

4-H PARTYLINE



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Calendar

April

- 20 Deadline for 4-H Extravaganza Forms –
Ukiah 4-H Office
- 21 Earth day Celebration – *Upper Lake*
- 28 Potter Valley Rabbit Show –
Potter Valley Volunteer Fire Department
- 29 Redwood Valley/Calpella Horse Show

May

- 04 4-H Camp Registration Due –
Ukiah 4-H Office
- 12 4-H Extravaganza – *Dana Gray School –
Fort Bragg*
- 26 Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast –
Natural High School
- 26 State Presentation Day – *UC Davis*
- 30 Camp Chaperone Orientation-
Ukiah 4-H Office

June

- 18-22 Lake/Mendocino Summer Camp –
Camp Masonite Navarro

Lake/Mendocino 4-H Summer Camp 2007 Camp is back at Masonite Navarro!!

Camp dates are: 6/18/07 – 6/22/07

Cost: \$100.00 for 5 days of food,
friends, and fun!!

Registration packets must be received at
the Mendocino County 4-H Office by
Friday May 4, 2007 at 5:00 p.m.

No Exceptions!!

You must return all registration
papers **along with your payment**
to be considered registered!!

Get your camp registration packet
online at <http://celake.ucdavis.edu>
or at the Lake County 4-H Office.



Council Meeting

April 23, 2007

4-H Office – 6:30 p.m.

Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast

May 26, 2007

7:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Natural High School



SELL!! SELL!! SELL!!

4-H receives 100% of the proceeds from the tickets we pre-sell. It is very important to try and sell tickets in advance and not have people buy them when they get to the event!!

There will be a prize of \$85.00 awarded to the highest individual and club ticket seller. This prize can be used towards 4-H Summer Camp, other 4-H activities, or in the 4-H Catalog. You must turn your money in by the due date to qualify for this prize.

FUN 4-H ALUMNI FACT

Nobel Peace Prize Winners – Al Gore, and Rosalynn Carter, wife of Nobel Prize Winner Jimmy Carter, are 4-H Alumni

Congratulations to all of our Sectional Presentation Day Participants

Jocelyn Bennett – Gold

Joy Bennett – Gold

Becca Brookes – Gold

Blair Brookes – Gold

Morgan Campbell – Gold

Kelsey Carstensen – Gold

Aaron Fultz – Silver

Bryce Hayes – Silver

Candace Johnston – Gold

Sophie Johnston – Gold

Rebecca Pachie - Gold



Earth Day Celebration

Saturday April 21, 2007

12:00 noon – 7:00 p.m.

Main Street, Upper Lake

The day will be a Public Awareness Day with informational displays, speakers, presentations, booths, and festivities geared toward understanding and education about alternative and eco-friendly energy sources, thoughtful and non-toxic food production, crafts and other items that are earth friendly. Educationally oriented activities for kids and teens, and knowledge and sources for recycling and for conservation, will also be available. Learn about situations in which you can make little changes to help effect better outcomes....so we may become a population that can commit itself to environmentally sustainable solutions on our planet.

For more information and to participate, please visit the Upper Lake website at <http://upperlakeca.com> or contact Debbie 707-275-2000

Informational booths and displays are free and booths with items to sell are \$20





UPDATES FROM THE CALIFORNIA 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ENGAGES YOUTH IN REACHING THEIR FULLEST POTENTIAL WHILE ADVANCING THE FIELD OF YOUTH DEVELOPMENT.

Please be reminded that 4-H must remain neutral on religious and political matters, as we are a program of the University of California, a publicly-funded institution. The 4-H name and/or emblem (the clover) cannot be used for, or in connection with, religious or political purposes or activities, except as consistent with University regulations. For more information, please see the 4-H Policy Handbook at www.ca4h.org under 4-H administration, or call the State 4-H Office at 530-754-8518.

Transportation Reminder: Volunteers who drive during a 4-H event should remember that their automobile insurance coverage is primary and the university's insurance coverage is secondary. Arrangements for transportation of youth to 4-H events are the responsibility of the parents. County 4-H staff do not provide permission slips allowing members to ride with 4-H leaders or parents.

