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4-H Youth Talk

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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 and registration forms, go to: <http://ucanr.org/sites/UC4-H/Projects/Citizenship/Focus/CF/>

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.

4-H COUNCIL BARBECUE Saturday, November 13, 2010



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 or the CE Office.



There will also be morning refreshments and a dessert booth. Come out and support 4-H.

Please bring something for the sweet shop. Label with your first name and club.

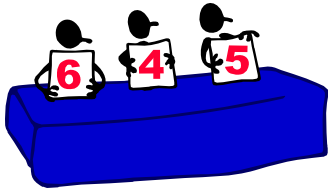
COUNCIL MEETINGS

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



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 JUDGING DAY



The Annual Kings County 4-H Judging Day will be held on **Saturday, November 13TH** 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 on Judging Day with morning refreshments and a dessert booth.



RULES FOR JUDGING DAY

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.

No discussion about classes before cards are turned in.

You will be dropped from the competition if you continue to talk after your first warning.

No touching of exhibits



ALL STARS COMMUNITY SERVICE JUDGING DAY CANNED FOOD DRIVE



This year the All-Star candidates have decided to do a little more giving back to the community. With such a large group and the holidays coming up, we have seen this years Kings County Judging Day as a great opportunity to host a canned food drive in support of the local Salvation Army.

We are currently asking all members planning on attending this years Judging Day at the Kings Fair Grounds on November 13 to please bring a can or two and help our community. We hope to see you there! If you have any questions, please contact Jalessa Rios at 583-1514 and Kinser Coelho at 589-9933



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

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.

Registration is \$45 per person before Oct.1. \$50 per person after Oct.1.

Please visit the state website for more information on room costs, meals, motivational speakers and workshops. Individual meals may be purchased at the front desk.

<http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLF>

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.

LCORT 2011

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
OF REGIONAL TEENS
January 28-30, 2011



Theme: Leadership: To Infinity and Beyond!

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

When: January 29-31, 2011

Where: Wonder Valley Ranch, Sanger, CA

Cost: \$130.00 per delegate
(\$140 after December 1, 2010)

The fee includes registration materials, lodging for two nights, three meals on Saturday and one meal on Sunday and snacks. .

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

Register online at: <http://ucanr.org/lcortreg>

Hard copy needs to be in the CE Office by January 7, 2011



2011 WESTERN REGIONAL 4-H LEADERS FORUM

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

Welcome to the 2011 Western Regional 4-H Leaders Forum – Cruising to 4-H Excellence. This year's Forum is different than those in the past. It is going to take place on M.S. Westerdam, a Holland America Line cruise ship. We will be sailing roundtrip from Seattle to Alaska in seven days. We depart on Saturday, May 7th and return on May 14th. While at sea (and sometimes in port) we will have exciting keynote presentations, workshops and group events. It will feature a Murder Mystery activity, Awards Ceremony and Workshops on Wheels.

Join 4-H leaders from 13 western states. Financial assistance will be available from the Kings County 4-H Council. Additional information is available at:
<http://4h.wsu.edu/conferences/2011wrlf/>

We are looking for the long Spirit Stick that was awarded last year, possibly at the 4-H Fair. If you have it, please return to the CE Office ASAP

STATE 4-H FIELD DAY

May 28, 2011 at UC Davis



SPIRIT STICK NEWS



The next opportunity to win the Spirit Stick is **November 13th at Judging Day**. Be prepared with your club cheer and come out and support your club!



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/> For more info go to: <https://www.4-h.org/NYSD/>

COUNTY WIDE POULTRY MEETING



Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 8 at 6:00 p.m. at the CE Multi-purpose room. If you have any questions, please contact Don Mattos at 582-4621.



COUNTYWIDE 4-H RABBIT MEETING

There will be a countywide rabbit meeting on **Thursday, November 18th** 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.

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

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 3rd.**

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 17.**





**SHOOTING SPORTS
TRAINING WORKSHOP
Rifle Discipline – Volunteer
Ukiah, CA**

**Saturday, November 6, 2010 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sunday, November 7, 2010 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

Upon successful completion of this course, 4-H leaders will be certified in the rifle shooting sports discipline. They will be certified as Volunteer Leaders and be eligible to serve a club or camp rifle project leader. There is a \$20 fee for the course. To get more information contact Linda Edginton at lgedginton@ucdavis.edu or call 707-463-4495. To register for the class you must complete the *Training Request and Registration Form* found at: <http://www.ca4h.org/files/4785.doc> and have it signed by your county 4-H staff person. Mail this form along with a check for \$20 made payable to *Mendocino County 4-H* to:
Rifle Class
890 N. Bush Street
Ukiah, CA 95482
This class is not open to leaders from Santa Cruz County or Ventura County.



