KINGS COUNTY 4-H FASHION REVUE
April 10, 2010
Lemoore Trinity Hall,
470 Champion Street, Lemoore

Open to all 4-H members. Primary members are welcome for modeling only.

Entries Due Friday, March 19th: See Pages 2, 3 & 4 of this newsletter for more information.
Entry form also available on the website.

If you would like to help set up on Friday evening, April 9th, please meet at Lemoore Trinity Hall at 6:30 p.m.

2010 CALIFORNIA 4-H STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
“OPERATION 4-H”
July 29-August 1, 2010
University of California, Davis

The California 4-H State Leadership Conference provides high school aged youth (8th grade graduates and up) with an opportunity to engage in hands-on learning experiences, while further developing leadership and social skills. Registration fee to be announced.

The Kings County 4-H Council is offering four scholarships at 1/3 of the conference fee each to members to attend State 4-H Leadership Conference. Members must be in at least their second year of 4-H this year and submit a completed record book for at least the 2008-09 club year to qualify. The scholarships will be awarded to the first four to submit their record book from last year and request a scholarship. A waiting list will be maintained after the first four in case one of those does not attend. Members may only receive this scholarship once.

Note: The 2010-2011 All Star candidates will attend at no cost, so will not need a scholarship.

Chaperone costs will be paid for the number of leaders needed for our quota. Chaperones must have completed two years as a 4-H leader before attending at Council expense. Other leaders may attend at their own expense.

Visit the State 4-H website for more information at: http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc/
FASHION REVUE MEETING

There will be a meeting on  **Wednesday, March 10th** at the CE Office, starting promptly at 6:30 p.m. If you have any questions contact Gay Hooper at 584-8846.

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

FIRST YEAR SHOWCASE

Is this your FIRST year in sewing? Do you want a taste of participating at a state event? The answer is State Fashion Revue “First Year Showcase”. If you are a first year clothing member and did not qualify for SFR in your county, you can still come to State Fashion Revue as a Showcase Participant. All categories are welcome to participate and you will receive recognition for your participation. For more information contact Kylie Deal at dmtigers06@yahoo.com

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.

FASHION REVUE
OPEN TO ALL 4-H MEMBERS
VEST CHALLENGE
2010 Challenge Simplicity #4762

Make an in-VEST-ment in your closet with this year’s challenge! Make a lined vest but don’t forget to spice it up. It could be reversible, have pockets, frills or whatever fits YOU! Is it a formal vest or a durable one for fishing or hunting? Need extra pockets? Leather trim? Vests can be made for girls with a few simple adjustments and can coordinate with many different outfits. Use your imagination to create a Challenge Vest.

Vest will be judged the same as other categories. You may enter one item per category, including those described above as well as the traditional, purchased and recycled categories, embellished wearable art, wearable needle art but can only win in one category.

HATS OFF FOR KINDNESS

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](http://brimmingwithlove.com/patterns.html)

For State Fashion Revue information, contact Sue Moore at smoore@ucdavis.edu or Karli Draxler at chat2kd@unwiredbb.com or visit the website at: [http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/fashion](http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/fashion)

COUNTY CORNER

What’s happening in YOUR county in Clothing & Textiles? Be part of a new and exciting non-judged activity at 2010 SFR! You can display and share an item that doesn’t qualify within the SFR judged categories. It may be clothing, non-wearable items like quilts or pillow, or unusual ideas or techniques. It may be swen, woven, felted, knitted, crocheted, quilted, beaded tie-dyed, etc. Bring your still exhibit, along with some information about it to share with others across the state. Each county may pre-register for a display table so talk to your friends and decide what you’re to show off! For more information contact Denise or Chenoa Van Gerpen at dvangerpen@gmail.com

JUDGES STILL NEEDED

We are still in need of judges. If your county could submit at least two names with their E-mail address, we will be happy to contact them. Please help us get the word out and send the information to Karli Draxler, Youth Co-Chair at moolu@unwiredbb.com. More information is posted on the 4-H website.
**4-H FASHION REVUE INFORMATION – 2010——Saturday, April 10, 2010, 9 a.m. until finished**

Evening Fashion starts at 7:00 p.m.

Lemoore Trinity Hall, 470 Champion Street, Lemoore

THEME: TEA PARTY FASHIONS

The 4-H Fashion Revue is **open to all Kings County 4-H members.** You do not have to be in the clothing project to enter Fashion Revue. **You may enter more than one category, but you may only receive a medal in one. The judges will have the final say in which category participants will be awarded first place.** Primary members may participate without being judged. They need to come to rehearsal in the morning.

