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Santa Cruz County 4-H Youth Development Program



The 4-H Green Sheets

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December/January '09

Santa Cruz County Snow Camp



Date: February 13th-16th, 2009

Place: Camp Sylvester www.campsylvester.org

What: Join 4-H families from all over Santa Cruz County at Family Snow Camp. Snow Camp is a semi-structured, family-oriented winter camp. Spend the weekend at Camp Sylvester in Pinecrest, just 3 miles from Dodge Ridge. Have breakfast and pack a lunch in the heated mess hall at camp before you take advantage of daytime activities on your own: ski and snowboard at Dodge Ridge; ice skate at Long Barn, build the perfect snowman or sled across the street from camp. Come back to camp for hot cocoa, dinner and evening activities.

Cost: Snow Camp is \$90 per person, 9 years and older, \$75 per person under 9.

We encourage each person to bring a box of hot cocoa or cider packets and a package of cookies to share. We'll have hot water for beverages going all day. Camp does not provide linens or bedding – make sure to bring sleeping bags, pillows and towels.

Deadline for registration is by Friday, January 23, 2009

(Registration form can be found on page 5)

Fill out the registration form (page 5), 4-H medical release and 4-H Code of Conduct and send it, with your registration fees, to Snow Camp 2009, c/o Felton 4-H, 429 Hillview Drive, Felton, CA 95018. 4-H registration forms are available at <http://ca4h.org/4hresource/forms/index.asp> under 4-H Enrollment Forms.

Please call Fred Hill at 335-2219 or email hill429@pacbell.net for more information.

***Please note; all adults attending must have attended volunteer leader orientation and have completed the volunteer finger printing process.**

Please contact the office for more information on volunteer leader orientation, 763-8015.

Congratulations Rachel Yanez!

Rachel Yanez from Felton 4-H submitted a Service Learning proposal called *Wrapped in Love Blankets* and received more the \$100 from the state for her project. Way to go Rachel!



Leader Information:

Resources

The **California Department of Conservation** is offering **Recycling Starter Kits** to agencies looking to encourage energy saving practices, natural resource conservation as well as creating a small fundraising opportunity with California Refund Value bottle and can collection. For more information log on to, <http://www.bottlesandcans.com/cart/store.cfm>

4-H Supplies

Hats, ties, scarves, etc.

Leslie Carmen 4-H Supplies Call: (888)466-9433
Or, www.4hsupplies.com

4-H Wear and 4-H Pride Gear

Use the Source Book Catalog (available in the 4-H office) or www.4-hmall.org

Pins

Call the 4-H Office 763-8015

Western Regional 4-H Leaders Forum

Denver, Colorado
Feb. 25th-Mar. 1, 2009

Register Online

www.colorado4h.org/



Cost: Reg. Due by Jan.15th \$250
Late/On-Site \$275



California's
4-H Volunteers

California 4-H Volunteer's have a special website for leader's to network, blog, receive newsletters, and review online volunteer leader courses.

Check it out: <http://ucanr.org/4-hvolunteers/>

Funding Opportunities

Scholastic, Inc. announces the **Lexus Eco-Challenge #3: Air/Climate** for teams of elementary and high school age students with teacher advisers. The challenge is focused on school environmental projects that affect local communities in the areas of Global Warming and Climate Change, Ozone Depletion, Fossil Fuels and Renewable energy. The 16 teams selected will receive \$10,000 each. The deadline to register is **December 17, 2008**. For more information, visit: <http://www.scholastic.com/lexus/>

The **2008-2009 Pete Conrad Spirit of Innovation Awards** is an opportunity for high school students to design products using science and technology. Students will compete for over \$120,000 in prize money and to connect with leading scientists, engineers, and entrepreneurs. Initial submissions are due by **January 9, 2009**. Visit: <http://www.conradaward.com> for more information and to enter. ***Updates to the award: All registered team will be provided a team profile page on the website to help their presentations and to aid in fundraising efforts. Registered teams will also gain access to a series of video chat sessions with experts in science, technology and entrepreneurship.

UnitedHealthcare and Youth Service America announce a grant opportunity, the **UnitedHealth HEROES service-learning grant program**. The grants of up to \$1,000 encourage projects that are geared towards childhood obesity. To download an application and read grant details, visit: <http://tinyurl.com/UHHeroesGrant>. Grants submissions are due by **January 15, 2009**.



4-H News & Happenings:

Citizenship Project Opportunity

4-H and Red Cross are partnering together to collect, pack and distribute "**Hero Packs**" for children in Southern California whose parents are serving in the military and are currently deployed. Items needed for the packs include pre-paid phone cards, postage stamps, stationary, disposable cameras, pens, pencils, new stuffed animals, and entertainment vouchers (movie tickets, video store, miniature golf, etc.). If your club would like to donate items for the packs or your time to assemble packs please contact Sylena Wise at smwise@ucdavis.edu or 530-723-3350.

