members for All Star responsibilities should they wish to become All Stars at a later date.

Eligibility: Members who have completed two years of 4-H and will be at least 14 years of age by January 1, 2010 are eligible to apply for the Emerald Star Program.

Project Requirements: Emerald Star projects must demonstrate the member's leadership ability, the ability to work with others, and the ability to plan and conduct a successful program of work. The project must have an adult advisor and must provide service to the Kings County 4-H program.

Procedure:

Aug. 31, 2009- Applicants submit a plan for their Emerald Star Program. Interviews will be on **September 10, at 6:00 p.m.**

Sept. 2009 - June 2010- Projects must be completed during the 2009-10 club year. Members wishing to apply for All Star in 2010 must complete their project before applying in April.

January 2010 - Emerald Star Committee will accept reports (both written and oral) from those candidates who have completed their projects and grant the Emerald Star rank to those who have met the requirements. Also in January, new applicants may apply for projects they can complete by April 2010.

April 2010 - Emerald Star Committee will accept reports (both written and oral) from those candidates who have completed their projects since January and grant the Emerald Star rank to those who have met the requirements.

Ideas for Emerald Star Projects: Organize a county-wide project workshop or field day or some other type of county-wide activity. Plan and conduct training at local 4-H clubs on selected topics such as presentations, record books, officer training, citizenship, etc. Organize and conduct a 4-H outreach program to tell more young people about 4-H. Be creative! Be sure to include others in your plan so you can demonstrate your ability to provide leadership to others.

Request an Application from the CE Office or Website so you can complete it by August 31, 2009!



4-H EXPO AT THE HANFORD MALL

Plans are underway for an exposition of the 4-H Youth Development Program at the Hanford Mall, on **Saturday, October 3, 2009** from about 10 am to 2 pm.

Each 4-H club will have the opportunity to showcase one or two projects from their clubs. If possible, we would like the displays to be interactive so that visitors can make or do something while they visit your display.

Each club will have a table on which to exhibit non-animal projects. The possible exception will be rabbits, which may be able to be displayed in cages on a table.

We are also planning to have 4-H members giving presentations and participating in a fashion show.

At the September 1st Council meeting, we would like each club to suggest what one or two projects it would like to offer. **(PDR3, 6)**



4-H COUNCIL BARBECUE

November 7, 2009

Tickets will be available at your September club meetings for the annual barbecue.

This is the only fundraiser for the Council, and the proceeds are used for the many awards and events during the year.

All members are encouraged to sell tickets for the lunch, which will be held at the fairgrounds at the same time as Judging Day. **(PDR 3)**

Take-out meals are also available.

Please support the 4-H Council and all that it does for 4-H members by selling your BBQ tickets. Tickets are \$8.00. Get them from your club leader.

IDEAS - COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS

By: Jennifer Mendenhall

Want to get a head start in your community service for next year? Four 4-H Kings County members who went to California Focus have provided a website with reports on the different examples of organizations you can volunteer with this summer. They personally interviewed each one, learning how much we can make a difference in our community. Don't miss out on your chance to help out! Check out their website at <http://www.kojazz.webs.com/KingsCaliforniaFocus.html>.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT - "BRIGHTER DAY BAGS"

See the website for details about this project for needy children in our county, state and world!



CLUB REPORTS

Island 4-H Club

Reporter: Cayci Allison

Our last 4-H meeting was called to order on June 9th, 2009 at 7:08 p.m. The flag salute was led by Rebecca Aragon and the 4-H Pledge was led by Ashley Lowas. The Secretary called roll and gave her report of our last meeting, The Treasurer's Report was then given. The Project Leaders announced that there would be a swine meeting and rocketry meeting. The 2009-2010 Officer Elections and Installation then took place. These are the newly elected Island 4-H Club Officers for the 2009-2010 year:

- *President- Alicia Couto
- *Vice President- Jerome Coelho
- *Secretary- Cayci Allison
- *Corresponding- Savannah Eaton
- *Treasurer- Ryan O' Daniel
- *Sargent at Arms- Morgan Simas
- *Reporter- Steven Allison
- *Historians- Lanie Tompkins and Katie Price
- *Activity Director- Garret Crisp

New Business: We decided to donate money to the State Horse Classic Championship Horse Show. It was moved by Reed Tompkins and seconded by Megan Lowas. Savannah Eaton also asked the club to donate \$150 to the Kings County Animal Service. This was moved by Elizabeth Keenan and seconded by Garret Crisp. Mrs. Crisp was also willing to let the club have an end of the year party at her house, and the whole club accepted. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Kings Harvest 4-H Club

Reporter: Macey Pearson

The May 11th meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Kings Jr. Fair Board office. The pledge was led by Hayden Costa, and the 4-H pledge was led by Macey Pearson. Roll call was done by Secretary, Emily Rosa.

The Treasurer's report was given by Trenton VanderVeen.

Reports were given by leaders on getting Fair entries for Kings Fair ready. We had 4-H Fair reports given on indoor projects and on animal projects. Trenton VanderVeen and Macey Pearson both won Showmanship and went on to Round Robin where Trenton was first and Macey was second. The dairy group was first in club group. Kinser Coelho won best Educational Display, and Aaron Avila won the Dairy Food contest. We had a very good 4-H Fair. We will be having an end-of-year party at the Blomquist house with a barbeque and games. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30. That's the news from Kings Harvest.

Lemoore 4-H Club

Reporter: Kaitlen Lawton

At the Lemoore 4-H last meeting, we had a potluck. People brought various dinners and desserts. We also invited new people and friends to join our meeting to see what 4-H is like. For our game we played the human knot. We discussed our fair booth work day. It was very successful; we had the most volunteers ever. It was announced that we will be going bowling for an end of the year party. Mrs. Brazil gave gifts to the leaders that helped throughout the year. To finish our meeting we installed the new officers for next year.

Mid Valley 4-H Club

Reporter: Vanessa Silva

Mid-Valley began our meetings at 6:30 on June 8, 2009. Breanne Pacheco and Kari Sargent began our meeting with the 4-H pledge and flag salute. Our community leaders talked about this year's fundraiser. We are selling ride bracelet tickets for the 2009 Kings Fair. We also talked about when record books are due and the Fair. Our last meeting for the 2008-2009 year was adjourned at 7:00.

Changes in the University of California Cooperative Extension Office in Kings County

State and County budget cuts are requiring changes in how we operate the UCCE Office in support of the Kings County 4-H Program. University of California budget cuts via the State of California's budget are requiring all employees to take unpaid furlough days. That will effect both Denise and me. In addition, postage funds for the university budget are being cut so we will be able to do less mailing. **The 4-H Youth Talk will now be an online publication only. All families who have email will automatically be subscribed as we have been doing for the past couple of years, but a paper copy will not be mailed.**

Finally, the largest change in the office will be the loss of the 4-H Secretary position held by Sue Shanahan. This position is slated to end on September 30 if the County of Kings adopts its planned budget. If that comes to pass, we will be looking for ways to utilize volunteers in the office to support 4-H. We will keep you informed as we know more.

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