**New Category: Vest Challenge**

**WHAT IS FASHION REVUE?** It is an event that encourages members to focus on their personal appearance and their sense of style and fashion. They will be judged in small groups in the morning and participate in a fashion show in the evening. Its primary purpose is to build self-confidence in young people by helping them find the style that suits them best and work on grooming, posture and stage presence. Members may purchase an outfit or sew a garment for the event. The sewn category may use new fabric or the recycling of an old garment into a new one. **Members entering recycled garments must attach a photograph of the old garment to their entry form.** Individual and Group photos will be taken during the morning.

**WHAT AWARDS WILL BE GIVEN?** At the County level: A winner will be selected in each 9,10,11,12 & 13 age group for each of the 6 categories. 14+ older will be combined and will be known as the Senior Division. **Participation in the evening show is mandatory to receive an award.**

From these winners, it will be broken down by age (as of 1/1/10) as follows: 9-11 Junior, 12-13 Intermediate and 14 and up Senior. One person in each age group from each category will move on to compete at the State level.

**WHAT WILL FASHION REVUE ENTRANTS BE JUDGED ON?** We will be looking for garments and outfits that fit well and are appropriate for the member's age; that the choice of color, texture and style and accessories go together; and that the member is well-groomed and that the garments are clean and pressed. In the **Recycled Category**, 75% of the finished garment must have been reconstructed (i.e. sewing trim on old garment without changing its basic structure is not considered recycling.) Be sure to take photographs of the original garment before tearing it apart.

One of our goals in the **Purchased Category** is to encourage members to spend their clothing dollars wisely. **The maximum amount that can be spent on a purchased fashion revue entry is $100, including shoes and accessories, but members are encouraged to try to spend less. For those 14 and older, you may spend up to $150.** The challenge is to get the most for your money. Receipts must be presented during judging. If you use an item that has been in your closet or was given to you and you no longer have the receipt, you must write and sign a note indicating where you purchased the item and the approximate date and cost.

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**FASHION REVUE ENTRY FORM—or-** Enter on-line at [http://cekings.ucdavis.edu](http://cekings.ucdavis.edu)

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**Category (Check One or More)**

| ____ Constructed (New Sewn Garment) | ____ Recycled Sewn Garment (Bring "before" and after picture of previous garment.) | ____Wearable Needle Art (Bring "before" picture if entering embellished clothing.) | ____Purchased (Maximum $100 (9 to 13) or $150 (14 and older) for outfit. Bring receipts to Fashion Revue) | ____Apron Use: Simplicity Pattern 4762 |
| Pattern Company | Pattern # | Photo copy of envelope pattern | |

**TO COMPLETE YOUR ENTRY YOU MUST SUBMIT** YOUR FASHION REVUE COMMENTARY OF 100-150 WORDS ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER WITH A 2” SQUARE SWATCH OF FABRIC IF YOU HAVE CONSTRUCTED A GARMENT

**BY:** Entry Deadline: Friday, March 19, 2010

March 2010-Youth Talk 3
GUIDE TO WRITING FASHION COMMENTARY

Purposes:

✦ Give information about the model and the outfit
✦ Make both the model and the outfit sound great

Ideas on Developing Commentary:

✦ Give information about the model and the outfit.
✦ Give reason or occasion for which outfit was planned. This could be the theme for the commentary. (Traci had the first football game of the fall in mind when she chose this Autumn plaid. She’ll be cheering...)
✦ Keep sentences short and easily readable.
✦ Use questions and exclamations to give more variety to tone of voice.
✦ Use alliteration (words beginning with the same sound), such as “flirty flounce” for a ruffle.
✦ Create an appealing mental picture with descriptive words. (Ice creamy tones of raspberry and lime...)
✦ Avoid the obvious or make it more interesting. (Rather than saying “yellow dress”, make it “sunny” or “lemon”; rather than “it buttons up the front”, say “buttons brighten the front”, etc.)
✦ Use ACTION words as much as possible. (Buttons march, belts circle a waistline, a flaring hem swings, etc.)
✦ Tell the biggest problem you encountered in sewing the outfit. Tell new sewing techniques you learned. Saying you put the sleeve in six times can encourage some of your audience who are less skilled.
✦ Add some humor, something amusing that happened while sewing (In her rush to finish the dress, Sue put the zipper in upside down).
✦ If there are two parts to your outfit, such as a coat and dress, mention the outer layer first.
✦ Read copy (description of clothes) in fashion magazines and pattern envelopes.
✦ As you complete your commentary, go over it to see where it could be made more cheerful, complimentary and interesting.
✦ Read it aloud when completed. Does it flow smoothly?

Suggestions for Practice:

Go over the above suggestions at a project meeting, then break up in twos or threes. Pick one person’s outfit, even if it’s jeans and a T-shirt, and write a fashion commentary that makes the outfit and the model appealing. Read aloud while the person models. Near Fashion Revue time, bring outfits, even if not completed, and again write commentary about them working in groups.

Which is Better and Why?

