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FEATURED NEWS

***Yolo Youth Scholarships Awarded!**

To Sarah Hazeltine for receiving the Dean Memorial Legacy Scholarship, and to Daniel Berke for receiving the California Staten Beekeepers Association Scholarship! Best wishes as you continue your education.

***New 4-H Enrollment Process**

4-H is going online for the enrollment process. Parents will now enroll their children and themselves online with fewer forms to turn in. Look for information about this new process at your first Club Meeting of the year. Each club will have an enrollment coordinator to help them through this new process to answer questions.

***Enrollment Due by December 1st**

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

***4-H Newsletter**

Articles for the newsletter are due to Karisa, kdhuie@ucdavis.edu on the 3rd Tuesday of each month by 5:00pm.

***Club News is online**

Willow Oak Club News online at http://ceyolo.ucdavis.edu/4-H_Program/Club_News.htm

***Policy 311 & 312, Disciplinary Action for Adults**

Just as we uphold the highest level of standards for our youth, we expect the adults to be a model of this behavior. All adults are expected to abide by the 4-H Code of Conduct and to follow 4-H policies and local laws. This helps to ensure a positive and successful program for our children. The first time an infraction occurs, adults will be notified orally or in writing. Repeated offenses may lead to the suspension or removal of leader status. Severe circumstances warrant immediate dismissal of leader status, or barring of parents from events and activities. If you witness anything that infringes on the law, 4-H policy, the rights of others, the code of conduct, or basic ethics, please contact Delynda immediately.

***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 a 7-8% reduction. In response to the reduction in hours, Cooperative Extension will close the office to the public on Mondays. 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.

***4-H Helps at Special Olympics**

The Campus of UC Davis hosted the Northern California Special Olympics on June 26-27 and for the first time ever; Yolo County 4-H members were part of the action. Norwood and other groups joined other volunteer groups such as Home Depot. Our volunteers helped set up and take down food and activity booths. Once the booths were set up, we either helped pass out snacks to the people participating or sell food. We also encouraged all the participants to keep doing great and have fun. The events we were closest to were the track and field events such as the relay race and sprints. The Special Olympics allows all age groups of people with special needs to compete in activities that otherwise are not available to them. The Special Olympics was founded in the 1960's by Eunice Shriver who recently passed away on August 11th at the age of 88. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped to make this entire event possible. By, Taty Krochta

UPCOMING TRAININGS

***New Leader Orientation Meeting Dates**

Yolo County Leaders may attend any of the meetings listed below. All Attendees must RSVP to the County holding the meeting to attend. Fingerprinting forms may be found at http://ceyolo.ucdavis.edu/4-H_Program/FORMS.htm

Yolo County

RSVP to: 530-666-8703

Location: Norton Hall, 70 Cottonwood St, Woodland

Tuesday, September 22nd – 6:30-8:30pm

Thursday, October 15th – 6:30-8:30pm

Thursday, November 19th - 6:30-8:30pm

Sacramento County

RSVP to: 916-875-6811

Location: Cooperative Extension Office, 4145 Branch Center Road, Sacramento
Monday, September 28th – 7:00-9:15pm
Thursday, October 22nd – 7:00-9:15pm
Thursday, December 3rd – 7:00-9:15pm

Solano County

RSVP to: 707-421-6790

Location: Cooperative Extension Office, 501 Texas Street, Fairfield
Tuesday, September 29th – 6:30-9:00pm
Wednesday, October 28th – 6:30-9:00pm

San Joaquin

RSVP to: 209-468-2094

Location: Cooperative Extension Office, 2101 E. Earhart Ave, Suite 200 Stockton
Tuesday, October 6th – 6:00-8:30pm
Tuesday, November 3rd – 6:00-8:30pm

***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

***National 4-H Week Resolution**

National 4-H Week is designed to promote and celebrate 4-H throughout the country. It is a way to promote your 4-H Club and spread the word about 4-H to those who may not be aware of the program. It is also a way for 4-H members to showcase their accomplishments and the achievements. Please help 4-H celebrate National 4-H Week at the Yolo County Board of Supervisors meeting September 29th at 9:00am. Please wear all your 4-H green to show your support.

***Leader's Council Meeting**

Next Leaders' Council meeting is Wednesday September 23, 2009, 7:00pm in Norton Hall, 70 Cottonwood St, Woodland, CA 95695.

***Yolo County Club Meetings**

Clarksburg: 2nd Tuesday of each month, 7:00pm, call Karen Chesnut at 916-374-8224 for meeting location

Clever Clovers: 2nd Monday of each month, Norton Hall, 7:00pm, Colleen Brock, 530-661-0053

Esparto/Capay Valley: 2nd Monday of each month, Scout Cabin across from park, 6:30pm, Jody Dutton, 530-787-4223

Golden Valley: 1st Tuesday of each month, Holmes Jr. High School, 7:00pm, Melissa Bain, 530-750-3677

Norwood: 1st Wednesday of each month, Holmes Jr. High School, 7:00pm, Angie Malloy, 530-756-7104

Putah Creek: Call Megan Harns at (530) 902-0814 for meeting information

Shiny Shamrocks: 2nd Thursday of each month, Norton Hall, 7:00pm, Nancy Cannan, 530-666-1776

West Plainfield: 2nd Tuesday of each month, Lillard Hall, 7:00pm, Kris Lomas, 530-753-4215

Willow Oak: 2nd Monday of each month, Willow Oak Park Hall, 7:00pm, Laura Defty, 530-662-2042

Winters: 1st Tuesday of each month, St. Anthony's Church, Parish Hall, 7:00pm, Angela Allen, 530-795-9582

Zamora: 1st Tuesday of each month, Zamora Town Hall, 7:00pm, Julie Mast, 530-666-1046

***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. 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! 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

***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

*** State Fashion Revue Pattern Challenge 2010**

Use Simplicity Vest #4762. For more information about the challenge go to: <http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/fashion/>

*** Make your own Biofuel Experiment**, on October 7, 2009, millions of American youth will participate in national science day. Be part of this opportunity to explore, discover - and have a blast - experimenting with alternative fuels with the *Biofuel Blast* National Science Experiment! For information login online at https://www.4-h.org/NYSD/about_biofuels.php

***4-H/FFA Aggie Football Day**

UC Davis Presents: FFA & 4-H Day with Aggie Football, Nov 7, 2009, 1:00pm, Aggie Stadium, Davis, CA,

***Research Opportunity-** the Western Human Nutrition Research Center (USDA) at UCD is looking for youth and parents of Hispanic heritage to participate in a current project. They are scheduling 1 hour interviews to discuss what people eat and their thoughts on

nutrition. Participants receive \$25 for their time. If you just graduated from the 5th grade at a public school, or have a child who did, please contact Marcel at mhorowitz@ucdavis.edu for details.

RESOURCES

*Lesson Plans, Activity Guides and Curriculum Available

Please stop by and checkout the Yolo County 4-H Office Resource Library. Items may be reviewed or checked out. We are always looking for more materials, so if you have any ideas let us know.

*New Plant Identification Learning Laboratory Kit available

It is designed for learner engagement via interactive learning activities. Kit enhances the teaching and learning exchange by supplying stimulating and fun activities. All kit parts are designed to be clear, concise, and durable.

*Leadership Curriculum available from UCCE office. Call is you would like to use it for a project.

Step Up to Leadership, Mentor Guide for grades 6-12

Step Up to Leadership, My Leadership Portfolio for grades 9-12

Have Team Building Games... Will Travel

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

*Open Positions

Yolo County is not currently offering a Rocketry project due to lack in leadership. If you are interested in volunteering please notify the 4-H office.

POLICIES

*Enrollment Age

Primary Members: Must be at least 5 years old or in Kindergarten by December 31. They may not enroll in large animal, shooting sports, or leadership projects.

Regular Members: Must be at least 9 years old or 4th Grade by December 31, and may continue in the program until the end of the calendar year they become 19 years of age.

Home Schooled Children: Enroll based on their chronological age as of December 31.

*No Gambling in 4-H

Lotteries, Drawings, Raffles, Bingo, and other games of chance are illegal under California Law for 4-H. Check with other clubs or the 4-H Office to find out what fundraisers have been successful. **ALL** fundraisers must be approved by the 4-H Office beforehand. Forms are online at <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/files/filelibrary/2557/13114.doc>

*Project Supplies Cost

The project leader should figure the overall cost of the project (publication fees, duplicating costs, project material costs, etc.). The members should be charged accordingly to cover these costs. A project leader cannot charge for their services, lessons, or rental as 4-H is a volunteer organization. If this happens, it is not a 4-H project and the adult is not covered by the UC Liability Insurance. Also, the youth is not covered by the 4-H Accident Insurance. Should you have questions or need clarification, please call the 4-H Office.

*Certified Project Leaders

Don't forget you must be a certified leader in order to hold project meetings. You must complete fingerprinting, paperwork and an orientation meeting to be certified.

*Length of Project

Project work occurs over a period of several weeks or months during the year. A minimum of six hours of instruction is required in order to be considered a complete 4-H project. We recommend more than six, as this is usually not sufficient for mastery of a topic. Please note that in order to be eligible to exhibit in the Spring Show Art and Science Fair, a member must attend 80% of project meetings. Older youth who have mastered topic areas should be used as junior or teen leaders in order to continue their growth in the project.

*Club Bylaws & Constitution

Clubs should be reviewing their club Bylaws & Constitution yearly and handing copies out to all members at the beginning of the year. Generic Bylaws & Constitutions may be found on the state 4-H website at: <http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/forms/>

To view 4-H Club news, go to http://ceyolo.ucdavis.edu/4-H_Program/Club_News.htm

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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