



COLUSA COUNTY 4-H NEWS

MONTHLY CLUB MEETINGS:

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

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CALENDAR:

JANUARY 2013

- 2 Cooperative Extension Office reopens after the Holidays
- 2 Maxwell Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Maxwell Elementary
- 4 Due: Presentation Day registration
- 12 Colusa County Presentation Day, Maxwell Elem School, 9:00 a.m..
- 13 Stonyford Club Meeting, 3:00pm, Town Hall
- 14 Arbuckle Club Meeting, 7:00pm, Arbuckle Elementary
- 14 Colusa Club Meeting, 7:00pm, St. Bernadette's Hall
- 14 Princeton Club Meeting, Princeton H.S.
- 15 Williams Club Meeting, 6:30pm, Williams Elementary
- 16 Craft Expo committee meeting, 5:30pm, CIP Conference Room
- 16 4-H Council Meeting, 6:30pm, CIP Conference Room
- 21 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday – Cooperative Extension closed

FEBRUARY 2013

- 2 Chico State University Swine Day, 8:00am, Chico State University Farm Pavilion
- 10 Beef Weigh-In and Entry, (TENTATIVE)
- 18 Presidents Day – Cooperative Extension Office Closed



PLEASE NOTE:

- To make project enrollment changes to your 4hOnline profile (for both members and leaders) you must go through your club's key leader. They will forward that information to the project leaders and then to the 4-H Office. This will make all project leaders aware of any additions/subtractions to their project groups.

SAVE THE DATE:

- Home Ec Review – Saturday, March 2, 2013, at Williams Middle School, 9:00 a.m.
- Western Regional Leaders' Forum – March 21-24, 2013, Waikiki, HI
- Citizenship Focus – June 14-18, 2013, location TBD

LIVESTOCK WEIGH IN/ENTRY DATES – CHECK FAIR WEBSITE

www.colusacountyfair.com/

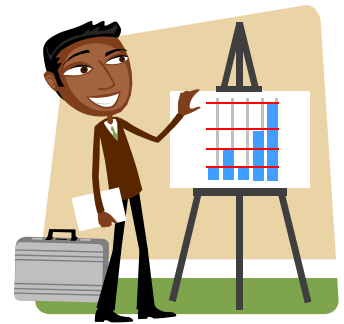
- Beef – February 10, 2013 from 7:30 am - 11:00 am (TENTATIVE)
- Sheep, Swine & Goats - ?
- Rabbits & Avian – ?

COUNTY PRESENTATION DAY

Registration forms are due 5:00 p.m., Friday, January 4th.

Start thinking and planning NOW about giving a presentation for 4-H Presentation Day in January. First, find a subject in which you are very interested or your main project prepare your poster, write your talk, practice once or twice, then put it away until after the holidays. Bring it out after New Year's for a lot of practice and you'll be ready for **County Presentation Day, January 12, 2013 at Maxwell Elementary School, Maxwell, 9:00.** Presentation Day form was included in the December

newsletter. If you need information on giving presentations download the State 4-H Presentation Manual from <http://ca4h.org/leadership/spd/index.asp>. Also the 4-H Office has helpful printed information as well.



NOTE: Gold medal winners at county proceed to Sectional then State. Special Recognition subject will be released in January. Consider S.E.T., Healthy Living or Citizenship as your topic. Give your presentation to five different audiences, including County Presentation Day and win a Super Presenter award.

COUNCIL MEETING

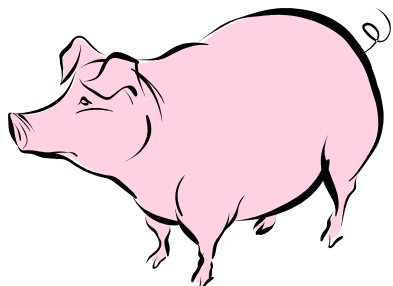
The next Colusa County 4-H Council will be Wednesday, January 16th at 6:30 p.m. in the CIP Conference Room. All certified leaders and all approved members are voting members of the council. Parents are welcome to attend as well. Agenda items are due by noon the day before. Remaining council meetings for the year are: March 20th and May 15th.

Craft Expo Committee/Council Meeting

The Craft Expo Committee will meet at 5:30 pm Wednesday, January 16th in the CIP Conference Room to evaluate this year's event and plan next year's. Project leaders and Jr/Teen Leaders are all welcome and examples of new crafts are suggested. Any outstanding bills must be submitted by

December 7, 2012. The January Council meeting will be Wednesday, January 16th at 6:30 following the Craft Expo meeting. Agenda items are due to the 4-H office by noon the week before, January 9th.