“And here is Mary Jane Smith modeling a red, white and blue suit. The cardigan jacket has a round collar, long sleeves and buttons down the front. The blue dress underneath has red pockets, a back zipper and features the ever so popular A-line silhouette. Mary Jane accessorized her outfit with navy shoes and purse. Thank you.”

OR

“It’s the 4th of July for Mary Jane Smith every time she wears this patriotic suit. And she has a right to celebrate! The jaunty jacket sports shiny star buttons on the roaring red wool. And what a great idea! The scraps from the jacket turn into patch pockets on the military blue dress. Mary Jane has six years of 4-H sewing, but always finds a new challenge. She made this suit during a thunderstorm, finishing just before the electricity went off. Can you imagine how great the outfit will be at UCLA, where Mary Jane will be a freshman this fall?”
PRESENTATION DAY RESULTS

Thirty-five (35) Kings County 4-H members participated in the County 4-H Presentation Day on February 6th. The members listed below received a Gold Seal and were selected to participate in the Southern San Joaquin Valley Sectional Presentation Day on April 17th in Hanford, Kings County. All 4-H members are invited to attend the event and help support our Kings County 4-H’ers.

Those with an asterisk (*) received a Gold Medal for scoring 25-28 points.

*Adam Daniel, Grangeville 4-H
*Aimee Daniel, Grangeville 4-H
*Ashley Daniel, Grangeville 4-H
*Ashley Olson, Oakvale 4-H
Brian Lawton, Garret Crisp Lemoore/Island 4-H-Gold Seal
Chase Scott, Kings River 4-H –Gold Seal
Danielle Stephens, Bailee Borges, Kings Harvest 4-H-Gold Seal
*Drew Avila, Kings Harvest 4-H
Grant Verdegaal, Paige McConnaughy, Grangeville 4-H Gold Seal
*Haden Lawton, Lemoore 4-H
*Haley Smith, Lemoore, 4-H
*Jarred Crisp, Island 4-H
*Jasmine Morris, Guernsey 4-H
*Jocelyn Morris, Guernsey 4-H
Kathleen Gutierrez, Grangeville 4-H-Gold Seal
Kent Sheldon, Kings River 4-H –Gold Seal
*Lauren Smith, *Haley Smith, *Allison Mendenhall, Lemoore 4-H
*Lauren Smith, Lemoore 4-H
Leann Mize, Delta View 4-H-Gold Seal
Macey Hammerstrom, Oakvale 4-H-Gold Seal
*Macey Pearson, *Hayden Costa, Kings Harvest 4-H
Maddie Jimenez, Lemoore 4-H-Gold Seal
*McKenzie Harris, Kings Harvest 4-H
*Ronni Barbeiro, Guernsey 4-H
Sage Morris, Guernsey 4-H-Gold Seal
*Tara Fry, Oakvale 4-H-Gold Seal
Travis Smith, Kings River 4-H-Gold Seal

FAVORITE FOODS FAIR WINNERS

The Favorite Foods Fair was held at Hanford West High School on February 6, 2010. Nineteen (19) members participated. The results were as follows:

Mini member: Mary Rosa, Kings Harvest 4-H
Junior Division: Jocelyn Morris, Guernsey 4-H
Intermediate Division: Ashley Olson, Oakvale 4-H
Senior Division: Aaron Avila, Kings Harvest 4-H
Overall Winner: Alivia Mize, Delta View 4-H

PLACE SETTING CONTEST WINNERS

Thirteen (13) Kings County 4-H members and one (1) adult participated in the Kings County 4-H Place Setting Contest on February 6th, 2010. The winners are:

Junior Division: Macey Hammerstrom, Oakvale 4-H
Intermediate Division: Darian Roeber, Kings Harvest 4-H
Senior Winner: None
Overall Winner: Tara Fry, Oakvale, 4-H
Adult Winner: Laura Hardt, Oakvale, 4-H
4-H SHOOTING SPORTS WORKSHOP
Rifle Discipline
El Centro, CA

Saturday, June 12, 2010 – 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 13, 2010 – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at Border Tactical Range, 925 North Imperial Avenue, in El Centro, CA (Imperial County). 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://bordertactical.com


COUNTYWIDE RABBIT MEETING

There will be a countywide rabbit meeting on Thursday, March 25th 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.

14TH ANNUAL 2010 STATE 4-H HORSE CLASSIC

The rules and entry forms are now available online for the State 4-H Horse Classic – Educational Contests. The event will be held at Reedley College, Reedley, CA (25 miles southeast of Fresno) on April 24 & 25. Entries are due April 1st. Late entries will be accepted until April 15th with a $5.00 late fee.

