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4-H Youth Talk

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Presentation Day

Presentation Day entries are due February 7th! You may enter on-line or by filling out the traditional entry form. Entrants are to arrive at 9:30 AM on Saturday, February 18th to the Hanford West High School. Participants will need to pick up a program at the information table near the cafeteria, then go to the assigned room and check-in. Presentations will begin at 10:00 AM. Refreshments will be available.

Room Leaders and MC's are still needed! For more information about Presentation Day:
http://ceking.s.ucdavis.edu/Kings_County_4-H_Program/4-H_Events/Presentations/

Favorite Foods Fair & Place Setting Contest

February 18th 8:30 AM
Hanford West High School

Here are 2 events rolled into one- why not participate in both? FFF and the PSC are held the same morning as Presentation Day. You can enter all 3 events!

Entries for FFF & PSC are due to the UCCE Office on February 10th. You may enter on-line or use the traditional entry form. For more information is available on-line at:

http://ceking.s.ucdavis.edu/Kings_County_4-H_Program/4-H_Events/Favorite_Foods_Fair-February/

Western Dairy Classic

The South San Joaquin Holstein Club is hosting a junior dairy show at the Kings County Fairgrounds on March 3rd and 4th. The Western Dairy Classic is open to all juniors who are age 5 and under 21 as of January 1, 2012 (born during the years 1991 and 2006). Holstein and All Other Breeds shows will take place with each show having separate registered and grade divisions. The show will kick off Saturday morning (March 3rd) with a Dairy Cattle Judging Contest, and be followed by showmanship classes and the AOB Show. Sunday (March 4th) will be the Holstein Show and conclude with the crowning of Supreme Champion. Entry forms and rule sheets will be distributed to 4-H Dairy Leaders and can be emailed or mailed by request after Monday, January 23rd. Entries will be due February 22nd. Contact Matthew Evangelo, mevangelo@hotmail.com, or Greg Silva, gregsms@sbcglobal.net, for entry forms or more information.



Kings County 4-H Staffing

Due to recent changes in the 4-H Staff and a relatively new county phone system, you might be asking yourself, "When and how is the best way to connect with 4-H personnel?"

Many of you are aware that Peggy Gregory, UCCE County Director and 4-H Youth Advisor recently retired. Her County Director Position has been filled by Mr. Jim Sullins, now the County Director for both Tulare and Kings Counties. Denise Cuendett, served as the 4-H Program Representative in a 50% time position. When she resigned this fall, she was replaced by Georgene Diener at a 40% position or approximately 16 hours per week. Terrie Evangelo works as the 4-H Secretary in a 40% position also or approximately 16 hours per week. Connie Egger serves as the Office manager and fills in for 4-H as needed.

Terrie and Georgene are working diligently to be available in the UCCE Office on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays. However, if you have a specific need, it would be best to call ahead to make sure one of them is available to work with you.

You may reach us at:

Terrie Evangelo- 852-2731 or tlevangelo@ucdavis.edu
Georgene Diener- 852-2743 or gldiener@ucdavis.edu
Connie Egger- 852-2730 or Connie.Egger@co.kings.ca.us.

The UCCE Office is open Monday -Friday from 8 AM to 5 PM and is closed during the noon hour from 12-1:00 PM.

If you need immediate assistance please call the number for the front desk- 852-2730.

Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Field Day

The University of California, Davis College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences will hold its 36th Annual Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Field Day on March 3rd, 2012. The UC Davis CA&ES Field Day is the 2012 California 4-H State Qualifier for Poultry, Dairy and Livestock judging. To register, go to <http://www.calaged.org/registration>. Select the event (2012 U.C. Davis Agricultural & Environmental Sciences Field Day). Choose the link "Get Access Code". Complete the information on the form and click the register button. Please include 4-H next to your club name on the registration form. On the following page save the registration code and register later or simply continue with the registration at this point. Note that you may only register once so be prepared to complete the registration or contact us if you have any changes. After your club is registered, we request that you submit a printed copy of your online registration along with your payment. Checks should be made payable to:

"UC Regents"

Mail to: Attn: Francesca Ross
College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences
One Shields Avenue
Davis, CA 95616

February 10: Agriscience Fair and Job Interview materials due

February 10: Registration closed

February 17: Payments must be postmarked – We are now enforcing a \$25 late fee for payments postmarked after the 17th.

