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### National Volunteer Week April 15-21st

National Volunteer Week was established in 1974 to inspire, recognize, and encourage people to seek imaginative ways to engage in their communities.

The Kings County 4-H Staff would like to thank each and every one of you for what you do for 4-H.

- **Thank you** for being a Club Leader! We appreciate you stepping up to this significant leadership role and for providing structure and a place for young people to belong.
- **Thank you** for being a Project Leader and for imparting upon youth the knowledge and skills that only you have.
- **Thank you** for stepping up to be a Master Trainer and for helping to disseminate and train other volunteers in 4-H Thrive– our approach to positive youth development.
- **Thank you** for being a Council Officer and helping to plan, promote, and carry out 4-H youth development work.
- **Thank you** for serving as a Committee Member, Event/Activity Volunteer, Resource/Key Volunteer, or in another volunteer role as you help to strengthen the program and provide opportunities for youth to grow, thrive, and reach their full potential.

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR TIME, TREASURES, AND TALENT!
YOU’RE INVITED TO ATTEND THE

Kings County Leaders & Sponsors Recognition Dinner and
County Fashion Revue

Saturday, April 14, 2012 @ 6:00 PM
Lemoore Trinity Hall ~
470 Champion Street in Lemoore

The Leaders & Sponsors Recognition Dinner will be held in conjunction with the County Fashion Revue “FASHION MASQUERADE” on Saturday, April 14, 2012. Reservations must be made by Friday, April 6th on the 4-H web site http://cekings.ucdavis.edu/Kings_County_4-H_Program/ or call the 4-H office 582-3211 ext. 2730. Advance reservations are necessary.

Leaders & Sponsors Dinner Committee

Guernsey 4-H: Rice, Green Beans & Beverages
Kings River 4-H: Rolls & Butter
Grangeville 4-H: Desserts
Kings Harvest 4-H: Meat, Tablecloths, & Decorations
Lemoore 4-H: Salad
Mid Valley 4-H: Salsa
Island 4-H: Paper Products
All 4-H Clubs: Set-up and Clean-up
Kings Co. All Stars: Program

Thank you in advance for helping to make the dinner delicious and the evening special!

Sewing Machine Auction

Thirteen “classic” sewing machines will be featured in a silent auction held during the Leaders Recognition Dinner and Fashion Revue on Saturday, April 14th. Some of the machines date back to 1969. The money generated from the sale of the machines will be donated to the Kings County 4-H Council. Questions? Contact Stephanie Fry at 897-0325.

Sectional Presentation Day
Judges Needed!

It’s almost time for Sectional Presentation Day. It will be hosted by Fresno County at Sutter Middle School in Fowler on April 21st. All 4-H members are invited to attend the event to show your support for our Kings County 4-H participants.

Adults are needed to serve as judges at Sectional Presentation Day. If you are able to serve as a judge, please contact the UCCE Office at 852-2730.

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, April 3, 2012
Host Club: Grangeville

Plan to attend, your presence is important! Topics of discussion include: Fashion Revue, 4-H Leaders & Sponsors Dinner & the 4-H Fair. All 4-H Clubs need to be represented at the Council meeting. Everyone is encouraged to attend!
The Kings County 4-H Fair is great preparation for the upcoming Kings County Fair in July. Members have the opportunity to exhibit the items made and raised in their 4-H projects and receive constructive feedback on the item's strong points and how the item can be improved.

Fair booklets and entry forms are available from club leaders or the UCCE Office and are also available online at http://cekings.ucdavis.edu/Kings_County_4-H_Program/4-H_Events/Fair_Kings_County_4-H_May_6th-8th_2010/. Pre-entries are required for all Livestock exhibits and Dog entries and are due to the UCCE Office by Friday, April 13th. No pre-entries are required for Indoor Exhibits.

Be sure to read the 4-H Fair Booklet CAREFULLY, to fully understand the requirements for each department.

4-H Fair Dog Show

The 4-H Dog Show for the 4-H Fair has been scheduled for April 28th at 9:00 AM at the Kings County Fair Grounds in the cattle show ring. Pre-entry is required and entries are due to the UCCE Office by April 13th!

Shooting Sports Rifle Match

Remember–this event is scheduled for Sunday, May 20th!!!

Concessions

The Concession Stand will be run by Grangeville 4-H.

Need Whites??

