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Santa Cruz County 4-H Youth Development Program



The 4-H Green Sheets

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November 2008

Volunteer Leader Orientation Schedule



Monday November 10th
St. Philips Episcopal Church, Meeting Room
5271 Scotts Valley Drive
6:00pm

Wednesday November 19th
Quail Hollow School
325 Marion Ave, Ben Lomond
6:30pm

Friday November 21st
Congregational Church of Soquel Meeting Room
4951 Soquel Drive
(White church on corner of Main & Soquel Ave.)
Time: To be determined
Please call 4-H office

Please remember all adults participating in the 4-H program must become a certified leader before chaperoning a 4-H event, attending snow/summer camp or leading a project.

Thank you to Scotts Valley 4-H, Felton 4-H and Soquel 4-H for hosting these trainings.



Leader Information:

Please encourage your older members to participate on the Santa Cruz County 4-H Leadership Team

Leadership team has so much to offer your older youth. Team participants assist in putting on various 4-H events in the county, work with other members from around the county, help plan summer camp and attend leadership conferences. Every teen that participates in this leadership program gains an enormous amount of life skills in the area of leadership and citizenship.

The leadership team in our county is run by Robin Turnquist, a very dedicated 4-H Volunteer Leader. Leadership Team is for 7th grade and above.

Meets every 3rd Wednesday, 7pm at Robin Turnquist's house, 1528 Wilshire Drive, Aptos. Please call Robin for more information, 688-4750

Domestic exchange Program:

Is your county or club looking for an opportunity to participate in a **domestic exchange** with a 4-H club in another part of the U.S? **Lancaster County, PA** 4-H is hoping to establish a domestic exchange for 2009-10 or 2010-11 with an interested California 4-H group. Scenic Lancaster County includes Amish country and is centrally located close to Gettysburg, Philadelphia, Harrisburg, Washington DC and Hershey. For those interested, please contact Sharon Sherick at ssherick@dejazzd.com or Stephanie Fontana, sfontana@ucdavis.edu

4-H Supply Resources

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

2008-2009 Enrollment

To re/enroll for the 2008-2009 4-H year please contact your club leader for paper forms. All enrollment are due from clubs by November 20th.

Please call the 4-H office with any questions, 763-8015.

Western Regional 4-H Leaders Forum

Denver, Colorado
Feb. 25th-Mar. 1, 2009
Register Online
www.colorado4h.org/



Cost: Early Bird Due Dec.1st \$225
Reg. Due by Jan.15th \$250
Late/On-Site \$275

Join the California 4-H e-mail

Listserve

Connect with leaders from around the state and receive project resources, ideas, and event announcements via email.

<http://ca4h.org/4hresource/email/index.asp>

JOIN TODAY!





4-H News & Happens:

Community Fire Victims Need Help!

Let's lend a helping hand to those who have been devastated by the recent fires in our county. For most, the anxiety of the Summit, Trabing, and Martin Fires has subsided, however, for the families whose homes were burned or damaged, needs still exist.

The Santa Cruz County Volunteer Center is working with the Red Cross and United Way to help those families and individuals severely affected by the fires. Many desperately still need assistance even though the fires were months ago.

As 4-H families, let's take on the compassionate challenge to help. We can adopt a family or send resources for distribution. I would like to appeal to each club to donate items needed by families, send a check to the volunteer center (100% goes to the victims) or organize a club fundraiser. The Corralitos 4-H Club is organizing a fundraiser and will match the amount raised.

As a community service group, and as compassionate citizens, let's work together to help the unfortunate victims of local fires.

Contact Sharon at the Volunteer Center, 11am-3pm Weekdays, 427-5075.

Mail checks to 1010 Emeline Ave. Bldg. C Santa Cruz CA 95060 (Please note on check, "Fire Victims") You can also contact Stephanie Fontana at the 4-H office, 763-8015.

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.

Forms will be available at the November council meeting and mailed/e-mail out to club leaders by Dec. 1st.