Information

All horse leaders and members are invited to join the Equine Education List Serve. Go to <http://ca4h.org/projresource/horse/> to sign up. We will be sending the latest updates by e-mail. This is now the official site for your 4-H equine information about events and resources.

Join the new 4-H Record Book discussion list! The California 4-H Record Book Support Group provides a place for 4-H volunteers, staff, and members to discuss the 4-H Record Book, as well as ask questions and receive feedback from others around the state and from the Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee. For more information or to join the list, visit: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ca4hrb/>.

National Parents Poll on Media and Kids Health by Common Sense Media reports US parents' concerns about their youth's use of media (defined as TV, video games, iPods, Internet, radio, etc.). The web link is: <http://www.common sense media.org/news/press-releases.php?id=48>.

The publication, Clover Safe, will be brought to you each month by ANR's Division of Environmental Health and Safety. These one page documents offer tips and activities for health and safety concerns in different 4-H project areas. New subject areas range from horses and cattle to power saw and ATV operation. They are designed to be used at project leader meetings and can be downloaded at: <http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/curriculum/>.

Opportunities

The California International Exchange Program will explore an exchange with Finland 4-H this summer and is looking for a host family. An 18-year-old boy, Markus, will be arriving on June 18 for a one-month visit. He is been a 4-H member in Finland for many years and enjoys sports, reading, jigsaw puzzles, and movies. Please contact Pat English at pnenglish@ucdavis.edu or 530-754-8520 if you are interested in this opportunity.

The State 4-H Office is seeking high school and college-age students and volunteer leaders for 4-H Travel Guide position for the Japanese Exchange Program. Travel guides design and carry out an educational and recreational arrival orientation for the inbound Japanese Exchange delegation coming to California in July. The application and information about the position are available at: <http://ca4h.org/exchange/japanese/index.asp>. Applications are due April 17, 2007.

Thank you!

The California 4-H Foundation

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The Qualities of a Leader

By Kimberly Walker of Kelseyville 4-H

Everybody in 4-H knows leaders. Whether they happen to be your club leaders, project leaders, Teen or Jr. leaders or even an unofficial person who always steps up to the plate.

But what really makes a leader?

A good leader has a desire to help with anything that might need to be done, even if they don't like the people that they will be working with. He or she has a commanding presence and doesn't exclude people when they're working in a group.

A good leader has the ability to communicate. They listen to people instead of always trying to talk, yet they are not afraid to stand up in front of people and do anything from giving a short report to running a large event.

A good leader expresses their opinions and ideas clearly and isn't afraid to take control of the situation if they need to. They answer questions truthfully and won't make up an answer if they honestly don't know, instead they'll lead you to someone who does know or even find out the answer with you.

A good leader will not try to manipulate people into doing what they want them to. They will be honest in telling that person exactly what needs to be done and won't try to make it sound more extravagant or less work than it actually is.

A good leader acts responsibly. They will hold him or herself responsible for both their decisions and actions as well as that of others. If they are asked who's idea it was, they won't point to the other person and say "It's all their fault, I had nothing to do with it." If they say that they are going to do something then they will stay committed to it and make sure that it gets done. They will not complain about what they didn't know or didn't have help with and will not make excuses for their mistakes.

A good leader works well with other people, from young children to adults. They always try to find ways to connect with people and make them feel more comfortable around others. They try to be a person that somebody would want to have as a leader vs. somebody that only thinks they are a leader.

There are many good qualities that make a leader. Many leaders are simply expected to be a certain way, but every leader has a different style of leadership based on their personality.

Most importantly, a good leader tries to help people recognize and develop their strengths to the best of their abilities; thus helping to create the leaders of tomorrow.

Leaders don't act like leaders to be recognized as leaders. They do it because it needs to be done and are often unappreciated. Take a moment and think about the leaders that you know and how they're doing their best to help those around them.

This is a speech that I wrote to complete my Level Five Leadership Proficiency.