MARK YOUR CALENDAR
FOR:
ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT
at Hanford West High School
Saturday, October 8, 2011, 7:30

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.

GOODBYE, DENISE!
Denise Cuendett, our 4-H Program Representative since 2006, is stepping down from her position at the end of the month. She will be on a reduced schedule until then.

We are sad to see her go and have appreciated her hard work and enthusiastic spirit in working with 4-H volunteers and youth. Denise will keep her 1/2 time position in our office in the nutrition education program, but will no longer be handling 4-H operations. For the time being, 4-H questions can be addressed directly to Peggy Gregory.

LCORT 2012
LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE
OF REGIONAL TEENS
January 27-29, 2012

Theme: Reeling in Success Through 4-H

Who: 4-H members in the 7th, 8th & 9th grades (one adult for each 10 delegates of each sex)
When: January 27-29, 2012
Where: Wonder Valley Ranch, Sanger, CA (www.wondervalley.com)
Cost: $140.00 per delegate

The fee includes 2 nights lodging, 4 meals (Saturday breakfast through Sunday breakfast), snacks, all registration materials, and an LCORT T-shirt. ($150 after December 1, 2011.) Registration is from 6pm to 9pm on Friday, January 28, 2011.

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

Application: http://www.ca4h.org/files/122083.pdf

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FIRST TIME ATTENDEES
Eight awards of 1/2 the conference fee.
For adults, will fund the full cost of the number of adults required by the conference quota.

REQUIREMENTS TO RECEIVE FUNDING FROM THE KINGs COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

MEMBERS must meet conference age eligibility.
Completed one year in 4-H at the time of conference.
Completed Record Book from at least the previous year.
Available only once per member.

ADULTS must meet conference age eligibility.
Be an official 4-H leader-fingerprinted and orientation completed.
Selection will be on a first-come, first served basis.
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.

The next orientation is Thursday, October 6 at 7:00 pm at the UCCE Office.

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
- November 1, 2011
- January 3, 2012
- February 7, 2012
- March 6, 2012
- April 10, 2012
- May 1, 2012

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

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!
2012 STATE FASHION REVUE
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
We would appreciate your help. Make a quilt square, a quilt top, or a complete quilt for a wounded warrior. Special size for stretchers and gurneys, approximately 45 x 81 inches, are needed. Red, white and blue fabrics are preferred.

If you make 12½" x 12½" squares then they can be combined with other squares to make a whole quilt.

The Million Pillowcase challenge
The challenge is to donate one million pillowcases to local charities throughout California. Every pillowcase can make a difference. A pillowcase can provide comfort for a cancer patient, hope for a foster child, encouragement for a battered woman, or beauty for a nursing home resident. The goal is 500 pillowcases for State Fashion Revue.
You don’t need to be enrolled in a sewing project to participate-turn this into a fun club project.

Pillowcase size =20" x 30" (Standard bed pillow)
Free patterns and more information about the project: Allpeoplequilt.com/millionpillowcases
For questions, contact: ashleyandtara@gmail.com

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 19 at 6:00 p.m. If you have any questions, please contact Don Mattos at 707-6063.

COUNTY WIDE 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 707-6063.

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/
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

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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. The public is invited and admission is free. The show starts at 8:30 am and lasts all day until 5:00 pm. 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. 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
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EMERALD STAR PROJECT
Haley Smith

I am collecting items for the Animal Control, Pet Adoption Center, and the SPCA. They need supplies because of the budget cuts. I am asking you to please donate for my Emerald Star. Items needed are mostly cleaning supplies, toys, treats, and food. I will be back to collect items at your next meeting or you can call me at 559-582-9467 or drop it off at the CE office. Thank you in advance for your donations.

Paper towels, Lysol, Clorox, Sani-hands wipes KMR Formula for Kittens, Arm & Hammer Scoopable Kitty Litter, ECOS Brand laundry detergent Newspapers, Collars & Leashes, 33 Gallon or larger Trash Bags, Pedigree Dog Food, Purina Cat Chow Purina Kitten Chow
2011 KINGS COUNTY RECORD BOOK JUDGING RESULTS

153 record books were submitted for county judging. 124 received medals. 97 books were submitted for Project Medals. 63 project medals were awarded. The following members received medals that will be awarded at Achievement Night on October 8, 2011.

