



University of California
Cooperative Extension Kings County



4-H Youth Talk

November, 2009

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Kings County 4-H Council Tri-Tip Barbeque



Saturday, November 7, 2009

11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Take out or eat there –
\$8.00 per dinner**

Kings County Fair Dairy Women's Building
Held in Conjunction with 4-H Judging Day

Homemade Desserts Also Available
(Please label all baked products with name and phone number)

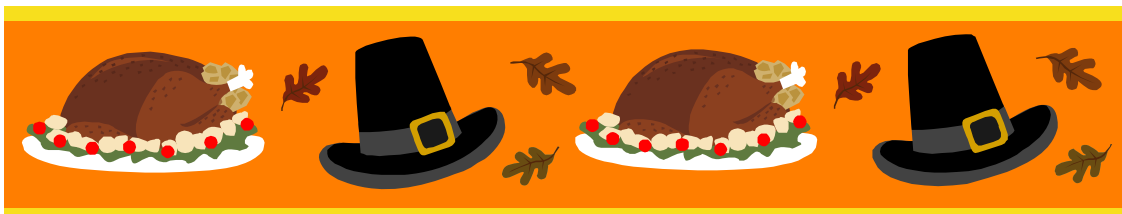


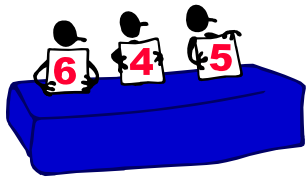
All 4-H clubs and 4-H families need to support our only fundraising effort of the year.

Help make this the best fundraiser yet!

The Kings County 4-H Leader's Council supports many activities and provides opportunities for many 4-Hers and their leaders.

Buy tickets for your family and sell some to your friends!





4-H JUDGING DAY

The Annual Kings County 4-H Judging Day will be held on **Saturday, November 7th** at the Kings District Fairgrounds. **This event is open to all Kings County 4-H members.**

There will be three divisions from which to choose. They are:

Livestock: (including dairy cattle, goats, sheep, swine, beef and rabbits)
Home Economics
General

Members may judge in all three divisions.

A class is a group of four items or animals that you are asked to evaluate and rank in order from the best to the worst. For example, you may be asked to look at four hogs and place them in order based on how they look. Each animal or item has a number and you mark a card next to the way you think the numbers should be arranged. You will receive points for how close you come to matching the way an expert thinks the class should be placed.

You will give oral reasons on one class. That means you will go up to a designated person and tell him or her why you placed the class the way you did. You will receive points for how convincing your reasons are.

Registration will be from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m., with a mandatory orientation assembly at 9:30 a.m.



***Don't forget the Council BBQ will be held at Judging Day!
Morning refreshments and a dessert booth will be available***

RULES FOR JUDGING DAY

1. No talking, gesturing or communicating with others during judging.
(This includes parents.)

There will be designated group leaders to answer questions members have about the process. If you have a question, ask this person.

2. No discussion about classes before cards are turned in.
3. You will be dropped from the competition if you continue to talk after your first warning.
4. No touching of exhibits.

Please remember to donate your Bright Day Bags and/or Items for the bags at this event!





**LCORT 2010
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
OF REGIONAL TEENS
January 29-31, 2010**

Theme: Life is not a dress rehearsal—
Take the Leading Role!

Who: 4-H members in the 7th, 8th & 9th grades
(one adult for each 10 delegates of each sex)

When: January 29-31, 2010

Where: Wonder Valley Ranch, Sanger, CA

Cost: \$105.00 per delegate, \$115 after December 1, 2009

Registration forms are available at the UCCE Office and must be returned by **Friday, Nov. 20, 2009**. The fee includes registration materials, lodging for two nights, three meals on Saturday and one meal on Sunday and snacks. Registration is from 6pm to 9pm on Friday, January 29, 2010.

Goals for LCORT include defining and developing leadership skills, meeting and sharing new ideas with peers and having fun!

The eight scholarships offered by the Kings County 4-H Council, have all been granted. A waiting list will be maintained after the first eight in case one of those does not attend. Members may only receive this scholarship once. Chaperone costs will be paid for the number of leaders needed for our quota. Chaperones must be officially appointed 4-H leaders.



**CONTRACTS FOR USE OF
FACILITIES**

(Meetings, Parties, Field Days, Etc.)

