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CLUB NEWS

Hello my name is Kristian Mejia (back row 3rd from left to right). I am from **Greenfield 4-H Club** and I am the club historian. Here is a photo of the Salvation Army Bell ringing on 12-4-10.



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Rachel Costa, Tyler Alavazo & Katelyn Gould of the **Mission 4-H Club** are decorating the mail boxes in the Soledad Mission District as a community service project. Every year Flora Ripley helps the 4-Hers by contributing her time and supplies for the Christmas boughs. All members of Mission 4-H have a special road assigned to them and they are to tie the bows to the mail boxes and wish all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

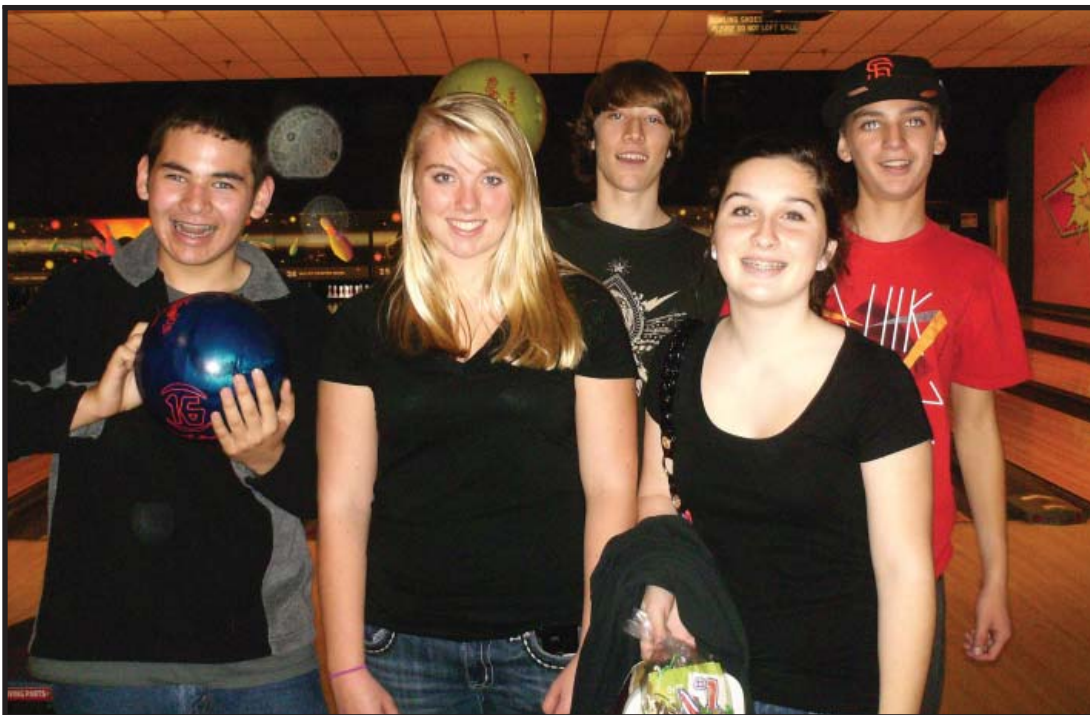


All members of the Mission 4-H Club Christmas carol at Eden Valley in Soledad. This year the members were led by our music project leader Penny Alarid. The members caroled while the residents at Eden Valley dined for dinner. Christmas cards were handed out to the residents. The cards were made by the 4-Hers with the assistance of the Beginning 4-H Leader, Claudia Guidotti.



Mission 4-H Hay Ride participated in the Soledad parade on December 4th. The trailer was decorated with over 200 lights with pigs, sheep & chickens leading the members on the hay ride. The trailer was decorated by a few 4-H members with the leadership of Paul Guidotti.