4-H Million Trees Project

Since its inception in March, 2008, over 6,600 4-Hers in 26 states have become participants in the **4-H Million Trees Project (4HMT)**, registering over 20,000 trees to date. The 4-H Million Trees Project wants to renew the invitation to all 6.5 million 4-H youth so they can benefit from the leadership, citizenship, community service, and life skills opportunities associated with this project. Time is of the essence because we hope that 4-H clubs and units will adopt this project as one of their monthly community service projects this Fall, 2008. Please help us to spark greater interest in this large-scale service-learning project by sharing this information with 4-H members in your area. Please use the following link to learn more and obtain sample photos.

<http://www.4hmilliontrees.org>

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). Please check the December newsletter for the tree planting dates. For more information please call Stephanie in the 4-H office, 763-8015.

Game Night 2008 & Potluck

Bring family and friends to the 2008 game night put on by the County Leadership Team. There will be fun, food and prizes!

When: Nov. 21st **Time:** 6:30 pm

Where: Aptos Grange, 2555 Mar Vista Dr.
Please bring a potluck snack or dessert (enough for 15. Drinks are provided).

Games & Prizes: Bring a can of food for each bingo card you want (canned food will be donated to Second Harvest Food Bank). If you have some things around the house that could be used for prizes wrap them up put gender and age on the outside or you can help by going to the dollar store and picking some up.

Questions? Call Robin 688-4750





4-H Project News:

Avian Science Day Recap

Reviewed by: Greta Steinbruner

For those involved in any aspect of poultry, Avian Science Day at UC Davis is a great source of information and resources to better the poultry experience both in and out of 4-H. Beginning bright and early (by my standards at least) at 9:00 am, Avian Science Day attendees are immersed in a lecture hall full of the goodness of poultry until early afternoon.

Poultry folk from all over the state come to enjoy presentations about various aspects of poultry keeping such as nutrition, disease management, breeding, resources available to backyarders, avian influenza, and much more. During a break in the program, while the audience enjoys a sack lunch, UCD Poultry Specialist Dr. Francine Bradley treats them to a travelogue of the interesting places in the world to which she traveled for the World Poultry and Egg Conference. This year, my favorite presentation was a professor from the University of Hong Kong discussing avian influenza.

If you are interested in partaking of this wealth of information, Avian Science Day is held annually in the beginning of October at UC Davis. Please join us next year for this wonderful poultry event. More information can be found at: <http://animalscience.ucdavis.edu/avian/>, or by emailing Michelle Palmer at: mlpalmer@ucdavis.edu

State 4-H Equine Field Day

The 3rd annual **State 4-H Equine Field Day** will be held **Saturday, November 22nd** at Cal Poly Pomona. It is a day of educational workshops, tack swap & more for 4-H horse leaders, members and parents! Pre-registration is due **November 14th**. More information and pre-registration forms are available at the CA 4-H horse web site <http://ca4h.org/projresource/horse/>. Contact Jeanne George at jlgeorge@ucdavis.edu or Cheryl Eggleston at caeggleston@ucdavis.edu if you have workshop ideas and questions.

State Sewing Project Challenge

Announcing the **2009 Challenge category for State Fashion Revue** - Simplicity Apron pattern #9565. This pattern is unisex and is suitable for beginners to advanced. Start with this pattern and change it to suit your needs. Do you plan to wear it to barbecue, while painting or for animal grooming? Personalize your apron to fit, add trims or appliqués and experiment with fabrics and details. Make or purchase an outfit to coordinate with your apron. **State Fashion Revue will be May 30**, as part of State Field Day on the UC Davis campus. Contact your county office for entry information for county and state fashion revues. The committee has openings for teens and adults to promote and organize State 4-H Fashion Revue. No sewing experience is required to be on the committee! If you are interested, please contact Sue Moore at samoore@ucdavis.edu or Kylie Deal at dmtigers06@yahoo.com.

