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COUNTY NEWS

Gonzales 4-H Celebrates 4th of July!!



FAIR INFORMATION

“REEL IN THE FUN” AT THE MONTEREY COUNTY FAIR AUGUST 12-16, 2009!

NEW RULES THIS YEAR:

- The Monterey County Fair will allow all livestock exhibitors to show two (2) small animals of any specie (same or mixed) with only one (1) being allowed to sell at the Junior Livestock Auction. Exhibitor must make the decision of which animal will sell at the Auction by one (1) hour after the second animal shows: exceptions being that the top five market goats and all champions must sell.
- The Junior Poultry and Junior Rabbit Grand Champion, Reserve Champion and 1st place Weight Champion in each class to sell at the Junior Livestock Auction for no more than three lots total sold.

Enter your entries online!!

The Monterey County Fair Entry Guide Book is now available online to download. A limited number of printed books are available at the Fair Office. Be sure to check out our new “Open 4-H division” and “FFA Open division” located in the 4-H, FFA, and Scout department.

Pre-Sale Tickets Available Online May 1st!!

Online Pre-Sale Discount Fair Admission is:

Adults (13-64) \$5.00 Reg. \$8.00

Seniors (65+) \$5.00 Reg. \$7.00

Children (6-12) \$2.00 Reg. \$4.00

Children 5 & under FREE

Carnival Wristband \$15.00 Reg. \$25.00

Carnival wristbands may be used all five days of the fair, Wednesday – Sunday!

To purchase your tickets go to our website www.montereycountyfair.com.



MONTEREY COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL FOOD BOOTH DONATIONS

This year, we need more help than ever with donations to keep the 4-H fun alive. Proceeds from the Food Booth go to the Monterey County 4-H Council budget and are used for events and expenses to benefit all Monterey County 4-H Clubs and members.

The schedule for this year’s food booth is ready. We are looking forward to seeing your smiling faces serving up some of the best food at the fair!

It has been challenging to find financial donations to get the Food Booth up and running this year. We appreciate the clubs and parents who have sent in checks to make sure we can offer the best. Please tell everyone the money raised from the Food Booth goes to the Monterey County 4-H Council budget and are used for events and expenses to benefit all Monterey County 4-H Clubs and members.

Visit the county website at http://cemonterey.ucdavis.edu/4-H_Program/Events.htm to download the letter for donations request. Please have checks made payable to Monterey County 4-H Council and mail them to the

4-H office, 1432 Abbott Street, Salinas, California 93901 – Attention Food Booth Chairman by August 3, 2009. Meeting this deadline will ensure all names are listed on the banner for sponsor recognition. Please call Sheryl Jones at 262-7299 if you have any questions.

MONTEREY COUNTY FAIR 4-H FOOD BOOTH 2009

TUESDAY AM 8:00 - 1:00	WEDNESDAY AM 6:45 - 2:00	THURSDAY AM 6:45 - 1:00	FRIDAY AM 6:45 - 1:00	SATURDAY AM 6:45 - 1:00	SUNDAY AM 7:45 - 3:00
Lockwood (45) Spring (15)	Carmel Valley	Royal Oaks (15)	KCBR (70)	San Benancio (40)	Natividad (20)

TUESDAY PM 12:30 - 5:30	WEDNESDAY PM 1:30 - 7:00	THURSDAY PM 12:30 - 5:30	FRIDAY PM 12:30 - 6:00	SATURDAY PM 12:30 - 6:00	SUNDAY PM 2:30 - 9:30
Mission (34)	King City Rural (40)	Gonzales (27)	KCBR (70)	Gabilan (4)	Chualar (20)

TUESDAY PM 5:00 - 10:00	WEDNESDAY PM 6:30 - 10:00	THURSDAY PM 5:00 - 10:00	FRIDAY PM 5:30 - 11:00	SATURDAY PM 5:30 - 11:00
Springfield (5)	Santa Lucia (12)	Aromas (20)	Buena Vista (40)	Spring (15)

**Don't forget your home made cakes and cookies

**Each group is required to have at least one volunteer to barbeque

**Each group is required to have at least 3 adults

Please show up on time so you are able to transition into the food booth without much disruption to the customers

Jo Ann Etchison
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COUNTY EVENTS

RECORD BOOK JUDGING

We are looking for 4-H kids who want to stand out from the crowd with their 4-H efforts. Each year, gold medalists at the club level are invited to submit their record books to be judged at the county level. Any member can enter their record book along with two project area reports that they believe they did their strongest work in. Members can receive a medal or be selected as the county winner in that area. All books must be completed and judged at club level before entering. All books to be considered need to be dropped off Wednesday, August 19, to be judged at the county level on Saturday, August 22. A reminder - one adult judge is needed for every 5 books a club sends in. If you cannot send a representative to judge, your club's books will be set aside. Judging training will be offered promptly at 9:00 am. Feel free to send new club parents who want to observe! Winners will be announced at the County Achievement night set for Thursday, September 10th. All forms on the County web site have been updated and there are samples available to help you understand the new forms. Thank you to all the members, parents, and leaders that attended the County record book workshop (yes, members you can count this as an Event Attended #3 on your PDR!) anyone has questions about completing record books, how to download forms, etc. please contact the Record Book Chairman, Sandy Ferguson at ferguson93962@gmail.com.

PROJECTS

MONTEREY COUNTY 4-H GUIDE DOG PUPPY RAISING



Could puppy raising be the project for you? The Service Animals Project is available to all Monterey County 4-H members. You can earn record book credit, hold office, be a Junior or Teen Leader, be a Committee Chair or Committee Member, give demonstrations and talks, earn community service hours, represent 4-H at schools and community events.

Not sure you can make the 12 – 18 month commitment? There are many ways to be involved in the Service Animals project. You can raise a starter or transfer puppy. This requires as little as an eight-week commitment. You can puppy sit. Raisers often need puppy sitters – sometimes just for a day, sometimes for several weeks.

Can't have a dog in your home? You can still be in the project. We can always use help running meetings, giving presentations, organizing outings, events and more.

Would you like to learn more? Please call Sandy Ferguson, at 455-1585 or e-mail pups4gdb@gmail.com. Guests are always welcome at our meetings and outings.

Meetings are held on the first Monday of the month at the Lutheran Church of Our Savior. Outings are typically held on the third Saturday of the month – time and location varies.

PROJECT LEADER WANTED! The Guide Dog Project is in need of a new 4-H leader. It is not as hard as you might think and the former leader will help you learn the ropes. If you are interested, please call Sandy Ferguson at 455-1585 or email pups4gdb@gmail.com

COUNTY WIDE VET SCIENCE PROJECT

Animal Rescue 411

My dog ate chocolate...what should I do?

My cat was hit by a car...help?

There's a raccoon in my garage...will I get rabies?

I found a baby bird...now what?

My fair lamb is choking...help!

Would you know what to do if your pet was bit by a snake?

Could you help your pet if you found him bleeding? Have you ever wanted to give an immunization (shot)?

Join our very exciting County Wide Vet Science Project and learn how to handle all this and more!

**We meet the second Thursday of every month from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
at the 4-H Office (1432 Abbot St. Salinas, CA 93901).**

**Any questions or if you would like to sign up,
please call Karen Ivey 455-2284**



COUNTY WIDE FASHION REVUE PROJECT



Have you wanted to participate in a fashion revue competition, but weren't sure how or where to get started? The Buena Vista 4-H club is offering a County Wide Fashion Revue project. You will learn about how to put together an outfit, sewing techniques, how to accessorize, and how to present yourself during a competition. Kids of all ages are welcome to join, yes, boys love this project too! By the end of the 4-H year, you will have assembled an outfit ready to present at the next Monterey County Fair, you may even be able to go all the way to State Field Day at UC Davis! To see what it's all about, check out this year's Fashion Revue at the Monterey County Fair on August 16th.

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ATTENTION! TO ALL MONTEREY COUNTY 4-H CLOTHING PROJECT LEADERS AND MEMBERS

One of our Pacific Grove fabric stores has recently closed its doors for good, and we are the recipients of all of their used rotary cutting mats. These are offered free of charge to any Monterey County 4-H Clothing Project Leader or member with only one string attached: You must be a current member or leader in good standing and know how the cutting boards are put to use. Sorry, no rotary cutters available.

These are USED cutting mats, with lots of visible use in the center of the boards. The sizes vary from ironing-board size to table-top size. They can be cut down to smaller sizes, making use of the generous ends, and they can be turned over to the under-side which is pristine. To get more details or to see the mats, get in touch with Shere Machado, 753-9249. Boards are available on a first-come, first-serve basis, pick up at our location only.

NEW STATE 4-H POLICY

The new State 4-H Policy Handbook is out and in effect as of July 1, 2009. It can be found at <http://ca4h.org/policy>. We will have a policy update meeting for all Community Club Leaders Tuesday, October 20, 6 p.m. at the 4-H Office. Please take a look and bring your questions with you. If you, the Community Club Leader cannot make it, you must send a representative from your club.

UPDATES FROM THE STATE 4-H OFFICE

VOLUNTEERING IS GOOD FOR ADULTS AND YOUTH!

We already know that adults who volunteer receive many benefits, but the same holds true for teens! According to a study reported in National Clearinghouse for Youth and Families, "Adolescents who take part in community service or volunteer in political activities are more likely to continue having a strong work ethic as adults. Volunteering is also related to overall positive academic, psychological, and occupational outcomes.

- A study by the Corporation for National & Community Service found that 55 percent of 12-18-year-olds volunteered through a formal organization in 2004, compared to a volunteer rate of 29 percent for adults, though fewer youth than adults volunteered once a month or more.
- While low-income youth are less likely to have participated in school-based volunteer service, disadvantaged youth who volunteer are more likely to volunteer again, to discuss politics with friends and with parents and other adults, to believe that people can be trusted, and to hold a positive view of the future."

County 4-H Youth Development Programs are encouraged to provide opportunities for greater youth volunteering within our 4-H programs. For more information on the studies please see:

<http://ncfy.acf.hhs.gov/publications/celebrate/volunteering.htm>

October 2009 State 4-H Equine Field Day

Mark your calendars for the State 4-H Equine Field Day at UC Davis for October 3 or 10. It will be a partnership with the UCD Animal Science

A NEW METHOD OF SWINE IDENTIFICATION BY EAR VEIN PATTERN IMAGING

By: Ryan Harrell, Dr. Clint Rusk, Dr. Brian Richert

Ear notching has been the gold standard of identification within the swine industry for several years. This study imaged the auricular vein patterns of 96 pigs using the OptiReader ? Device and the Veinlite ? LED. Eighty-eight of the 96 pigs imaged were matched for positive identification when comparing images from the initial and re-imaging scans. No significant difference was determined between crossbred, Hampshire and Yorkshire breeds of swine. There was no significant difference in the researcher's ability to match barrows and gilts using auricular vein patterns. A high percentage of hogs with white ears (96.7%) were matched using auricular vein patterns, than those with black ears (87.0%). Each pig has a distinct auricular vein pattern that can be used for identification. In swine, imaging the auricular vein pattern can be a viable means of identification rather than utilizing ear notching alone.

Full Article can be found at: www.thejudgingconnection.com

FROM YOUR PROGRAM REP. Wendy Grennan

MONTEREY COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL

A new 4-H year with old ideas!



As the new 4-H year begins, Monterey County 4-H will bring back the format in which events are organized for all members. Starting this month, ALL 4-H clubs can choose which yearly event they would like to host as part of their annual club plans. By returning to this format in which clubs are in charge of county events, there will be new ideas, better support and lots of opportunities for the 4-H members! All county events will be completed in a "Committee" style format and the club who chairs the event will report to County Council.

The first round of event choices was presented at the July County Council meeting. (To see the proposed county calendar, check the county website.)

Don't despair - clubs can share elements of certain events. For instance, the Leadership Project of the "Fancy Club" can host food for the County Presentation Day while

the "Mud Club" can oversee registration. It does not matter if you have a large or small club - all clubs will participate and enjoy the benefits for their members!

The criteria and selection process is being set by County Council. However, if you have ideas or want to be a part of a certain event, contact Wendy Grennan by August 18.

AUGUST EDUCATION/TRAINING INFORMATION ATTENTION PROJECT LEADERS!!

Planning your best 4-H project year is now!

As the lazy days of summer comes to a close and the excitement of the Monterey County Fair builds you are probably thinking about what to do in the project you are leading this year. Use these simple steps to get your

thoughts organized and get your members motivated by September:

1. Review your school's new calendar, club's calendar, county 4-H calendar, fair dates and home calendar. Look for school minimum days or vacations that will work and not work for your meetings. Estimate when the fair entries would be due and when your project would need to make items. Include the county events in making plans.
2. Gather new ideas from magazines, books, other projects and the 4-H state website and keep in an organized folder.
3. Review the events your club, the county offices or your local community will be doing this year and figure out a way to include your project. This serves your club and your community and reduces your time as a Leader coming up with last minute meetings!
4. Meet with your Co-Leader and Jr./Teen Leader to come up with 10 ideas for project meetings. Then, propose all ideas to your members at your first meeting and narrow down the choices.
5. Once you have the plans for your project, type up the finalized meeting ideas along with your contact names and phone numbers. Distribute this to all your members so they have time to get onboard!

Remember, as Project Leaders you are the Heart of 4-H! Your time is valuable so make every meeting count!

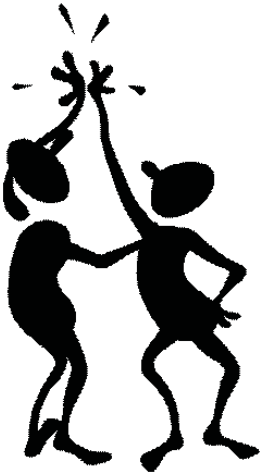
NEW CURRICULUM BINDERS FOR 2009-2010:

Project Leaders these are available for you to check out!

Fishing for Adventures
Outdoor Adventures
Forestry
Keeping Fit and Healthy
Citizenship
Exploring 4-H
Financial Champions
Power of the Wind
Reading Makes Cents



4-H CAMP McCANDLESS KUDOS:



Once again, camp was a big success. This year there were 65 happy campers at Camp McCandless. Good food, lots of fun, new friends, the great outdoors, living and learning to make the best better! A huge thank you goes to the Camp Director - Nancy Thorp, Co-Director - Rod Ichikawa, Cook - Helen Russo, Nurses - Christina Kaupp, Megan Caskey, Diana Bokemeier and the Counselor Lifeguards. Many thanks to the Chaperones - Mike Russo, Joe Gumke, Dustin Benson, Nathan Benson, Rod Ichikawa, Eric Ichikawa, Sam Daoro, Christine Phillips, Matt McCandless, Damian Watson, Angelo Russo, Bryant Benson, Christina Russo, Ariana Mazer, Joe Quinlan, and Jessica Phillips. A big thank you to the Counselors - Patrick Russo, Randy Romero, Marin Wolgamott, Miguel Magallon, Ivy Lurz, Taylor Liptak, Todd Hansen, Jacob Gumke, Will Ellington, Shelby Bush, Courtney Thompson, Jocelyn Kelzer, Hana Ferguson, Ben Morasci, Gabrielle Jardini, Michael Jardini, Mario Alvarez and Katie Phillips. Thank you to the 4-H Adult Volunteers, Kyle Thorp, Katherine Jacobi and the One Stop Career Center's Maria Lucas.