MONTEREY COUNTY 4-H BOWL-O-RAMA



Sr. 1st Place Team from Buena Vista 4-H Club

L-R: Cody Martinez, Drew Ciolino, Lukas Gularte, Katie Kennedy, and Matt Castro



Jr. 1st Place Team from Chualar 4-H Club

L-R: Kaitlyn Anderson, Kate Askew (Carmel Valley), Jason Anderson, Jarrett Strickland, Colby Strickland



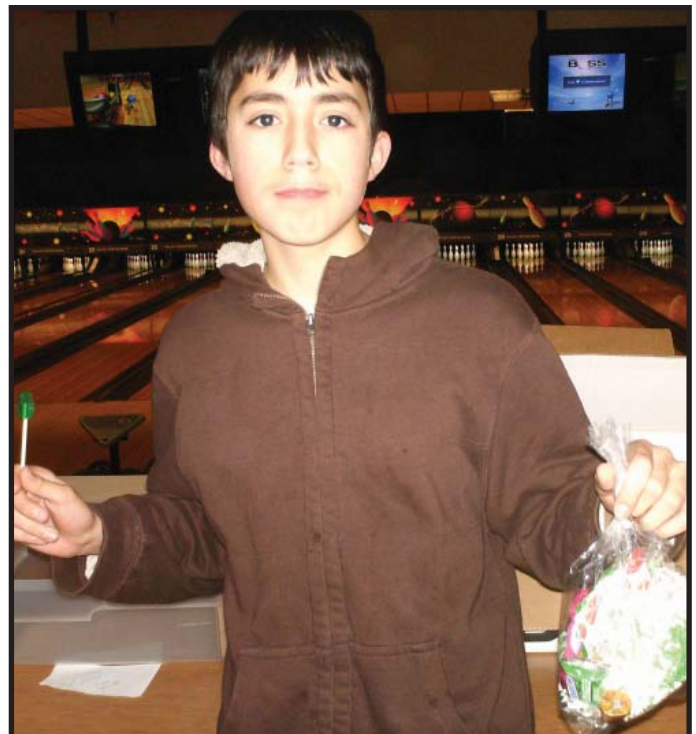
Boobie Prize Winner from the Jr. Division:
Breana Aguilar from KCBR 4-H



Jr. Division High Point Winner:
Jarrett Strickland from Chualar 4-H Club



Sr. Division High Point Winner:
Kevin Kosty from KCBR 4-H Club



Boobie Prize winner from the Sr. Division:
Mario Anthony from Greenfield 4-H Club

The second annual Monterey County 4-H Bowl-O-Rama was held on Jan. 8 at Valley Center Bowling Alley in Salinas. This event was organized by the King City Blue Ribbon 4-H Club. There were 65 bowlers from 7 different Monterey County 4-H Clubs.

First everyone got to bowl a practice game. Most of us then had some pizza before the real competition started. At 12:30 teams were made. There were 6 teams in the Sr. Division which was 8th grade and up, and 5 teams in the Jr. Division which was 3rd-7th grade. The Jr. Division bowlers got to use bumpers, thank goodness. There was also one parent team.

After ten frames were bowled the scores were calculated and the winners were announced. In the Sr. Division, Buena Vista 4-H came in first with a score of 507, Chualar 4-H second with a score of 489, and the KCBR Team A, third with a score of 476. Winning the Boobie prize were the bowlers from Mission 4-H. Kevin Kosty from KCBR 4-H won a big medal and a Jamba Juice gift card for having the highest score for the Sr. Division, 132. Congratulations to all our Sr. winners.

In the Jr. Division, Chualar 4-H placed first with a score of 516, and KCBR team A and team B won 2nd and 3rd with scores of 447 and 442. The Boobie prize team was from Lockwood. Also winning a big medal and a Jamba Juice gift card was high point Jr. Division winner Jarrett Strickland from Chualar 4-H who bowled 136. Congratulations to our winners. Everyone had lots of fun and we hope more members join us next year. Special thanks to Valley Center Bowl for accommodating us and giving us free bowling cards that were used as prizes.

