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### FEATURED NEWS

- **4-H Newsletter Now on Email**

Due to budget reductions to 4-H, we will no longer be able to offer free subscriptions to the 4-H newsletter in print. We will be switching immediately to a free electronic email newsletter, just like this one. If you cannot receive email, we will need to charge a cost recovery fee of \$20 for it to be printed and mailed to you (\$10 if delivered via your community club leader). We apologize for this change, but it costs Yolo county taxpayers approximately \$7,000 a year, money which we no longer have. We hope that this new streamlined format will bring you information in a timely and efficient manner, so that the quality of our programming for the youth is not compromised.

Our top priority during this transition is to maintain the integrity of the information, while reducing the file size of the email for those on dial-up internet. You will notice that there is minimal layout, no graphics, and that state and national news will not be covered in our emails. You will also notice the "club news" is not included. These youth written articles will be posted on-line, and youth will receive the same credit they have in the past. In the past, we have copied information from the state news and duplicated in our newsletters. To reduce this redundancy, you will now receive your state news directly from the state 4-H office. To subscribe to receive the state news, go to <http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/updates/>. To subscribe to receive Science, Engineering, and Technology related news, go to <http://www.ca4h.org/SET/updates/index.asp>.

In the future, club news articles submitted will not be included in the 4-H News email. These will be posted to the county website in order to save space. Please keep information submitted as brief and concise as possible. With budgets just now finalized, we are working hastily to make this transition in time for the August Updates. Please be patient as we work out the kinks.

- **Executive & Leader's Council Update**

Please help us welcome and congratulate our two new Executive Council members; President Jack Cramer and Vice President Andy Timko. We would also like to thank our returning members; Treasurer Frank Muller and Secretary Sharon Anstead.

Leaders Council is the governing body of the Yolo County 4-H Program. It makes decisions and policies that affect all the 4-H clubs in our county. The officers and area representatives are all volunteer leaders and parents. All clubs must be represented at the Leaders Council meetings so that they may have an equal voice in the policies and events of the County 4-H Council. Council meetings start promptly at 7:00 p.m. and conclude no later than 9:00 p.m. Meetings are open to all 4-H members, leaders and parents. 4-H members 14 years and above have voting privileges, and are encouraged to participate. Every volunteer is welcome to attend and contribute. Please join and encourage other parents and leaders to do the same.

- **Enrollment Due by December 1st**

Leader's Council voted to change the enrollment deadline for Spring Show to December 1<sup>st</sup>. New members are welcome at any time. This is for eligibility to participate in the Spring Show.

- **UCCE Closed Mondays**

In order to address budgetary reductions, Yolo County staff will be taking a 20% reduction in hours and University of California staff will be taking an 8% reduction. In response to the reduction in hours, Cooperative Extension will close the office to the public one day a week.

Effective July 1, 2009, the University of California Cooperative Extension Yolo County Office will be open Tuesday through Friday, 8am-5pm, and closed for lunch from 12-1pm.

- **We are converting to an on-line enrollment system.** This means less paperwork and quicker turnaround of member lists for clubs! We will need a minimum of 1 volunteer enrollment coordinator per club to attend the training on August 31<sup>st</sup> at 6:30. This person will help answer questions from their club, may set up laptops at Community Club meetings for those without access at home, and will help to ensure that youth are not enrolled for projects for which there are no leaders. Let Karisa know ([kdhuie@ucdavis.edu](mailto:kdhuie@ucdavis.edu)) by August 25<sup>th</sup> who will be volunteering for your club.

## UPCOMING TRAININGS

- **Community Club Leader Training August 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm** in Norton Hall. Updates on enrollment procedures, the yearly calendar and other important items will be reviewed. Please RSVP to Karisa ([kdhuie@ucdavis.edu](mailto:kdhuie@ucdavis.edu)).
- **New Leader Orientations at Sacramento UCCE.** 7:00-9:15 pm, 4145 Branch Center Road, Sacramento. Yolo, San Joaquin, and Solano volunteers are able to attend. Please let your home county know if you will be going.
  - Thursday, August 20
  - Monday, September 28
  - Thursday, October 22
  - Thursday, December 3
- **New Leader Orientation at San Joaquin UCCE.** 6:00-8:30 pm, 2101 E. Earhart Ave, Stockton
  - Tuesday, October 6
  - Tuesday, November 3
- **State 4-H Leaders' Forum, November 6-8, 2009** at Asilomar Conference Center. You'll come home loaded with ideas, activities, and enthusiasm!
  - 4-H SET sessions will include Experiential and Inquiry Learning
    - Infusing 4-H SET Abilities into projects
    - Quick 4-H SET Activities for club meetings
    - Water conservation curriculum for high-school youth
    - Power of Wind alternative energy curriculum for middle school youth
    - Ideas for integrating technology into 4-H

Registrations range from \$250.00 to \$310.00 and are due September 1, 2009. More information is available at <http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slf/>

## EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

- **Family & Consumer Sciences Field Day Saturday, October 24, 2009 at UC Davis**

This day-long event features educational workshops for 4-H members 9 and older with sessions running concurrently all day. Members can participate in up to six fun sessions including:

- Food/Nutrition: What's for Dinner; Martha Meets Miss Manners; Play With Your Food; Smoothie "Throwdown"; Got Jerky?

- Clothing: Strut Like Tyra; Creative Costuming; Beadazzeling; Project Runway; Fashion Frosting; Sewing 101; Upcycling
- Personal Consumerism: What Not to Wear; BOGO; Fashion Cat; Chairman of the Board

Look for more details in upcoming issues of The Reporter and from your CCC Leader. Pre-registration is required and will be online in the Fall. Cost is \$10 for the first member from your family and \$5 for each additional member. Members don't have to be enrolled in any particular project to participate! Be part of something new and exciting ... you may find your next 4-H calling!

- **Vet School at California State Fair.** The UCD School of Veterinary Medicine will be conducting hands-on activities and lessons to promote animal health and welfare with 10-17 year olds. Applications available at [www.bigfun.org](http://www.bigfun.org)

## INCENTIVES AND RECOGNITION

- **2009 4-H Spring Show Evaluation Survey**

Thank you to the 34 Leaders that responded to the survey. Your responses were very constructive and helpful. We hope to use this process again for other 4-H events and tasks. If you would like to see the complete results please contact the 4-H office.

## RESOURCES

To view the 4-H State news, go to <http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/updates/>

To view the 4-H Science, Engineering, and Technology news, go to <http://www.ca4h.org/SET/updates/index.asp>

To view the National 4-H news, go to <http://4-h.org/news/4hnews.php>

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