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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 2011 are eligible to attend the Citizenship

Washington Focus program in Washington D.C. during the summer of 2012. If you are interested in attending Washington Focus in the Summer of 2012, complete a C.E. application by Friday, September 10, 2011. Interviews will be held at a later date. The application and more information are available at: <http://www.citizenshipwashingtonfocus.org/>



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.

JOIN THE PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE

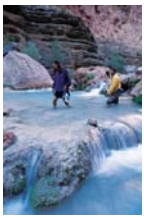


As part of 4-H's involvement with the First Lady's Let's Move! campaign, 4-H has started a group to take the President's Challenge together—and you're invited to join us! The President's Challenge is for one million Americans to complete the Presidential Active Lifestyle Award (PALA). **4-H youth are answering this call by achieving 100,000 awards by September 2011.**

The Presidential Active Lifestyle Award recognizes individuals who log their recommended physical activity for six consecutive weeks, five days a week (minimum 60 minutes for youth, 30 minutes for adults). 4-H is making this goal a top priority. National 4-H Council and Kraft are offering incentives for 4-H counties to get the most youth in their county to achieve the award. Signing up for the 4-H group is simple. All you have to do is register. It's quick, and there's no cost to participate!

How to join:

1. Go to www.presidentschallenge.org/natl4-H/
2. Fill out the registration form.
3. After registering, start logging your activities. As you log activities you'll be able to track your progress toward winning a President's Challenge Award or Medal.



YOUTH AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

KINGS RIVER CLEAN UP PROJECT
Saturday, September 17, 2011
9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Registration begins at 8:30 am
Meeting place at Burris Park

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!
In 2009 over 81.5 tons of trash was collected from the Kings River.
Water, gloves and a Thank You Lunch will be provided.
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

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 for the dates and times for New Leaders Orientations.

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:

- 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

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.

SLF SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS REQUEST



SFF Silent Auction Committee is requesting donations for the silent auction. Each county is requested to donate one or more “County Baskets” featuring items you feel are representative of all that makes your county the wonderful place it is. Baskets usually include 5-10 items and have a value of \$50 or more. All donations are tax deductible. Clubs and leaders, please drop off baskets at the CE Office by Monday, November 7, 2011.

Thank you for your support!



Fun Fun Fun in the Sun Sun Sun!!!

You are invited to the 1st Annual Dog Care Picnic in the Park

When: September 17, 2011, 12 noon until ????

Where: Freedom Park (9 1/4 Avenue) Hanford

Why: So you can meet this year's Dog Care leaders

Steve Smith

Sonia Borges

Rhonda Stephens

Pam Brasil

And so the leaders, teen, and junior leaders get to know you (no dogs please)!!

Please bring your own lunch, and a picture of your dog. There will be games and plenty of fun. We would really like to get to know you and hope to see you this year in the Dog Care project!!!!!!!!!!



THE CALIFORNIA MAKE IT WITH WOOL COMPETITION

Enter the "Make It Yourself With Wool" Contest **November 5, 2011 in Hollister, San Benito County.**

This is a sewing competition to promote the beauty and versatility of wool fabrics and yarn. State winners go to the National MIWW Competition in Scottsdale AZ. Anyone can enter.

For additional information and entry forms contact Robin Sando at: robin@sandofamily.com
National website: www.makeitwithwool.com



2012 STATE FASHION REVUE UPDATE

By: **Ronni Barbeiro**

DATE: Saturday, May 26, 2012

There will be two Challenge categories this year:

\$19.99 Purchased Challenge - cost for the whole outfit, not including cost of shoes and sales tax

Bag Up To Fashion - Tote bag using Simplicity pattern #7161, view A only. This tote must be modeled with a coordinating outfit (either purchased or sewn).

The Recycled category is eliminated this year for the State Contest.

Kings County Fashion Revue: Recycled category is still in place. This category will not be eligible to go on to State due to new state rules.

Community Service projects:

Quilts for Wounded Warriors

The Million Pillowcase challenge



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Ronni Barbeiro for being selected as Co-Chair of the 2011 State Fashion Revue Committee, and to Ashley Olsen and Tara Fry for being selected to chair the 2011 State Fashion Revue Committee Community Service Project "The Million Pillowcase Challenge"



COUNTY-WIDE DOG CARE & TRAINING PROJECT

Project Leaders:
Sonia Borges (559) 707-3835
Steve Smith (559) 582-9467
Rhonda Stephens (559) 582-8166

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

September 17, 2011-Fun, Fun, Fun in the Sun at Freedom Park in Hanford at 12:00 p.m.
 Bring your own lunch and a picture of your dog (no dogs at this time please.)

Meeting Schedule 2011-2012

Date	Time	Location	
Sat 10/22	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	Halloween dress up with your dog. Prizes.
Sat 11/19	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	
Sat 11/25			Hanford Christmas Parade
Sat 12/17	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	Doggy Christmas Craft
Sat 1/21	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	
Sat 2/4	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	Look alike contest with your dog
Sat 2/18	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	
Mar 3	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	Regular meeting with games
Sat Mar 17	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	
Apr 7	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	
Apr 21	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	
May 5	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	Guest speakers and meeting
May Fair	TBA		

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.



COUNTYWIDE RABBIT MEETING

There will be a countywide rabbit meeting on **Thursday, September 22** 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.



RABBIT SHOW

The Central Valley Rabbit Breeders Association is having an open and youth Rabbit Show on **Saturday, October 8, 2011**, at the Kings County Fairgrounds in the Commercial Building. If you are interested in having a rabbit project for 4-H this year, or just a pet rabbit, this is a good place to see all of the different breeds and rabbit equipment. More than 2,000 rabbits of all shapes, sizes, breeds and colors will be on display. There will be rabbits for sale. The public is invited and admission is free. The show starts at 8:30 am and lasts all day until 5:00 pm. Come early, because the rabbits start to leave as the judging progresses. For further information, please contact Kathy Lugo at 582-4760.





4-H COUNCIL BARBECUE

Saturday, November 12, 2011

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.

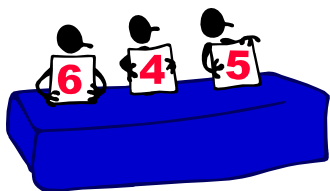
All members are encouraged to sell tickets for the lunch, which will be held at the fairgrounds at the same time as Judging Day. Take-out meals are also available.

Please support the 4-H Council and all that it does for 4-H members by selling your BBQ tickets.

Tickets are \$10.00. Get them from your club leader.



4-H JUDGING DAY



The Annual Kings County 4-H Judging Day will be held on **Saturday, November 12TH** 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

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: