



August 12, 2015 4-H Newsletter

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1. **Santa Cruz County Fair Entry **Deadline SATURDAY, August 15th****

The livestock entry forms are due to the Santa Cruz County Fair on August 15th. The 4-H member will have to download the entry forms from the website at www.santacruzcountyfair.com/2015-entry-guides.

2. **Scotts Valley Art and Wine Festival – **Saturday and Sunday, August 15th and 16th****

Sky Park in Scotts Valley August 15th from 10am -6pm and August 16th from 10am – 5pm. <http://scottsvalleychamber.com/art-fest/>.

The Scotts Valley 4-H will be hosting this event. The Scotts Valley 4-H would like to invite the rest of the 4-H clubs to join them at the Scotts Valley Art & Wine Festival.

Email Kristin Praly at 4h@praly.com with the following details:

How many animals, what types, and what you are keeping your animals in.

You may choose to do a presentation on your animal for a presentation point. The presentation must be pre-written on your computer etc. and signed off by Kristin in order to receive the point.

Fund raising committee please email 4h@praly.com to let Kristin know your plans.

You may also count this as event attended and a community service point for bringing an animal.

3. **Rabbit Project Processing Training Class: **Sunday, August 16th**:**

The County-wide Rabbit project will holding a processing class on Sunday, August 16th at 10am at 312 Spyglass Way in Aptos. This is open to ANYONE who is interested in learning how to process a rabbit for meat. There is a \$5 per family donation being requested to pay for the teacher of the class. They will also be having a BBQ at Noon for anyone interested in tasting rabbit meat. (Hotdogs, side dishes and popsicles will be provided too.) They are

requesting a \$5 per person donation to offset the cost of food. Anyone interested in joining the rabbit project can stay for the 1-2pm project meeting to learn more about the rabbit project. For more information feel free to e-mail Rebecca Alaga at alaga.rebecca@gmail.com

4. Jeannie Witmer Memorial Scholarship Deadline August 19th:

Agri-Culture is now accepting applications for the 2015 Jeannie Witmer Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship is a \$1,000 award for students (past or active) in the California High School Rodeo Association, District 4 or California 4-H Horse Program in the same geographic areas. District 4 encompasses San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, San Benito, Monterey and Contra Costa counties. The scholarship may be used at a college or professional technical school of choice.

Deadline for completed applications and supporting material is Wednesday, August 19, 2015. Application on the 4-H Santa Cruz County website.

Contact for more information: Agri-Culture, 141 Monte Vista Avenue, Watsonville, CA 95076 or email: agri-culture@sbcglobal.net, fax: (831) 724-5821, phone: (831) 722-6622-

5. County Awards Day Wrap Up:

Thank you to all the 4-H families that participated in the 4-H county awards day. We had a great turn out and look forward to a larger participation next year. A special thank you to all the leaders, judges, teen leadership team and all-stars for hosting this event. It was quite a successful day for all the 4-H community.

6. 4-H County Feature Booth at Santa Cruz Fair

Shoot out to all 4-H Leaders, Members and Parents for picture to be displayed at the 4-H County feature booth in the youth department at fair. As the interim 4-H county program rep, I will be promoting 4-H in the youth department at the fair. I am asking the 4-H community to provide picture that show off your 4-H club to be displayed in our 4-H county booth. Please email or mail your pictures with a short description of the event your club participated in and your club name. Email address is jkatawicz@ucanr.edu or 1430 Freedom Blvd, Ste. E, Watsonville 95076 Thank you in advance, Julie Katawicz.

7. Attention All 4-H Musicians and Singers:

We are urgently seeking all 4H musicians and singers who would like to perform before a live audience at our wonderful "Music" booth, at this year's **Santa Cruz County Fair, September 16-20.**

The days and hours available for performing are listed below. If you would like to join in the fun:

- pick a day and a time that you would like to perform as well as a second, back-up, day and time.
- OK the dates and times with your guardians.
- Then email Mr. Rex with your requests.

If your first choice is the first response with that particular day and time, then that will be your performance time. If you are not the first your second choice will then be considered and if it is available then that will be your performance time. If your two choices are not available we will contact you with available times and you can then choose from those dates.