For questions email fieldday@ucdavis.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING DAY WORKSHOP

Join the fun at the Livestock Judging Day Workshop hosted by Sage Morris, Lauren Pepe, Leann Labandeira, Dylan Kling and Eric Dias for their Emerald Star Project.

Saturday, March 17, 2012

9:30 to 11:00 AM

Hooper Residence

9545 Iona

Hanford, CA

A BBQ lunch will be provided

This event will be held outdoors rain or shine, so come prepared for any weather conditions. Please bring a canned food item to donate to charity.



4-H STATE AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

4-H youth who are at least 16 years of age (as of January 1, 2012) but no older than 18 (as of December 31, 2012) and have been California 4-H members for at least one year are eligible for the 4-H State Ambassador Program. 2012-2013 State Ambassadors will be expected to make a 14-month commitment to the program beginning July 2012. State Ambassadors will complete a team plan of action with other ambassadors from their 4-H home section and will plan and facilitate the 2013 State Leadership Conference. For additional information or an application, call the UCCE office at 852-2743 or see the state 4-H website: <http://www.ca4h.org/>

Applications are due to the State 4-H Office by **March 31, 2012**.

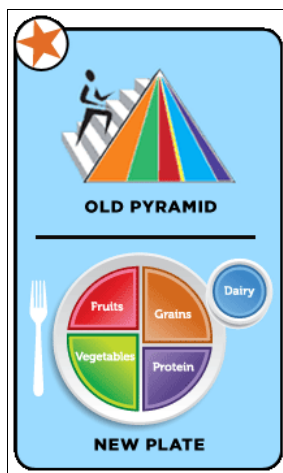
Special Recognition at 2012 State Presentation Day

A special recognition pin will be awarded for youth who participate in State Presentation Day (May 26 at UC Davis) and focus their presentations on healthy living. This year's focus area is healthy food. Potential topics may include USDA's MyPlate, serving sizes, sugar-sweetened beverages, nutrition facts labels, food groups, nutrients, and more. Visit www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/PD/recognition_Opportunities for details.

4-H MyPlate Challenge at 2012 State Field Day

The USDA recently unveiled the federal government's new food icon, MyPlate, to serve as a reminder to help consumers make healthier food choices.

4-H is challenging you to show how you're making YOUR plate MyPlate. 4-H members are invited to submit a photograph illustrating how they're creating healthy meals using MyPlate as a guide. Visit www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/4H_MyPlate_Challenge for



Kings County Farm Day

Kings County Farm Bureau, Kings County Office of Education and Kings Fair are once again proud to present *Kings County Farm Day*, an educational enrichment program for all third-graders in the county. FARM DAY will take place on **Thursday, March 8, 2012 at the Kings Fairgrounds**.

Farm Day allows approximately 2,400 students and their teachers the opportunity to learn basic facts about agriculture, become familiar with food and animal production, and have personal contact with farmers. The goal of Farm Day is for the attendees and volunteers to gain an increased awareness of the positive contributions that agriculture makes to the local community and economy.

The success of this event is dependent upon the commitment received from hundreds of volunteers. You may volunteer to help by providing an educational presentation or volunteer assistance. Both youth and adults are needed as volunteers and presenters. If you would like to help with this great educational event, please call the Farm Bureau at 584-3557.



JOIN | THE REVOLUTION OF RESPONSIBILITY

California 4-H \$1,000 for 1,000, Service Learning Projects

2013 marks the centennial for 4-H in California and the 4-H Program will celebrate by giving back to their communities with youth-designed, youth-led projects where participants learn leadership by actually leading, collaboration by forming relationships with other groups and agencies, and citizenship skills by actively seeking opportunities to make a difference in their communities. Do you see a need in your community? Do you know 4-H members and volunteer leaders who work to improve their community? 4-H members can apply for up to \$1,000 to carry out a service-learning project in their community. The next application deadline is April 15th. For more information: <http://www.ca4h.org/Support/RofR/Toolkit/>

Scholarships Available

4-H Scholarships Available

The California 4-H Youth Development Program, with the help from donors, offers statewide scholarships to graduating high school seniors and current college students to cover educational expenses such as tuition, books, room and board. Applicants may apply for multiple scholarships but are only eligible to receive one scholarship per year. Previous scholarship recipients may reapply. For scholarship categories and application details, please visit: <http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Members/Scholarships/>.

