



# COLUSA COUNTY 4-H NEWS

## MONTHLY CLUB MEETINGS:

Arbuckle 4-H – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, 7:00pm, Arbuckle Elementary  
Colusa 4-H – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, 7:00pm, St. Bernadette's Hall, 745 Ware Ave, Colusa  
Maxwell 4-H – 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday, 6:30pm, Maxwell Elementary multipurpose room  
Princeton 4-H – 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, 6:30pm, Princeton High School multipurpose room  
Stonyford 4-H – See article for monthly dates, Town Hall  
Williams 4-H – 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 6:30pm, Williams Elementary Multipurpose Room  
4-H Council – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every other month, 6:30pm, CIP room (begins Sept)

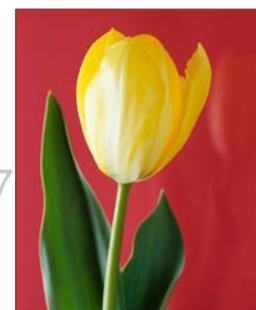
## CALENDAR:

### MARCH 2012

- 1 Farm Bureau Dinner, 5:30 p.m., Festival Hall, Colusa County Fairgrounds
- 3 UC Davis Field Day
- 3 March Hare, Rohnert Park
- 4 Home Ec Review, Arbuckle Elementary, 9:00 a.m. check-in
- 4 Stonyford Club Meeting, 4:00pm, Town Hall
- 7 Maxwell Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Maxwell Elementary
- 7 Due: applications for Mattingly and Sherer livestock loans
- 9 Deadline: registration for Calif. 4-H Camping Conference (see article)
- 12 Arbuckle Club Meeting, 7:00pm, Arbuckle Elementary
- 12 Colusa Club Meeting, 7:00pm, St. Bernadette's Hall
- 12 Princeton Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Princeton High School
- 14 Due: Camp Counselor Applications to 4-H Office
- 17 Sectional Presentation Day, Willows Intermediate School
- 17 Rabbit & Cavy Event, Auburn
- 20 Williams Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Williams Elementary
- 21 Thrive follow-up meeting, 5:30 p.m., CIP Conference Room
- 21 4-H Council Meeting, 6:30pm, CIP Conference Room
- 22 Camp Counselor Interviews – by appointment in the CIP Conf. Room
- 22 Glenn Colusa Beef Ambassador Contest
- 23-24 CA 4-H Camping Conference, Santa Cruz Co.
- 24 Mariposa Youth Horse Fair, 8:30am, Mariposa Fairgrounds
- 24-29 2012 National 4-H Conference

### APRIL 2012

- 3 Mandatory Camp Staff Meeting, 5:30pm, CIP Conf. Room
- 15 Due: Scholarship, Merit Award & All Star applications
- 17 Sheep, Swine & Goat Weigh In, 3:30-6:30pm, Fairgrounds
- 21-22 Solano Co. Junior Horse Show, 8:30am
- 28-29 Shooting Sports Conference, Oakdale Sportsmen's Club
- 29 Colusa County Horse Show, 9:00am, TK Marshall Pavilion, Fairgrounds





## **FARM BUREAU DINNER – HELP NEEDED**

The annual Farm Bureau Dinner is scheduled for March 1, 2012 at Festival Hall. Help is needed! Twenty Jr. High and high school members in uniform shirts and ties/collars are needed to serve and bus tables. Please contact the 4-H office to volunteer. Thank you.

## **HOME EC REVIEW**

Sunday, March 4, 2012 at 9:00am  
Arbuckle Elementary School

**Each club is to provide at least 2 hot dishes and 1 salad for the luncheon.**

Colusa County 4-H has held a Home Economics and Arts judging event for at least 20 years. Over the years it has evolved into an event that combines judging activities and project exhibition for 4-H members interested in home economics and consumer science topics such as foods and nutrition, home furnishings, arts and crafts, mini gardens, and cake decorating. Now called the “Colusa County Home Ec Review,” this event provides a platform for 4-H members to showcase their projects and skill development at a countywide event. The event encourages the advancement of life skills including decision making, public speaking and relationship building, all while promoting creativity.

The Home Ec Review gives 4-H members the opportunity to participate as much as they would like, whether they decide to just test the water or dive in head first. Members who participate in the judging classes may leave after giving their reasons, and still fulfill a requirement for their project. Often, members will have limited participation the first year, but after watching their peer’s exhibit they are inspired to exhibit the following year. In this way, new members are slowly introduced to 4-H project components, while also getting invaluable learning experiences and receiving feedback from caring adults.

