



MANDATORY COMMUNITY CLUB LEADER MEETINGS NEW 4-H POLICIES

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A number of new and revised 4-H policies from the County and State 4-H Office have been revised and updated. Below is a brief list of policies that will go into effect on July 1, 2008.

Revisions

- Section 310.6 Volunteers on VMO's (Councils), committees, and Taskforces.
- Section 416 Incentives and Recognitions
- Section 418.1 Domestic Exchanges
- Section 418.2 International Exchanges
- Banking
- IRS "how to"
- Maintaining your Club charter (enrollment expectations, club minimums and maximums, single race clubs, meeting locations),

New

- Section 817 Water Safety
- Section 818 Petting Zoos & Interactive Animal Displays
- Section 819 Policy on Search of Personal Property

In order to prepare for the upcoming changes, the 4-H YDP staff will be holding a three-step process to prepare and support community club leaders around the changes.



To Make The Best Better!

Step One:

Kick-off meeting on **Tuesday, February 26th at the 4-H Office** beginning with a pot-luck at 6pm until 8pm. The focus of this meeting will be to present all of the updates and changes.

Step Two:

Community club leaders are asked to gather data and develop implementation plans with the members of their clubs and to contact the 4-H YDP Program Representative with ideas, questions or concerns about the new policies by April 16th. This information will then be compiled and shared with all clubs.

Step Three:

Closure meeting on **Tuesday, April 29th at the 4-H Office** from 7 to 9pm to allow community club leaders to network with one another in regards to how their club will be managing the changes, as well as provide a Q and A session to address questions and concerns. Club end of the year packets would also be handed out at this time.

Please RSVP to Wendy by Friday, February 25th. If the community club leader is unable to attend, please make arrangements to send a representative.

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2008 MONTEREY COUNTY LEADERSHIP GET AWAY
 At The Boys & Girls Club, 85 Maryal Drive (behind the Rodeo Grounds)
 Saturday, February 9, 2008 10 AM to 9 PM

The 2008 Monterey County Leadership Getaway, presented by the 2007-2008 Monterey County All-Star, will be an awesome day of learning and fun! Exciting and educational sessions will be presented throughout the day including the following topics:

- ❖ Citizenship
- ❖ How to be a great leader
- ❖ Meeting Management
- ❖ How to incorporate fun into your meetings/events
- ❖ Demonstrations
- ❖ Impromptu Speaking
- ❖ Getting the most out of your 4-H experience- "Making The Best Better"
- ❖ And much more.....

Tentative Schedule

10:00-10:30 – Registration
 10:30-11:00 – Welcome Ceremony/Guest Speaker
 11:00-12:00 – Ice Breakers
 12:00-1:00 – Lunch Break
 1:00-2:00 – Sessions
 2:00-3:00 – Sessions
 3:00-3:30 – Break
 3:30-4:30 – Sessions
 4:30-5:00 – Closing Ceremony
 5:00-6:00 – Dinner
 6:00-9:00 – Dance

An event t-shirt, lunch and dinner will be provided along with an amazing dance all for the low price of \$20.00! Don't forget – For those clubs who have paid the county participation fee, three members may be sent for FREE!

This event is for grades 7-12. Please return the reservation form **no later than Wednesday, February 6, 2008**. There must be a minimum of 25 reservation forms for the event to take place. Make checks payable to "Monterey County 4-H Leaders' Council".

 Please return this form with a completed Medical Treatment Form and Code of Conduct to:
 Monterey County 4-H Office, 1432 Abbott Street, Salinas, CA 93901 or by fax 678-3018 **by Wed. Feb. 6th**

Please circle one: Delegate Chaperone
 Please circle one: Male Female

Name _____ Grade _____

Address _____

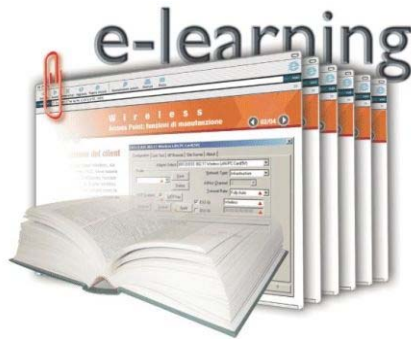
City _____ Zip _____ Club _____

Phone _____ T-shirt size Lg. _____ Med. _____ Small _____

_____ I will bring cookies, candy, fruit or drinks to share with the group.

Name of authorized person(s) to pick me up at the Boys and Girls Club: _____

4-H VOLUNTEER E-LEARNING COURSE



A 4-H Volunteer E-Learning course is available at: <http://ca4h.org/volunteer/voltraining.asp>
This course is an introduction to the 4-H Youth Development Program and takes approximately 20 minutes to complete. The course, developed by Western Region Volunteer Specialist with input from California, does not certify someone as a volunteer, it only introduces people to the basics of the 4-H Youth Development Program. Policies of the California 4-H Youth Development Program are not included.

TO RESERVE THE LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM

Call Maggie at
759-7351 during
Lennis' leave of
absence.

E-MAIL ADDRESSES

To be notified of current committees, date changes, or just timely information - please call the 4-H Office at 759-7360 or email Wendy wdgrennan@ucdavis.edu with your most current email address. Wendy's office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday, 8-5.

COW PALACE GRAND NATIONAL RODEO, HORSE & STOCK SHOW



There are several major changes this year at the Junior Livestock Show April 3-6 including:

- The cancellation of the open stock show.
- The addition of non-livestock categories that include a speech contest, a photo display, educational display, etc.
- They will not have an auction; however, the Supreme and Reserve Champion Market animals will be awarded cash during a presentation in the Main Arena.
- The awards ceremony will not be a ticketed event and will be held in one of the showrings. It will be open to the public.
- The addition of a Junior Dog Show.
- No Premium books will be mailed this year. Premium and entry information will be available at www.grandnationalrodeo.com.
- Additionally all swine will be moved to the lower bays where all other animals are housed.

For more information call Vanessa Adams at (415) 404-4142 or email vadams@cowpalace.com

PROJECT FIELD DAY 2008 TLAW Advisor Jacque Palmer



Calling all 4-Hers! Saturday, February 23rd is Project Field Day at the 4-H Office starting at 9:00 A.M. What is Project Field Day? It is a way to learn lots of new things, earn credits for your Record Book and have lots of FUN.

Here's how...

- You can enter an educational poster in the poster contest. Posters in junior, intermediate and senior categories scoring the required number of points will receive gold medals.
- You can enter a dessert in the Dessert Contest. This fun "contest" was invented years ago as a tasty activity to pass time while judges finished their tabulations. Now days, it is still a tasty activity – and we've kept this "contest" because we love tasting all the entries! Bring your concoction for us to try! Sample all the entries then cast your vote for the People's Choice Award.
- Do the Judging Contest. As a participant, you'll practice your judging skills to rank a variety of displayed items from 1st place to 4th place on the score card. Gold medals will be awarded to the 4-Hers scoring the highest number of points in junior and senior age divisions. (Only County Record Book Winners and Medalists are invited to bring a 4-item display for the rest of the participants to judge.)
- You can learn more about vegetables that you ever thought possible!
- You can come see what else there is to do!

Please have your posters or desserts at the 4-H Office no later than 8:45 for check in. Project Field Day usually ends by noon. Call TLAW Advisor, Jacque Palmer at 726-1348 with any questions. See you there!



4-H EQUINE EDUCATION



All horse leaders and members are invited to join the Equine Education List Serve. Go to <http://ca4h.org/projresource/horse/> to sign up. 4-H groups are invited to submit regional 4-H horse events, information, and dates for posting on the calendar by contacting Jeanne George at: jlgeorge@ucdavis.edu. The dates for the 2008 equine events are:

- April 5 & 6** The State 4-H **Horse Classic – Equine Educational Contests**, CSU Fresno. To participate 4-Hers must be enrolled in the horse project 60 days.
- June 26-29** The State 4-H **Horse Classic – Horse Show**, Santa Cruz Fairgrounds, Watsonville. To participate 4-hers must be enrolled in the horse project and own or lease their horse by February 28th (120 days). More information on the equine web site.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Monterey County 4-H Council is pleased to once again offer graduating 4-H members the opportunity to apply for council scholarships. The Council awards up to \$4,000 in scholarships of up to \$1,000 each. Applications are due June 18, 2008. More information is available at: <http://cemonterey.ucdavis.edu> or call Wendy at the 4-H office at 759-7386.