The **2009-2010 4-H State Ambassador** applications are now available! Candidates need to be at least 16 years old by July 1, 2009, have leadership and event planning experience, and ability to represent the 4-H YDP. 4-H State Ambassadors plan the 4-H State Leadership Conference, represent the California 4-H YDP, and conduct team projects. Applications are due **March 31, 2009** and available at <http://www.ca4h.org/leadership/ambassador/>.

All-star, Scholarship and Medal Interview Applications

All-Star, Scholarship, and Silver/Gold Medal interview applications are due January 30th to the 4-H office. All-Star and Scholarship applications are available from your club leader, the 4-H office, 763-8015 and the county website <http://cesantacruz.ucdavis.edu/>

Bronze Medal application is located on page 6 and the Silver/Gold Medal interview application is located on page 7. Bronze Medal Applications are due March 19th, 2009.

4-H Bee Keeping Essay Contest

4-H members may enter the **2009 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest**. The 2009 essay topic is "The Dance Language of Bees." Essays are due **February 13, 2009**. More information is available at <http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/Forms/2009BeekeepingEssay.pdf>.



SET Training:

The **Statewide 4-H YDP Winter 4-H SET County Team Training** is scheduled for Saturday, **February 7, 2009 from 9am - 4pm**. Lunch and curriculum will be provided. Volunteers can select to attend one of the following locations and select one of the following curriculum to receive training on:

- Tehama County:** Veterinary Science or It Came From Planted Earth
- UC Davis:** Veterinary Science or Oak Woodland Wildlife
- Merced County:** Robotics or Oak Woodland Wildlife
- Riverside:** Power of Wind or It Came From Planted Earth

Registration for county teams is due by **January 12th**. Contact Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty at lschmittmcquitty@ucdavis.edu if you are interested in attending.

Santa Cruz County 4-H And the 4-H Million Trees Project



Santa Cruz County will be participating in the 4-H Million Trees project and will be planting trees here in the Santa Cruz Mountains, in areas that were burned by the summit fire.

Currently the 4-H office and a handful of volunteers are working with local nurseries to get trees donated for this project. We are expected to have at least 3-4 tree planting days this winter (rain or shine). For more information and tree planting dates, please call Stephanie in the 4-H office, 763-8015.

4-H in the News

4-H Alumni Confirmed

as Federal Election Commissioner

December 15, 2008

Source: Clover Corner News <http://4hblogs.org/ccn>

Cynthia L. Bauerly was nominated by President Bush on May 6, 2008 and confirmed by the United States Senate on June 24, 2008, to be a Federal Election Commissioner. Her decade of involvement in 4-H as a youth provided her with a strong foundation on which to build a career in public service: an appreciation for service and the knowledge that we all share responsibility for making the organizations that touch our lives better. These values, along with the leadership skills she developed while participating in 4-H, were important to her decision to work in government.

Cynthia spent 10 years in 4-H in her hometown, St. Cloud, Minnesota. At age eight, she attended a 4-H camp with her cousin and soon after joined 4-H year-round. She spent the majority of her summers showcasing photography or creative arts projects at the 4-H fair, leading the Arts-In program in her county and serving as a counselor at 4-H camp. Later, she participated in a youth exchange with students from Minnesota and Russia and spent a week in Moscow. Her first experience in Washington, DC, the city in which she now lives and works, was during Citizenship Washington Focus program. She also received leadership training to be a National 4-H Ambassador and spent six months as a Program Assistant at the National 4-H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, MD. These experiences in our nation's capital provided her with a deep appreciation for the history of our country and an interest in government that informed her later career decisions.

"4-H expanded my entire world view to what else might be possible beyond what I was exposed to in school each day," said Cynthia. Through 4-H, she met and worked with people from around the country and state. The organization became her second source of friends and taught her that teamwork should be the starting point of any project or challenge.

As a Federal Election Commissioner, Cynthia works with her colleagues to fulfill the agency's mission: to prevent corruption in the federal campaign process by enforcing and formulating policy with respect to federal campaign finance statutes. This mission is vital to ensuring that Americans can put their trust in the credibility and accountability of our election system. Prior to her appointment to the FEC, Cynthia was Legislative Director for Senator Charles E. Schumer of New York. She graduated with highest honors from Concordia College in Minnesota and earned her J.D. and Master's in Public Affairs from Indiana University at Bloomington, Indiana.