The Home Ec Review is a combination of three traditional 4-H events—it serves as the Home Economics Field Day, Project Exhibit Day, and offers the opportunity to introduce 4-H initiatives such as S.E.T. and Healthy Living. In a rural county it is increasingly important to efficiently use 4-H families’ time and energy.

## **ED & JOSIE MATTINGLY MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN**

Ed and Josie Mattingly were 4-H Leaders in Butte County for many years while 7 of their 9 children were in the Biggs 4-H Club. Both have since passed away and their family and friends would like to memorialize them by helping 4-Hers in livestock projects. In this spirit their family would like to help 4-Hers who would have difficulty financing a livestock project without a loan. **The deadline to apply for this loan is March 7<sup>th</sup>.** For further information please contact the 4-H Office at 458-0570.

## **JOEL SHERER MEMORIAL LIVESTOCK LOAN**

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sherer of Arbuckle established the Joel Sherer Memorial Fund in 1965 to memorialize their son Joel, who was “an energetic 4-Her during his lifetime”, and to assist 4-H members in establishing a degree of independence by allowing them the opportunity to finance their livestock projects. **The deadline to apply for this loan is March 7<sup>th</sup>.** For further information please contact the 4-H Office.

## **FUTURE CALENDAR EVENTS—2012**

- May 24-28 – Sacramento County Fair Junior Horse Show
- June 7-11, 2012 – Colusa County Fair, “Stars, Stripes and Fair Delights”
- June 30 – July 3, 2012 – 4-H Summer Camp, Camp Tehama
- July 18-22, 2012— California State 4-H Horse Classic, Elk Grove, CA <http://www.california-equestrian-center.com>

## **SUMMER 4-H CAMP – SAVE THE DATE**

Camper dates: Saturday, June 30- Tuesday, July 3

Staff dates: Friday, June 29-Tuesday, July 3

Counselor Application due: Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup>

Counselor Interviews: Thursday, March 22 – by appointment only.

First staff meeting: April 3, 2012 5:30pm in the CIP Conference room. Bring your own dinner.

Important! New this year, all adults and teens attending camp are needed to attend the first staff meeting. Subcommittee assignment and meetings will be set at this time for planning camp activities.

## **LIVESTOCK WEIGH IN/ENTRY DATES ~ Be wise. Enter before the deadline, avoid the line.**

- Sheep, Swine & Goats – April 17, 2012 from 3:30 pm - 6:30 pm
- Rabbits & Avian – May 7, 2012 from 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm

Entries are accepted at the Fair office during regular office hours 8-12, 1-5 M-F before your deadline day.

**New for 2012:** Ear tags must be in the animal's right ear, with the numbers visible from the top/backside of the ear (except cattle). All old tags must be removed, except scrapie tags. All items/pictures are required with entry from and fees or disqualification will occur. Pictures must be on 8"x10" on regular printer paper and labeled with the exhibitor's name.

Market animal exhibitors are reminded to monitor animal weight closely and practice good feeding practices. Overweight animals are not good practice and self-monitoring is better than rules being imposed by the fair management.

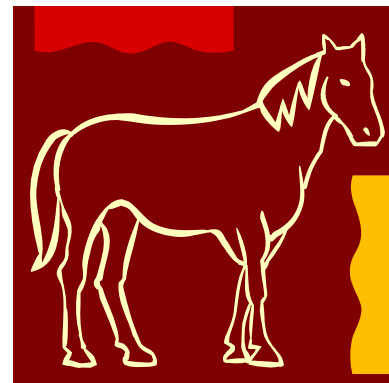
**The buyers' luncheon at the Colusa County Fair this year is chaired by Colusa 4-H Club and Colusa FFA.**

## **2012 YOUTH HORSE FAIR**

Saturday, March 24, 2012

Mariposa Fairgrounds – Strathearn Livestock Pavilion

Come support this Emerald Star Project by Elseana Skowronski. Sign in at 8:30am – Presentations start 9:00am. Lunch to follow the last Presentation approximately 12:30-1pm. Tickets are \$12.50 each (and includes lunch for those that pre-register). For questions and registration contact Elseana at [horseluvr1998@gmail.com](mailto:horseluvr1998@gmail.com) or Carol Suggs at [limofunder@sti.net](mailto:limofunder@sti.net) or 209-966-8150.



## **GLENN-COLUSA COUNTIES BEEF AMBASSADOR CONTEST**

March 22, 2012

The Glenn Colusa CattleWomen will be holding a contest to find a local Beef Ambassador to represent the Glenn and Colusa Counties at the April 28, 2012 State Contest in Chico. This is for a student who is a good public speaker and has some knowledge of beef.