Go to http://ca4h.org/projresource/horse/classic.asp for further information. If you have any questions, please e-mail or call Jeanne George at: jlgeorge@ucdavis.edu Phone: (530) 527-3101

The Championship 4-H Horse Show information and rules will be posted soon at the same website. The dates are June 25-27, 2010 at Santa Cruz County Fair, Watsonville, CA. Entries are due June 1st with an Early Bird Special by May 15th, 2010.

LCORT 2010

LCORT Group photo minus the All Stars, as they were preparing for their session.
O.D. "Mac" McCUTCHEON MEMORIAL 4-H AG SCHOLARSHIP

Mr. McCutcheon was the Agronomy Farm Advisor for the University of California Cooperative Extension in Kings County from 1947 to 1982. A native of West Virginia, he left the university there just one class short of his degree, to serve in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Following the war, he finished his degree at UC Davis. Even before working for Cooperative Extension, he served as a 4-H leader, a Farm Advisor, and continued to support the Kings County 4-H program as a leader and parent.

This $500 scholarship is awarded annually to a present or former Kings County 4-H member who is graduating from high school and planning to major in agronomy or another discipline in agriculture. Students must have completed at least three years in the Kings County 4-H program.

Preference will be given to students planning to major in agronomy or crop science. If there is no sufficiently qualified applicant in this major, consideration will be given to those majoring in any other forms of agriculture, including agri-business.

Applications are available at the CE Office. Submit it along with the biography and transcript by April 15th to: University of California Cooperative Extension Office at 680 N. Campus Dr., Hanford, CA.

EVERETT "FUZZY" FEAVER MEMORIAL 4-H SCHOLARSHIP

This $500 scholarship is awarded annually to a present Kings County 4-H member who is graduating from high school and planning additional education at a vocational school, community college or four-year college or university. The member must have already completed at least two years of 4-H at the time of application.

The emphasis for selection of the recipient will be on the leadership and community service exhibited by the member in 4-H and other settings. Applicants must submit their completed 4-H record book from last year along with the application.

Applications are available at the CE Office. Submit the following by April 15th to: University of California Cooperative Extension Office at 680 N. Campus Dr., Suite A, Hanford, CA 93230:
the application
the page as described in #7 of the application
4-H record book as of last year.
(Do not include records from the current club year.)

BROCK JARRETT TOLEDO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Applications for the Brock Jarrett Toledo Memorial Scholarship are now available at the Kings County Cooperative Extension Office, at all Kings County High School Ag Departments, and through the California Holstein Association. Applications may also be obtained by writing Mr. and Mrs. Ron Toledo, 242 Star Drive, Hanford, CA, 93230.

Applicants must be graduating seniors from Kings County, or graduating seniors and members in good standing of the California Jr. Holstein Assn., planning to attend a college or university with a major in Agriculture.

Applicants must also be a member or former member of 4-H for a minimum of four years, and enrolled in dairy or livestock projects. Applications must be postmarked no later than March 31, 2009.

STATEWIDE 4-H COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are now available. High school seniors and those in college are eligible to apply. Scholarships are available in a number of various criteria and award amounts. Applications must be postmarked by April 30, 2010, and sent to the California State 4-H Office. All required information must be included with the application to be considered. The California State 4-H Office will notify recipients by June 1, 2010. Checks will be sent by August 1, 2010. For more information and applications, go to http://ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/index.asp.

SOUTH CENTRAL SECTION SCHOLARSHIPS

The South Central Section Scholarship applications are now available. There is a total of $1500 available to be used for scholarships of $250 each. Please see the application on the Kings County 4-H website for qualifications. Applications and/or accompanying documents must be postmarked by April 2, 2010.
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.

STAFF POSITION WITH THE CALIFORNIA FOCUS TEAM

Needed: Young adults ages 18-25 who have been in the workforce for one year or have attended college for one year, and who would be interested in a staff position with the California Focus team. They are looking for applicants with strong leadership and mentoring skills. An interest in history and politics is desirable but not required. Please contact the CE Office if you are interested and for job description.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT THE 4-H OFFICE

We are always looking for volunteers at the office. If you are available anytime on Tuesdays and Thursdays, please stop by or contact Denise Cuendett at 582-3211 Ext. 2734.
We are currently looking for volunteers to work on putting a cookbook together, which will contain all the Favorite Foods recipes.

INTERVIEW SKILLS WORKSHOP

March 18, 2010
6:00 pm UCCE Office
Sue Lafferty & Denise Cuendett

Tongue tied, shy or just plain bashful. Think your good looks will get you the job. Come and see how you can improve that Emerald Star, All Star or a job interview with easy to learn skills. Be prepared to actively participate in this important skills workshop. Sign up for this workshop on the 4-H website.

STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

LET'S GET READY TO LEAD

July 29th through August 2nd you will begin a journey of a lifetime at UC Davis. Meet new friends through the intense recreational activities, become more knowledgeable about your leadership mission through the educational workshops, and be inspired by the secret agent speakers and commander in chief in every assembly! Be pump, be armed, and be ready for the conference that will help you develop as a leader and benefit your Operation 4-H Journey! State Leadership Conference is ready for you, but can you handle this much extreme???
SLC 2010 Operation 4-H: July 29th – August 1st, 2010 at UC Davis
SIGN UP NOW!

FARM DAY

The Kings County Farm Bureau, the Kings County Office of Education, and the Kings Fair are proud to present Kings County Farm Day, an educational enrichment program for all third graders in the county. Farm Day will take place on March 11, 2010 at the Kings Fairgrounds.
4-H members who are interested in presenting at Farm Day, please contact Loretta Toledo at 584-5177 or Diana Peck at the Farm Bureau at 584-3557.

NEED TO FUNDRAISE FOR THE WASHINGTON OR CA FOCUS TRIP IN 2011?

Please contact the office if you would like to fundraise for these trips in 2011.
We have no 4-H members going on either of these two trips in 2010. Please contact the office and let us know if you would like to be part of a fundraising group this year. Cheryl Mattos has offered to help with the group who would like to fundraise.
EMERALD STAR PROJECT
Animal Shelter and SPCA Project

Laine Tompkins and Cayci Allison from Island 4-H club are working on their Emerald Star Project by collecting donations to help local animal shelters. Their project runs throughout the months of February and March. The Kings County Animal Services and the SPCA are filled to capacity with animals waiting for adoptive families. There are over 200 dogs at the County Animal Services center alone.

For their Emerald Star Project, Laine Tompkins and Cayci Allison from Island 4-H Club, are collecting supplies and/or money donations to help fill some of these needs. Some of their greatest needs are, blankets, towels, dry dog and cat food, cat litter, bleach, paper towels, washer and dryer, microwave, garbage bags, collars & leashes.

Donations can be dropped off at the Lemoore Animal Clinic and the CE Office. If you are unable to drop off your items, please call Cayci at (559) 816-8690 or Laine at (559) 816-2131.

Thank you for your support! Laine & Cayci

BLOOD DRIVE
EMERALD STAR PROJECT

Alicia Couto from Island 4-H is working on her Emerald Star Project. She will be having a community-wide blood drive at West Hills Community College on Wednesday, March 17, 2010 from 3:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Blood is a precious and vital resource. Please come out and support her in her Emerald Star Project. If you want more information about the blood drive, please feel free to contact Alicia at iheart4h@hughes.net Your help is greatly needed.

VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED FOR MARCH 20TH

KINGS COUNTY K-9 UNIT
Fundraiser for our K-9 Heroes

There will be a meeting at the Fairgrounds at the beef showing on March 13th at 1:30 pm for all volunteers.

- 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. They will be washing dogs, working with silent auction and helping with the concession stand. 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!

EMERALD STAR PROJECT
4-H MILLION TREES PROJECT

Caitlyn Cardoza from Grangeville 4-H is working on her Emerald Star. Caitlyn is encouraging all 4-H clubs in Kings County to Join the Million Trees Project (http://www.4hmilliontrees.org/) and assist to prevent global warming. By planting trees we can prevent global warming and help reduce atmospheric CO2. With the help of the Arbor Day Foundation (arborday.org/4h) each club can receive 12 trees suitable for planting in our area for just $12 dollars. For more information on how to join call Caitlyn Cardoza at 582-7816.
KINGS NURSING & REHABILITATION CENTER
EMERALD STAR PROJECT

My name is Ryan Olson 6 year member of the Oakvale 4-H Club. I am working on my Emerald Star Project and am asking for the help of the clubs in our county.

I am working with the Kings Nursing & Rehabilitation Center in Hanford. The flower beds that border the yards where the residents sit during the spring and summer are bare with only a couple of bushes and weeds. I will be planting rose bushes in these flower beds on Saturday, March 6, 2010 at 10:00 am.

This is where I am requesting help. I have some rose bushes donated, but still need about 20 more. If your club or any member, leader, or family of 4-H would like to donate one or more bushes it would be great. Please contact me at 260-5158, 897-7950, or email to jgrao@csufresno.edu.

I am also looking for members and leaders to join the residents who are able to help and I for the cleaning of the flower beds and planting of the rose bushes. This will take place on Saturday, March 6 at 10:00 am. If you could email the information to the same email address as to what club and how many volunteers will be coming it would help with my planning, as I will be bringing water and snacks for everyone also. It would also be beneficial for any volunteers who have garden tools; rakes, shovels, hoes, hula hoes, gloves, etc. to bring those also.

The address of the Kings Nursing & Rehabilitation Center is 851 Leslie Lane and is just north of Hanford-Armona Road.

These residents are so excited about being able to work with us and make their back yard a place to go and enjoy the flowers.

Please join me in this fun day!

