



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)

CALENDAR:

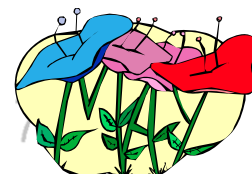
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MAY 2013

- 1 Golden Clover Awards nominations due
- 2 Camp Fishing 4:30pm, Recreation Subcommittee meeting, 6pm, UCCE office
- 6 Rabbit, Avian weigh-in & entry, barn area, 3:30-5:30pm, Colusa County Fairgrounds
- 9 Camp Meeting, 5:00 teen staff, 6:00 adult & teen staff, CIP Conference Room
- 14 Jr. Livestock Committee, 7:00pm, Fair Board Room
- 15 Deadline: 4-H Camp Registration Due to the 4-H Office
- 15 Due: Trash can/parade entry contest entries to 4-H Office
- 15 4-H Council Meeting, 6:30p.m., Key Leader training 5:30, CIP Conference Room
- 15 Service Learning Projects (Revolution of Responsibility) application deadline
- 17 Registration due for Junk Drawer Robotics Training
- 25 State Field Day, UC Davis
- 27 Memorial Day – UCCE office closed
- 28 4-H Junk Drawer Robotics Training, Yuba City

JUNE 2013

- 1-2 4-H Archery Certification Training, Siskiyou Co.
- 1-2 Lassen County 4-H Horse Show & Educational Contest
- 2 Glenn County 4-H Horse Show, Orland
- 2 Due: 4-H Still Exhibits (except food and horticulture) to Atwood Hall, 12-5pm
- 3 Judging: 4-H Still Exhibits (except food and horticulture) in Atwood Hall
- 6 Due: 4-H Still Exhibits – Food & Horticulture, 7-9am, Atwood Hall
- 6 Judging: 4-H Still Exhibits – Food & Horticulture, 10am in Atwood Hall
- 6-10 Colusa County Fair "Crops, Crafts & Critters"
- 21-24 4-H Summer Camp, "Barnyard Bust Out!" at Camp Tehama



FAIR INFORMATION

LIVESTOCK WEIGH IN/ENTRY DATES -

Entry Deadline Schedule to the Fair Office (The day you turn in your entry form)

May 6, 2013 3:30 to 5:00 pm Market Rabbit, Poultry Pens

May 6, 2013 by 5:00 pm Breeding Stock & Primary Member Shows



Entries are accepted online only this year. You may use a computer at the Fair office during regular office hours 8-12, 1-5 M-F before your deadline day. 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 Fair this year is chaired by Maxwell 4-H Club and Maxwell FFA. All 4-H sellers bring 1 salad/family selling, all FFA sellers bring 1 dessert/family.

FAIR TRASH CANS - 4-H livestock project groups wanting to compete in the trash can contest are to submit their group's name and contact person and email to Liz Dawley no later than **May 15th**. Cans will be available for pick up the week prior to the fair at the east end of the horse barn. Please call the 4-H Office to verify that they are ready to be picked up. Each group will find their name on a piece of 8 ½ x11 piece of paper on the can. To be considered for judging the cans must be returned to the east end of the horse barn by **9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 5, 2013** in order to be judged. Cans must be identified with the name of group and be decorated according to the theme of the fair. The best of each specie trash can will receive \$25 from Council.

BEST PARADE ENTRY - Entries for best parade float are due to the 4-H Office on **May 15th**.

To enter the best 4-H parade entry and trash can contest call the 4-H Office to sign up. Note: parade entries must also fill out a simple form at the Fair Office.

ATWOOD HALL -

Entries Received Schedule (The day you bring in your item(s) to exhibit)

Sun., June 2, 2013, Atwood Hall 12:00-5:00 p.m.

4-H Still Exhibits (except Baked Foods & Floral/Horticulture Displays)

Thurs, June 6, 2013, Atwood Hall 7:00-9:00 a.m.

4-H Baked Foods; 4-H Floral/Horticulture

Judging open to the public, Monday June 3rd and Thursday, June 6th 10:00 a.m.

4-H HAT INFORMATION

Achievement pins are fastened to the service stripes, starting with the first-year pin next to the 4-H clover. The All-Star pin should be fastened to the center of the All-Star emblem. Medals may be worn on either side of the cap, but not too many of them. No other pins or ribbons should be worn on the cap. The cap should reflect the dignity of 4-H Club work, and not be cheapened by fastening to it every emblem, award, and ribbon won by the wearer. Keep your cap clean, especially when you wear it with the full uniform.

FREE 4-H WHITES AT THE 4-H OFFICE

Our supply of donated whites is getting low. If you have some that you have outgrown, please bring them in so others can get use out of them to show.

You are welcome to look through them, you might just find what you need at no cost to members to use for the fair. Our office hours are 8-5:00, Monday-Friday.

2013 STATE 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS ARCHERY MATCH

Mendocino County is hosting a State Archery Match that is done through the mail like the other state matches. Entries must be postmarked by May 1, 2013 and returned by June 17, 2013. For information and questions contact Linda Edgington at 707-463-4495 or email to lgedgington@ucanr.edu. For rules and entry form, contact the 4-H Office at 458-0570.