Junior Division: age 14-16 (must be 14, but not over 16 by January 1, 2013)

Senior Division: age 17-20 (must be 17 by not over 20 by January 1, 2013)

Contestants will need to prepare a 3-5 minute speech to be presented at the Glenn Colusa CattleWomen meeting. The speech should dazzle them with your knowledge of the beef industry related to beef production, consumers, nutrition and current industry issues. There is lot of information to help you on [www.nationalbeefambassador.org](http://www.nationalbeefambassador.org) and [www.explorebeef.org](http://www.explorebeef.org).

The CattleWomen are offering a \$100 cash award plus travel expense to the State Contest in Chico for 1<sup>st</sup> place, \$50 for 2<sup>nd</sup> and \$25 for 3<sup>rd</sup>. The State awards are \$400 for 1<sup>st</sup>, \$300 for 2<sup>nd</sup> and all contestants will receive \$50.

The deadline to apply for the local competition is March 5, 2012. For more information contact Sherry Maltby at 473-2830. For the application contact the 4-H office.

## **4-H SHOOTING SPORTS WORKSHOPS**

### **Lakeport, CA**

Rifle Discipline

March 17 & 18, 2012

A rifle trainer course will be held Saturday and Sunday, March 17 & 18, 2012 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Lakeport, at the Konocti Rod & Gun Club. Upon successful completion of this course, 4-H leaders will be certified as Trainers in the shooting sports discipline of rifle. They can then lead a club/camp project or certify volunteer leaders. There is a \$25.00 fee for the course. Breakfast and lunch will be provided both days. You must be an appointed 4-H volunteer to attend. Please send the Training Request Form found at, <http://celake.ucdavis.edu/files/135991.pdf>, and fees payable to "Lake County 4-H Council" to UCCE Lake County, 883 Lakeport Blvd., Lakeport, CA 95453.

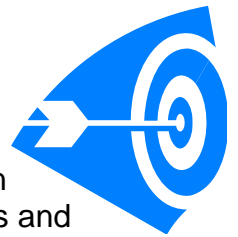
For more registration information contact Julie Frazell at (707) 263-6838 ex. 119 or [jfrazell@ucdavis.edu](mailto:jfrazell@ucdavis.edu). If you have questions about the course, contact the instructor, Rick Walker at (707) 994-7531. This training is not available to Santa Cruz and Ventura county volunteers.

### **YMCA Camp Campbell - Boulder Creek, CA (Santa Cruz County)**

Archery Discipline

March 23 - 25, 2012

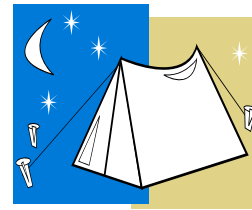
A 4-H shooting sports workshop in the archery discipline will be held in conjunction with the 2012 California 4-H Camping Conference. The training is open to 4-H leaders and teen leaders (high school aged youth). Upon successful completion of the course, adult volunteers (21 and older) will be certified to instruct the archery project in the club, county or at camp. Cost for the course is \$160 and includes class materials, meals and lodging. For more information or to register online by March 9th, visit this website: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Camps/Conference/>



## 2012 CALIFORNIA CAMPING CONFERENCE

March 23-25, 2012

Registration for the **2012 California Camping Conference** is now open! The California 4-H Camping Advisory Committee has assembled top-notch workshops for volunteers, teens and 4-H Program Representatives and Advisors responsible for camping programs. From risk management to cabin time activities; a "check list" for camp administrators to opportunities to measure your impact on campers; new SET activities to healthy living ideas... the program offers something for everyone on your camp leadership team.



For information and forms visit our webpage: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Camps/Conference/> or download the attached 2012 Camping Conference Brochure. Please forward to your camp colleagues and partners. **Registration deadline is March 9.**

## MERIT AWARD, ALL STAR & SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

**DUE: APRIL 15, 2011** – available online at [http://cecolusa.ucdavis.edu/4-H\\_Program/Forms/](http://cecolusa.ucdavis.edu/4-H_Program/Forms/)

**Merit Award** – applicants must be jr/teen leaders, 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduates by June 2012 or 14 years of age or older. A prime consideration in the selection will be how much work, assistance and cooperation the member has given to younger members, leaders, and the club program. The award is a full scholarship to the State 4-H Leadership Conference at UC Davis, July 28 - July 31, 2012.