All contracts and agreements for use of any facility by any 4-H group must come to the 4-H office for review and **signature of the County Director**. The group insurance covering 4-H activities and events also requires that these contracts and agreements list the facility user as follows: "The Regents of the University of California" (not the 4-H club or leader's name). **Plan ahead!** If the form includes a "Hold Harmless" clause, the County 4-H Office, and sometimes the State office, must review and approve it to insure that there are no provisions that would be detrimental to the interests of the University.

4-H SHOOTING SPORTS WORKSHOP

Rifle Discipline

There are two workshops



**4-H Shooting Sports Workshop
Rifle Discipline
Atascadero, CA**

Saturday, November 14, 2009 – 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 15, 2009 – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at the Santa Lucia Sportsmen's Association Facility in Atascadero. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as rifle trainer and can lead a rifle project at the club level or serve as county trainer to certify other leaders. There is no cost for the course. To register for the course and receive more information contact John Borba at: jaborba@ucdavis.edu For information about the facility and a map, please visit the range website at:

<http://santaluciasportsmen.org/>



**4-H Shooting Sports Workshop
Rifle Discipline
Tulare, Ca**

Saturday, January 9, 2010 - 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, January 10, 2010 - 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at Rankin Field Range, 20000 Road 140 in Tulare. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as rifle trainer and can lead a rifle project at the club level or serve as county trainer to certify other leaders. There is no cost for the course. To register for the course and receive more information, contact John Borba at: jaborba@ucdavis.edu For information about the facility and a map, please visit the range website at:

http://www.tcdsa.org/documents/rankin_field.htm



4-H SHOOTING SPORT LEADER

Certification for Archery

Modesto, CA

Saturday, November 7, 2010 -8:00 a.m –4:00 p.m.

Sunday, November 8, 2010-8:00 p.m –2 p.m.

Upon successful completion of the course, participants will be certified as archery volunteers and can instruct archery club projects and camp programs. Attendance at both days is required. The course will be held at the Stanislaus County Ag Center, Harvest Hall, Room E, 3800 Cornucopia Way, Modesto. The cost will be \$25 and includes lunch, snacks and class materials. For more information, contact Dan Burner (209) 874-2732 (evenings) or dan_burner@yahoo.com. Fees are due by October 23, 2009 and can be submitted to Dan Burner, P.O. Box 829, Waterford, CA 95386

FASHION REVUE COMMITTEE

The Fashion Revue Committee will meet on Tuesday, November 3, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at the UCCE Office



4-H STATE FASHION REVUE “What’s in YOUR Closet?”



The State 4-H Fashion Revue will be on Saturday, May 29, 2010 as part of State Field Day at UC Davis. For families planning their calendars, online registration will be due by May 10, 2010. Be sure to pick up a copy of Simplicity pattern # 4762, which is the Challenge Vest pattern.

All 4-H members and adults are encouraged to participate in a new service activity, Hats Off for Kindness. Create a soft hat for a cancer patient by sewing, knitting or crocheting. Please leave off floppy flowers, hard edges or attachments. For pattern ideas, check out:



<http://brimmingwithlove.com/patterns.html>.

All hat makers are invited to model their creations on stage before the SFR fashion show, but if you are a SFR participant, you will need a substitute model. We hope to collect at least 250 hats.

For Hats Off information, contact Rachael Gross at kandragross@sbcglobal.net.

For State Fashion Revue information, contact Sue Moore at smoore@ucdavis.edu or Karli Draxler at chat2kd@unwireddb.com or visit the website at: <http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/fashion>

GIFT BASKET NEEDED FOR STATE 4-H LEADERS’ FORUM IN ASILOMAR November 6-8 2009



We are looking for a club to volunteer to make a gift basket for the silent auction at the Leaders’ Forum. The basket will be needed by Wednesday, November, 4th. If you are interested in helping, please contact Denise at the CE Office.

If you are interested in attending, the registration fee is \$50.00. If you are a 4-H leader and interested in attending this information event at Asilomar, please visit <http://clubs.ca4h.org/nsection/SLF09/index.htm> and submit your registration forms today. You may also contact Richard Meade at remade@csuchico.edu if you have any questions.