COUNCIL MEETING

Being held May 15, CIP Conference Room

Agenda items due by noon on the 14th. On the agenda: awards, camp, fair, volunteer middle management, end of year procedures, Thrive.

Community Club Leader Training: preceding council meeting at 5:30, Volunteer Middle Management. Guest co-presenter County Director, Chris Greer.

LASSEN COUNTY 4-H HORSE SHOW & EDUCATIONAL CONTEST

The Lassen County 4-H Horse Show and Educational Contest is scheduled for June 1-2, 2013. For more information, please contact Sandy Raffelson at sandy@ssranch.com.

4-H ARCHERY CERTIFICATION TRAINING

A 4-H Archery Certification Training for volunteers and junior/teen leaders will be offered Saturday, June 1st, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., and Sunday, June 2nd, 9 a.m.- 12 noon, at the Mt. Shasta City Park, Lower Lodge, 1315 Nixon Street, Mt. Shasta, CA in Siskiyou County. You must be an enrolled 4-H leader or member and attend both days to receive certification to teach archery at the project, club and camp levels. The course will include a PowerPoint lecture, review of equipment, practice shooting and teaching, and a written test. The cost is \$25 per person to include a resource binder, range fees, and Saturday lunch.

For current 4-H certified archery leaders, if you would like to become a trainer and provide certification at the county level, please contact Jeanne for more details. You would attend this training and assist with the teaching of this class.

To register, please complete and mail the "CA 4-H Shooting Sports Training Request and Registration Form" available at <http://www.ca4h.org/files/2123.pdf>, and an adult or youth 4-H medical release form and a \$25 check payable to "Siskiyou County 4-H Council" and mail to Leland & Jeanne George, 8504 N. Old Stage Road, Weed, CA 96094. Registration is due Friday, May 24th and space is limited. For more information call Jeanne at 530-524-7278 or email her at mtlassenlover@gmail.com.

4-H JUNK DRAWER ROBOTICS TRAINING

Tuesday, May 28, 2013

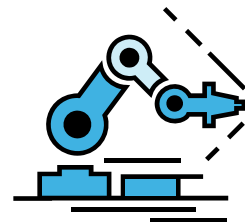
8am-12pm in the Yuba City Unified School District Facilities Room

750 Palora Avenue, Yuba City

All afterschool program staff, 4-H volunteers and members are invited to attend. The Junk Drawer Robotics curriculum engages middle school youth in understanding scientific concepts and processes, the engineering design process cycle, and technology creation and building. Junk Drawer Robotics provides youth these experiences by working with household items to complete simple design challenges. These robotics activities emphasize science, engineering and technology process skills, cross-age instruction (teenagers-as-teachers), the experiential learning cycle, and small group learning. Activities are designed to be led by an adult or teen facilitator.

To register, visit this site: <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=10591>.

Registration closes Friday, May 17, 2013.



GLENN COUNTY 4-H HORSE SHOW

Sunday, June 2, 2013, sign-ups at 8:00am, event starts at 8:30am

Glenn County Fairgrounds in Orland

4-H classes open to any Northern California 4-H Horse Project Member. Entrant must be a 4-H member enrolled in a horse project. Entry fee is \$45.00 per day or \$4.99 per class. For rules and registration, contact the Colusa County 4-H Office or Ginger Holzapfel at the Glenn County 4-H Office at 865-1105 or 934-5228.

DUE MAY 15th!!

4-H CAMP IS GOING TO BE A BARNLOAD OF FUN!!

This year's 4-H camp is now accepting applications for the 2013 Colusa County 4-H camp "Barnyard Bust Out!" It is sure to be a year full of amazing times, opportunities to meet people from all over the county, and learn about nature and this year, fishing! The cost for members is \$100 for members and \$114 for nonmembers until May 15th. The camp takes place at Camp Tehama which is a little bit in between Lassen Park and Lake Almanor, just past Mineral. We have a great group of counselors again and have big plans for activities!!!

Camp dates are: June 20-24 for staff, 21-24 for campers

The forms are available at: http://cecolusa.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Forms/. **No camp registrations are accepted after May 15th.** Camperships are available by filling out a simple one page form. We will spend a day at Lassen Park as well as fishing, hiking, campfire, skits, dance, dress up days, crafts, archery, songs, stories, and great food! Each member attending earns a fishing proficiency pin this year! Please join us for memories in the making.