**All Star** – applicants must be 15 years of age as of January 2012, have a Gold Star or are eligible to attain a Gold Star this year. Up to 4 members may be chosen to serve as All Stars. Duties include attending State 4-H Leadership Conference, present at Achievement Night, other countywide events, represent 4-H at public events and be a counselor at 4-H summer camp.

**College Scholarship** – Any graduating senior that is a 4-H member should call the 4-H office and request an application to be sent to them.

There are 3 components to scholarship;

- 1) Enrollment award based on your years enrolled in 4-H
- 2) Merit award is based on your interview and record book
- 3) Renewable scholarship – for each scholarship awarded, Council will set aside \$1500. You can reapply for three additional years, and be awarded \$500 per year if you meet the requirements: verification of enrollment, full time student with passing grades, and your transcript from the previous year.

## SOLANO COUNTY JUNIOR HORSE SHOW

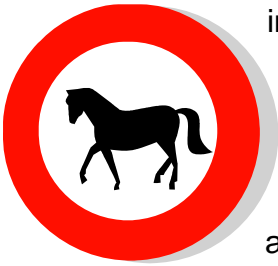
April 21-22, 2012

Howdy! The Dixon May Fair (Solano County) has opened up their Junior Horse Show to all counties this year! It is a 2 day event, to be held April 21-22, 2012 at the Dixon May Fairgrounds. Gates open at 6am classes start @8:30 am sharp. Open to all 4-H/FFA and independent youth. Sat., April 21st is English/Western & Trail - Sun. April 22nd is Gymkana events and Queen horsemastership classes. Divisions are walk/trot junior & senior. The awards are engraved halters, trophies, girth belt buckles and other donated items. High point overall, high point & reserve to walk/trot, Jr., Sr., Novice and Cowboy awards will be given. We run 2 arenas. Any information can be found online Dixon May Fair Junior Horse Show or call 707-678-5529. This show qualifies for Ca. 4-H Classic and for the State Fair.



## **COLUSA COUNTY FAIR HORSE SHOW**

The Colusa County 4-H Horse Projects would like to invite all of our young horse lovers and their families to come join us at the 8th annual Colusa County Fair Horse Show. The show is scheduled to take place on April 29th at the TK Marshall Pavilion at the Fairgrounds starting at 9:00. There will be great goodie bags and prizes, as well as buckles/reserve awards in each of 11 divisions. Classes in all Western events, including 5 gymkhana events, will be offered. This is a great chance to compete in a fun and friendly family-centered horse event! This show is NOT limited to just 4-H members-it is also open to the general public for youth 18 & under in Colusa, Glenn, Butte, and Yuba-Sutter Counties. FFA riders are welcome to enter in open classes as well. This show will be a qualifier for both State Fair and 4-H State Classic this year. For more information or entry forms please contact Dale Martini at 680-2410. We can also always use sponsors to help support our great awards! Hope to see you there!



## **4-H SHOOTING SPORTS WORKSHOP**

**Tulare, CA**

Rifle Discipline

Saturday, April 14, 2012 – 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 15, 2012 – 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at Rankin Field Range, 20000 Road 140 in Tulare. 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](mailto:jaborba@ucdavis.edu) (This course is not open to 4-H leaders from Santa Cruz or Ventura Counties).

For information about the facility and a map, please visit the range website at:

<http://tcdsa.org/>

## **2012 CA 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS LEADERS' MEETING**

April 28-29, 2012

Oakdale Sportsman's Club

The California 4-H Shooting Sports Program welcomes all current and/or potential 4-H Shooting Sports project leaders and teen leaders (high school aged 4-H members) to attend a two-day leaders meeting. Participants will receive project and curriculum updates in all disciplines. Participants will be able to experience hands-on learning through rotations in the following 4-H Shooting Sports disciplines: muzzle loading; archery; rifle; and shotgun.

There is no cost to attend this leaders meeting. All participants will be responsible for their own lodging. Camping will be allowed on site with prior approval. Please see the agenda for which meals will be provided on each day. For more information or additional questions, please contact John Borba, CA. 4-H Shooting Sports Chair at 661-868-6216 or by email at [jaborba@ucdavis.edu](mailto:jaborba@ucdavis.edu)

The California 4-H Shooting Sports Program provides instruction in the safe handling of firearms and archery equipment while developing self-confidence and leadership abilities in 4-H participants. As a youth development education program, 4-H shooting sports uses the skills and disciplines of shooting to assist young people and their leaders in attaining knowledge and developing essential life skills. The program follows a standardized format, lists program components, and identifies clearly intended learning outcomes. <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=7810>

# 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. The California 4-H centennial is in 2013. It's an important milestone for an organization that is deeply connected to communities throughout California. 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.