NEW LEADER ORIENTATION

An orientation for new 4-H leaders will be held on **Monday, November 16th**, at the **UC Cooperative Extension Office at 7:00 p.m.** This is a mandatory orientation for all adults who will be leading projects or undertaking special assignments such as transportation, being a committee advisor, etc. The orientation will give you a brief overview of 4-H, its philosophy and its policies. **Please R.S.V.P. to the C.E. office.**

ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT NEWS

Congratulations to **GUERNSEY 4-H** for winning the Spirit Stick at Achievement Night! The following clubs received Gold Seals for their club charters: **Armona, Guernsey, Kings Harvest, Kings River, Mid Valley and Oakvale.** Congratulations to the **All Stars** for leading a fine program!



SPIRIT STICK NEWS



The next opportunity to win the Spirit Stick is **November 7th at Judging Day.** Be prepared with your club cheer and come out and support your club!

CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR, SACRAMENTO



The 2010 California State Fair is now tentatively scheduled to run for 19 days from Wednesday, July 14 to Sunday, August 1.



COUNTY-WIDE DOG CARE & TRAINING PROJECT

Project Leader:
Pam Brasil (559) 924-7067

All classes will be held on Saturdays and will be at the Kings Fairgrounds in the dairy show arena.

Meeting Schedule 2009-10

Date	Time	Location
Sat. Nov 14	10-Noon	Kings Fairgrounds Dairy show arena
Sat, Dec 12	2-4 pm	Same as above
Sat., Jan 23	2-4 pm	Same as above
Sat., Feb 20	2-4 pm	Same as above
Sat., Feb 28	9:00 am Meet at front gate	Kings Kennel Club — Dog Show. DO NOT bring your dogs.
Sat. Mar 13	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena
Sat. Mar 27	2-4 pm	Same as above
Sat. Apr 10	To be announced	Stonecliffe Animal Rescue Work Day.
Sat. Apr 24	12:30-2:30pm	Dairy show arena
Sat. May 1	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena

Please bring your dog to every meeting, unless otherwise instructed not to do so. All dogs are to be on a leash and **MUST** have a metal choke collar, or a pressure collar if control is an issue. Harnesses, nylon collars, or leather collars are **NOT** acceptable training equipment.

Dogs that do not have the appropriate training collar will not be allowed to participate in the class due to safety concerns. Leashes are to be nylon (not chain) and no longer than 8 feet in length (regular dog leash with a sewn-in handle – no lead ropes, twine, etc). Members are to bring a water bowl for their dog. It is acceptable and encouraged that the members bring dog treats to be used as training aids provided that the use of treats does not cause disruption to the training process.

EMERALD STAR PROJECT KINGS COUNTY K-9 UNIT Fundraiser for our K-9 Heroes

- Dog wash
- Silent Auction
- Snack Bar
- Good Music
- K-9 Demonstration

Lauren Smith and Jeffery Stine from the Lemoore 4-H



Club, are working on earning their Emerald Stars and are setting up a fundraiser by having a Dog wash and silent auction on March 20, 2010, from 1-5 at the CE Office. This is to

benefit the Kings County Sheriff's K-9 unit. They are asking local businesses and the community to please donate to the silent auction. You will receive a free dog wash ticket for any donation.



Volunteers are also needed to work the day of the dog wash. This is a great way to get your community service hours. If you have any question please call Lauren Smith at 582-9467 or Jeffery Stine at 643-9579.

Thanks!

DRAMA

Do you like to be in the spotlight? Do you like to sing or act? If so come join us!



Lemoore 4-H Drama is in full swing, but are still looking for members. They are hoping to perform a Christmas musical called 'Camel Lot', and would love to have a few more guys come out and be part of it. The meetings are held at the Kings County Office of Education building in Lemoore, next to Kings Christian School. If you have any questions, please call Lauren Smith at 582-9467 or Julie Stine at 824-4321.

REMINDER

- Due to reduction in staff, all inserts for the YouthTalk must be emailed to: kings4h@ucdavis.edu
- There is a cut off date as well. It is the 3rd Friday of each month.

If you email it to someone else in our office, or submit your article after the cut off date, it will not get in the Youth Talk.

- There is no longer a calendar in the Youth Talk. It is now updated monthly and posted on the 4-H website at: <http://ucanr.org/kings4hcal>



HI 4-H GAME SHOW NIGHT

Don't miss out on our HI 4-H Game Show Night! Come out for fun and laughs! Bring your friends!