OPEN POSITION – 4-H PROGRAM REP

Fresno County is currently recruiting for a 100% 4-H Program Representative II career position. If you are interested, or know someone who might be, please access the position information and application links below. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Program Representative II 100% fixed career, Requisition # 20130185

Link to Apply: <http://jobs.ucop.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=56251>

Applications must be received by 05/06/2013



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

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

The State Fashion Revue committee is taking a walk down memory lane. Youth members from throughout the state will celebrate the 2013 California 4-H Centennial at “Timeless Fashions,” the 2013 SFR at UC Davis, on May 25. The 2013 categories are: Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased \$19.99, Wearable Art Embellished, 2 Yard Wonder, and the Duct Tape Challenge. State winners receive an SFR garment bag. The committee is looking for donors to cover the \$50 cost per garment bag, or two donations of \$25 together per bag. Is your county or club interested in contributing? The committee is no longer accepting Quilts for Wounded Warriors, but is finishing and sending the ones donated this summer. SFR is coordinating three big service projects for 2013: Little Dresses and Shorts for Africa, A Zoo of Hugs (stuffed animals for foster children), and drawstring bags for foster care shelters. Information is on the State Fashion Revue website at <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/>. Sewing project meetings have started, so encourage your counties and clubs to follow the SFR category guidelines and start creating!

CALIFORNIA 4-H PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

State 4-H Field Day | May 25, 2013 | UC Davis

Enjoy photography? Looking for opportunities to showcase your photographs to fellow 4-H members from around California? Enter in the California 4-H Photography Competition to showcase your work and for a chance to win awards such as Best of Show! Any 4-H member aged 9-19 can participate. Does **NOT** have to be enrolled in the photography project to enter! Held in Hart Hall at UC Davis from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm. Hosted by the California 4-H Technology Leadership Team. Registration open until May 3, 2013. Website: <http://goo.gl/NEHmK>. For questions contact John Trammell at 909-844-1747 or techdude4h@gmail.com.



COUNTY CENTENNIAL 4-H BANNERS

Celebrating 100 Years of 4-H with Banners! Each county is being asked to create a banner to be presented at the 2013 State 4-H Field Day to celebrate our centennial! Banners will be displayed from the balcony of Wellman for all to see!

The banner will be presented by two members from your county during the opening assembly. The banner should be made of any color of felt 30" wide at the top and approximately 36" at its longest point.

You can adjust the shape of your banner as you like (creativity is encouraged). Your banner must include your county name. Your banner can be decorated on both sides with any type of materials. Please attach a 5/8" x 36" dowel at the top of your banner for hanging. **Thank you to All Star Caitlyn Murphy for volunteering to chair this committee!**

For more information contact Sarah Watkins, spwatkins@ucanr.edu

We are pursuing the possibility of having your banner displayed at the State Fair in celebration of our centennial. If we are successful your banners could be displayed at the Youth and Design exhibit hall and/or the Animal Pavilion.

The State 4-H Council would also like to have your banners at this years' SLF on display at the Crowne Plaza in Sacramento, November 8-10, 2013. state4hcouncil@yahoo.com / 530-210-6993

FORESTRY INSTITUTE FOR TEACHERS

Spread the word about the Forestry Institute for Teachers!

The Northern California Society of American Foresters plans to conduct 4 sessions of the Forestry Institute for Teachers in the summer of 2013 and we need your help. Please forward this email to those educators that you think might be interested in FIT. [Visit FIT online!](#)

What is the Forestry Institute for Teachers?

FIT provides K-12 educators with an increased understanding and appreciation of California's forest ecosystems and the complex issues involved in managing the natural resources found in public and private forests. You will receive an introduction to forest science concepts through presentations by practicing natural resource professionals. You will also learn about environmental education concepts and curriculum materials through information and experiences presented by natural resource and educational specialists. The FIT program is intricately correlated with the California Department of Education's subject area standards and goals for Environmental Education as well as No Child Left Behind.

FIT offers four sessions in different Northern California locations. Each session is held in a forested setting ideal for on-site study of forest ecology and natural resource management issues. The presenters and staff include public and private forest resource specialists and other natural resource managers, environmental activists, and science and environmental education curriculum specialists. [Learn more.](#)

Dates and Locations:

June 16-22 - Plumas County

June 23-29 - Tuolumne County

July 7-13 - Shasta County

July 14-20 - Humboldt County



2013 SECTIONAL PRESENTATION DAY RESULTS

On April 6, 2013 Colusa County 4-H members participated in Sectional Presentation Day. Carlyn, Jack and Sarah Marsh of Arbuckle 4-H received gold awards for their presentations, and Sierra Murphy, also of Arbuckle 4-H, earned a blue award. Congratulations and way to represent Colusa County!

2013 SLC SUPPORT GROUP

The Support Group is a team of youth who assist the 4-H State Ambassador team, volunteers, and staff in the planning and implementation of the 4-H State Leadership Conference. The Support Group provides delegates with the opportunity to take on a unique leadership responsibility and see what happens behind the scenes at SLC. This is a great experience for individuals State Ambassadors, or for members looking to get involved beyond the county level. Support group members attend SLC as part of their county delegation and are responsible for all fees associated with the conference. If you would like to apply to be a member of the 2013 SLC Support Group, please read the job description and instructions [2013 SLC Support Group Application Instructions](#) [2013 Support Group Application](#)

STAGEHANDS PLAYWRITING

The 4-H office has playwriting applications for Stagehands open to Colusa County students' 3rd – 12th grade. They are ten-minute children's playwriting submissions that will be considered for staged reading and/or production at The Stagehands Theater. For more information or questions contact:

Director@thestagehands.net



MAY BIRTHDAYS

• ALEXIS HERNANDEZ • ANGEL BAUTISTA • ASHLEY HICKEL • AUSTIN ROURKE • BRIDEN DAFOE • CADE ROPER • CAITLYN MURPHY • CHRISTIAN MCALPIN • KARSYN GWINNUP • KENALL COTTER • LUCAS DAVISON • MARIAH WESTFALL • PAIGE VIERRA • REESE ROPER • SANDRA FRANCO • SPENCER STOCKS • TIMMY ENGLISH • TYLOR GERRARD • VALIRIA BURNS • VIANEY SALAZAR •

MAXWELL SHEEP

By: Emily Pearson, Maxwell 4-H

On March 18 I went to Annie LaGrande's house to learn and practice sheep showmanship. Annie taught us how to walk our lambs without a halter and how to properly brace our lambs. We pretended that we were actually in the show ring and Annie was the judge. We moved to the correct side of the lamb as the judge walked from side to side.

You walk your lamb without a halter by putting your right hand under the lambs chin and your left hand goes behind the ears. If your lamb stops walking you pinch their rump. You brace your lamb by putting one of your hands under the chin and your fingertips behind the ears. When you brace your lamb the judge walks back and forth to look at both sides of your lamb so you have to switch hands as the judge moves. You will also have to set up the lamb's legs by putting their back legs back and the front legs in the front.

I learned a lot that I didn't know about how to show my lambs this year at the fair. I appreciate the time Annie took to help me learn the basics of sheep showmanship.

LIVESTOCK JUDGING

By: Justin Charter, Williams 4-H

On March 17, 2013 I went to Gobel Ranch and did livestock judging on steer, sheep and pigs. At the fair I will show a pig, so I was able to learn more about the other animals shown at the fair. It was a good event because first I got to learn how to judge other animals, and that other 4-H clubs from our county got to attend. I look forward to doing this event next year.

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 Healthy Living Program, go to <http://www.4-h.org/youth-development-programs/kids-health>

Ag in the Classroom: <http://www.learnaboutag.org/>

2013 COLUSA COUNTY FAIR 4-H AWARDS

Would you like to sponsor awards for any of the following categories? Your \$15.00 sponsorship covers the cost of one award (*unless otherwise specified).

GOAT

Outstanding Goat Exhibitor
4-H Novice Goat Showmanship
~~4-H Junior Goat Showmanship~~
4-H Novice Senior Goat Showmanship
~~Novice Pygmy Goat Showmanship~~
~~Junior Pygmy Goat Showmanship~~
Intermediate Pygmy Goat Showmanship
Novice Senior Pygmy Goat Showman
Senior Pygmy Goat Showmanship
4-H Champion Doe
4-H Champion Wether

POULTRY

~~4-H Champion Poultry Exhibitor~~
~~4-H Reserve Champion Poultry~~
4-H Novice Poultry Showmanship
~~4-H Junior Poultry Showmanship~~
4-H Inter. Poultry Showmanship
~~4-H Novice Senior Poultry Showmanship~~
4-H Senior Poultry Showmanship
4-H Champion Best Pen of 3 Birds

RABBIT

~~4-H Novice Rabbit Showmanship~~
~~4-H Junior Rabbit Showmanship~~
~~4-H Intermediate Rabbit Showmanship~~
~~4-H Novice Senior Rabbit Showmanship~~
~~4-H Best of Show~~
~~4-H Reserve Champion Purebred~~
~~4-H Best Opposite Rabbit~~

DOGS

~~4-H Novice Showmanship Dog~~
~~4-H Best Junior Showmanship Dog~~
~~4-H Best Senior Showmanship Dog~~

~~4-H Best Overall Dog Exhibitor~~
~~4-H Best Obedience Score, Age 9-10~~
~~4-H Best Obedience Score, Age 11-13~~
~~4-H Best Obedience Score, Age 14 & over~~
4-H Best High in Trial, Age 9-10
4-H Best High in Trial, Age 11-13
4-H Best High in Trial, Age 14 & over
4-H Best High in Trial

FOODS

Best Beginning Foods 4-H Exhibitor
Best Intermediate Foods 4-H Exhibitor
Best Advanced Foods 4-H Exhibitor
Best Foods Preservation 4-H Exhibitor

*OTHER LIVESTOCK - \$25 each

Best Educational Displays – all species
Trash Can Award – all species except Horse
Species: Beef, Goat, Avian, Rabbit, Sheep,
Swine, Pygmy Goat, Dairy and Horse.

