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4-H Youth Talk

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WASHINGTON FOCUS 2011



4-H members who will be 16 or will have completed the 10th grade by June/July 2010 are eligible to attend the Citizenship Washington Focus program in Washington

D.C. during the summer of 2011. If you are interested in attending Washington Focus in the Summer of 2011, complete a C.E. application by Friday, September 10, 2010. Interviews will be held at a later date. The application and more information are available at:

<http://www.citizenshipwashingtonfocus.org/>

CALIFORNIA FOCUS 2011

June 17-21, 2011 in 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 2011 California Citizenship Focus Program. At California Focus, you become a registered voter in the state of Sierra Cascade and take on all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities of citizenship. You learn how government works and enjoy the traditions and history of the Capitol. A visit with your elected officials is the highlight of the 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. For more information: <http://ucanr.org/sites/UC4-H/Projects/Citizenship/Focus/CF/>

The CE Office does not have applications or dates at this time.

The Kings County 4-H Council offers six scholarships of 1/3 of the fee to each member attending 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 2009-10 club year to qualify. The scholarships will be awarded to the first six to submit their record book from last year and a completed application and request a scholarship. A waiting list will be maintained after the first six in case one of those does not attend. Members may only receive this scholarship 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.

ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT

Saturday, October, 2, 2010



4-H'ers will receive their county recognition pins for record book judging. The new All Stars will be introduced, along with Emerald Star recognition. Each club is asked to bring two dozen cookies for the reception afterward.

4-H WEEK



Church services will be held at St. Brigid's Church on **Saturday, October 2, 2010**, 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.

STATE FASHION REVUE "OPERATION COVER-UP"



The 2011 4-H State Fashion Revue Committee is requesting your help with this year's community service project "Operation Cover-Up". It is our goal to have every member enrolled in 4-H to make one child's hospital gown. The committee will donate them to various hospitals around the state after being displayed at the State Fashion Revue Contest on May 28, 2011.

The pattern we are using is free and you can find it on the internet from Lazy Girl Designs at: <http://www.lazygirldesigns.com/hospitalgown.php>.

If you have any questions, feel free to e-mail Karli Draxler at chat2kd@unwiredbb.com, or see the State website for additional information.

SAFETY NOTES



For information on safety notes please go to: http://groups.ucanr.org/ehs/4h/newsletter_items.htm

There are a variety of safety summaries concerning 4-H projects.

CLUB BANK ACCOUNTS

All bank accounts must use the UCCE 4-H office mailing address as the address of record. No UCCE or 4-H staff should be signatories on 4-H accounts. The County Director or designee must review all monthly statements. Failure to follow the policies can result in revoking of the club or unit's charter. All check images must be on bank statements. (All banking changes must be in place no later than July 1, 2011).



JUNIOR FAIR BOARD



Applications for the Junior Fair Board are available at the Kings County Fair office. Applicants must be in 8th Grade through High School. If you have any questions, please call Loretta Toledo (584-5177) or Sue Lafferty (584-4756)



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). ***LEADERS AND MEMBERS MAY NOT SIGN AGREEMENTS.***

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.



COUNTY WIDE POULTRY MEETING

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. Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 20 at 6:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Don Mattos at 582-4621.

COUNTYWIDE POULTRY PROJECT TO START AVIAN BOWL TEAMS!



Don Mattos is planning to start an Avian Bowl Team with his County-Wide Poultry Project. They will be competing at poultry shows throughout the state in the Junior and Senior categories. Any 4-H member interested in being a part of this new and exciting team, please add poultry when enrolling this year. Any questions please call Don at 58 2-4621.



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, 2011 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, 2010 Applicants submit a plan for their Emerald Star Program. Interviews will be on **September 10, at 6:00 p.m.**

Sept. 2010 - June 2011- Projects must be completed during the 2010-11 club year. Members wishing to apply for All Star in 2011 must complete their project before applying in April.

January 2011 - 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 2011.

April 2011 - 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, 2010!