Rocketry Project Challenge

Are you interested in Science, Engineering or Technology? If so, consider entering in the **Team America Rocketry Challenge** - set for **May 16, 2009** at the Great Meadow in The Plains, VA. Participants must design and build a rocket that will climb to 750 feet and stay aloft for 45 seconds. This year's new task is transporting the one-egg payload lying on its side rather than positioned vertically, mimicking the position of an astronaut. Teams have until **Dec. 1** to register. April 6 is the deadline to conduct a qualifying launch and earn a trip to the finals, scheduled for May 16. The registration fee is \$105. The contest rules and registration <http://www.rocketcontest.org/>.





Project News Continued:

4-H in the News

National 4-H Council has partnered with Fox Searchlight Pictures' feature film, "The Secret Life of Bees" to support 4-H's Science, Engineering and Technology communication efforts. Nearly 700 4-H professionals enjoyed this fabulous film, based on the novel by author Sue Monk Kidd, during an exclusive 4-H screening at the Galaxy III Conference in Indianapolis.

This exciting partnership also revealed that Ms. Kidd is a 4-H alumna who credits her 4-H club experience in entomology and reading as a positive force in her life and career: "Wouldn't you know-- my history with 4-H has to do with books and bugs. So perhaps it is not completely surprising that I grew up not only to read books, but write them, and that one of those books was about the secret life of the Apis Mellifera."

You can find out more about the film, read Ms. Kidd's full story, follow her on a special backstage tour, and view special souvenirs by visiting [Little Green Places Contest](http://www.littlegreenplacescontest.com) www.4-H.org. "The Secret Life of Bees" was released on October 17 to great reviews and is in theaters everywhere now.

Article from Clover Corner News www.4hblogs.org



Older Member Opportunities:

Tell your 4-H Story!

The State 4-H Office is looking for **innovative and impactful 4-H stories**. Stories feature 4-H groups, projects or activities on the State 4-H Homepage (www.ca4h.org). The State 4-H Office will even write the story for you! If you have a story, please contact Emily Lane, State 4-H Office student assistant, at erlane@ucdavis.edu Current stories may be found at <http://www.ca4h.org/4HDelivers.asp>

LCORT 2009

WHAT: Leadership Conference of Regional Teens

WHEN: Jan. 30-Feb. 1, 2009
Check-in time: Jan. 30, 6-9 p.m.

WHERE: **Wonder Valley Ranch**
6450 Elwood Road
Sanger, CA 93657

WHO: *7th-9th Grade 4-Hers
*County Leadership Teams (10th Grade & Above)
*State Ambassadors, Leaders and Staff

COST: \$95.00 – includes 2 nights lodging, meals, (starting Saturday morning), snacks, and all registration materials **(\$105 after December 1, 2008)**

THEME: "4-Her's to the rescue! Find Your Inner Superhero!"

WHY: To define and develop your leadership abilities. To have an opportunity to meet and share ideas with other youth your age. To expand your perspective on the world around you and to have an enjoyable time.

REGISTRATION:

http://groups.ucanr.org/SC4H/Leadership_Conference_of_Regional_Teens/

Forms due to county 4-H office By **November 21, 2008** for \$95 conference fee. Registrations turned in after Dec. 1st will be \$105

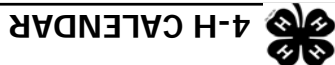


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 Deadline for newsletter articles is the third Thursday of every month.

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November 2008	
TBA	WRLF-Registration Due
7-9	State Leaders Forum-Asilomar
17	Club enrollment forms Due
17	2008-2009 Beginning Year reports due
	(Club Contact Info, Fiscal Info, Budget & fundraising, Club Planner, Current Constitution & By-Laws
20	County-wide Committee Membership)
20	County Applications due for
20	All-Stars, Medals & Scholarships
20	County Council Meeting
20	Newsletter articles due
21	LCORT registration due to 4-H Office
27-28	Thanksgiving Holiday - Office Closed
TBA	Awards and Interviews Planning Meeting
	Judges Names Due
December 2008	
18	Newsletter articles due
24& 25	Christmas - Office Closed
31	New Years Eve - Office Closed
	HAPPY HOLIDAYS!


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Aptos Grange, 7pm	To 4-H Office



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