4-H Statewide Scholarship Information and Applications are now available. High school seniors and those in college are eligible to apply. Scholarships are available in a number of various criteria and award amounts. Visit <http://ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/index.asp> for the links below:

- **Dean Memorial Legacy Scholarship** Award: Three, \$1,000 scholarships.
- **Mabel W. Jacks Scholarship** Award: Five, \$700 scholarships.
- **American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers (ASFMRA) Agricultural Scholarship**
Award: Two, \$1,000 scholarships to attend a four-year university in California.
One, \$250 scholarship to attend a two-year community college in California.
- **Samarin Family Vocational Education Scholarship** Award: One, \$1,000 scholarship.
- **Frank Woods Memorial Scholarship** One, \$1,000.00 scholarship.
- **West Coast Equine Foundation, Dick Randall Memorial Scholarship** deadline June 30.
- **California Farm Bureau Scholarships** deadline March 1, 2008.
- **California Cal Expo Scholarship Program** six at \$1,500, ten at \$1,000, three at \$750, five at \$250.

Locally:

The **Central Coast Young Farmers and Ranchers** offers an annual scholarship of \$500.00 <http://www.montereycountyfarmbureau.org/Programs/scholarships.htm>

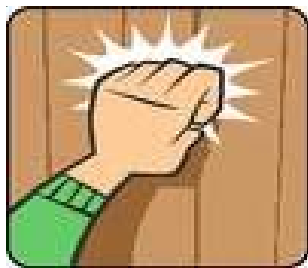
Monterey County Farm Bureau Scholarship Program due April 15th each year. Contact: Monterey County Farm Bureau, 931 Blanco Circle, Salinas, www.montereycgb.com or 751-3100.

The Salinas Valley Chapter of **California Women for Agriculture** offers local scholarships for Women pursuing degrees in Agriculture and Daughters of Farm Workers. Applications will be available in March, the deadline is the end of April and the scholarships will be awarded in May. Applica-

tions and information are available online at www.salinascwa.org

LYNN'S SCHEDULE FOR MONTEREY COUNTY

I will be in the Monterey County 4-H Office on February 8, 11, and 26th. Please feel free to contact me either at the Monterey County 4-H Office on those days, or I can be reached at the 4-H Office in Santa Cruz County at (831) 763-8040. My email address is lschmittmcquitty@ucdavis.edu





Safety Note

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**New Safety Manual
is Available Online!**

<http://groups.ucanr.org/ehs/files/40029.pdf>



DRIVING SAFELY WHILE TOWING A TRAILER

<http://safety.ucanr.org> Safety Note #90

The following recommendations are modified from information given in a brochure printed by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration :

- Always use the driving gear that is recommended for towing.
- Drive at moderate speeds. At high speeds, trailer instability or sway is more likely to occur.
- Do not stop or start suddenly. Rapid deceleration or acceleration can cause trailer skidding, sliding, or jackknifing.
- Avoid sudden steering maneuvers that can cause trailer sway or excessive lateral forces on the trailer.
- Reduce your driving speed when towing a trailer over unpaved roads, railroad crossings, or ditches.
- When turning corners or traveling through sharp curves, beware that an adequately wide radius must be maintained to prevent the trailer wheels from riding over curbs or into objects outside the roadway.
- In order to reduce trailer swaying caused by wind buffeting, reduce your driving speed and firmly grip the steering wheel.
- Always be aware that towing an extra load requires additional stopping distance.
- Pass slower vehicles on level terrain. Allow extra clearance when passing.
- When traveling on narrow paved roads, avoid allowing trailer wheels to ride onto the road shoulder. The process of wheel transfer from paved surface to the shoulder may cause the trailer to jackknife or go out of control.
- Downshifting on hills assists with braking when going downhill and climbing when going uphill.
- When backing up, use slight steering movements to better control the trailer.
- When towing a trailer down long downgrades, maintain a slow and controlled speed by repeatedly applying brakes at short intervals.
- Inspect the trailer and tow vehicle before starting out each day - a Vehicle and Trailer Inspection Checklist is available on the EH&S website at <http://safety.ucanr.org>

(1) Brochure Source: *Towing a Trailer - Being Equipped for Safety*, April 2002, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, DOT HS 809 433, 24 p.



January 2005

Additional EH&S information may be accessed at the ANR Web Site at: <http://safety.ucanr.org>

Chualar 4-H Parade of Lights
Haley Pezzini, Dallas and Tana
Wilkinson (the dog is "Wilbur").