CATTLEWOMEN'S ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Fresno-Kings Counties CattleWomen



The Fresno-Kings County Cattle Women's Association is offering scholarships to high school seniors, college freshman and college sophomores

in the field of agriculture. Scholarships range from \$500 to \$1,000.

Applications and information are available at <http://fresnokingscattlewomen.com/Scholarship.html> or by calling Brooke Prewitt at 559-787-3717. All applications are due by **April 1, 2012**.

Brock Jarrett Toledo Memorial Scholarship

Applications for the Brock Jarrett Toledo Memorial Scholarship are now available at the UCCE Office, all Kings County High School Agricultural Departments and through the California Holstein Association. Applications may also be obtained by writing Mr. & Mrs. Ron Toledo, 242 Star Drive, Hanford, CA 93230.

Applicants must be graduating seniors from Kings County, OR graduating seniors and members in good standing of the California Jr. Holstein Association planning to attend a college or university with a major in Agriculture. Applicants must also be a member or former member of 4-H for a minimum of four years, enrolled in dairy or livestock projects.

Applications must be postmarked no later than **March 31, 2012**.

Everett "Fuzzy" Feaver Memorial 4-H Scholarship

This \$500 scholarship is awarded annually to a present Kings County 4-H member graduating from high school and planning additional education at a vocational school, community college or four-year college or university. The member must have already completed at least 2 years of 4-H at the time of application.

Selection criteria included leadership and community service. Applicants must submit their completed 4-H Record Book from last year along with the application.

Applications are available at the UCCE Office and are due by **April 1, 2012**.

O.D. "Mac" McCutcheon Memorial 4-H AG Scholarship

Mr. McCutcheon was the Agronomy Farm Advisor for the UCCE in Kings County from 1947 to 1982. A native of West Virginia, he left the university there just one class short of his degree, to serve in the U.S. Navy during World War II. Following the war, he finished his degree at UC Davis. Even before working for Cooperative Extension, he served as a 4-H leader, a Farm Advisor, and continued to support Kings County 4-H program as a leader and parent.

This \$500 scholarship is awarded annually to a present or former Kings County 4-H member graduating from high school and planning to major in agronomy or another discipline in agriculture. Students must have completed at least three years in the Kings County 4-H program.

Preference will be given to students planning to major in agronomy or crop science. If there is no sufficiently qualified applicant in this major, consideration will be given to those majoring in any other forms of agriculture, including agri-business.

Applications are available at the UCCE Office. Submit it along with your biography and transcript by **April 1, 2012** to the UCCE Office.





2012 California 4-H State Leadership Conference

Date: August 9 - 12, 2012

Location: University of California, San Diego

Theme: California Dreamin', California Leadin'

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 4-Hers from across the state. The conference focuses on providing the high school youth with experiential education on leadership development, civic engagement, college admissions and other 4-H project areas.

Youth delegates gain exposure to the university campus by living in the residence halls, eating in the dining commons, and participating in educational sessions.

Support Group: Applications due February 25, 2012

The 4-H State Leadership Conference is organized by a small group of dedicated State Ambassadors, volunteers, and staff. The Support Group is a group of teen leaders who will assist in the planning of SLC by working with counties, communicating with sectional groups, and attending SLC planning activities. If interested in applying to be a member of the support group you can access the application but clicking on the following link:

<http://www.ca4h.org/files/135270.pdf>

Workshop/Session Applications: Applications will be available in January 2012 and due in March

Are you interested in delivering a presentation/workshop at the 2012 California State 4-H Leadership Conference? The success of this conference is directly related to your willingness to work with teens and provide meaningful educational opportunities. Presenters may be leaders, or older 4-H members.

Sessions address many subject areas, but we ask that they emphasize the three National 4-H Mission Mandates. These mission mandates each focus on skills that youth need for success in the 21st century.

- 4-H Science, Engineering and Technology (SET) provides opportunities for youth to engage in the process of discovery and exploration in science, engineering, and technology.
- Healthy Living teaches the youth to lead healthy and productive lives both physically and mentally as they grow into adulthood.
- Citizenship is a strong focus in 4-H so that youth may become engaged and well-informed citizens in their community.