Ready for Spring Cleaning? Planning for the 4-H Fair and Kings County Fair? Let us help! Our Emerald Star Project is Recycling Whites.... If you need whites, we may have some that will work for you! If you have white and do not need them anymore, contact us and we may be able to find someone who does. Recycle your whites...Contact Aimee and Paige at 367-1997.

The Revolution of Responsibility

The Revolution of Responsibility Centennial Campaign celebrates the power of California 4-H youth taking action through an ambitious statewide program that is funding 1,000 service learning projects at $1,000 each through the end of 2013. Core to the 4-H experience is service learning, which takes the form of youth-designed, youth-led projects where participants learn leadership by leading, collaborating, and learning the importance of civic engagement by actively seeking opportunities to make a difference in their communities.

To JOIN the revolution, 4-H members, with the help of an adult 4-H volunteer mentor, should follow these steps to plan a project.

1. Identify an issue or problem in your community.
2. Find community organizations to collaborate with.
3. Plan the project: form goals, outline tasks, list needed resources, and prepare a budget.
4. Prepare ways to document and record your project to share with others.
5. JOIN the revolution at http://ucanr.org/join/. Deadlines for applying are May 15th and July 15th.
**Purple Up! for Military Kids**

April marks the nation’s “Month of Military Child,” a time to honor youth impacted by deployment. In celebration, California’s Operation: Military Kids (OMK), part of the University of California 4-H Youth Development Program, invites 4-H members to join in for the 2nd annual “Purple Up! For Military Kids.”

Everyone across the nation and especially in California is encouraged to wear purple on **Friday, April 13th**, as a visible way to show support and thank military children for their strength and sacrifices. Purple is the color that symbolizes all Branches of the military, as it is the combination of Army green, Coast Guard blue, Air Force blue, Marine red, and Navy blue. OMK hopes everyone will take this opportunity to appreciate and celebrate these young heroes.

Remember to send your “Purple Up!” photos or post them on the California Operation: Military Kids Facebook Page, [http://www.facebook.com/CAOMK](http://www.facebook.com/CAOMK), where military youth and families from across the state will see them.

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**Kings County Homecoming & History Day**

**Theme: “The Way We Were”**  
**May 9-14, 2012**

The Kings County Homecoming Committee would like to invite the 4-H Clubs of Kings County to participate in Kings County Homecoming Week.

Kings County Homecoming is a weeklong series of events celebrating the “Pioneer Spirit” of those who first came to the San Joaquin Valley and settled in what is today called Kings County.

To find out more about participating and to view the activities schedule visit the web site at [http://kingscountyhomecoming.org/](http://kingscountyhomecoming.org/) or call Sandra Dawson 559-643-1957 (cell) or 559-582-2015 (work).

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**Nordstrom Scholarship Program**

Apply now for a $10,000 scholarship! Nordstrom is excited to award $10,000 scholarship to 80 outstanding high school students and help them achieve their dreams of going to college. The Nordstrom Scholarship recognizes students across the country for their exceptional scholastic achievement and community involvement. The Nordstrom Scholarship is open high school juniors who:

- Have at least a 2.7 GPA (based on a 4.0 scale) throughout high school.
- Volunteer or participate in community services or extracurricular activities.
- Plan on attending an accredited four year college or university
- Plan on applying for financial assistance in order to attend college

Application deadline is May 1, 2012 - winner will be notified by the end October 2012. For complete details and additional information, visit [www.nordstrom.com/scholarship](http://www.nordstrom.com/scholarship).

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**State Leadership Conference**

**August 9-12th at UC San Diego**

**4-H State Leadership Conference - Session Proposals**

Deadline extended until sessions are filled. The 2012 California 4-H State Leadership Conference needs presenters! If you would like to present a session on Friday, August 10th or Saturday, August 11th, please submit a workshop proposal form to the State 4-H Office. Workshop applications and additional information can be found at: [www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC](http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC). For more information, please contact Carolyn Abrams at cmabrams@uccdavis.edu or 530-752-5644.

**4-H State Leadership Conference - Financial Aid Applications**

Financial aid applications are now available and due to the State 4-H office no later than May 10th. Applications are available at: [www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC](http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC). For more information, please contact Carolyn Abrams at cmabrams@ucdavis.edu or (530)-752-5644.
Regional Sheep Field Day is Back!!

Regional Sheep Field Day is a fun day filled with Hands on activities including Showmanship, Sheep Fitting, Judging, Proper Wether/Dam Feeding, Sheep Diseases and Cures, and then easy instructions on how to make a Sheep Rope Halter. Make sure you wear closed toed shoes and work clothes because you will be working with animals. There will also be door prizes and a raffle.