EMERALD STAR INTERVIEWS



Emerald Star Interviews will be held at the CE Office on Thursday, September 6, at 6:00 pm

COUNTY-WIDE DOG CARE & TRAINING PROJECT



Project Leaders:
Julie Stine (559) 824-4321
Steve Smith (559) 582-9467

All classes will be held on Saturdays and will be at the Kings Fairgrounds in the Dairy Show Arena.

Meeting Schedule 2010-11

Date	Time	Location
Sat. 9/25	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena
Sat 10/30	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena
Sat 11/20	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena
Sat 12/4	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena
Sat 1/22	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena
Sat 2/12	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena
Sat 3/12	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena
Sat 4/2	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena
Sat 4/23	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena
Sat 5/7	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena

lease 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.

COUNTY WIDE DOG PROGRAM



Teen Leaders are needed to help with the County Wide Dog Program. Contact Pam Smith (559) 582-9467 or Julie Stine (559) 824-4321.

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:

September 7, 2010
October 5, 2010
Wed., November 3, 2010 (Tues. is Election Day)
January 4, 2011
February 1, 2011
March 1, 2011
April 5, 2011
May 3, 2011

4-H COUNCIL BARBECUE

Saturday, November 13, 2010



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. 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.



OLD DRESS REVUE PHOTOS

The State 4-H Fashion Revue committee is compiling a manual for the state event which can also be used for enhancing county events. They are looking for history and photos from the Dress Revue or Fashion Revue (as it was later called) which was held during the State Leadership Conference at UC Davis. If you have any historical facts, tidbits, or photos could you please send them to *Sue Moore who is the 4-H YD Program Manager in Tuolumne County*. If you could scan the photographs or news articles that would be appreciated. If you send Sue the originals, she will scan them and mail them back. Thank you so much! [Email: samoore@ucdavis.edu](mailto:samoore@ucdavis.edu)



2011 WESTERN REGIONAL 4-H LEADERS FORUM

**“Cruising to 4-H Excellence” -
May 7 - 14, 2011 - Cruise from
Seattle, Washington to Alaska**

Join 4-H leaders from 13 western states. The forum will be held aboard the Holland America cruise ship MS Westerdam; departing Seattle on Saturday, May 7, visiting five ports of call in Southern Alaska and Canada, returning to Seattle on Saturday, May 14, 2011. Financial assistance will be available from the Kings County 4-H Council.

Additional information is available at: <http://4h.wsu.edu/conferences/2011wrlf/index.html>.



NEW LEADERS ORIENTATION September 20, 7-9 p.m. at the CE Office

All adults who are enrolling as 4-H leaders for the first time (project leaders, assistant leaders, club leaders, etc.) must attend an orientation before being officially appointed as a leader. Please encourage the attendance of new leaders, as it is absolutely necessary that they complete an orientation in order to be a 4-H leader. Please contact Denise at dhcuendett@ucdavis.edu

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.



2010 CALIFORNIA 4-LEADERS' FORUM IN ASILOMAR,

**November 5-7, 2010
“Upgrade! S.E.T. Your System! Go!”**



The 2010 Forum will be November 5-7 at the beautiful Asilomar Conference Center in Pacific Grove, hosted by the South Central Section. The theme is **“Upgrade! S.E.T. Your System! Go!”** Volunteer leaders and staff will be “Building Solid Foundations” together for the 4-H youth development program. [Registration Materials \(PDF\)](#) - **Due by September 1, 2010.**

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.

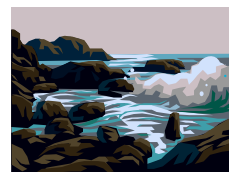
Some of the best, **most practical learning** for 4-H leaders happens there. You'll come home loaded with ideas and activities and the enthusiasm to implement them. You will return with a deeper understanding of the 4-H mission, a stronger sense of what has to happen to accomplish it, and an expanded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

Cost for a double room is \$106 - \$124 per person per night, including meals. Further information will be available at: <http://ca4h.org/conference/slf/>. 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.