**Do you see a need in your community?**

**Do you know 4-H members and volunteer leaders who work to improve their community?**

**JOIN The Revolution of Responsibility! \$1,000 is available to 4-H Clubs and Groups**

**Due April 15, 2012**

<http://ucanr.org/join/>

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/>

A **toolkit** of tips, templates, links, and suggested guidelines has been developed to support your projects. From the initial work to identify a compelling community issue to the final celebration of its completion, use this toolkit to help you carry out the important steps necessary to ensure success.

<http://www.ca4h.org/Support/RofR/Toolkit/>



## Projects Funded in October 2011

- School Nutrition Education, Cottonwood 4-H Club, Yolo County
- Underprivileged Children's Christmas Party, Del Arroyo 4-H Club, Alameda County
- Robots in the Environment, Two Rock 4-H Club, Sonoma County
- Project Rabbit, Redwood 4-H Club, Alameda County
- Friends for Love, Felton 4-H Club, Santa Cruz County
- Goal Day, Santa Cruz County All Stars
- Service Learning, Westwind 4-H Club, Solano County
- Sutter County Flag Project, Sutter Buttes 4-H Club, Sutter County
- 4-H Million Trees Project, San Mateo Countywide Project

## SISKIYOU COUNTY 4-H DOG FIELD DAY

Saturday, May 19, 2012

Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds ~ Hosted by Yreka 4-H

Yreka 4-H will be hosting a Siskiyou County 4-H Dog Field Day, Saturday, May 19, 2012 at the Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds in Yreka, California. This event is open to all 4-H members; members do not have to be enrolled in a dog project to participate. There will be seven classes: Written Test, Presentation, Showmanship, Obedience, Rally, Tricks, and Costume Class. Members are welcome to enter any or all of the classes. Primary member classes will not be judged.



The four levels for competition are Primary (5-8), Junior (9-10), Intermediate (11-13), and Senior (14-19). The entry fee is \$5.00 per dog. The Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds has RV and tent camping available for a reasonable fee, and numerous dog friendly motels are located near the fairgrounds.

We are offering "I survived the Siskiyou County 4-H Dog Field Day", t-shirts for \$10.00 each and a food concession will be available at the field day. We are inviting all 4-H members in northern California and Southern Oregon, and are hoping to make this a fun 4-H event.

## 2012 STATE FASHION REVUE "BEHIND THE SEAMS"

Date: May 26, 2012

Location: Olson Hall, UC Davis

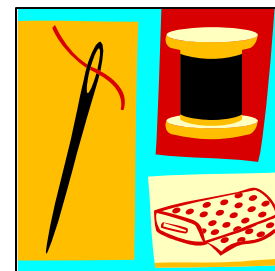
Entry Categories: Traditional, Consumer Science-Purchased (\$100 limit), Wearable Art-Embellished Plus 2 Challenge entry categories: \$19.99 Challenge [\\$19.99 Challenge](#) and "Bag Up Fashion" Tote Bag Challenge [Bag up Fashion Challenge](#)

The Recycled category will not be offered at 2012 State Fashion Revue.

Two Service Projects

\* Quilts for Wounded Warriors [Quilts for Wounded Warriors](#)

\* Million Pillowcase Project [Million Pillowcase Project](#)



Sewing instructions for French (enclosed) seams go to

<http://www.allpeoplequilt.com/millionpillowcases/instructions/RollItUp.pdf>

Sewing instructions for zig zag finished seams, go to

<http://utah4h.org/files/uploads/Resource%20Materials/Consumer%20and%20Family%20Sciences/Designer%20Pillowcase%20Update%202008.pdf>

[SFR Brochure 2012](#) 2-sided brochure to print about SFR categories & service projects. Print it for yourself, your club members and friends who might like to participate!

**SFR Manual** [SFR Manual 2012 smaller file](#), larger file, will take longer to download [SFR Manual 2012](#) SFR Manual version 2, revised for 2012. Counties, project leaders, members and families are encouraged to download and read the manual. It is not required for the manual to be adopted by county or sectional competitions, but it is recommended that it be used as the state-wide standard for 4-H Fashion Revues. Consistency will help 4-H members understand the requirements of their categories and methods of evaluation which will be used at each level of competition. The manual is a living document and will continue to be updated as needed. Hopefully it will help guide members and leaders in 4-H projects and competitions.