MAKE IT YOURSELF WITH WOOL CONTEST

The Make It Yourself With Wool Contest was held in Bakersfield on January 17th at Hodel’s Restaurant. The following members placed in their respective age groups. Congratulations to all our members who participated.

From left to right: Ashley Olson, Oakvale: 1st in modeling (Pre-Teen), 2nd in construction (Pre-Teen), Ronnie Barberio, Guernsey: 2nd in modeling (Juniors), 1st in construction (Accessories), Beaujena De Silva, Grangeville: 1st in modeling (Juniors), 1st in construction (Juniors), Lauren Smith, Lemoore: 2nd in construction (Juniors), 3rd in construction (Made for others) and Tiffany Ellen, Oakvale: 1st in modeling (Made for others).

ALL STAR APPLICATIONS

Applications are due in the CE Office on April 2, 2010

All eligible members will soon be sent information about applying to be an All Star. Candidates should notify the UCCE office by Friday, March 26, 2010 if they intend to apply. Application materials are due Friday, April 2nd. Interviews will be held Thursday, April 15. All Star information is available on the Kings County Website under Forms & Events.
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.

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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.

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2010-2011 4-H STATE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM
Information for Youth and Adults
http://www.ca4h.org/leadership/ambassador/

Application Due March 31, 2010

The California 4-H State Ambassador Program is a working honor that provides 4-H members expanded opportunities to serve the University of California 4-H Youth Development Program. The 4-H State Ambassador position is one of the highest service opportunities and recognition attainable in the University of California 4-H Youth Development Program. 4-H State Ambassador are youth who have excelled in the areas of leadership and community service, and have been selected to serve the 4-H Youth Development Program in roles that promote leadership through education and service. 4-H State Ambassador Advisors are adult volunteers who are experienced in working with older youth in a youth-adult partnership atmosphere.

4-H State Ambassadors and 4-H State Ambassador Advisors are selected in order to:

1. Act as State 4-H representatives to various local, sectional and statewide programs and activities; including providing public presentations, workshops and leadership development opportunities.
2. Coordinate the planning and implementation of the 4-H State Leadership Conference.
3. Provide donor stewardship support to The California 4-H Foundation.
4. Identify needs in the 4-H Youth Development and either develop or recommend strategies for improvement.

Term:
4-H State Ambassadors are expected to make a 14-month commitment to the program beginning on July 1, 2010 and ending August 31, 2011. 4-H State Ambassadors may only serve one term.

Eligibility Requirements:
Youth: 4-H State Ambassador candidates must have completed at least one year as a California 4-H member. 4-H State Ambassador candidates must be at least 16 years old on July 1, 2010 and no older than 18 as of December 31, 2010.
Adult: 4-H State Ambassador Advisor candidates must be a 4-H volunteer leader with at least one year of experience in facilitating and challenging teens in the duties associated with being a 4-H State Ambassador. Adult advisors must be at least 21 years of age on July 1, 2010. Preference will be given to those not related to any current 4-H State Ambassador youth candidate.

Sponsorship of the 4-H State Ambassador Program:
The Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Foundation provide financial sponsorship of the California 4-H State Ambassador Program, which includes ambassador travel and other expenses, through The California 4-H Foundation.

ATTENTION ALL 4-H FAIR INDOOR EXHIBITORS
Please take note of some changes that will be made at this years 4-H Fair. Changes of limits and combining of classes have been made based on the number of entries/exhibitors for the past two years. The fair book with all of the changes will be available soon. You will be able to access it online at our 4-H website or receive a copy from your Community Club Leader after the March 2nd meeting.
We look forward to seeing all of you there with your projects on May 6, 2010. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Headrick, Indoor Chairperson at: 584-4600

SPIRIT STICK NEWS
The winner of the Spirit Stick is Lemoore 4-H Club.
Congratulations!!!
SHOOTING SPORTS – ARCHERY MATCH
Kings County 4-H Fair
Archery Match
Lemoore 4-H Invitational
Archery Match
Saturday, March 27, 2010
Location: The Barry residence, 21134 Grangeville Blvd., Lemoore
Time: 8:45 a.m.
Entry Fee: (non refundable) $10.00 per person/per class, for one tournament and $15.00 for both. (Proceeds pay for targets and awards)
Entry form/fee/medical release forms are due on Friday, March 19, 2010.
Entry forms are due to Stan Barry and can be mailed to his address above.
All entrants are to bring their own bow and arrows and must be enrolled in a 4-H shooting sports archery project in order to participate.
For more information, contact Stan at (559) 924-8259 or 974-2551 or email at: stanbarry@ymail.com

2010 CALIFORNIA CAMPING CONFERENCE AND ARCHERY CERTIFICATION
April 23 – 25, 2010

The 2010 California Camping Conference will be held at the Nevada 4-H Camp near Stateline, Nevada (at Lake Tahoe) on April 23 – 25, 2010. The conference serves as a valuable resource for camp administrators, camp staff (youth and adult), and Extension Staff in planning and implementing all types of camp programs. Important conference topics include the new Camp Safety Manual addressing California Health and Safety Code requirements for camps; engaging fun activities for your camps; archery certification; and camp staff training.
Conference fee is $120 per person and includes meals, lodging and materials. Be sure to mark the date on your calendar for this important event. Visit the website for more information and registration forms or contact the California 4-H Youth Development Program Office at:(530) 754-8518.