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. You can be sure a Brighter Day bag will Brighten a day of child in need! We are back and will be until we finish our goal . We made close to 150 bags last year and we are still moving forward to reaching our goal. I have pledged to help Children in our county, Our Country and our world!

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.



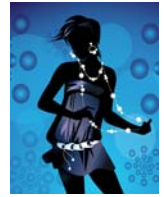
RIVER CLEANUP PROJECT 2010 YOUTH AND ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Saturday, September 25, 2010
9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**Water, Gloves and a Thank You Lunch
will be provided.**

In 2009 over 5,980 lbs of trash was collected from the Kings River. Please join us this year to help clean up trash from the Kings River. This is a great way for families, students, service groups and neighbors to join together to take care of our river environment, show community support for our shared natural resources and have FUN! This is also a great way to earn community service hours. To register to participate, please go to: www.coastal.ca.gov/publiced/ccd/counties/kings.html or contact Keith Winkler at: 639-8795 or by email at pimo@att.net and Rick Krick at 639-0097 or by email at: richard.a.krick@navy.mil

KARLI'S CORNER State Fashion Revue News for 2011



Theme: Fashion Sense
Challenge: The \$15 Challenge
Community Service: Kid's Hospital Gowns
Requesting: Program Cover Design.

Come to the next Leaders Council Meeting to get the latest information or email Karli Draxler at:

Chat2kd@unwiredbb.com



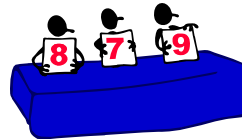
CALIFORNIA 4-H TECHNOLOGY LEADERSHIP TEAM'S PICASA WEB ALBUM

You are invited to view California 4-H Technology Leadership Team's photo album: State Field Day 2010/Fashion Revue. Click on this link:to view: <http://picasaweb.google.com>

To share your photos or receive notification when your friends share photos, get your own Picasa Web Albums account.

Contact Karli Draxler at: Chat2kd@unwiredbb.com

JUDGES FOR STATE RECORD BOOK- JUDGING



The State 4-H Office is recruiting judges for **2010 State 4-H Record Book Judging** to be held at UC Davis, December 3-5, 2010.

Judges will take part in a Friday evening orientation and two days of judging. Applications are available at:

<http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/recordbook/competition.asp> and are **due September 29, 2010.**



COUNTYWIDE 4-H RABBIT MEETING

There will be a countywide rabbit meeting on **Thursday, September 23rd** 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



STATE 4-H FIELD DAY

May 28, 2011 at UC Davis

The State 4-H Field Day is an event for the entire family! 4-H members, siblings, parents, and volunteers can participate in numerous activities that take place during the event, which is held at the UC Davis campus each year.

Events held at the State 4-H Field Day:

- State 4-H Presentation Day
- State 4-H Fashion Revue
- Plant Science Contest
- Judging Contest
- Logo Design Contest
- Exhibits and Displays
- Photography Contest
- Film Festival

Some activities at the State 4-H Field Day require qualification and pre-registration. Information about the 2011 State 4-H Field Day will be available in January 2011. Should you have any questions, please call the State 4-H Field Day Hotline at (530) 752-4790. Or visit the State 4-H website link at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/>

CLUB REPORTS– NONE

Delta View 4-H

Reporter: Royce Caetana

Island 4-H Club

Reporter: Allison Holmes

Kings Harvest 4-H Club

Reporter: Calem Bell

Kings River 4-H Club

Reporter: Isaac Ceja

Lemoore 4-H Club

Reporter: Hailee French

Mid Valley 4-H Club Reporter:



2010 4-H NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE DAY

Clean Water. Bright Future

On October 6, 2010, millions of young people across the nation will become scientists during the third annual *4-H National Youth Science Day*. In this year's experiment, 4-H₂O, youth will learn about carbon dioxide and discover how we as a nation can reduce our environmental impact. Created to combat a shortage of American young people pursuing science college majors and careers, 4-H National Youth Science Day seeks to spark an early youth interest and leadership in science. For more info go to: <https://www.4-h.org/NYSD/>

