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# 4-H Youth Talk

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## CLUB OPERATIONS WORKSHOP

Tuesday, August 23, 2011 at  
6:30 pm

There will be a 4-H Club Operations Workshop on **Tuesday, August 23rd, at 6:30 p.m.** at the CE Office. Topics of discussion will include, among other things: policies for treasurers, using club by-laws, and online enrollment procedures. All leaders and club officers are welcome.

**Every club must be represented!!**

## 4-H OFFICER TRAINING SCHOOL

The annual Kings County 4-H Officers Training School will be held on **Wednesday, August 24th, 2011** at the CE Office from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Training sessions will be available for most 4-H club officers.



## YEAR-END CLUB REPORTS AND AUDITS



Club officers and leaders should remember that year-end reports for your club are **due Friday, August 12th, 2011** along with the club officer books. Don't forget to appoint an audit committee for your club soon, as all club treasuries must be audited each year. Contact the UCCE Office for guidelines on selecting a committee and conducting an audit.

## THANK YOU'S ARE IMPORTANT



For those 4-H members who received awards at the Kings Fair, please remember to write thank you notes to the donors. Call the 4-H office if you need information on the donors.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR:

### ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT

at Hanford West High School , 7:30-  
9:30 pm



Saturday, October 8, 2011

Achievement Night is when the results from the county record book judging are announced and the winners receive their county recognition pins. It is also the night when the new Kings County All Star Candidates will be introduced.

There will be special awards for the 4-H club with the largest percentage of last year's membership there and the most spirit. Encourage your fellow members to attend. Members will sit together by clubs.

Each club is asked to bring one dozen cookies for the reception afterward.





## 2011 CALIFORNIA STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE "Oh the Places You'll Go!"

July 28-31, 2011  
University of California, Davis

The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four day leadership training, networking, and Learning experience. The conference provides advanced leadership training and is an opportunity for 4-H members to network and share ideas with other 4 Hers from across the state. The conference Focuses on providing high school youth with experiential education on leadership development, civic engagement, college admissions and other 4 H project areas. Click for more information:

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

### Financial Aid for State Leadership Conference -

Through a grant from Wells Fargo and assistance from the California 4-H Foundation, financial aid is available to delegates wishing to attend the 2011 State Leadership Conference. Applications are due by **May 13, 2011** and can be downloaded here: <http://www.ca4h.org/files/53496.doc>



### HISTORY OF THE 1ST CALIFORNIA LEADERSHIP STATE CONFERENCE

In 1914, 143 4-Hers traveled to the University Farm in Davis to attend the first State 4-H Convention honoring 4-H contest winners. The 4-H members stayed for three days in canvas tents. In 1951, over 1,100 4-H Club members attended the Annual 4-H State Convention at UC Davis. Members saw demonstrations presented by prominent scientists and teachers, the selection of the state dress revue and the talent show winners.

Read more about the [1951 State 4-H Convention](#). The conference was changed in 1960 to the current 4-H State Leadership Conference to help to improve leadership skills.

## CONGRATULATIONS CALIFORNIA 4-H STATE AMBASSADOR



CAYCI ALLISON

Congratulations to Cayci Allison from Island 4-H Club. She will be representing Kings County as one of the several 4-H members selected as 2011-2012 State Ambassadors.



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 Ambassadors 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.

Cayci will start her term on July 1, 2011 and attend her orientation and training on Friday, June 10 through Sunday, June 12 at Bonita Point YMCA Conference Center in Sausalito, CA, right next to the Golden Gate Bridge.

Good luck Cayci, we know you will make us proud!



**4-H SHOOTING SPORTS  
WORKSHOP**  
Rifle Discipline  
Fortuna, CA –

**Humboldt County**

**Saturday, September 10, 2011 – 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**  
**Sunday, September 11, 2011 – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at the Fortuna Pistol Club in Fortuna. The facility is located in Rohner Park behind the rodeo grandstands. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a 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 or receive more information, contact John Borba at: [jaborba@ucdavis.edu](mailto:jaborba@ucdavis.edu) (This course is not open to 4-H leaders from Santa Cruz or Ventura Counties).

**New Leaders Orientation**

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 contact Denise at [dhcuendett@ucdavis.edu](mailto:dhcuendett@ucdavis.edu) for the dates and times for New Leaders Orientations.

**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.



**2011 California 4-H Leaders' Forum**  
**Asilomar, Pacific Grove, CA**

**November 11-13, 2011**



The 2011 Forum will be held on November 11-13 at the beautiful Asilomar Conference Center in Pacific Grove, hosted by the North Central Section.

The theme is **“The Magic of 4-H Transformation!”** Volunteer leaders and staff will be “Building Solid Foundations” together for the 4-H youth development program. Registration is **Due by September 1, 2011.**

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.

For information on registration and lodging please go to the State 4-H website at:

<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.



## STATE 4-H FIELD DAY RESULTS

Since 2002, the State 4-H Field Day takes place annually on the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend at the UC Davis campus from 8:00am until 6:00pm. The event is open to all 4-H members, volunteers, staff, and parents. Between 1,000 and 1,400 people attend the event. The event has a 'picnic' feel as people bring chairs and socialize for the day on the Wellman Hall east lawn. The State 4-H Office provides coordination and facility support. Each contest and activity is coordinated by a group of 4-H staff, volunteers, and youth.

During the event, 4-H members may participate in a variety of contests. Some contests require pre-qualification and/or pre-registration. Some are open to all during the event.

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

### Junior

*Jarred Crisp, Island 4-H, Gold*  
*Steve Allison, Island 4-H, Blue*

### Senior

*Garrett Crisp, Island 4-H, Blue*

### Intermediate

*Haden Lawton, Lemoore 4-H, Gold*  
*Haley Smith, Lemoore, 4-H, Gold*

## 2011 STATE FASHION REVUE RESULTS

### Wearable Art-Embellished-Junior

*Raine Palomino-Kings Harvest 4-H -Blue*

### Recycled Junior

*Tara Fry-Oakvale 4-H-Blue Medal*

### Recycled-Senior

*Ronni Barbeiro-Guernsey 4-H-Certificate*

### Traditional -Intermediate

*Ashley Olson-Oakvale 4-H-Blue Medal, State Winner*



## 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 6 2011  
October 4, 2011  
Wed., November 2, 2011 (Tues. is Election Day)  
January 3, 2012  
February 7, 2012  
March 6, 2012  
April 10, 2012  
May 1, 2012



## SELF-DETERMINED FRY

By Allison Mendenhall

Koi Breeding Season has finally come! This year's koi breeding is Allison Mendenhall's 5<sup>th</sup> time breeding koi, and to celebrate Allison purchased new

Oyagoi! (Oyagoi is the Japanese term that refers to the parent fish) Allison wasn't planning on breeding her koi until the end of May, but the Oyagoi had other plans. To read all about it, go to Allison's Website [www.koijazz.webs.com](http://www.koijazz.webs.com) and click on the link to read her 2011 Koi Breeding Journal.



## 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, 2012 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. 26, 2011** Applicants submit a plan for their Emerald Star Program. Interviews will be on **September 8, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.**

**September -June** - Projects must be completed during the 2011-12 club year. Members wishing to apply for All Star in 2012 must complete their project before applying in April.

**January** - 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** - 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 Friday, August 26, 2011!**

<http://cekings.ucdavis.edu/files/88224.doc>

## CLUB REPORTS

### 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:*

Enjoy your



Summer!