4-H HAT ETIQUETTE



Let's refresh our memory as to what should be worn on the 4-H hat and where to place the various badges, pins, and stripes. Here is a brief outline, which should answer the most frequently asked questions.

The color of the cap is green through the 8th grade; white for 9th grade and above.

Year service stripes are worn directly behind the clover on the right side of the hat. They should be the opposite color of the hat.

Achievement pins (year pins) are fastened just above the service stripe for the corresponding year.

A gold stripe denotes one year completed as a Junior or Teen Leader. It replaces the regular stripe for that year.

Only one star is worn at a time; i.e. remove bronze star when silver star is achieved.

The appropriate star is worn at the front on the left side of the hat.

Immediately to the rear of the star comes the Junior or Teen Leader emblem. These are worn during the year the member is serving in this capacity only. Junior Leader must be in 6th-8th grades. Teen Leader must be in the 9th grade or above.

A gold triangle worn behind the Teen Leader patch or a gold circle worn behind the Junior Leader patch indicates the member was selected as a Leadership Development Award winner for State 4-H Conference.

Medals earned at 4-H events, for club achievements and for record book completion may be worn on either side of the hat, but usually are placed toward the back of the left side.

No other pins or ribbons should be worn. The 4-H hat should reflect dignity, not be a bulletin board.

KARLI'S CORNER State Fashion Revue News for 2011



STATE FASHION REVUE "OPERATION COVER-UP"



Theme: Fashion Sense
Challenge: The \$15 Challenge

Running short on cash this upcoming holiday season? Don't worry...enter the Fashion Revue Challenge!

This year's challenge is to use consumer science skills while showcasing creativity and keeping to the \$15 limit for an entire purchased outfit, excluding sales tax and shoes. This challenge does not require the use of a specific pattern but does have the \$15 limit. It also requires a photo of the member wearing all items in the outfit and a 70 word limit on the commentary. For information, email Karli Draxler at: Chat2kd@unwiredbb.com

2011 STATE FASHION REVUE May 28, 2011 as part of the State 4-H Field Day

Theme: Fashion Cents

Youth Chair: Karli Draxler (Kings County)
chat2kd@unwiredbb.com



SFR Committee: If you would like to be part of this state event committee (youth and adults) please contact



Mary Engebretth (Sonoma County) at: maryengebretth@comcast.net
or Sue Moore (Tuolumne County) samoore@ucdavis.edu

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SEWING? LEADERS, PARENTS, MEMBERS

Come to the CE Office on November 15 and 29 from 5-8 pm and December 27 from 1-6. In December we would like to work on Operation Cover Up.

If you have questions on sewing or sewing projects or if you are interested in sewing at any level. **Please R.S. V. P.** to let us know if you will be attending. Must bring working sewing machine, power cords and all materials needed to complete your project. If you have any questions, please call the CE office at 582-3211 Ext. 2734



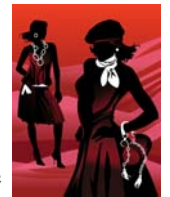
The 2011 4-H State Fashion Revue Committee is requesting your help with this year's community service project "Operation Cover-Up". It is our goal to have every member enrolled in 4-H to make one child's hospital gown. The committee will donate them to various hospitals around the state after being displayed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

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



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 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

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.

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.



4-H CAMPING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

4-H Adult volunteers and youth are still needed to serve on the Camping Advisory Committee. The application for Statewide Advisory Committees is available at the CE Office. Applications need to be signed by county staff before submitting to the State 4-H Office. Recruitment is open until filled at this time. Please contact John Borba, jaborba@ucdavis.edu or Marianne Bird, mbird@ucdavis.edu for additional questions.



ANNUAL STATE 4-H CLASSIC

In order to continue to provide the quality educational opportunities and appropriate oversight as provided in the past, the State 4-H Office is reorganizing the delivery and management of the Equine Advisory Committee and related activities for the 2010-2011 year.