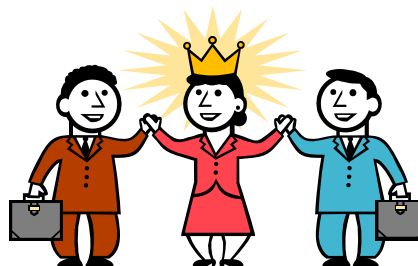


WHEN: November 14th from 6-8 p.m.
WHO: 4-H Members 13 yrs old and up (Fun leaders are welcome at this one too!)
WHERE: Armona Elementary Cafeteria
 Just north of Hwy. 198 on 14th Ave. in Armona

There will be game shows and more.
 Let's make a deal
 Family "Club" Feud
 Are you smarter than a 4-H leader?
 Name that tune
 The Dating Game

For information contact Katherine Nunes at 583-7071

EVERYONE GOES HOME WITH SOMETHING!



COUNTYWIDE POULTRY PROJECT



All members of any Kings County 4-H club are welcome. We will be learning about different breeds of birds, raising chicks and adult birds, breeding stock and market birds, types of feeds and supplements, as well as showmanship and preparing birds for show. If you are looking for an inexpensive project that is a lot of fun, please join us. **You do not have to own a bird to be in this project.** If you are interested in this project, when completing enrollment forms, sign up for Poultry and Game Birds. Dates and times of meetings are Nov-Dec, every second Thursday at the CE Office. The next meeting will be on Thursday, November 12th at 6:00 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Don Mattos at 582-4621.

WOOL WITH AN ATTITUDE



Enter the "Make It Yourself With Wool" Contest **January 16-17, 2010.**

Category Age as of 12/31/09

Pre-teens	12 & under
Juniors	13-16
Seniors	17-24
Adults	25 & older
Made for others	any age
Wearable Accessory	any age

For additional information, contact District Director 13, Bonnie Hargis, at 661-399-2383, or visit the Kern County Woolgrowers Auxiliary online at: www.kcwoolgrowersauxiliary.com.



CALIFORNIA FOCUS

June 25-29, 2010

Sacramento

Would you like to run for governor of California? Talk with your senator or congressman? Do you like advocating for a cause or persuading others? You can be involved in any of these activities during the 2009 California Citizenship Focus Program. California Focus is a unique 4-H Citizenship educational experience that combines hands-on participation in workshops, debates, and simulations with outstanding speakers and visits to historical, cultural, and governmental sites. California's capitol city, Sacramento, becomes a "living classroom" for this five-day, action packed adventure. Come get involved in this hands-on experience with government and community engagement. Registration materials are available at the CE Office. Applications, with a non-refundable deposit of \$150, are due at the CE Office by **Friday, January 8, 2010.**

Members must have completed the 8th Grade by the conference. The cost is \$475.00 for youth and \$575.00 for adults.

The Kings County 4-H Council is offering six **scholarships of \$165** each to members to attend California Focus. Members must be in at least their second year of 4-H, and at least their first year of Citizenship this year, and submit a completed record book for the 2008-09 club year to qualify. The scholarships will be awarded to the first six to submit their record book from last year, a completed application, and a request for the scholarship. A waiting list will be maintained after the first six, in case one of those does not attend. Members may receive this scholarship **only once.**

Chaperone costs will be paid for one person or split between two. Chaperones must have completed two years as a 4-H leader before attending at Council expense. Other leaders may attend at their own expense.

Additional financial assistance (based on need) from the state is available. Forms are available at the C.E. office or at the state website under Citizenship – Focus.



CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR FOSTER CHILDREN

On behalf of the Kings County Human Services Agency - Child Protective Services - the 4-H Council will answer their request for donations of new, **unwrapped** gifts (could be clothing, toys or other gifts) for children ages 0-18 years who are in foster care homes. Please bring your **unwrapped** gifts to the CE Office **no later than Friday, December 4th.**



SLIPPER SOCKS FOR SENIORS

Slipper socks with skid proof bottoms for seniors in rest homes are also being collected by the Kings County Department of Child Support Services. **These are due in the CE office on**

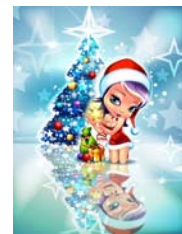
Friday, December 11.