Registration survey will open April 1<sup>st</sup>. Final entry deadline is May 12, 2012



## SPECIAL RECOGNITION AT THE 2012 STATE 4-H PRESENTATION DAY

California 4-H offers a thematic recognition pin for youth who participate at State 4-H Presentation Day and focus their presentations on one of the following areas:

- Science, Engineering and Technology (SET):  
**Renewable Energy**
- Citizenship: Military Youth: **"Speak Out for Military Kids"**
- Healthy Living: **Healthy Foods**

Participants may only choose ONE focus area for their presentation, and the area must be the PRIMARY topic of the presentation. Youth must first qualify through

county and sectional events in order to present at the State 4-H Presentation Day. For details, visit [www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/PD/Recognition\\_Opportunities](http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/PD/Recognition_Opportunities) or see full page sheet at the end of this newsletter.



## 2012 CA 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

State 4-H Field Day – Hunt Hall, UC Davis

May 26, 2012

Regular 4-H Members ages 9-19 (enrollment in photography project not required). Limit two photographs per participant. Register at: <http://ucanr.org/4hphotocontest>. The deadline to register is May 4, 2012. For full contest details, visit: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/Photo/>. For questions, please contact John Trammell, CA 4-H Photography Contest Coordinator at [techdude4h@gmail.com](mailto:techdude4h@gmail.com) or 909-844-1747.

## MARCH BIRTHDAYS

• AMANDA BRITT • ANDREA THOMAS • ASHLEIGH EHRKE • AUDREY PEARSON •  
BLAKE STEIDLMAYER • CHAENA LAUX • DREW HARTILL • DYLAN JONES • EMILY  
HATHAWAY • EMILY WATSON • GERARDO RIOS • HAYDEN MORRIS • HEATHER  
WESTON • HERNAN RODRIGUEZ • HOLLIE AZEVEDO • MOLLY DOHERTY • JACOB  
CHRESTENSEN • JAMIE TROTCHIE • JANESELYNN BISHOP • JESSE KASZA • JEWELL  
LATTIMORE • KAILY MCKINLEY • KASI CUNHA • KAYLIE GWINNUP • KELSEY  
BURGESS • KENDALL REBELE • LEVI KALFSBEEK • MAGGIE REYNA • MARY PAT  
PETERSON • NIAL COOPER • NICHOLAS MATHERLY • REBEKAH WHITEHAIR • ROCCO  
OLHISER • RYAN DOHERTY •

## VOLUNTEER LEADER WEBSITE

The volunteer leader website is a new interactive and growing site that can be seen at <http://ucanr.org/4-hvolunteers/>. There are sections that will change monthly, a 4-H Blog, 4-H Volunteer Voices, and updates in the program. We hope you'll enjoy seeing all the resources you need in one centralized location. In order to build this new section of the website, please send any recent stories of 4-H in the news in your community that you would like to share. You can email these stories to: [fourhstateofc@ucdavis.edu](mailto:fourhstateofc@ucdavis.edu).

## 2012 NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE DELEGATION

The State 4-H Office is pleased to introduce the California Delegation to the 2012 National 4-H Conference, March 24-29, 2012.

- Adult advisor, Mary Meyer, San Mateo County 4-H Program Representative
- Sarah Lloyd, San Mateo County
- Evelyn Rumsby, Santa Clara County
- Taylor Walters, Santa Clara County

While the team size is smaller in 2012, primarily due to funding restrictions, we are excited that these outstanding youth leaders will represent California this important National 4-H Event.

The National 4-H Conference is the Secretary of Agriculture's premier youth development opportunity to engage youth in developing recommendations for the 4-H Youth Development Program. More information is available at <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/N4-HC/>

## 4-H SERVICE LEARNING PROJECT

At State Field Day there will be a My Plate Challenge. Check out the details and see if this is for your members: <http://fruitsandveggies.challenge.gov/>. Mandi Bottoms, [mlbottoms@ucdavis.edu](mailto:mlbottoms@ucdavis.edu) Healthy Living Coordinator, encourages everyone to include the healthy living, S.E.T., Citizenship and service learning in their presentations at State Field Day. Last year they focused on injury prevention and they gave out 12 special recognition pins to the youth who participated. This year the focus is on healthy foods. There were handouts showing resources from state and national healthy living programs.

## STONYFORD CLUB MEETINGS

### Held at Town Hall:

Sunday, March 4, 2012 at 4:00pm

Sunday, April 15, 2012 at 4:00pm

Sunday, May 20, 2012 at 4:00pm

### Held at the fairgrounds camp area:

Sunday, June 10, 2012 at 10am

**Stonyford Club Meeting dates are not on a standard schedule so be sure to check monthly**

## 4-H INFORMATIONAL LINKS:

To view the 4-H State news, go to <http://www.ca4h.org/Administration/StateOffice>

To view the 4-H Science, Engineering, and Technology news, go to:

<http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/>.