GOOD JOB EVERYONE!

ARMONA
LEANN LABANDEIRA
HANNAH MACCAGNO

CENTRAL VALLEY
KAROLINA DRAXLER

DELTA VIEW
ROYCE CAETANA
CHRISTA GILLIO
THEODOR LEON
ALIVIA MIZE
LEANN MIZE
MADELYN PONCE

GRANGEVILLE
BAILEE BORGES
CAITLYN CARDOZA
TYLER CONWAY
ADAM DANIEL
AIMEE DANIEL
ASHLEY DANIEL
KAYLA MCCALVY
PAIGE MCCONNAUG
PAYTON MCCONNAUG
BAILEY MELLO
JOHNATHAN MELLO
MADISON MELLO
RILEE MELLO
SAMANTHA MELLO
JESSICA MENEZES MIGUEL
KAELA STARICH
EVIE STARICH
NATALIE STEPHENS
DANIELLE WILLHITE
JILLIAN WILLHITE
MADELINE WISECARVER

ISLAND
CAYCI ALLISON
STEVEN ALLISON
ALICIA COUTO
BRITTNAE DEMASTERS
DEAN PEREZ
LAINE TOMPKINS
REED TOMPKINS

KINGS HARVEST
AARON AVILA
DREW AVILA
JONATHAN AVILA
CALEM BELL
GARY BELL
THOMAS BELL
ASHLEY BLOMQUST
EMILY BLOMQUST
MEGAN CHRISSAKIS
MICHAL CHRISSAKIS
KINSEY COELHO
HANNAH COSTA
HAYDEN COSTA
TYLER DUNN
BRADY GUZMAN
BROCK HAMILTON
MCKENZIE HARRIS
AUDRA KOELEWYN
RAINE PALOMINO
MACEY PEARSON
REILLY REI
DARIAN ROEBER
EMILY ROSA
MATTHEW ROSA
OLIVIA VANDERVEEN
TRENTON VANDERVEEN
VICTORIA VANDERVEEN
ABRIELLE WARD
WYATT WARD

KINGS RIVER
KYLER AMARAL
ADAM AVILA
ASHLEY AVILA
NATHAN BELLAMY
MARICELA CEJA
JARED DRAGT
THERON DUTRA
AUDREY EVANGELO
NATHAN FULGUM
BAYLEE GALLEGOS
KAYNE GALLEGOS
MORGAN GALLEGOS

SYDNEY GALLEGOS
JACQUELINE OCAMPO
GAVIN PIMENTEL
JOSUA PIMENTEL
KENT SHELDON
HAILEY SILVA
TRAVIS SMITH
KYLE SOUZA
JAYSE SOUZA-EVANGELO

KINGS HARVEST
KATIE WOMACK

LEMOORE
LAUREN BLACK
RILEY CUNNING
HAILEE FRENCH
MADDY FRENCH
BRET GARCIA
HADLEY GARCIA
REID JACOBS
RILEY JACOBS
MADDIE MENDEHALL
ALLISON SMITH
LAUREN SMITH
MICAH SMITH

MID VALLEY
ERIC DIAS
MEGAN DIAS
MADELINE PEDRO
TREVOR RHOADES
AUSTIN SEMAS
VANESSA SILVA

OAKVALE
TARA FRY
MACEY HAMMERSTR
ASHLEY OLSON
RYAN OLSON
BRETT PETERS

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Armona 4-H Club  
**Reporter: Kirstin Jones**

Armona 4-H club had its first meeting of the 2011-2012 year. New officers were installed and they are as follows:  
President - Catherine Nunes, Vice President - Justin Young, Treasurer - Hanna Maccagno, Secretary - Leann Labandeira, Reporter - Kirstin Jones, Historian - Toni Costa, Sergeant of Arms - Nick Costamagnia, and Ty Hodge. We also want to recognize our stars at the Kings Fair. Leann Labandeira received Grand Champion 4-H market steer. Leann also got fourth place round robin showmanship. Hanna Maccagno best of show in her division Ag/Hort. Moesha and Phillip Davidson received first in class for their chickens. Skyler Turner first in class for her market hog. Nick Costamagnia first place for his feeder pig. Justin Young second place for his feeder pig.