HIGH 4-H BOWLING
There will be a High 4-H bowling event held on March 21st at the Kings County Bowling Alley. Anyone 4-H member in 8th grade and up may participate. Please be sure to bring money for shoes and games. The event will run from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please be sure to contact Justin Semas at 583-6674.

2010 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS- ARCHERY WORKSHOP
April 23 – 25, 2010

A training course for the 4-H archery discipline will be offered as a workshop at the 2010 California Camping Conference. The conference will take place at the Nevada 4-H Camp in Stateline, Nevada (Lake Tahoe). Cost for the conference includes $120 and includes meals, lodging, and course materials. Upon successful completion of the course, participants will be certified as archery volunteers and can instruct archery club projects and camp programs.
Registrations are due by April 8, 2010. To download a copy of the registration form, visit the Camping Website at: http://groups.ucanr.org/%5F4hbaseca/ and click on the bar that reads “2010 Camp Conference Registration Form”. For more information about registering for this course contact John Borba at (661) 868-6216 or email: jaborba@ucdavis.edu
Woodlake 4-H Archery Match
March 20, 2010 @ 9:00 AM

All 4-H Members are welcome to attend!

There will be 3 age groups and 4 shooting classes. Members will shoot 28 targets and 2 arrows per target, distances will vary depending on age. Awards given for 1st through 6th place. The match will be held at the Woodlake Antelope Archers range, which is just north of the Woodlake Rodeo grounds.

$10.00 entry fee
Lunch will be available following the match for $5.00 (chili dogs, chips, drink and dessert)
For more information contact John or Michele Dow
564-2884 or 804-1769 dowgirl@msn.com

--------------------------------please cut along line and mail with entry fee-----------------------------------------

4-Hr’s Name_____________________________ Club__________________________________
Address________________________________________________________________________
Age___________ Shooting Class________________________________________
Phone Number________________________________________

***Please mail to 38724 Road 206, Woodlake, CA 93286 with entry fees***
DELTA VIEW 4-H CLUB
Reporter: Royce Caetana

The February 8 meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m. by President Chasidee White. The flag salute was led by Royce Caetana and the 4-H Pledge was led by Jennifer Ponce. Secretary Alivia Mize read the minutes of the last meeting. Report was approved. No Treasures Report was given.

Project Reports: were given for Arts and Crafts, Cooking and Dog Care and Training.

Old Business: The club will have a Record Book Meeting at the March 4-H Meeting. We had two members attend Presentation Day and the Favorite Foods Fair. Leann Mize presented an Interpretive Reading and Won a Gold Seal. Alivia Mize entered into the Favorite Foods Fair and took overall best in her category. Leann performed her Interpretive Reading for the Club. She did a great job.

New Business: The Club talked about having some Club Shirts made. Anyone who has any ideas can bring them to the next meeting. A price list will be given out.

Our Community Leader: Paul Silva talked about the different Scholarships that are available to 4-H High School Seniors. There will be a Judging Day Workshop that will be held 2/20/10. The Interview Skills workshop will be held 3/18 at the UCCE Office. Anyone interested in presenting at Farm Days on 3/11 can contact Loretta Toledo. April 17 will be the Sectional County Presentation Day held in Kings County. The winner of the Candy Guess Jar was Julien Bernal. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

GRANGEVILLE 4-H CLUB
Reporter: Ashley Daniel

The Grangeville 4H meeting was called to order at 6:36 by President Maddy Wisecarver. Beaujena DeSilva led the Flag Salute and Riley Mello led the 4H Pledge. The Secretary’s minutes and Treasures reports were given and approved. Our Sunshine Officers celebrated February birthday’s. Happy Birthday!!! Project reports were given and everyone that attended LCORT stood up and gave their opinion on the trip. Everyone had a great time. Presentation Day was discussed. Upcoming activities were given and Leaders Announcements made, along with the roll of members. The meeting was adjourned and Valentine Snacks were served.

ISLAND 4-H CLUB
Reporter: Steven Allison

We started off our meeting with the members who attended Presentation Day as they gave their report. We had a presentation by Cayci Allison and Laine Tomkins on their Emerald Star project in which they are helping the "Forgotten Ones" in our community, by collecting donations to support the local animal shelters. The club also discussed the upcoming events (lots to do) and finished off with making Valentine Cards for the Seniors!!