To view the National 4-H news, go to <http://4-h.org/news/4hnews.php>

To view the National 4-H news Healthy Living Program, go to <http://www.4-h.org/youth-development-programs/kids-health>

## CLUB & PROJECT REPORTS

### MAXWELL CLUB MEETING

Submitted by: Wyatt Perry

On February 1<sup>st</sup>, Maxwell 4-H held their monthly meeting in the Maxwell Elementary School Auditorium. Some parents signed up to make hot dishes and salads for the Home Ec Review. We also talked about next month's bake walk and we told everyone the calendar of events. After the meeting we made Valentine cards for both ourselves and for the occupants at the Valley West care center.

### MAXWELL RABBIT GROUP

Submitted by: Olivia Jarrett

I went to a rabbit show at Chico State on January 14<sup>th</sup> with my 4-H group. It was really fun. There were Angora rabbits that cost \$1,000 and there was a lady in Japan that wanted to buy three of them. It was \$600 to ship them. We also watched showmanship and watched people tattoo rabbits and clip their nails. I had lots of fun.

Submitted by: Avanelle Dennis

On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of December the Maxwell Rabbit Group gathered at Maxwell Elementary School at 3:00pm. My rabbit is named Beezus. She is an otter colored Netherland Dwarf doe. Millie LaGrande showed her rabbits. One was a doe and the other was a buck. We talked all about rabbits and their variety. We learned how to carry the rabbits, flip them over and much more.

### SCRAPBOOK GROUP MEETING

Submitted by: Hannah Azevedo

During our first scrapbooking meeting, we made cards for troops. This is my second year making cards and sending them to our troops. This year I received a return card.

During our December meeting, several members signed Christmas cards for Valley West. On December 17<sup>th</sup> we took all the cards and the Christmas wreaths donated by our club to Valley West. The staff was very appreciative and wrote us a thank you card.

**Chris Greer**  
County Director

**Liz Dawley**  
4-H Program Representative



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# COLUSA COUNTY

## 2012 4-H CAMP "Teen Counselor" Application

All teens, 9<sup>th</sup> grade (graduated from 8<sup>th</sup> grade) and older, as of June 1, 2012, are eligible to apply. Prior 4-H membership and camp experience is not required. All those applying for teen counselor positions **MUST** submit an application and attend an interview. These will be used to help make selections.

**Applications Due:** Wednesday, March 14, 2012, by 5:00 p.m.

**Interviews:** Thursday, March 22, 2012 - by appointment only  
CIP Conference Room, 100 Sunrise Blvd., Colusa

**Call:** 458-0570 (8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) to schedule your interview

### Staff Training & Planning Meetings:

The date of the first planning/training meeting will be Tuesday, April 3, 2012, 5:30 p.m. in the CIP Conference Room. Subcommittee and main committee meetings will be arranged at this first meeting. Please bring your dinner.

Adults are needed as staff and are encouraged to contact the office to volunteer. All adults and teens attending camp must attend the first staff meeting. Subcommittee assignments and meetings will be set at this time for planning camp activities. To attend camp, counselors **MUST ATTEND** three of the four scheduled meetings. These meetings are very important for a successful camp. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

### 4-H Camp, Camp Tehama:

Camp will again be held at Camp Tehama, near Mineral. Camp dates are June 29-July 3, 2012. Your full time attendance at camp is required.

If you have any questions, please call Liz Dawley, 4-H Program Representative at 458-0579.

-Please attach a letter of recommendation from non-family, preferably non 4-H source.

-Complete attached Code of Conduct.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Address/City/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle:    Male    Female

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_  
(As of June 1, 201)

1. Have you attended 4-H Camp or other camp in previous years?            NO    YES  
If yes, please tell us what year(s) and whether you were a counselor or camper.

2. What previous experience do you have working with children? (i.e. babysitting, church, other?)

3. What do you believe the 4-H Camp's goal should be?

4. What ideas do you have for new program areas or camp activities?

5. Teen staff will be asked to pay approximately \$75.00 camp fee.  
Will this be a hardship for you?

6. Please list 3 references that we may contact:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_ Years known: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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**YOU MUST BRING YOUR APPOINTMENT BOOK/SOCIAL CALENDER TO THE INTERVIEW. IF YOU'RE UNABLE TO ATTEND DUE TO AN EMERGENCY, YOU MUST CONTACT THE COLUSA CO. 4-H OFFICE PRIOR TO THE INTERVIEW.**



## **CODE OF CONDUCT**

Campers, Adult Staff & Camp Teen Counselors  
University of California, Colusa County Cooperative Extension

\*I, (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_, have read and understand the Code of Conduct and agree to abide by its rules. I also understand that if I do not abide by these rules the consequences listed will be enforced.