Tracks are five hours in length and will be presented on the Friday of the conference. Mini tracks are two and a half hours in length and will be presented twice on that Friday. Workshops are an hour and fifteen minutes in length and may be presented one to three times on Saturday. Exact dates are coming soon.

Watch the 4-H State web site for applications and deadlines!

Financial Aid– applications available in January 2012 and due in April.

Are you interested in attending the State Leadership Conference but are concerned about the potential expense? Why not apply for financial aid? Applications will soon be available on the CA 4-H web site.

Registration- Applications to attend the State 4-H Leadership Conference will be available in April 2012 and due in June. Plan now to attend! Chaperones will also be needed.

NEWS IN BRIEF:

EMERALD STAR PROJECTS

Recycled 4-H Whites

Please help us make this project a successful one. In order to do that, we need members to donate recycled and reused whites.



The Western Classic Dairy Show will be coming up in March then it will be fair time. So now is the perfect time to help our project and also yourself. To make things easier, we will have a booth set up at Presentation Day on February 18th at Hanford West High School. You can also contact us at 362-1997.



Thank you!

~Reduce, Reuse, Recycle ~Paige McConnaughy and Aimee Daniel

COLLECTIONS NEEDED!

Items are still needed for Animal Control, Pet Adoption Center and the SPCA. Items needed include paper towels, Lysol, Clorox, Sani-Hand Wipes, KMR Formula for Kittens, Arm & Hammer Scoopable Kitty Litter, ECOS Laundry detergent, newspapers, collars & leashes, 33 gallon or larger trash bags, Pedigree Dog Food, Purina Cat Chow and Kitten Chow. Questions? Call Haley Smith at 582-9467.

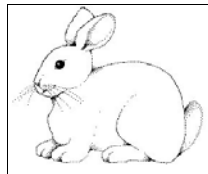
RABBIT, CAVY & POULTRY FIELD DAY

Stanislaus County is hosting a Field Day for Rabbit, Cavy & Poultry leaders and members.

Saturday, February 11, 2012
9 AM to 3 PM

Stanislaus County Ag. Center
3800 Cornucopia Way in Modesto.
For more information and the registration form:

<http://ucanr.org/sites/Stanislaus4-H/?calitem=148860>



4-H Council Meeting

4-H Council meetings are held the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the UCCE Office.

The next meeting is scheduled for ~

Tuesday, February 7, 2012

Plan to attend, your presence is important!

2012 COUNTY FASHION REVUE

Interested in participating in the "Bag Up Fashion Challenge" for Fashion Revue? If so, remember to purchase your Simplicity pattern #7161 (it is view A only) as soon as possible.



The pattern will be discontinued as of February 2012. Kings County Fashion Revue will be held on April 14th at the Trinity Hall in Lemoore.

SHOOTING SPORTS LEADERS- MARK YOUR CALENDARS

A State Shooting Sports Leader Meeting will be held April 28 & 29, 2012 at the Oakdale Sportsman's Club in Stanislaus County. There will be hands-on sampler sessions for adult and teen leaders as well as updates on policies and programs. More details will be provided next month. You can also contact John Borba in Kern County at (661) 868-6216.

INTERESTED IN REPTILES?

You are invited to attend a new 4-H project designed to learn about reptiles. This project is hosted by Teen Leaders~ Haden Lawton and Reed Tompkins. The first meeting will be held Sunday, February 26 at 1:00 PM at the Lawton Home. For more information please call 925-8950.

LET'S THRIVE

Join the fun with THRIVE! This project is for all Junior and Teen Leaders and Leadership Project members. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 28th at the UCCE Multi-purpose room at 6:30 PM. Questions? Contact Bonnie & Dave Lowas at 924-0634.

Used Children's Glasses Needed

The Lions Club International is looking for used eye glasses for children. The Lions main service project is to prevent blindness. Lions members take used glasses and give them to those in need at eye clinics in other countries. The glasses are evaluated and matched to the right person. If you have old glasses or know others who have them, you can bring them to the UCCE Office by March 12th.



COUNTY-WIDE DOG CARE & TRAINING PROJECT

All classes will be held on Saturdays and will be at the Kings Fairgrounds in the Dairy Show Arena.
Leaders: Sonia Borges 707-3835, Steve Smith 582-9467 & Rhonda Stephens 582-8166.