OTHER PROJECTS

*Best 4-H Parade Float - \$50
*Martha Vann Memorial Awards – Foods,
Clothing & Home Furnishing - \$25 each

Best 4-H Exhibitor
Best Miscellaneous 4-H Exhibitor
Best Table Setting 4-H Exhibitor
Best Beg. 4-H Exhibitor
Best Arts & Crafts 4-H Exhibitor
~~Best Beg. Arts & Crafts 4-H Exhibitor~~
Best Intermd. Arts & Crafts 4-H Exhibitor
~~Best Adv. Arts & Crafts 4-H Exhibitor~~
Best Ceramics 4-H Exhibitor
Best Floral Display 4-H Exhibitor
Best Needlework 4-H Exhibitor
Best Beginning Scrapbooking 4-H Exhibitor
~~Best Intermd. Scrapbooking 4-H Exhibitor~~
~~Best Advanced Scrapbooking 4-H Exhibitor~~
Best Beg. Horticulture 4-H Exhibitor
Best Intermd. Horticulture 4-H Exhibitor
~~Best Adv. Horticulture 4-H Exhibitor~~
Best Beg. Photography 4-H Exhibitor
Best Intermd. Photography 4-H Exhibitor
Best Advanced Photography 4-H Exhibitor
Best Fine Arts 4-H Exhibitor
Best Leathercraft 4-H Exhibitor
Best Small Engines 4-H Exhibitor
Best Intermediate Clothing 4-H Exhibitor
~~Best Advanced Clothing Exhibitor~~
Best Taxidermy 4-H Exhibitor
Best Quilting 4-H Exhibitor
Best Welding 4-H Exhibitor
Best Fly Tying 4-H Exhibitor
Best Wildlife 4-H Exhibitor
Best Home Furnishings
Best Electric 4-H Exhibitor
Best Cake Decorating 4-H Exhibitor

A line through award means the award
has already been sponsored.

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Please return to 4-H Office by May 5th

ALL AWARDS ARE SPONSORED ON A FIRST COME-FIRST SERVE BASIS.

Sponsor's name as you would like it to appear on the award: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ Email: _____

List your preference for sponsorship in order:

1st choice _____ 3rd choice _____

2nd choice _____ Use where needed (check here): _____

Please make checks for each award sponsored payable to:

COLUSA COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL
P. O. Box 180, Colusa, CA 95932

STATE 4-H NEWS UPDATES:

- **State Farm Youth Advisory Board Service-Learning Grants**

Deadline: May 3

The service-learning grants range in size from \$25,000-\$100,000, and must address the root cause of one of the following issue areas: access to higher education / closing the achievement gap, financial literacy (and economic inclusion), community safety and natural disaster preparedness, social health & wellness issues, and environmental responsibility. More info: <http://bit.ly/XWGHX3>

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

2013 Revolution of Responsibility - <http://www.ca4h.org/Support/RofR/>

2013 Application Deadlines:

May 15, 2013

July 15, 2013

September 15, 2013

November 15, 2013

- **FY 2013 RFA for AgrAbility and Youth Farm Safety**

Deadline: May 8th

AgrAbility and Youth Farm Safety programs focus on increasing the likelihood that farmers, ranchers, farm workers or farm family members with disabilities experience success and that those working with or teaching youth have access to comprehensive educational resources in the area of youth farm safety and certification. Applications for the National AgrAbility Project (NAP) and SRAPs eligible for continuation awards will be solicited separately. More information:

<http://www.grants.gov/search/announce.do;jsessionid=GFSBRmsMgnVj1C1TL0kGP7ZW2zdFcphW9sGLyT6cGN71KJFqvZvz!-1226539310>

- **Healthy Eating Research Releases Call for Proposals**

- [Healthy Eating Research: Building Evidence to Prevent Childhood Obesity-Round 8](#)

Proposal Deadline for Round 8 grant: **July 10, 2013 (3:00 p.m. ET)**

- **Save the Date: June 26-30, 2013**

The **California 4-H Horse Classic** at Brookside Equestrian Park in Elk Grove (20 min south of Sacramento)

We are offering Tenderfoot classes and Miniature Horse Classes this year. Tenderfoot classes are for those whom were unable to participate in a qualifying horse show. Also don't forget about our educational contests: Hippology, Horse Bowl, Horse Judging, Public Speaking and demonstrations.

Hosting a Qualifying show for the 2013 California Horse Classic?

To register and for information on the criteria for a qualifying show go to: <http://ucanr.edu/qualifying-shows>. Shows must be registered for it to be considered a qualifying show for the 2013 California Horse Classic.

The **2013 Premium for the State 4-H Horse Classic** is now published!

<http://www.ca4h.org/files/163210.pdf>

Register today! Early Bird runs through **May 1st!**

New this year: Online registration

For Educational Contest: <http://ucanr.edu/classic-educational-contest-registration>

For the Horse Classic Horse Show: <http://ucanr.edu/classic-horse-show-registration>

Looking for a Qualifying Horse show for the 2013 California 4-H Horse Classic?

Visit <http://ucanr.edu/classic-qualifiers> to find a Horse Show near you!

New Horse Classic Social Media's

Visit <http://ucanr.edu/blogs/HorseClassic/index.cfm> for updates on 2013 State 4-H Horse Classic.

Also find us and join us on Facebook- <https://www.facebook.com/events/222083951263098/>

- **Children Exposed to Violence (CEV)**

Deadline: May 20, 2013

The National Institute of Justice, U.S. Department of Justice, is seeking applications for research and evaluation related to childhood exposure to violence, including bullying/harassment in home, school, community and on-line. The solicitation is available here: <https://ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/sl001042.pdf>.

- **The Be Big Contest**

Deadline: June 23

If you have a BIG Idea that demonstrates Clifford's BIG Ideas, let us know! The BE BIG Fund can help bring YOUR winning idea to life with the help of Scholastic, HandsOn Network and, of course, Clifford! Enter now for the chance to bring your BIG Idea to life with a \$5,000 community grant. Other prizes consist of 5 \$1,000 first prize grants. More info: <http://bit.ly/YuVbeT>

- **Ben & Jerry's Foundation Grant**

Deadline: Rolling

The grant seeks to promote social justice, protect the environment and support sustainable food systems. Funds are provided to grassroots, constituent-led organizations that use community organizing strategies to accomplish their goals and to organizations that provide technical support and resources to such groups. Maximum grant: \$15,000.

Find out more [here](#).

- **Registration Open: NYLC's National Youth Leadership Training**

This is an opportunity for high school students to build leadership skills to make a real change in their communities. The event is July 20-27, 2013 at the National Center for Service and Innovative Leadership. Registration is now open and space is limited for the NYLT this summer. The Registration Packet is available for download at www.nylc.org/nylt - turn in your packet ASAP to secure your spot!

- **2013 National 4-H Forestry Invitational**

July 21-25

Jackson's Mill State 4-H Conference Center in Weston, WV

California Statewide 4-H is invited to send a 4-H forestry team to compete in the [2013 National 4-H Forestry Invitational](http://4hforestryinvitational.org/registration/intent-form). On-line intent form due **by May 31, 2013**: <http://4hforestryinvitational.org/registration/intent-form>

- **Where Are We Going?**

After falling down the rabbit hole, nothing Alice experienced conformed to the norms she knew. She felt absolutely lost and wished desperately to find her way back to her familiar world. She asked the Cheshire Cat, "Puss, would you tell me, please, which way I ought to go from here." The Cat grinned and said, "That depends a good deal on where you want to get to." Frustrated, Alice replied: "I don't much care where!" "Then it doesn't matter which way you go," said the Cat. Sometimes we, too, feel lost like Alice. We like to know where we are and where we're headed, and what we need to get there.

Come to the **State 4-H Leaders' Forum** at the Sacramento Crowne Plaza on **November 8 – 10, 2013**. Help sort out the direction of where California 4-H is headed and be part of the journey with your 4-H colleagues and friends. It's time to coalesce into a united flock to negotiate the different twists and turns to realize our goals for the next 100 years.

Website for SLF registration materials, workshop proposal forms, silent auction forms, recognition survey:

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

- **Don't forget to complete and submit the SLF Workshop Request for Proposal Form by June 30, 2013:** <http://ucanr.edu/slf2013workshop>.
- Early Bird registration by **Sept. 1** saves you money!
- Each year for the SLF Silent Auction we find that items made by 4-Hers bring in the most money. If you know of youth who are clever and wish to donate a hand-made article that is worth \$10 or more, please contact Louise Silacci, moolu@unwiredbb.com
- The Tech Team wishes to have a head/shoulder picture of each and every 4-H volunteer in California. Please submit to John Trammel, techdude4h@gmail.com. Pictures should be good quality, at least 600 KB in size. Title each photo with the name and county of the person pictured.
- SLF centennial pins are available from the Sectional Council presidents. The cost is \$3.00 per pin. To purchase pins in bulk please contact Noel Keller, nkeller91711@gmail.com.

- **Twelfth Biennial Coalition for Education in the Outdoors Research Symposium**

January 10-12, 2014

Indiana University's Bradford Woods

The call for abstracts is attached and will also be posted at <http://www.outdooredcoalition.org/>. Abstracts are due by September 12, 2013.

- **Record Book News**

Chance to Win an iPad Mini!

The end-of-year Spark Points Surveys are available May 1st in the 4-H Online Record Book. As a reminder, youth and adults may be eligible to win prizes by completing the required surveys and growth grids.

Youth who submit an Online Record Book to State Record Book Competition will receive a special edition "Got ORB" T-shirt.

New Support for Record Book Competition: To help youth and adults understand some specific requirements to submit a successful book to State Competition, a Quick Start Record Book course will be available in mid-May. This 20 minute online course will help youth and adults navigate the Record Book Manual. It will be fun, quick and made to stick! Look for the course on the State website in the Record Book Resources after May 10th. All youth who plan to submit a Record Book to State Competition will be required to complete this course by October 31st of the year that they are submitting a book.

- **iThrive for Jr. & Teen Leaders**

Are you looking for ways to continue to develop your Jr. & Teen Leaders in effective leadership skills? iThrive takes the principles of positive youth development and organizes them in a fun and engaging way to develop the leadership skills of our 4-H youth. The accompanying iChampion Adult Volunteer Leader Guide, provides an easy to follow resource to make project leaders successful in using this curriculum. Using the experiential learning cycle, iThrive provides opportunities for youth to realize their true and full potential and shows them how they can help their peers do the same. The curriculum is free and available to any project leader of a Jr. & Teen Leadership Project. To find out more about Thrive, check out the state website at <http://www.ca4h.org/About/Thrive/>. If you are interested in bringing Thrive into your Jr. & Teen Leadership Project for the 2013-2014 program year, contact your county office to find out how you can get started.