CAMP LOST AND FOUND:

There is a lost and found at the 4-H office with swim towels, clothing and an air pump. If your camper is missing something please contact the 4-H office at 759-7360. Monday, August 31, all unclaimed items will be taken to the Goodwill.

CAMP SURVEY:

Did you attend camp this year? If so, please click on the link below to take our survey:

<http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=3891>

SALINAS VALLEY FAIR LOST AND FOUND:

A green hooded jacket, green fair attire hat with a first year pin, stripe and logo, and key were turned into the 4-H office from Salinas Valley Fair. If you, or your child is missing these items please call Wendy at 759-7386.

IMPORTANT DATES TO SHARE

AUGUST 2009

Saturday, August 1	Food Booth Cleaning at the Monterey County Fair-grounds 10:00 a.m.
Monday, August 3	Scholarship applications are due to the 4-H Office Food Booth Donations due
Tuesday, August 4	Food Booth Cash Register Training 6:00 p.m at the 4-H Office
Wednesday, August 5	Scholarship interviews beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the 4-H Office
Thursday - Sunday, August 6 - 9	State Leadership Conference
Friday, August 7	Fashion Revue Information is due to the 4-H Office
Wednesday - Sunday, August 12 - 16	Monterey County Fair
Sunday, August 16	Fashion Revue at Monterey County Fair
Tuesday, August 18	Leader's Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. at the 4-H Office
Wednesday, August 19	Record books due to the 4-H Office, with Record Book Inventory Forms & Awards Orders News Notes articles and pictures due to the 4-H Office
Saturday, August 22	Record book judging 9:00 a.m. at the 4-H Office (Clubs must have one representative for every five books submitted)

SEPTEMBER 2009

Monday, September 7	Holiday - Office Closed
Thursday, September 10	Achievement Night 7:00 p.m. at First Baptist Church, 1130 San Vincente Ave.
Tuesday, September 15	Leaders Council Meeting 7:00 p.m. at the 4-H Office
Wednesday, September 16	News Notes Articles and pictures due to the 4-H Office

OCTOBER 2009

Friday, October 2	Club Enrollment due to the 4-H Office
TBA (Staurday, October 3rd or Saturday, October 10)	State 4-H Equine Field Day at UC Davis

Next Leader's Council Meeting:
Tuesday, August 18,
7 p.m.
at the 4-H Office -
1432 Abbott Street.



August 2009

Every adult volunteer and all youth Members 14 years of age are eligible to be active members of the County Council. Please come and give your input, guidance, direction and Leadership to the Monterey County YDP.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 Scholarship applications are due to the 4-H Office Food Booth Donations due	4 Food Booth Cash Register Training at 6:00 p.m. at the 4-H Office	5 Scholarship interviews beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the 4-H Office	6 State Leadership Conference in Merced begins	7 Fashion Revue information is due to the 4-H Office	8
9	10	11 Monterey County Fair weigh in	12 Monterey county Fair begins	13	14	15
16 Monterey County Fair ends Fashion Revue	17	18 Leaders Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.	19 Club Record Books due to county News Notes articles due by noon	20	21	22 Record Book Judging 9:00 a.m. at the 4-H Office
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					



September 2009

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 HOLIDAY Office Closed	8	9	10 Achievement Night 7 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Salinas	11	12
13	14	15 Leaders Council Meeting 7 p.m. Santa Cruz County Fair begins	16 News Notes articles due by noon	17	18	19
20 Santa Cruz County Fair ends	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

JUST FOR FUN

4-H WORD SEARCH

T O M A K E T H E B E S T B E T T E R
 L H E A L T H R G E S P A R E N T S O
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**CAN YOU FIND
ALL 22 WORDS?**

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| Health | Games | "To Make The Best Better" |
| Heart | Members | Leaders |
| Hands | Rocketry | Green |
| Head | Projects | Horses |
| Clover | Computer | Pets |
| White | Sewing | Speech |
| Food | Garden | Learn by Doing |
| Parents | | |

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