"Being part of 4-H, an organization with roots deep in my county and family, taught me the value of constructively participating and contributing to a community," said Cynthia. "It was incredibly rewarding to be a part of something larger than my immediate surroundings. I believe my pursuit of a career in public service can be traced to the ideals of 4-H, that we should use our skills and talents to, as the pledge says: serve our club, our community, our country, and our world."

Project Information

Horse News:

The **State 4-H Horse Classic**, educational events for Spring 2009, and championship horse show in Summer 2009 are all currently being planned. The State 4-H Equine Advisory Committee is narrowing dates and confirming locations. Visit the web site regularly for updates <http://ca4h.org/projresource/horse/>. The 2008 results are posted and winners from all years are also listed. The 2009 information will be posted in December.

Rabbits

County Wide Rabbit Project meets on the 3rd Sunday of the month, 1:30pm. Call Project leader Marilou Moschetti for location, 688-2696



Santa Cruz County 4-H Family Snow Camp
February 13-16, 2009
Registration due by Friday, January 23, 2009

Name:		Club:	
Address:		Home Phone:	
		Cell Phone:	
Email:			
Emergency Contact:		Phone:	

Family Registration				
Name	Gender	A/M/P*	Special Needs*	Cost*

- ***A/M/P:** Please indicate one: Adult (over 19) Member (9-19) Primary (under 9)
- ***Special Needs:** Indicate any diet, medical or other needs
- ***Cost:** \$90.00 per adult or member; \$75.00 per primary member
No late registrations will be accepted.

Cost Includes: Three nights lodging at Camp Sylvester, Pinecrest, February 13-16, 2009
 Breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday and Sunday
 Breakfast on Monday; kitchen is available for use Friday night

Check in: 5:00pm -10:00 pm Friday, February 13, 2009;
 Check out: 10:00 am Monday, February 16, 2009

Campers are each requested to bring a box of hot cocoa or cider packets and a package of cookies to share.
 Camp does not provide linens or bedding - make sure to bring sleeping bags, pillows and towels.

Attendance at snow camp is a privilege. All Adult Members must have attended leader orientation and have been fingerprinted prior to attending camp. Members **MUST** be in good standing in their clubs and **MUST** abide by the 4-H Code of Conduct while at Family Snow Camp.

Please make checks payable to: **Santa Cruz County 4-H Snow Camp**

Mail Registration form by 1/23/09 to:
 Family Snow Camp 2009
 c/o Felton 4-H
 429 Hillview Drive
 Felton, CA 95018

Award Interview Application

Due to the 4-H Office January 30th, 2009

Name: _____

Age: _____

Address: _____

Birth Date: _____

Years in 4-H: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

4-H Club: _____

Project Area	Years in this project	Medal you have now	Award applying for <i>Silver, Gold, All-Star, Scholarship</i>

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Community Club Leader's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Eligibility Requirements:

Silver Medal

Five years in the project or
 Fourteen years or older as of January 1st, and has completed a minimum of two years in the project.
 Has knowledge well beyond the regular project materials. Members may have specialized in one aspect of the project.

Gold Medal

Six years in the project or
 Sixteen years or older as of January 1st, and has completed a minimum of three years in the project.
 Member has knowledge well beyond the project material and has developed the project to a commercial undertaking, an avocation or lifetime hobby, or has skills beyond the competency of the average adult.

Approved Areas:

ANIMAL SCIENCE
 ENGINEERING

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE
 PLANT SCIENCE
 SOCIAL SCIENCE


HEALTH & LEISURE
 RESOURCE SCIENCE

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 The Green Sheets is the newsletter of the University of California Cooperative Extension Santa Cruz County 4-H Youth Development Program.
 Deadline for newsletter articles is the third Thursday of every month.

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4-H CALENDAR

<p>To 4-H Office Denver, Colorado</p> <p>Camp Sylvester, Pine crest</p> <p>To 4-H Office Sanger, CA</p> <p>To 4-H Office 7pm Aptos Grange, Aptos</p> <p>To 4-H Office</p>	<p>December 2008</p> <p>No County Council Meeting 18 Newsletter articles due 24& 25 Christmas – Office Closed 31 New Years Eve – Office Closed HAPPY HOLIDAYS!</p> <p>January 2009</p> <p>1 New Years Holiday – Office Closed 15 County Council Meeting 15 Newsletter articles due 19 Martin Luther King Day - Office Closed 25-27 LCORT - Wonder Valley Ranch 30 County Presentation Day Applications due</p> <p>February 2009</p> <p>No County Council Meeting 13-16 Snow Camp 16 Presidents Holiday - Office Closed 19 County Council Meeting 19 Newsletter articles due 23-25 Western Regional Leaders Forum</p>
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