CSU, Chico Swine Education Day



Date: Saturday, February 2, 2013 Time: 8:00 AM

\$5 Registration fee

Location: University Farm

CSU, Chico Swine Day is scheduled for Saturday, February 2, 2013.

The event includes a variety of educational workshops on nutrition, health, carcass evaluation and more. Registration begins at 8 am. For more information go to their website: www.thepigpage.com/chicostate, 530-898-6025.

CSU, Chico Sheep and Goat Day

Date: Saturday, February 9, 2013 Time: 8:00 AM

Location: University Farm Pavilion

For more information, contact Dr. Celina Johnson by phone (530-898-4147) or e-mail, or visit the Sheep and Goat Unit web site. <http://www.chicostatesheepgoat.com/resources.html>

FREE INTEREST LIVESTOCK LOANS

Call the 4-H Office for applications to assist with your livestock project. Two loans are available and easy to attain: The Joel Sherer Memorial and the Ed and Josie Mattingly Memorial. Applications are accepted now and must be in no later than March 7th.

HOME EC REVIEW

Sunday, March 2, 2013 at 9:00am

Williams Jr High School, Williams

Members may enter a table setting and a stand-alone entry in the same project. Remember members must be enrolled in the project to exhibit in the category. Information and registration packets will be available at the January Council meeting for all non-livestock project leaders.



JOIN THE CALIFORNIA 4-H STATE HORSE CLASSIC PLANNING TEAM!

The event will take place June 26-30, 2013 at Brookside Equestrian Center. The planning team is responsible for planning, conducting and overseeing the entire event. Multiple conference calls, a face to face meeting in April (travel reimbursed) and a work dinner on June 25th are planned. The team will be broken into 3 sub-teams: Education, Western and English. All efforts will be made to assign volunteers to the planning area of their choice, but in some cases, this will not be possible. Each sub-team will consist of 3-4 volunteers and the entire team will consist of 10-14 members. Resumes may be uploaded if you choose to do so. The link to the survey to apply to be on the planning team is: <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=9605>. All surveys are due by **January 15th**. The planning team will be determined by 4-H staff and will be announced by **February 1, 2013**. Any questions please contact Sarah Watkins, spwatkins@ucanr.edu.

37TH ANNUAL AGRICULTURAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES FIELD DAY

The University of California, Davis College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences will hold its **37th Annual Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Field Day on March 1st and 2nd.**

The UC Davis CA&ES Field Day is the 2013 California 4-H State Qualifier for Poultry, Dairy and Livestock judging. Visit <http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Animal/SLJC/> for state qualifying guidelines.

To register, go to: <<http://calaged.csuchico.edu/registration/>>

Select the event (2013 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.**

AMERICAN YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM WITH SAMOA

Applications due April 1, 2013

The [American Youth Leadership Program \(AYLP\) with Samoa](#) will offer 18 youth and 2 adults the opportunity to explore the vast historical and cultural traditions of Samoa. The program will include a pre-trip orientation on the campus of the University of Wyoming (July, 2013), three week cultural trip to Samoa (December 13, 2013 – January 4, 2014) and a follow-on project that will be carried out in each participant's local community following the exchange trip. The educational theme for AYLP with Samoa will focus on nutrition and food security issues that are common to the western U.S. and Samoa. For more information visit: <http://www.uwyo.edu/4-h/youth/travel/samoa/index.html> or applications visit: <http://www.uwyo.edu/4-h/youth/travel/samoa/samoa-applications.html>. Please note: There is no program fee and out of pocket expenses will be minimal.

STATE 4-H FIELD DAY 2013 – MAY 25 AT UC DAVIS

<http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/>

• Fashion Revue:

State Fashion Revue committee has received questions about the 2 Yard Wonder category. To clarify, a garment and coordinating accessory are created out of a two yard length of 45" wide woven cotton fabric. For the garment and accessory, only this piece of fabric may be used (for example, no additional fabric for lining). Take a photo holding the two yards of fabric. Members may use any pattern and the outfit may include other sewn or purchased garments and accessories. SFR is coordinating 3 service activities. The Drawstring Bag service project will provide tote bags for children going into foster care. If you would like to contribute tote bags, please go to the SFR website for instructions, <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/SFR/>. You may bring completed tote bags to State Fashion Revue or contact Megan at meganladytink@gmail.com or Courtney at cjam11219@gmail.com for mailing information.