KINGS HARVEST 4-H CLUB
Reporter: Calem Bell

Kings Harvest 4H meeting was called to order by Aaron Avila. Emily Rosa called roll and read the minutes. Macey read the treasurer's report. Loretta gave information about Great Western and DHIA interviews. McKenzie Harris gave information about the next scrapbooking meetings. Welding meeting will be held on Feb. 20 at Chambi Fence and they will be doing a cutting project from 2-4 pm. Members all gave their project reports. We were reminded to keep saving our pull-tabs for Ronald McDonald House. Loretta and Sue talked about Farm Day coming up on March 11, and members were encouraged to get involved in the Fashion Review on April 10 at Lemoore Trinity Hall. Sue gave information about Emerald Star Project for those completing theirs and passing, and also for those members who are 14 years old and interested in the next one. We talked about the Judging Day at the Hooper's residence coming up on Feb. 20. Members were encouraged to attend Regional Presentation Day on April 17 here in Hanford. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 and refreshments were served.

KINGS RIVER 4-H CLUB
Reporter Isaac Ceja

We had our meeting on February 8, 2010 at the Kings River Hardwick School's cafeteria. Our members that went to Presentation Day gave reports on Place Setting, and Favorite Foods Fair. We talked about Poultry Judging/Showmanship which is going to be at the Fresno Fairgrounds on February 20, 2010. We also talked about Livestock Judging Day thats going to be at the Hooper's residence on February 20, 2010. We also talked about Farm Day that is going to be at the Kings Fairgrounds on March 11, 2010. We were told that if anybody is interested in doing a presentation for Farm Day on agriculture they need to call the Farm Bureau first. We were told that contracts for Replacement Heifers and Yearling Heifers are due to Ms. Pimentel by March 5, 2010. Members that attended Project meetings gave their reports and we also announced meetings that are coming up. We collected shoes for the people of Haiti and are going to be taken to Brown's Shoe store later this week.
LEMOORE 4-H
Reporter Hailee French

The meeting of the Lemoore 4-H club was called to order at 6:34 p.m. on January 12, 2010 at the West Hills Conference Center. Riley Cummings lead the Pledge of Allegiance and Tony Alcala lead the 4-H Pledge. In old business, we discussed County Presentation Day and who will be involved this year. Updates on our fundraisers for this year have had a good turn out and information for the Shooting Sports Workshop was provided. In new business, we discussed LCOURT and orientation, the Fair Boosters pork/beef diner, 4-H Fair Planning meeting, State Ambassador program, Regional Presentation Day, the need for volunteers to help out the CE office in Hanford, following our project reports and leader reports. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

The meeting of the Lemoore 4-H club was called to order at 6:35 p.m. on February 9, 2010 at the West Hills Conference Center. After the Pledge of Allegiance and 4-H Pledge our club announced the news that we have won the Spirit Stick for the first time. Great job Lemoore! This was due to the members who attended County Presentation Day. Lauren Smith came up with a great cheer and gave our club a demonstration. Two Island 4-H Club members gave an informative presentation on Kings County SPCA and the need for volunteers as well as supplies to keep the animals cared for until they can be adopted out. In old business, we talked about the results of County Presentation Day, LCOURT and the Fair Booster’s dinner. In New Business we discussed Regional Presentation Day, the poultry show in Fresno, Farm Day, UCD Days, Interview Skills Workshop, Fashion Revue Program, Haiti earthquake victims in need, CE office volunteers, closing with project and leader reports. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

MID VALLEY 4-H CLUB
Reporter Tyler Johnson

The Feb. 8th Mid Valley 4-H meeting was called to order by President Ryan Dias. Tyler led the flag salute and Justin with the 4-H pledge. Secretary’s and treasurer’s report were both given and approved. We had two guest speakers come and talk to us about donations to SPCA and animal shelters. It was their Emerald Star project. One of our leaders mentioned that they should put up a display at the dog show coming up at the fairgrounds. Project reports- Along with other project reports, there was a Cake Decorating Meeting that the members learned how to make roses and boarders.

Old Business- Justin talked about LCORT and how the Kings County All Stars did a session on the "Domino Positive Affect" where you can say positive things about 4-H and then revise it about yourself. You put your name on a domino piece and then set them up to work together.

Tyler gave a report on the Favorite Foods Fair and County Presentation Day.

New Business- Talked about all the events coming up especially the 4-H Judging workshop. Also talked about Trevor and Maddie giving presentations at the Farm Day for 3rd graders. Mrs. Johnson gave her community leader report and reminded seniors to turn in their scholarship applications and paperwork to the High School office.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

A big thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who have been taking time out of their busy schedules to help in the CE Office every week. We appreciate all your hard work and effort since we are very short staffed at this time.

Thanks from the staff at the CE Office.