Report by Amy Hughes - King City Blue Ribbon 4-H

COUNTY EVENTS

Fantastic 4-H Field Day
Saturday February 19, 2011 9am to 1pm+
Registration begins at 8:45

****New Location: First Baptist Church**
Corner of Blanco Rd & San Vincente Ave, Salinas

- Judging Contest by Aromas 4-H - gold medals awarded to Jr. Int. & Sr. high point winners
- Poster Contest by Royal Oaks 4-H - gold medals awarded to Jr. Int. & Sr. high point winners
 - Entries in the Poster Contest due by 8:45am See judging criteria below
- Dessert Contest by Spring 4-H - a "just-for-fun" contest with prizes
- Livestock Judging Contest by Lockwood 4-H - gold medals awarded to high point winners
- Vegetable Contest by San Benancio 4-H
- "How To Be An Effective Officer" workshop by the Buena Vista 4-H officers
- Good games and entertainment by Mission 4-H
- Learn to do a Share the Fun skit from Monterey Co. All Star Lauren Bellone
- Good Food continental breakfast and lunch available at nominal costs from Spring 4-H

And more!

WE COULD USE ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS

For more details or information how you can help please call Jacque Palmer at 831-726-1348.

4-H Field Day Poster Contest

The Poster Contest is open to all enrolled 4-H members ages 9 to 19, one entry per member. Posters must have been made during the 2010-2011 program year. Medals will be awarded to the top entries in each of the following categories:

Juniors grades 4-5 **Intermediate** grades 6-8 **Seniors** grades 9 - 12

Rules & Guidelines

1. Poster topic should be related to 4-H
2. Posters should be no larger than 22"X28" in and no smaller than 11"X14". Member's name and club should be written on back.
3. Poster must be one dimensional. Photos, drawings, stickers, die cuts, etc. may be used, however, no copyrighted figures such as Mickey Mouse, Spiderman are allowed. If the 4-H logo is used, no image can be placed or screened over it.
4. Posters must be at 4-H Field Day and checked in with Royal Oaks 4-H by 8:45 am to be judged. Posters must be removed at the end of Field Day.
5. No members may be in the Poster Contest area during judging.

Contest Scorecard Poster will be judged using the following criteria:

Effective title – explains what the poster is about	10%
Suitable subject – timely and age appropriate	10%
Attracts interest – gets viewer to look	20%
Holds interest – get viewers to study	10%
Conveys message – accomplishes purpose	30%
General appearance – balanced and orderly	10%
Workmanship – neat and well constructed	10%

MONTEREY COUNTY PRESENTATION NIGHT 2011

Friday, March 4 at 6 p.m. at La Gloria School in Gonzales
Hosting and BBQ (5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.) provided by Gonzales 4-H

What is Presentation Night? Presentation Night is one of the most important learning experiences that a 4-H member can participate in and it's a lot of fun too! It provides an opportunity for members to demonstrate a prepared presentation and polish their public speaking skills. Members are encouraged to relate the presentation to their current 4-H project work or 4-H activities. All members from 5-19 years old may participate in Presentation Night. Primary or mini-members (5-8 year olds) will receive participation certificates only. Regular members 9 years of age by December 31 or in the 4th grade, through 19 years of age are judged using the Danish system (gold, red or blue). 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 onto the Sectional Presentation Day April 9th, 2011. If a Gold Medal is awarded at Sectional Presentation Day, winners may advance to the state level competition May 28 at the University of California Davis.

Registration forms, volunteer forms and the Presentation Manual are available on the County Website:
<http://cemonterey.ucdavis.edu> under events

COUNTY PRESENTATION NIGHT REGISTRATION is due Friday, February 25 by 5:00 p.m., one full

week before the event to properly prepare. No late registrations will be accepted.

To all parents, Leaders, and intermediate and senior members – we really need volunteers to help in three ways; being a judge in a room, being a tabulator or a room monitor. Your assistance really makes the night go much smoother and quicker! To volunteer fill out the form on the county website or call Wendy at 759-7386.

BBQ – From 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. Gonzales will provide a BBQ and Bake Sale. The menu and prices will be in the March News Notes.