The following equine activities will continue in 2010-2011:

- Western National Round-Up – Denver January 5-9, 2011
- Educational Contest-Reedley College. Date TBD Held in conjunction with the Central California State 4-H Field Day



CLUB REPORTS ATTENTION: CLUB REPORTERS

Club reports may be e-mailed to

kings4H@ucdavis.edu

Delta View 4-H

Reporter: Royce Caetana

The October 12th meeting was called to order at 6:42 by our president Carson Arnold. The Flag Salute was lead by Hannah Elberg and the 4-H Pledge was lead by Dylan DeRuiter. The Secretary's report was given by Leann Mize and the treasures report was given by Madelyn Ponce both reports were approved. Achievement Night reports were given by the 3 members that attended. Our Community Leader Paul Silva reviewed our club by laws and members approved. Paul talked about Judging Day November 13th. He reminded members about the 4-H council BBQ and that ticket money is due on October 31st. There will also be a can food drive at judging day through the 4-H allstars. A club judging practice contest was held and the members judged Dairy, Welds, Beef and Home Ec. Royce gave a presentation on how to judge a Beef animal. The club also had a pumpkin carving contest that was won by Alivia Mize. There was no candy guess jar at the meeting. Ryalee Howard has the jar for the next meeting. The meeting adjourned at 7:52.

Grangeville 4H

Reporter: Ashley Daniel, Reporter

The October meeting for Grangeville 4H began at 6:35 on October 12, 2010. Rilee Mello lead the Flag Salute and Aimee Daniel lead the 4H Pledge. The Treasurer's and Secretaries report were given. The sunshine people gave out candy for October Birthdays. Happy Birthday!!! Project reports were given. Maddy Wisecarver and Ashley Daniel discussed Achievement Night and how much fun it was. As they were the only two that represented our club, we had a Grangeville Achievement Night and handed out all of the Awards. Old and New Business was discussed. We went over all upcoming events and Leaders Announcements were given. We had a Pumpkin Carving Contest as well as a Costume Contest. 4Her of the Month was given to Ashley Daniel. Our meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Island 4-H Club

Reporter: Reed Tompkins

September Meeting

Our first meeting was held at 6:30 at Island school on September 14th. The meeting opened with the installation of our new club officers which was a candle lighting ceremony. The Sunshine club recognized the following birthdays, Rhiannon Aragon, Dalany Duncan, Courtney Grewal, Marci McEuen, & Katie Price. Members that presented at the Kings County Fair gave their reports. Our Activity was, creating and practicing our new club cheer, so we could be ready for Achievement Night. We want to keep the Spirit Stick. Our next meeting will be held on October 12th, we want everyone to come in Costume. Meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.

October Meeting

President Cayci Allison called the meeting to order at 7:01 on October 12th at Island School. We had a visitor, Mr. Jack Christenson from U.N.I.C.E.F., he explained about the organization, and how it has changed the lives of a lot of children. He left some Trick or Treat Boxes so that we can help raise money for these Children. Boxes are to be brought to the

November Meeting. All members that attended Achievement Night gave their reports and those that didn't attend received their awards. The Sunshine club recognized Tera Fry, Ryan O'Daniel and Reed Tompkins for their birthdays in October. Our Activity was to create decorations for the CE Office window that we will be decorating later this month. Plans for the November meeting were discussed, please bring some canned foods for our community service project. Our next meeting will be held on November 9, at 6:30. We will be having a pot luck dinner before the meeting.

Last names A-L please bring a main dish, and M-Z bring desert. Meeting was adjourned at 7:54.

Kings Harvest 4-H Club

Reporter: Calem Bell

Kings River 4-H Club

Reporter: Isaac Ceja

Lemoore 4-H Club

Reporter: Riley Cunning

The meeting of the Lemoore 4-H club was called to order at 6:35 PM on October 13th at Cinnamon Elementary School. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Maddie French and the 4-H pledge was lead by Riley Cunning. The secretary's report was read by Julia Stine and the treasurer's report was read by Mrs. Janice Barry. Both reports were approved. Members were invited to wrap Santa for Sailor gifts after the end of the meeting and to sign cards that would be delivered to the soldiers. In old business, we discussed achievement night and the BBQ ticket sales. We also signed up to Trick or Treat for UNICEF. The sign-ups were higher than the 2009-2010 year. We also signed up to volunteer or donate to the, "Sweet Shop", which runs during presentation day on November 13th. Lauren Smith announced we are collecting canned foods for the Salvation Army. We are also doing a canned food/ coats for kids drive. It will start at the November meeting. Our next meeting will be on November 10th at Cinnamon Elementary school. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Mid Valley 4-H Club

Reporter:

Oakvale 4-H Club

Reporter: Ally Flores