• 4-H MyPlate Challenge at 2013 State Field Day

In 2011 the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) 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. We invite you to submit a photograph illustrating how you're creating healthy meals using MyPlate as a guide. 4-H members do not need to pre-qualify at a county event. More details about this contest can be found at: http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/4-H_MyPlate_Challenge/

4-H MILLION TREES PROJECT!

1. 4HMT made great progress this year. **Since the project started, 73,258 youth have planted 447,707 trees** to beautify their communities and help slow global climate change. Please encourage all 4-H youth to plant more trees in 2013, and then log them on the 4HMT database at www.4hmilliontrees.org.

2. **4HMT continues to expand internationally**, with Tanzania, Uganda, and Latvia 4-H joining Kenya, India, UK, Canada, & Trinidad and Tobago. Puerto Rico 4-H also has a great program to encourage kids to plant trees. Thanks for your support.

3. **4HMT has a goal to give youth opportunities to learn life skills through leadership opportunities.** For example,

- Youth write grant proposals to raise funds for their tree planting events, plus articles about these activities for newspapers, magazines, and newsletters.
- Youth learn web design and programming while keeping the project website updated.
- 4-Hers get public speaking experience as they give speeches and presentations to educate more people about doing their part in the climate crisis.

Please encourage 4-Hers to contact us to discuss benefits of accepting these challenges of learning new life skills while helping 4HMT.

4. 4HMT has partnerships with many organizations, and all participants are encouraged to take advantage of these relationships for the benefit of their clubs and members.

- Want to plant trees at National Wildlife Refuges, or on other Federal lands?
- Want to plant trees with Habitat for Humanity?
- Want to plant trees with KaBoom?
- Want to link up with the Arbor Day Foundation?
- Want to be part of the Earth Day Network?

Contact us to discuss how youth can connection with these and other organizations.

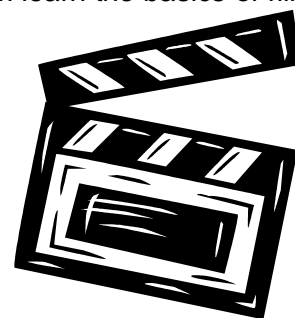
2013 4-H FILM MAKING STATEWIDE PROJECT, *SUPPORTED BY BESTBUY*

<http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Tech/CTLT/Film/>

For 4-H members (age 13-19), volunteers, and staff to learn how to produce films. The goal of the 4-H Film Making Project is to enhance technological literacy of 4-H members by helping them learn the basics of film production including storyboarding, filming, and editing. Our goal is to have 4-H members produce films that feature how 4-H is impacting their community (for example, 4-H Revolution of Responsibility projects) and recording 4-H alumni and creating films featuring the "Voices of 4-H History" for the CA 4-H Centennial.

The project is coordinated by the 4-H Technology Leadership Team,

- Hosting four-hour video production workshops around California using the National 4-H Film Making Curriculum (workshops limited to 30 people)
- Lending video equipment kits to counties
- Showcasing completed videos at the State 4-H Film Festival and on various websites



Learn more and register for a workshop at <http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Tech/CTLT/Film/>

2013 CITIZENSHIP FOCUS

California Focus June 14-18, 2013

California Focus is a unique citizenship educational experience that combines hands-on participation in workshops, debates and simulations with speakers, tours, fun activities and new friends from across California. <http://ucanr.org/sites/UC4-H/Projects/Citizenship/Focus/CF/>. **Online Registration will be available February 1, 2013**

• **Citizenship Washington Focus Registration is currently being taken**

June 23-July 2, 2013

Washington Focus, an educational conference offered at the National 4-H Center near Washington, D.C, gives youth the opportunity to explore, develop and refine the civic engagement skills they need in order to become outstanding leaders. Additional travel days include visits to Gettysburg, Philadelphia and New York City.

<http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/Citizenship/Focus/WF/>

• **4-H State Leadership Conference 2013 – July 25-28, 2013 at UC Davis**

Celebrating 100 years of California 4-H. This year's theme: ***There's no place like 4-H***

The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience.

<http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/>



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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CESAR LOPEZ • CODY ORTIZ • DANIEL GONZALEZ • ERIN WALSH • GABE GRIMMER
• HANNAH CUTTER • JOSE GONZALEZ • KATIE WILLIAMS • KHLOEY WAYMAN GOBEL •
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