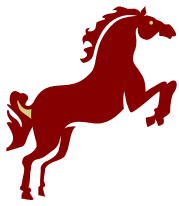


Is Your Club In Need Of Funding? *Barnes & Noble Needs Holiday Gift Wrappers!*

- Any Non-Profit Organization is eligible
- Everything is provided-a table, tape, scissors and paper
- Watch donations go into your tip jar-you keep 100% of the donations
- Shifts are about 4 hours in length-morning, mid afternoon and evening
- Only two people are needed at the table.

For additional information ask a bookseller at Barnes & Noble or call (559) 437-0492 email: Crm2112@bn.com





COUNTY-WIDE HORSES AND PONIES

County wide Horses and Ponies November meeting will be held on Sunday, November 15, 2009 at 11 a.m.

at 17612 Lacey Blvd., Lemoore. If you have any questions, please contact Maureen Tompkins at: 707-5150 or email: lemooreons@yahoo.com, We hope to see you there!

VETERINARIAN SCIENCE MEETING

Island 4-H will be having their first countywide Veterinarian Science meeting on November 5th at 6:00 p.m. at Island School Cafeteria.

Members need to be in at least 7th grade. Ideas are welcome. If you have questions, please contact: Alicia Couto at 924-8323 or email at: iheart4h@hughes.net



RABBIT MEETING



There will be a countywide rabbit meeting on **Thursday, November 19th** at 6:30 p.m. at the CE Office. The meeting is for all Kings County 4-H rabbit members or those thinking about having a rabbit project. For more information, please contact Kathy Lugo at 582-4760, in the evening.

ALLISON MENDENHALL'S GROWING PROJECT

Allison's fry have grown and so has her website! Over the summer, her website has been redone and that means more pictures and updates!

To check out her new and improved website, go to: www.kojazz.webs.com



BRIGHTER DAY BAGS!



Help make this world a little brighter for needy children in our county, our state, our nation and our world by participating in "Brighter Day Bag" community service project.

The goal is to collect 1000 drawstring bags and gather enough donated necessities to fill them. The bags will then be sent on to child supportive agencies and non-profit charitable organizations who will in turn distribute them to needy children. For many of these children, this will be the biggest touch of human kindness that they may experience all year.

There will be collection boxes at all of the major county-wide 4-H events throughout the upcoming year. You will be able to drop off any completed bags and any items to put into the bags at these drop boxes.

There will also be sign in sheets at these drop boxes that will allow you to sign in and receive credit for your club for the spirit stick.

Please contact Julie or Julia Stine at (559) 824-4321 for more information.

Sewing Instructions for Brighter Day Bags.



- Cut a piece of fabric 15" wide x 36" long. (cotton fabric will work best)
- Fold the piece of fabric in half (the folded edge is the bottom of the bag)
- Mark down each side of the bag 2 1/2" from the top
- Sew the side seams from the bottom edge (using a 1/2 inch seam) to the 2 1/2 inch mark. Leave seam open from the mark to the top of the bag. You will fold this edge down to make the casing.
- Fold and press unsown edges of side seams inward 1/2".
- Fold upper edge of each side down 1/2 inch and press (be sure to fold toward the WRONG side of the bag)
- Fold upper edge down again 1 inch and press
- Sew flap down with a 3/4 inch seam from the upper finished edge (this will make the casing)
- String shoelaces through the casing.
- The bag is finished. Turn right side out and press



CLUB REPORTS—ATTENTION CLUB REPORTERS

Club reports are to be sent via email to: kings4h@ucdavis.edu.

Hard copies are no longer acceptable due to reduction in staff.

MID VALLEY 4-H CLUB

Reporter: Tyler Johnson

Meeting was called to order by Vice President Megan Dias. Secretary's report was given by Vanessa Silva. Old business-attendance at Achievement night was discussed as most members forgot, were sick or out of town. The Make A Wish Day at Cold Stone Creamery was a success! Big thank you to all the workers and their parents. New Business: Passing out of 4-H Council Dinner tickets, Judging day and LCORT deadlines were discussed. Tammy Johnson gave her community leader report. Vanessa Silva demonstrated what to look for when one is judging an outfit for the judging day. Megan Dias showed her committee sign up board and encouraged members to sign up for committees. We will be volunteering again for the Salvation Army Bell ringing and asking other clubs if they would like to help.

DELTA VIEW 4-H CLUB

Reporter: Royce Caetana

September 2009

The September 14th meeting was called to order at 6:50 p.m. Re-elections were held for the President and Vice President positions. Chasidee White was elected President, and Kelen Deniz was voted Vice President. Club members gave project reports regarding the Kings Fair. The club reviewed the new By-Laws, and they were approved. Community Leader Yvonne Silva discussed the agenda for the up and coming 4-H Year. Jennifer Arnold talked to the club about Relay for Life. The club members voted on having a team for Relay for Life. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Club officers for the 2009-2010 year:

Vice President: Kelen Deniz

Secretary: Alivia Mize

Treasurer: Carson Arnold

Reporter: Royce Caetana

Sergeant at Arms: Nash Madden, Derek Tolbert

Song & Recreation: Jennifer Ponce, Leann Mize

October 2009

The October 12th meeting was called to order at 6:48 p.m. by President Chasidee White. The flag salute was led by Jennifer Ponce and the 4-H Pledge was led by Royce Caetana. Secretary Alivia Mize read the minutes of the last meeting.

The 4-H members who attended Achievement Night and the Mall Expo reported on the days events. The 4-H members who participated in the Relay for Life talked about all the activities and how much money was raised for the event. Chris Compton from Central Valley 4-H was a guest speaker. He talked about his Emerald Star Project which is going to be a Haunted House. Our club chose to participate in the can food drive. Members are to bring items to the November meeting. Our Community Leader Paul Silva talked about Judging Day and Sales of the BBQ Tickets for the 4-H Council. We then had a club judging practice. The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

GRANGEVILLE 4-H CLUB

Reporter: Ashley Daniel

The October meeting began at 7:14. Payton McConaughy lead the Flag Salute and Kayla McCalvy lead the 4-H Pledge. Treasure and Secretary's reports were given and Sunshine Birthdays were announced. Happy Birthday!!! Project reports were given, then our guest speaker introduced himself as Jack Christensen and told us about U.N.I.C.E.F. Then our other guest speaker, Chris Compton told us about his Emerald Star project, a haunted house!!!! Our club motioned that beginners enrollment will be moved from November 1st to December 1st. Katie LaBlue and Daniel Hollar told us about their Emerald Star project, which was learning how to shoot a gun for a day in December! Caitlyn Cardoza also had an Emerald Star project, for Arbor Day and to plant 1 million trees to get rid of the Carbon Dioxide in the air. Paige McConaughy asked the club to help the Ronald McDonald Charity. So if you have any tops from cans, bring them in! We also talked about all of the up coming events. Afterwards, we had a practice for Judging Day. We had a pumpkin contest and leaders announcements were given. Our Grangeville 4-Her of the month was Maddy Mello. Congratulations! The meeting was adjourned at 8:01.

ISLAND 4-H CLUB

Reporter: Steven Allison

The second meeting started at 7:03pm on October 13, 2009. To start our meeting the flag salute was led by Kirby and the 4-H pledge was by Arie. We discussed many important topics like fundrasier projects and the 2009-2010 online enrollment forms. We also discussed the importance of supporting the Kings County 4-H Council Barbeque on 11/7/09 by selling the tickets. It was announced that the next meeting will be on November 10, 2009. The meeting was adjourn at 7:56 p.m.

LEMOORE 4-H CLUB

Reporter Hailee French

The meeting of the Lemoore 4-H club was called to order at 6:42p.m. on October 13th at the West Hills Conference Center. We had our annual pumpkin-carving contest where our 4-H members did a great job at being creative with their project and congratulations to everyone that won. We also made birthday announcements for everyone with an October birthday. In old business, we talked about the success we had at the mall expo and what a great turn out our club had. Achievement night had a great turn out as well, with many of our members receiving medal's for their end of the year record book. Our upcoming fundraisers for the year have been planned out with committees being formed. In new business, we discussed judging day, our santa for soldiers bake sale, and the 4-H council barbeque. We had a few phenomenal presentations done by Lauren Smith on K-9 heroes, Allison Mendenhall on Sew fun. As well as Lauren Smith with Allison Mendenhall giving a presentation on California Focus and their experiences on their trip. The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