STATE EVENTS

- **3rd Annual 4-H Science, Engineering, and Technology 2011 Winter Workshop**

Saturday, February 5, 2011 9:00am – 4:00 pm
Cost is Free, Snacks and lunch provided

Location:

Santa Cruz County (Watsonville)
1432 Freedom Boulevard, Watsonville, CA 95076
TechXcite: Discover Engineering Curriculum (Quest for Speed)

To register or for more information contact Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty at lschmittmcquitty@ucdavis.edu

Counties are invited to send a team of 4-H teen leaders (age 12 and older), 4-H volunteers, 4-H staff, and afterschool partners to the 2011 4-H SET Winter Workshop.

This professional volunteer development opportunity will help prepare 4-H volunteers, teens and staff to incorporate science, engineering, and technology into 4-H projects. The workshops emphasize experiential and inquiry-based learning, providing practical examples of incorporating hands-on activities that invite youth exploration, promote active questioning, and application to the real world.

These workshops will assist in increasing the knowledge, skills, competencies, and confidence levels of adult volunteers, teens and staff to provide engaging 4-H SET learning experiences.

Support for the workshop is provided by the Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Foundation.

- **UC Davis CA&ES Field Day**

March 5, 2011, 7:15am - 6:00pm
<http://www.ca4h.org/files/66944.pdf>

UC Davis College of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences are hosting the 35th annual CA&ES Field Day on March 5, 2011. Over 3,000 FFA and 4-H members (age 14 and older) will participate in 26 contests. High school aged 4-H members are invited to participate and/or observe the contests held on the UC Davis campus. This event will also serve as the California 4-H State Qualifier for the National 4-H Livestock Judging, Dairy Cattle Judging, and Poultry Judging contests.

- **It's time to sharpen up your shooting skills and start preparing for the **Twenty-Seventh Annual State 4-H Shooting Sports Match**, sponsored by the Siskiyou County 4-H Council. Entries for the State 4-H**

Shooting Sports Match must be postmarked by March 7, 2011. For more information, please visit www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/ShootingSports/.

- **State 4-H Field Day**

May 28, 2011 at UC Davis, 9:00am – 6:00pm

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

Since 2002, the State 4-H Field Day takes place annually on the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend at the UC Davis campus from 8:00am until 6:00pm. The event is open to all 4-H members, volunteers, staff, and parents. During the event, 4-H members may participate in a variety of contests and educational activities.

- Attention Quilters and Sewers: **CA 4-H State Fashion Revue 2011** would appreciate your help. Make a quilt square, a quilt top, or a complete quilt for a wounded soldier. Special size for stretchers and gurneys, approximately 45 x 81 inches, are needed. Red, white and blue fabrics are preferred. If you make 12 ½” x 12 ½” squares then they can be combined with squares made by other people for a whole quilt. Bring or send your squares, quilt tops and quilts to State Fashion Revue at Olson Hall, UC Davis during State Field Day, **May 28, 2011**. Youth are invited to sew squares together and quilt during the morning SFR workshop. Please contact Lisa Kuntz, SFR youth co-chair, creulgirl101@yahoo.com or Mary Engebret, committee volunteer, at maryengebret@comcast.net with questions or suggestions.

DIRECTOR UPDATES

Does Participation in 4-H Matter?

I hope everyone who reads this can respond with a resounding YES!!

With data from the National 4-H Study on Positive Youth Development, of which California 4-H has participated, we can clearly articulate the difference 4-H participation makes in a young person's life and the ways in which 4-H influence and contribute to positive youth development in participating youth. The results show that the process of youth development is positively influenced in multiple ways by 4-H membership and that young people who participate in 4-H do better in school, are more motivated to help others, and are developing skills in leadership, public speaking, self-esteem, communication and planning, and are making lasting friendships. Additionally, youth who participate in 4-H are more likely to exhibit generosity, contributing to their families and communities and plan to attend college. They are also less likely to engage in risky or problem behaviors.

These are impressive outcomes for youth, preparing them for a positive life trajectory. I am sure each of you involved in 4-H have powerful stories to tell about your first hand observation of the impacts 4-H has had on you or youth with whom you work. I encourage you to share these stories! Share these with your family, your friends and neighbors! And we'd like to hear your stories, too!