UPDATES FROM THE CALIFORNIA 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

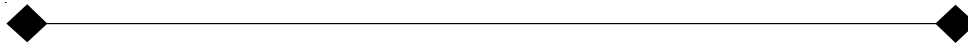
THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ENGAGES YOUTH IN REACHING THEIR FULLEST POTENTIAL WHILE ADVANCING THE FIELD OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT.



NEXT 4-H COUNCIL MEETING

The next 4-H Council meeting **WILL BE IN KING CITY** On Tuesday March 18th at Central Coast Pizza 500B Canal Street 7 pm. **The Policy Review Committee will meet at 6:15 and the Food Booth Meeting will be at 6:30.**

- **Present a track, mini-track or workshop at the 2008 4-H State Leadership Conference!** Educational sessions are being sought in citizenship, healthy living, and science, engineering and technology. Tracks (5 hours) or mini-tracks (2.5 hours, repeated) take place on **Friday, August 1, 2008** while workshops (1.25 hours) take place on Saturday, **August 2, 2008**. Proposals are due by **February 29, 2008**. More information is available at <http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc/index.asp>
- **2008 State 4-H Field Day:** Information for the event is now online for the State 4-H Presentation Day, Fashion Revue, Horticulture Contest, Judging Event and other activities during the day. Find more information at <http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/fieldday/>



MONTEREY COUNTY 4-H PRESENTATION DAY

Friday, March 7, 2008 at LaGloria School in Gonzales
Hosted by the Gonzales 4-H Club



Monterey County 4-H Presentation Day will follow the state/regional guide, *Presentations for 4-H Members*. This guide is available at [http://cemonterey.ucdavis.edu/4%2DH%5FProgram/Presentation Days.htm](http://cemonterey.ucdavis.edu/4%2DH%5FProgram/Presentation%20Days.htm) or contact the 4-H Office for a copy.

The guide includes:

- * Mechanics of Presenting
- * Concerns for All Presentation Formats
- * Lettering for Posters and Charts
- * Color Combinations
- * Planning a Presentation
- * Presentation Format Descriptions
- * Evaluation Rubrics

Types of Presentations include:

- * Demonstrations
- * Illustrated Talks
- * Educational Displays
- * Prepared Speech
- * Impromptu Speech
- * Interpretive Reading
- * Share the Fun
- * Cultural Arts
- * Audio-Visual Presentation
- * Problem Solving Presentation

What is Presentation Day?

Presentation Day is one of the most important learning experiences that a 4-H member can participate and it's a lot of fun too! It provides an opportunity for members to demonstrate a prepared presentation. Members are strongly encouraged to relate the presentation to their current 4-H project work or 4-H activities. All members from 5-19 years may participate in Presentation Day. Primary Members will receive participation certificates only. Members 4th grade or 9 years of age by January 1st are judged using the Danish system (gold, blue or red). Everyone will receive comment sheets from the judges to help them improve their presentation skills. Members who are awarded a Gold Medal may elect to continue on to Sectional Presentation Day and if a Gold Medal is awarded at Sectional, they may advance to the State Competition which is held in May at the University of California Davis.

Registration forms are available on the County website: <http://cemonterey.ucdavis.edu>

MONTEREY COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL MINUTES

For the latest 4-H Council Minutes call the 4-H Office at 759-7360 or go to <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/files/filelibrary/1598/15901.pdf>



Monterey County 4H Calendar

February 2008

LOCAL CONTACT INFORMATION

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Representative Wendy
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reached at
831.759.7386 or
wdgrennan@ucdavis.edu
on Mondays, Tuesdays,
Thursdays, or Fridays.

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COMING EVENTS...

March

- 6 Farm Day - King City
- 7 Mo. Co. 4-H Presentation Day
- 18 Policy Review Mtg. - King City 6:15 PM
- 18 Food Booth Mtg. - King City 6:30 PM
- 18 Mo. Co. 4-H Leader's Council Meeting - King City - 7:00 PM
- 19 News Notes Due - 4-H Office - 12:00 Noon



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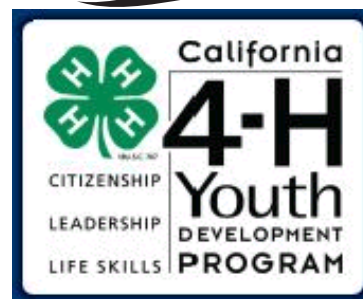
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4-H News Notes



February, 2008

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