- **iDevelop**

iDevelop is our virtual platform for professional development. The purpose of iDevelop is to provide deeper learning around the principles of positive youth development and to assist 4-H staff and volunteers in creating and sustaining healthy environments for our 4-H members to reach their full potential. For a description of the courses offered and access to them, click on the following link: http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Volunteers/4-H_Thrive_Resources/4-H_Thrive_Virtual Trainings/.

- **California 4-H Youth Development**

Get Connected and Plugged In to Positive Youth Development!

California 4-H has several ways to connect with us online to get up-to-the-minute updates on information affecting 4-H statewide. Don't rely on urban legend or information to pass through the grapevine—get the information as it happens and from the horse's mouth. Here is a list of the ways you can connect with us online:

- **Website:** <http://www.ca4h.org>
- **4-H Online Record Book** (yes every registered adult volunteer and every youth ages 9 and older has an Online Record Book account): <http://www.ca4h.org/4hbook/>
- **Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/california4H>
- **Twitter:** <https://twitter.com/California4H>
- **YouTube:** <http://www.youtube.com/user/California4h>
- **Pintrest:** <http://pinterest.com/california4h/>
- **Blog:** <http://4hvolunteercafe.wordpress.com/>
- **Instagram:** <http://instagram.com/ca4h>

We will be continuing to provide virtual opportunities for you to connect directly with us at the State 4-H Office though these social media outlets.

- **4-H Volunteer Café**

Are you a club or project leader who is tired of doing the same old activities month after month? Maybe you need something designed just for you to encourage your own personal growth. The 4-H Volunteer Café is a place designed just for you providing inspiring and thought-provoking articles of how the principles of positive youth development translate into your 4-H experience, it offers tons of resources for you as a 4-H volunteer that you can use immediately in your meetings and gives you a place where you can contribute your own experiences and challenges. To check out the 4-H Volunteer Café, use the following link: <http://4hvolunteercafe.wordpress.com/>.

- **Can You Top This?**

The Centennial of 4-H in California will be celebrated in 2013 in many ways, including traditional events and special programs. Culminating the activities is the State 4-H Leaders' Forum, Nov. 8 - 10, 2013 in Sacramento. As part of the celebration, the SLF committee is searching for the family with the most generations involved in the 4-H program. How about yours? Another search is looking for the oldest living 4-Her. Do you know someone who was in 4-H in the early days (1930s, 40s, 50s) of 4-H? Please contact Charlean Andes at teacher2@gmail.com for more information or to register your family or old-time 4-Her.

If you have memorabilia from your 4-H experience which you are willing to share with others we would like to hear from you, too. There is room for several displays to document the progression of traditions, projects, hair styles, fashions, experiences, etc. Please contact Stephanie Barrett mom4a2g@yahoo.com.

We are taking suggestions and applications for educational workshops. Please contact Mary Engebret at maryengebret@comcast.net.

- **Hosting a Qualifying show for the 2013 California Horse Classic?**

Register your show here: <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=9834> for it to be considered a qualifying show for the 2013 California Horse Classic.

Criteria for a Qualifying Show:

- Show verified by County
- Up to 3 shows per county
 - If your county has 3 horse shows 1 show must be associated with a county fair
- Each horse show must be registered
- The Horse Show must offer the same classes that are offered at the State 4-H Classic (they may offer more if they choose too)
- Management of each show is required to send show results to Sarah Watkins at the State 4-H Office

Results can be sent via email to spwatkins@ucanr.edu or faxed to (530)754-8541 or mailed to:

Sarah Watkins, CA State 4-H Office, 1 Shields Ave, DANR Building, Davis, CA 95616

- **State Field Day**

UC Davis Campus

May 25, 2013

8:00am-6:00pm

- **Silent Auction to Benefit 4-HEROES Project at State Field Day**

Solano County 4-H has been working with the Army National Guard at Travis Air Force Base to build a memorial park in honor of soldiers killed in the war on terrorism. The park will be called the Lawson Memorial Park after Sgt Isaac Lawson who was the first guardsman to die from the 49th Brigade.

It will include a memorial grotto, podium/assembly area, exercise course and victory garden. To date they have gathered monetary donations and donor commitments for about 70% of the \$300,000 project. They will be holding a silent auction at State Field Day to benefit the 4-HEROES Project. Solano County 4-H clubs will be donating baskets for participants to bid on. Other counties are encouraged to contribute baskets as well. Please visit the auction and make bids on the baskets.

For more information about the 4-HEROES Project, visit: http://cesolano.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/4HEROES/.