Regards,

Sharon Junge

Acting Director, Statewide 4-H Youth Development Program

LINKS

New National 4-H Catalog
Statewide 4-H Online Calendar
4-H Science, Engineering and Technology Updates
4-H Healthy Living Updates

FROM YOUR PROGRAM REP. Wendy Grennan

PLEASE NOTE: The large conference room will be out of commission during February and March due to the kitchen remodel. If your club has any meetings regularly scheduled you will need to find an alternate location. Sorry for any inconvenience, and thank you in advance for your understanding.

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The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failure, than success, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness or skill. It will make or break a company...a church...a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice everyday regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past...we cannot change the fact that people will act a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude...I am convinced that life is 10% what happens to me and 90% of how I react to it. And so it is with you... we are in charge of our Attitudes.

by Charles Swindoll

POLICY

COUNCIL CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS

Monterey County 4-H Council voted on the constitution and bylaws at the July 20, 2010 council meeting. However, there have been additional updates to the template which requires another vote for approval by council. As required, the changes are proposed in the News Notes then voted on at the following council meeting. Please click here to review the changes.

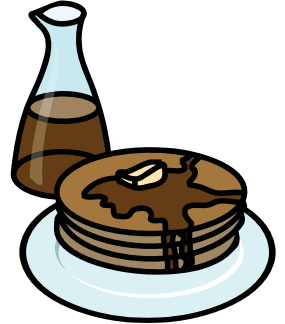
CLUB EVENTS

San Benancio 4-H Pancake Breakfast & Used Book and Media Sale

We are looking forward to San Benancio 4-H's second ever Pancake Breakfast and Book Sale!

Saturday, Feb. 5, 2011
9:00-11:00 AM

San Benancio Middle School Multi-purpose Room
\$5 per person



Kids 3 & under and seniors over 65 FREE

We have a wonderful selection of books –hardcover \$1.00 and paperbacks \$0.50! We will also have movies and CDs!

We will be using ecofriendly plates and utensils.

Be sure to get the word out—invite your friends, family and neighbors! We look forward to your support. If you're interested in helping or donating please call Paula Mallett at 831-484-1123.

IMPORTANT DATES TO SHARE

FEBRUARY 2011

Thursday, February 4	Salinas Farm Day
Saturday, February 5	Tech Xcite Training at the Watsonville Extension Office 9-4 San Benancio 4-H Pancake Breakfast 9-11 am at San Benancio School
Wednesday, February 15	Leaders' Council meeting 7 p.m. at the 4-H office
Thursday, February 16	News Notes articles and pictures due to the 4-H office
Monday, February 21	Holiday, Office Closed
Thursday, February 24	Camp Counselor meeting 6:30 p.m. at the 4-H office
Friday, February 25	Presentation Night registration is due to the 4-H office by 5 p.m.

MARCH 2011

Friday, March 4	County Presentation Day 5:30 at La Gloria School in Gonzales
Saturday, March 5	State CA & ES Field Day in Davis
Monday, March 7	Postmark deadline for State Postal Shoot entries
Thursday, March 10	King City Farm Day
Tuesday, March 15	Leaders' Council meeting, 7 p.m. at the 4-H office
Wednesday, March 16	News Notes articles and pictures due to the 4-H office
Thursday, March 31	Holiday, office open (county staff – Lennis in, State staff – Wendy off)

APRIL 2011

Saturday, April 9	Sectional Presentation Day (Location TBA)
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MAY 2011

Thursday, May 12 - Sunday, May 15	Salinas Valley Fair
Saturday, May 28	State Presentation Day



February 2011

Next Leader's Council Meeting:
Tuesday, February 15,
7 p.m.
at the 4-H Office, 1432
Abbott St., Salinas, CA
 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.

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		1	2	3	4 <i>Salinas Farm Day</i>	5 <i>Tech Xcite Training Watsonville Office 9-4 San Benancio 4-H Pancake Breakfast 9-11 San Benancio School</i>
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
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27	28					



March 2011

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