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The newsletter of the University of California Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development Program, Santa Clara County Mission: The University of California 4-H Youth and Development Program engages youth in reaching their fullest potential while advancing the field of youth and development

Introducing the 2011-2012 Santa Clara County 4-H All Star Team:

Amanda Sura Will Greene Evelyn Rumsby Julianna Lyndon Kenny McDevitt Kerri Alaimo

San Martin El Sereno El Sereno Adams Coyote Crest

San Martin

Advisors: Howard Honerlah Mary Bartlett

Pacheco Pass Rolling Hills

We are off and running with our first activity being the Fair dance, Wednesday, Aug. 3. Please 'Saddle Up' and join us. You will also see us at your clubs' installations. We will be available to help clubs in any way we can – just call! 408 354-9934 or <u>mbart800@hotmail.com</u>

Congratulations to our new Santa Clara County 4-H Executive Board Officers!

At our July Council meeting, elections were held and these folks are now our new Officers/Coordinators:

- Kerri Alaimo, Coyote Crest Vice President
- Leah Hails, Rolling Hills Corresponding Secretary/Historian
- Bob Towle, Large Animal Coordinator
- Sarah Fontana Large Animal Coordinator
- Joe Walters, El Sereno Engineering Sciences Coordinator
- Jim Fritz, El Sereno Health and Leisure Sciences Coordinator
- Laurie Alaimo, Coyote Crest Plant and Resource Sciences Coordinator

Congratulations and thank you for generously offering your time and service to 4-H! We couldn't do it without you.



Fair Docents

It's that time of year again. Youth are completing their stills, animals are being groomed, showmanship skills are being practiced and all of us are excited about the 2011 SCC Youth Fair. All clubs and FFA chapters are asked to sign up for 1 day in 1 building for Thur., Fri., Sat. & Sun. when the Fair is open to the public. You will be responsible for answering questions and to keep a watchful eye on the animals housed in Expo and Pavillion. Please encourage youth who may not have entered anything at the Fair to participate. This will be a community service event. Each club will also be asked to respond to the public at the 4-H Information Booth. Club and chapter leaders will be contacted with days and times. We want to make this the best fair yet and encourage the public to return again and join our program!

Volunteer Online Record Book Webinar



Volunteers may login for a CA 4-H informational webinar on **August 23rd at 6 PM**. This one hour webinar will give volunteers a first look at the many innovative features in the California 4-H Youth Development Program Online Record Book system. Space is limited to the first 150 volunteers to login to the Adobe Connect system. The webinar is FLASH based and will require that your home computer is properly setup with speakers or headphones. This session will be recorded and will be available to Volunteers to view at a later date. Please contact Quang "Hogan" Tong if you have any questions at <u>qtong@ucdavis.edu</u>

Adobe Connect URL: http://uc-d.adobeconnect.com/volunteer/

Member Online Record Book Webinar

Members may login to a CA 4-H informational on **August 30th at 6 PM**. This one hour webinar will give members a first look at the many innovative features in the California 4-H Youth Development Program Online Record Book system. Space is limited to the first 150 members to login to the Adobe Connect system. The webinar is FLASH based and will require that your home computer is properly setup with speakers or headphones. This session will be recorded and will be available to Members to view at a later date. Please contact Quang "Hogan" Tong if you have any questions at <u>qtong@ucdavis.edu</u>

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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

(This course is not open to 4-H leaders from Santa Cruz or Ventura Counties).





4-H Updates E-News August 2011

Welcome to the August 2011 issue of 4 -H Updates E-News.

You may access the PDF document at: <u>http://</u> www.ca4h.org/files/115304.pdf

This 4-H Updates E-Newsletter will be posted on the public website a week from today at <u>http://</u>www.ca4h.org/News/.

Thank you, CA State 4-H Office

4-H Resource Library

The **4-H Resource Library** at the *Santa Clara County UC Cooperative Extension* houses many useful and informative curriculum tools for 4-H Club and Project Leaders new and old. The library has books in almost all project areas including: Small Pets & Animals, Cooking, Sewing, Gardening, Science, Engineering & Technology, Leadership, Cultural Studies and many more.



The **4-H Resource Library** is open for use by appointment

Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the

Santa Clara County UC Cooperative Extension, 1553 Berger Dr. Bldg. 1 San Jose, CA 95112. Please contact Jenel at 408-282-3119 to come in and peruse.

CA 4-H Grants \$\$\$ to support Clubs and Projects



The State 4-H Office will consolidate the Requests for Funding for Service-Learning, Healthy Living, SET and Legacy into one application. 4-H clubs can apply for funding to support service-learning projects related to their project or club activities.

Last year, two clubs in Santa Clara County received an award. You are strongly encouraged to submit an application, which is due October 15 with a limit of \$1,000 per application. Projects must have a service-learning emphasis and can be related to 4-H SET, healthy living, leadership or project work with the goal of in-creasing the visibility of 4-H.

<u>Contact</u>: For more information and/or for help with your application contact Fe Moncloa, 4-H Youth Development Advisor, fxmoncloa@ucdavis.edu or (408)282-3107.

How do Latino youth learn (or not) to participate in civic activities in a high school?

During the past six months, Fe Moncloa, 4-H YDA, explored this question in a high school in San Jose by observing three 12th grade classes and school clubs. She interviewed students, teachers and administrators. A presentation of this research project will take place at the next Council meeting in September. University of California Cooperative Extension Santa Clara County 4-H Youth Development Program 1553 Berger Drive San Jose, CA 95112 http://cesantaclara.ucdavis.edu/ Youth Development

Office Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday

All meetings and events are open to EVERYONE! Please come!

Contact the office for special accommodations for disabled persons.

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Deadline for articles is the 15th of each month.



4-H Calendar

August 2011

- 8/1-7 SCC Youth Fair SCC Fairgrounds
- 8/3 4-H/FFA Fair Dance SCC Fairgrounds
- 8/6 SCC Fair 4H/FFA Awards SCC Fairgrounds
- 8/9 Executive Council Meeting South County, location TBA 7:15 pm
- 8/11 County Record Book Judging 1555 Berger Dr. Bldg 2 7:00 pm
- 8/16 Ranch Committee Meeting 1555 Berger Dr. Bldg 2 7:00 pm

September 2011

- **9/1** Project Proficiency's Due 1553 Berger Dr Bldg. 1 San Jose, 95112
- 9/13 Full Council Meeting 1555 Berger Dr. Bldg 2 7:15 pm

October, 2011

- **10/1** Mega Field Day Emma Prusch Farm Park
- **10/11** Executive Council Meeting Location TBA

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