For more information on how to contribute baskets, contact Deb Galway at [707.290.7915](tel:707.290.7915) or e-mail at grdndctr@solanowireless.com

- **State Fashion Revue** registration is open for youth who qualify to represent their counties. Selection occurs at County Fashion Revue or a comparable event. SFR is May 25, 2013 as part of State Field Day at UC

Davis. Registration is by survey at <http://ucanr.org/sfr2013register> until **May 11**. SFR categories and age divisions may be different from those in your county, so be sure to read the SFR rules carefully. If you also qualify for State Presentation Day, note that on your SFR entry. SFR check-in is 7:30-8:30 AM in Olson Hall, with judging and activities throughout the morning. Activities include Pattern Exchange (bring 5 and take 5), Make it take it crafts, workshops and judging classes. Please bring any contributions for the SFR service projects to Olson Hall: Little dresses or shorts for Africa, Drawstring bags for foster children, and A Zoo of hugs stuffed animals. Everyone is invited to watch the fashion show at 2:00 PM at Wellman Hall, preceded by vintage fashions at 1:30. Complete information is at <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/SFR/>.

- **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/

- **County Centennial Banners!**

How is your County "Joining the Revolution to 4-H's next 100 years?"
Bring your felt 30" X 36" County Banner to Field Day!

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

Contact Sarah Watkins at spwatkins@ucanr.edu for more information.

- **Special Recognition Opportunities at State Field Day**

http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/PD/Recognition_Opportunities/

California 4-H is offering a thematic recognition pin for youth who participate in State Presentation Day and focus their presentations on one of the following areas: Engineering to Solve the World's Problems, Physical Activity, The Path to Thriving and C is for Contribute. Participants may only choose one focus area for their presentation. What will be your focus area?

- The State 4-H Office is accepting statewide **4-H Advisory Committee applications for the 2013-14** program year. All 4-H members, adult volunteers, county and state 4-H YDP staff, as well as community partners are encouraged to apply. The committees offer insight, review and input for the operation and management of the statewide 4-H YDP. Please note that there is now an [online](#) option to apply. **Applications are due to the CA State 4-H Office postmarked by May 31, 2013 or online by 11:59pm on May 31, 2013.** For more information, see: http://www.ca4h.org/Administration/Advisory_Committees/
- **Golden Clover Applications** must be completed online and are due by **11:59 p.m. on May 1, 2013**. The application link is available on the 4-H state website at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Members/GoldenClover/>
- **Higher Education Scholarships 2013**
The Higher Education Scholarship applications are now available online. All applications will be due on **May 1, 2013 by 11:59 pm**. For more information and to apply: <http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Members/Scholarships/>
- **2013 4-H Film Making Statewide Project, supported by BestBuy**
Register at <http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Tech/CTLT/Film/>
For 4-H members (age 13-19), volunteers and staff 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

- **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. For more information visit: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/>



- **Save the Date for SET-related events:**
 - U.S. Dept. of Energy Solar Decathlon, October 3-13, 2013, Orange County Great Park, Irvine, CA, <http://www.solardecathlon.gov/>
 - CSTA Science Education Conference, October 25-27, 2013, Palm Springs, CA, <http://www.cascience.org/csta/conferences.asp>
 - California STEM Conference, Sacramento, November 18-19, 2013, hosted by the California Department of Education.
- **National 4-H Hall of Fame Ceremony Opportunity**
Due to the State 4-H Office by: May 17, 2013
This year the National 4-H Hall of Fame Task Force of NAE4-HA would like to offer two 4-H youth the opportunity to play a unique role in the 2013 Hall of Fame Ceremony which will be held on October 11, 2013 at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland. The Task Force will be selecting a Youth Master/Mistress of Ceremonies and a Youth Entertainer to assist with the National Hall of Fame Ceremony. Details on how to apply are provided on the respective applications:
[National 4-H HOF Entertainer Application](#)
[National 4-H HOF Master/Mistress of Ceremonies Application](#)
Applications are due to the California State 4-H Office by May 17, 2013 so applications can be reviewed and nominations from California selected and submitted by the deadline. If you have any questions, contact Shannon Dogan at sjdogan@ucdavis.edu or 530-754-8518.
- **2013 4-H Presentation Themes -** http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/PD/Recognition_Opportunities/
California 4-H will offer a thematic recognition pin for youth who participate in State Presentation Day and focus their presentations on one of the following areas: Engineering to Solve the World's Problems, Physical Activity, The Path to Thriving and C is for Contribute. Specific to Science, Engineering and Technology (SET): Engineering is the application of science to solve human issues by constructing technologies, structures, machines, devices, and systems. Scientists may ask why and develop an experiment to answer the question while engineers identify a need and then create a solution to meet the need. How can you use the engineering design process and the practices of engineering to solve California, the nation, and the world's social, economic and environmental problems? How do you use engineering practices in your 4-H projects – animals, foods, health, plants, leadership, and others?
- **Farm Safety -** <http://www.farmsafetyforjustkids.org/>
Check out the free PDF materials on four safety topics: ATV, chemical, tractor, and livestock safety. Each topic includes background information, lesson plans, activities, a Power Point presentation, and more. The ATV and chemical resources are available for download in both English and Spanish.

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