Meeting Schedule 2012

Date	Time	Location	
Sat 2/4	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	Look alike contest with your dog
Sat 2/18	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	
Sat 3/3	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	Regular meeting with games
Sat 3/17	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	
Sat 4/7	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	
Sat 4/21	2-4 pm	Dairy show arena	
May	TBA		

County-Wide Poultry Meeting

The County-wide Poultry Project is scheduled to meet Thursday, February 9th at 5:30 PM at the UCCE Office. Plan to attend. Questions? Call Don Mattos at 707-6063.



GRANGEVILLE 4-H MINI GARDENS

Grangeville 4-H is excited to announce their Mini Gardens Project will be partnering with Adventist Health in the Greenfield Community Garden that will open to the community in the early spring of 2012.

The garden will be a place where people can interact with other members of their community, learn gardening techniques and cultivate nutritious, locally grown produce.

Watch the youth talk for more information in the future.

Submitted by: Tyler Conway, Club Reporter



Oakvale 4-H Highlights

Club sewing day February 4th for "Million Pillowcase" community service project.

Rose Garden clean up January 15th for the Memorial park garden adopted by Oakvale.

CE Office Window decorating January 30th - 3:30 - Oakvale's month to decorate.

Oakvale's Santa Lucia Christmas parade entry received 2nd place award in the "Children's Christmas" category.

Centerpieces for senior living home assembled & delivered by kids were very much appreciated by the tenants - great community service!

Needy family was a success - thanks to all the clothing, gift certificates, and other goods donated.

December bowling party was well attended, and fun for kids & their families.

We will continue to collect magazines you are finished reading at our monthly meetings, and donate them to our senior center.

Working on a "photo spot" display for kids to pose with their animals at the fair - in progress.

Tara Fry - reporter

Lemoore 4-H Club

Reporter Maddison French

The meeting of the Lemoore 4-H club was called to order at 6:30p.m. on January 11, 2012, at Cinnamon Elementary School. After the Pledge of Allegiance and our 4-H Pledge, we continued with club reports. Club Leader Report from Mrs. Barry was happy to express another successful year for the sales this year for Kings County 4-H on BBQ ticket sales for Judging Day as well as selling out of desserts at the sweet shop. Great job to all those who helped make this event a success. We also made birthday announcements for everyone with a January birthday, with a gift bag and well wishes from our members. In old business, we discussed Project Reports, which included the Archery match, which was held in Dunlap. This was a great fundraiser on our Club's behalf. The Barry has arranged for the proceeds to go to Toy's for Tots, a great gift for the community's youth. OH, Poultry, Dog Care and Start up of Swine were also topics on our agenda.

Webinar Series for the 4-H Online Record Book

Hello fellow 4-H Members, my name is Steven Allison and I doing my Emerald Star Project on Online Record Book training. Below is a training program that you can participate in beginning in February. For more information please visit the State 4-H Website.

The [4-H Online Record Book](#) (ORB) is a record keeping tool that helps 4-H members compile their annual 4-H Record Books. It also provides an arena for 4-H members to share their experiences with other members in their 4-H Club.

A webinar series is being offered during the month of February to help 4-H staff, volunteers, and youth become familiar with the system. Space is limited to the first 150 people to register for each webinar. This will be facilitated by [Scott Mautte](#) and [Steven Worker](#) at the California State 4-H Office.

Technical Requirements:

- A computer with broadband Internet connection.
- [Web browser](#) with [Adobe Flash](#). To test whether Flash will work on your computer, please visit http://na1cps.adobeconnect.com/common/help/en/support/meeting_test.htm
- Computer speakers or headphones to hear the audio.

The connection information (URL) will be provided by email once you register using the form below. A back-up toll-free phone line is prepared for those without a computer audio connection.

This session will be recorded and available to view afterwards.

Introduction and Logging-In

County office staff version on February 8, 11-12pm

Volunteers and members version on February 9, 7-8pm

Paper vs. Electric: Navigating the Forms in the Online Record Book: PDR, APR, Story

County office staff version on February 15, 11-12pm

Volunteers and members version on February 16, 7-8pm

Youth Functions, Forms, and Privacy Settings

County office staff version on February 22, 11-12pm

Volunteers and members version on February 23, 7-8pm

Project & Club Leader Functions and Approving Forms

County office staff version on February 29, 11-12pm

Volunteers and members version on March 1, 7-8pm