Date: Saturday, June 16, 2012  
Time: 9 AM to 3:00 PM (approx.)  
Cost: $5.00 per person for lunch  
Where: DK Farms- 15782 W. Oakland Ave. Five Points, CA 93624  
(for directions email: georgenediener@gmail.com)  
RSVP by: June 10th to reserve your space contact-  
Cody Miller @ 559-638-3141 : baachaser@aol.com or  
Marisa Neely @ 559-897-1493 : davidandelena@comcast.net  
*Make sure you wear closed toed shoes. * Parents, please bring lawn chairs, for your comfort!  
Fresno Emerald Star Project-Cody Miller & Marisa Neely

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.

Meeting Schedule 2012

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Join the 4-H Technology Team!

Do you have an interest and experience in technology? Think about joining the 4-H Technology Leadership Team! 4-H members age 16 and older and 4-H volunteers may apply. Candidates must have some type of technology experience where he/she could lead an hour workshop. Technologies could include photography, video, web site design, social media, hardware, GPS/GIS, computer support, graphic design, 3D imaging, smartphones, programming, biotech, engineering and technology and society. Applications are due May 31st and are available at http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Tech/CTLT/.
March Mid Valley 4-H

The March Mid Valley 4-H meeting was called to order by President Maddie Pedro. The flag was lead by Trevor with 4-H pledge by Ryan Dias.

Treasurers and Secretary’s reports were read and approved.

Project reports were given by our swine, dairy, beef, archery, and cake decorating projects.

Vanessa gave a demonstration on how their group made cupcakes.

Next meeting presentation will be from the woodworking group.

Community leaders report was given by Tammy Dais.

4-H Fair and deadlines were talked about. Also upcoming events.

Report on Favorite Foods Fair was given by Trevor Rhoades and then Megan gave her report on the Farm Day. She also had everyone in our club including the parents stand up and learn how to do the “Shake Your Butter Dance”.

Tammy Johnson talked about the seniors applying for scholarships and she had each one stand up and talk about their years in 4-H, what projects and officer positions they held, how involved they were at county and state level, and then where they were going to school and what major.

She again stated that the leaders dinner was coming up and we will be recognizing some of our leaders.

Meeting was adjourned and we ate the cupcakes that our cake project members made.

February 8, 2012
Lemoore 4-H

The meeting took place at 6:33 p.m. at Cinnamon Elementary in Lemoore, with, 25 members in attendance.

The pledge of allegiance was lead by Amelia and the 4-H pledge was lead by Cheyenne Miller.

In old business, we talked about project reports and LCORT.

In new business, some of the things we talked about were Presentation day, the Favorite foods fair and place setting contest, Poultry Field day, the County Wide Dog Project, Agriculture and Environmental Science Field day, Livestock Judging day workshop, Farm day, the 4-H Fair Archery Match, County Fashion Revue and the 2012 California 4-H State Leadership Conference.

A motion to adjourn the meeting, called by Logan Cunning and a second to adjourn the meeting called by Cheyenne Miller. The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m. the total minutes of the meeting were 39 minutes.

March 14, 2012
Lemoore 4-H

The meeting took place at 6:30 p.m. at Cinnamon Elementary in Lemoore, with, 32 members in attendance.

The pledge of allegiance was lead by Riley Jacobs and the 4-H pledge was lead by Ashley Eller.

In old business, we talked about County Presentation Day, Favorite Foods Fair and Place Setting Contest results and how we need to project more interest to members to participate and watch the demonstrations as they are demonstrated. Anyone that has missed this event should put it on the “to do” list for next year. It is a great event.

In new business, some of the things we talked about were Livestock Judging Day Workshop at the Hooper Residence. They are also providing a free BBQ to those attending. This is a great opportunity to learn how to how to judge many projects, and will help Sage, Lauren, Leanne, Dillon and Eric with their Emerald Star Project.

We also discussed County Fashion Review, Sectional Presentation Day (HAILEY SMITH) you go girl!

4-H Fair Archer Match at the Barry Residence on 3/31/12, Calif. 4-H State Leadership Conference in August and then we ended with leadership reports and a community project.

Happy Easter and Spring Break to all!!

A motion to adjourn the meeting, called by Hadley Garcia and a second to adjourn the meeting called by Brett Garcia. The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m. total minutes of the meeting were 57 minutes.