Youth/Adult Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**All youth campers and teen counselors must include parent/guardian signature below:**

\*I, (Please print) \_\_\_\_\_, parent/guardian of the above named youth have read and have assisted my child in understanding the above rules, and requirements as a camp participant. We both understand the consequences that will follow if my child does not abide by the rules.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The following guidelines are designed to make your experience at 4-H Summer Camp satisfying to you and to all others attending. **The individual rights, safety and property of others must be respected.**

Respect the rights and property of others.

- Do not touch other camper's belongings.
- Disrespectful, abusive language will not be a part of camp (No profanity, racial slurs, or putdowns).
- Do not damage or deface camp facilities or property.
- Rudeness, lack of courtesy, and disrespect for authority will not be tolerated.
- Fighting and threatening physical about is not acceptable behavior.

Be concerned for the safety of campers and staff.

- No running in camp or at other activities unless during an organized activity.
- Must wear closed-toe shoes for camp activities. Sandals are not safe on uneven terrain.
- Sleeping areas shall be kept neat and free of litter.
- Throwing objects is not allowed unless it is a planned activity such as sports (throwing rocks will not be tolerated).
- No jumping or swinging on the beds or the cabins.
- Camper's, and teen counselors cannot leave the grounds without an adult and must have the Camp Director's or 4-H staff's permission.
- Swimming will be allowed only at scheduled times.
- All prescriptions and over the counter drugs must be given to the Camp Nurse upon arrival at camp.
- All meals and snacks are provided; **do not** bring extra food, candy, drinks or snacks. Food in the camps will attract insects, squirrels and other wildlife.
- Knives will be provided for fishing. Do not bring knives of any type, they will be confiscated.
- Youth who bring their own cars may be asked to turn in their keys to the Adult Camp Director or the 4-H Staff.

**4-H camp is a fun experience and everyone is to participate in the planned activities.**

- When you hear the bell report immediately to the camp fire area.
- Be on time and ready to participate.
- If ill, report to the camp medical staff.
- Be a positive team member for your group and cabin.
- "Lights Out" means quiet and in bed.
- Everyone must check in/out with the Camp Director or 4-H Staff when leaving or coming into camp.

**The following items and activities are not allowed in camp (NO SECOND CHANCES).**

**Campers, teen counselors and adult staff having or doing such will be sent home at the first infractions and at their own expense.**

- No alcoholic beverages, knives, firearms, fireworks, illegal drugs, matches, and tobacco are allowed.
- No gambling or betting with money, overly display of affection between anyone, fighting, threatening/physical abuse, stealing, tampering with emergency equipment, and being under the influence of drugs or alcohol are allowed at camp.
- Boys are not allowed in the girl's cabin area; Girls are not allowed in the boy's cabin area.

***CONSEQUENCES:***

The following steps will be followed if a camper, teen counselor or adult staff member does not abide by the rules.

**1<sup>st</sup> Infraction:** Discuss the inappropriate behavior with an adult staff member or teen counselor and clarify rules.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Infraction:** Camp Director or 4-H staff will discuss the inappropriate behavior and give a "time out" or appropriate consequence. Camper's appropriate attitude and/or behavior will be discussed.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Infraction or Any Behavior Listed in Rule #4:** Camp Director or 4-H staff will request parent to pick up camper or teen counselor to be taken home at their expense and Camp fee will not be refunded. Adult Staff members will be asked to leave camp immediately.

Additional consequences may be releasing the individual to the nearest law enforcement agency, assessing the cost of damages and repairs to the event of destruction of property, barring the individual from future 4-H activities, and/or termination of 4-H membership. Parents will be notified of any action taken.

**All youth including teen counselors are not covered by UC liability when driving, to or from 4-H Camp. There is no insurance coverage for anyone under the age of 18, driving themselves or anyone else. If your child is being driven by anyone under 18 to and from camp, a letter with your permission and acknowledgment of this statement must be on file at the 4-H Office before they are driven.**

**Return this (1) form, the (2) applications, (3) medical release form and the (4) attachment for medical treatment form (youth only) to the 4-H Office by the deadline date.**