Good Job Armona Kids.

**Delta View 4-H**  
**Reporter: Royce Caetana/Dylan DeRuiter**

The September 12th meeting was called to order by our new Vice President Madelyn Ponce at 7:05pm. The Flag Salute was lead by Alivia Mize and the 4-H Pledge was lead by Hannah Elberg. No Secretary Report or Treasures Report was given. Project Reports: The members that had projects at the Kings Fair reported on the awards received. Old Business: New officers for the 2011-2012 4-H year:

President: Carson Arnold  
Vice President: Madelyn Ponce  
Secretary: Christa Gillio  
Treasurer: Theodore Leon  
Reporter: Dylan DeRuiter  
Sergeant of Arms: Hannah Elberg, Julien Bernal, Royce Caetana  

New Business: A motion was made to donate $200.00 to the Hanford Relay for Life event. Motion was approved. Committee for Club Judging Day was announced to bring things to judge at the next meeting. Refreshment committees discussed having pizza’s brought in for meetings. New and old Projects for the year were announced. A costume contest and Pumpkin decorating contest were suggested for the October meeting. Community Leaders Report: Mr. Silva thanked the members for coming back and asked members to encourage others to join 4-H. Achievement Night will be October 8th at 7:30 members were encouraged to attend. Judging Day November 12. Mr. Silva talked about the Record Book Judging taking place at the CE office. He talked about presentations and encouraged members to participate in order to achieve their stars. Fair checks were received and he reminded the members that Thank You letters are important. Next meeting will be on October 10, 2011. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00p.m.

**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:**

Oakvale 4-H Club  
**Reporter: Tara Fry**

Britney Borges and Daniel Stephens gave a brief presentation on the upcoming Dog Care Picnic in the Park on September 17th, 2011 at Freedom Park in Hanford. Fliers were left at the meeting for those interested. The September 12th, 2011 meeting was officially called to order at 7:20 pm. The meeting began with the installation of the new officers. Flag Salute was led by Payton Coelho and the 4-H pledge was led by Tara Fry. All existing and new members introduced themselves, as well as all parents that were present. We are excited at the “new” member turnout – Go Oakvale!! Old Business discussions included reports on the KDF (Tara & Trista Fry, Macey Hammerstrom, Ashley Olson, Celeste Jimenez, Kendall Woods, Payton Coelho, Justin and Chelsea Flood), Officers Training (Tara Fry, Kendall Woods, Ashley Olson, Macey Hammerstrom), and review of the by-laws requirement regarding record books was reviewed. New Business discussions included: Enrollment and member fees. Enroll at [http://cekings.ucdavis.edu](http://cekings.ucdavis.edu). A list of projects offered and leaders signed up for those projects will be brought to the October meeting for discussion with members and parents to show where additional project leaders/help is needed. We discussed recruitment efforts, and a committee chaired by Tara Fry with Kendall Woods, Kendra Hodges, Ashley Olson, Cole Young, Alfred Carpenter, Payton Coelho, and Celeste Jimenez was formed. This committee will design posters and fliers to post throughout the community to encourage new members. Council BBQ tickets were distributed — money and unsold tickets are due back to community club leaders no later than Oct. 31st. Sweet Shop was briefly discussed — and we will have sign ups at the October meeting for those who can bring a dessert to the council BBQ. Community Service River Clean-up project on Sept. 17th was discussed — fliers and waiver forms were distributed to interested persons. Achievement night was discussed — let’s have a good turn out from Oakvale. Judging Day was discussed and a committee headed by Ashley Olson with members Tara Fry, Macey Hammerstrom, Alfred Carpenter, Justin Flood, and Cole Young was formed to come up with ideas for the 5 judging displays for the Home Economics area that Oakvale will be in charge of this year. Ashley Olson and Tara Fry gave a talk on the State Fashion Revue community pillowcase project. Refreshment signup sheet was posted, reminder on record book judging Wednesday 9-14-