Here are the dates and times you have to choose from now:

Wednesday September 16 from 1pm to 7pm
Thursday September 17 from 1pm to 7pm
Friday September 18 from 1pm to 7pm
Saturday September 19 from 11am to 8pm
Sunday September 20 from 11am to 8pm

So pick two different times, a primary and a backup. Email your choices to Mr. Rex and then he will get back to you with the results.

Important Note: Performance times are 50 minutes maximum. Performance times start on the hour set and last only 50 minutes.

There is no minimum performance time. (If you only have one song you can play it at the beginning and then at the end of your time.)

Only amplification allowed is instrumental and that level will be set before you start. All music and instruments must be supplied by the 4H member.

All music must reflect 4H standards.

This is a great opportunity for 4H members from all levels of musical ability to perform and grow. Hope to hear from you today.

Direct all choices and questions to Mr. Rex: dgrex52@gmail.com

8. Salinas Valley Fair 2016 Fair Theme Contest:

King City, CA – The Salinas Valley Fair seeks your submission for the 2016 Fair theme!

Contestants are encouraged to submit ideas for the 2016 Salinas Valley Fair, focusing on any facet of the Fair, or using the year 2016. Themes should be eight words or less and the words do not need to rhyme. Multiple theme ideas can be submitted per entrant. Entrants can be of any age and need not be a resident of Monterey County.

Entrants should consider catchy phrases and themes that can be easily translated into art form. Past themes have focused on youth, family, animals, agriculture, entertainment, fun and the Salinas Valley's rich history.

Theme entries must be submitted to the Salinas Valley Fair office by Thursday, September 10, 2015. Please include entrant's name, mailing address, phone number and e-mail address.

Entries must be submitted on the Official Entry Form to be considered for the contest prize.

Entries can be hand-delivered, faxed, mailed or e-mailed to:

Salinas Valley Fair

2015 Fair Theme Contest 625 Division Street, King City, CA 93930

Fax: (831) 385-3345 Email: svf@salinasvalleyfair.com

The Salinas Valley Fair Board of Directors will select and announce the winning entrant in the fall. The winner of the contest will receive a VIP Pack to the 2016 Salinas Valley Fair including Fair Admission, Parking and Carnival Coupons.

Visit www.salinasvalleyfair.com or call the Fair Office at 831.385.3243 for additional details.

9. Countywide 5th Annual Flower Arranging:

Katelyn Praly and iThrive is putting on the 5th annual flower arranging event held at County Fair. This is a county event to be held at the County Fair, Saturday September 12th 9am to 12noon, near the front of the Crossetti building. (After 12 noon judging to start.)

*4-hers may gain 1 point in their record book for event attended and 1 point in their record book if they submit their display in the fair. IN addition, 1 point will be given for any honors the display receives.

Those who help set up and tear down this flower arranging event will receive 1 additional point for participating in each activity.

Info to Katelyn Praly 4H@Praly.com

10. 4-H County Teen Leadership Team:

Carolyn McGlenn- Newton is interested in bringing the 4-H County Teen Leadership Group back. This is an opportunity for the junior high and high school members to learn and gain leadership skills. If you are interested in joining the teen leadership team email at Creativeideas00@yahoo.com or text/call me at 831-345-0719.

11. iThrive Countywide Project:

Sara Beauchamp will be leading a countywide Leadership Development project, incorporating the concepts of iThrive. The project will be aligned with the UC 4-H Youth Development Program on iThrive Leadership. If you are interested in participating contact the 4-H office or Sara Beauchamp by email smbauchamp@mindspring.com.

12. Adult Leaders Orientation:

You no longer have to wait for the 4-H office to schedule an orientation for new leaders!

We have the adult orientation and live scan now on line at the Santa Cruz County 4-H Website at http://cesantacruz.ucanr.edu/Youth_Development/Adult_Volunteer_Orientation/.

13. Submitting to the Updates

If you have an announcement, need or opportunity you would like to promote in the 4-H Updates, please email me at jkatawicz@ucanr.edu, or 831-763-801 by 11am every Wednesday “copy ready” information, and I will gladly include your information into the weekly 4-H Update.

14. Program Representative Office Hours

Julie Katawicz:

Mondays:	9 am to 3 pm
Tuesdays:	8:30 am to 1:30 pm
Wednesdays:	8:30 am to 1:30 pm

Have a great week,

Julie Katawicz and Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty

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