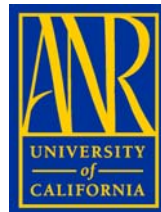


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Calendar

August

- 1 Last day for Fair Forms to be turned into Fair Office
- 2-5 State Leadership Conf. – Davis
- 8 Market Beef Pre-weight – 6 p.m. Fairgrounds
- 9-12 Redwood Empire Fair – Ukiah
- 18 Lake County Fair Jr. Horse Show
- 29 Animals into Lake County Fair

September

- 7-9 Why Conference – Humboldt County
- 14-16 Mendocino Co. Fair/Apple Show
- 14 End of 4-H Program Year
- 15 Beginning of 4-H Program Year

October

- 5 County Record Books Due to 4-H Office
- 20 County Record Book Judging

November

- 4 Achievement Program

THANK YOU!!

We would like to extend a thank you to Mike and Laurie McCollian of Affordable Signs & TEE's for helping us out when our need was great. This year the printing of our 4-H summer camp T-shirts hit a big glitch. The Friday before camp, we found out that our 165 T-shirts for our campers had not been printed. So what do you do when you are in a big jam – call a 4-H'er. During their busy weekend at Middletown Days, Mike and Laurie printed all 165 shirts. Then Sunday night they passed them off to Nicole Gentry, who delivered them to Jill Robbins. Jill was kind enough to deliver T-shirts to camp *early* Monday morning before the campers arrived. Way to go Lake County 4-H team!!!



**NEXT
COUNCIL MEETING
3rd Monday
AUGUST 20, 2007
6:30 P.M.
4-H OFFICE**

The 4-H Club Budget

When planning your club budget, consider the different areas of your club's interest and support. A budget is best put together by a small group of officers, other members, and adult volunteers. It is reviewed, reworked, and presented to the club by your officer team. Present and discuss the budget at one meeting, and seek a motion to adopt in the next. Record the results in the minutes. However, if agreement is not reached, table the vote for one more month while differences are worked out. The club should allocate anticipated revenues based on needs, goals, and interests of its members and support system. These can include shared equipment and project supplies (but not individual member project expenses), group field trips or fun days, scholarships (for members and chaperones), youth and adult conferences and recognition (e.g. W.H.Y. Conference, State Leadership Conference, State Leaders' Conference, etc.), achievement and recognition (retiring officers, Leaders Dinner, etc.), whole club celebrations, countywide events or field days, community service, charities, etc.

Keep in mind:

- (1) Club money is raised to be spent, keeping aside reasonable reserves
- (2) The budget should be understood and agreed upon by the whole club
- (3) It can be amended as needed, by contacting the 4-H staff
- (4) It is a process in which members learn how to earn money, budget earnings, and spend thoughtfully; which are important life skills.



A BIG Thank You to the Carstensen Family for all their hard work arranging our participation at the No Name Car Show on July 21, 2007. Everyone did a great job and the Carstensen's Rooster whose name is Aster was a HUGE hit especially with the band!!

Attention Community Club Leaders and Club Officers:

The new 4-H year is just around the corner. All club leaders and officers should be making plans to complete the following required paper work:

- Club Audit - 2006/2007
- Affirmative Action Outreach Report - 11/2006-8/2007
- Club Inventory - as of July, 2007
- Club Budget - 2007/2008

If you have any questions on this process, or need assistance or forms, please contact the 4-H Office. All The above documents are due to the 4-H office by September 30th.



2007 Lake County Fair

Reminders and Tips for Members, Parents, and Leaders Participating in the Lake County Fair

It is that time of the year and the Lake County Fair is just around the corner! I wanted to pass on a few tips and reminders regarding 4-H members participating in the Livestock show and sale. Fair can be a very stressful time I hope these tips are useful and increase your fun at the Lake County Fair this year.

Members, parents, and leaders are encouraged to bring the spirit of cooperation with you as you arrive at the fair. Please keep in mind, while at the fair you are representing 4-H to the public. Please show the community you are cooperative, responsible; greet the public and share what you have learned about your project. To help reduce fair time stress, do as much as possible before you get to the fair.

- Read the Exhibitor handbook, there have been many changes this year. Know the rules and requirements and ask questions before you arrive at fair
- Know when your animals will be photographed, weighed, shown, and sold before you arrive at fair
- Upon arrival, report to the Livestock Office
- Allow yourself plenty of time
- Ask for help if you are not sure what to do
- Write your buyer's thank you note ahead of time, all you have to do at fair is add your buyer's name and address.
- Plan ahead when you will need a clean uniform and how you will clean it.
(If you need Whites, drop by the 4-H office)

Lyle Coburn, Livestock Superintendent, will post a daily schedule of events and schedule changes at the livestock building - check it often.

Please keep in mind that your animals are on display for public viewing.

Keep all pens, stalls, and walkways clean, neat and picked up. When moving your animal, clean up the area where the animal traveled or was tied. Remember to feed, water, and groom your animal daily, more if needed.

- All animals and pens should be ready by 8:00 a.m. for Clean Stall inspection
- Keep the manure bin area and area outside the barns clean and neat.
- The member should do all work - if you need physical help, ask an older member
- Adults may step in for safety reasons, demonstrations, and to advise the member



Premium checks are like cookies – they will go stale after 60 days, so get them cashed promptly.

The Awards Ceremony will be held
Sunday, September 2, 2007 - 4:00 p.m.,
at the Livestock Pavilion.

- All members must be in full uniform for the Awards Ceremony
- Members must pick up their own checks
- Have an addressed, stamped, and **unsealed** thank-you note for each animal sold or your check will be held at the Fair Office.



Animals will be released after 9:00 p.m. on Sunday September 2nd:

- Vehicles will be allowed after 11:00 p.m. Educational display may be removed after 11:00 p.m.
- Obtain a signed release from the Livestock Superintendent before removing animals

Auction Information

The auction will be Saturday, September 1st. All members are asked to stay in uniform and help with refreshments, auction line up, and to cheer for the other members until the auction is completely over.

- Members must be in full uniform through the entire auction
- Find out when your animal is slated to sell, if you miss your place in the auction line-up your animal will not sell.
- Return your animal to it's pen, go pick up your buyer card from the auction table, and take your buyer card directly to your buyer.

Tips for Showmanship



SMILE - look eager and ready to show:

- Wear a clean, complete uniform
- Tie long hair back into braids or ponytails
- Wear a belt and boots or tennis shoes (No sandals)
- Secure your hat, but don't worry if it drops off in the ring
- Use a tie tack to hold down the end of your tie; use a ring for the collar
- No gum chewing

The basic rules of showmanship:

- Show from the minute you enter the ring until the judge dismisses the class
- Smile to reflect you are enjoying showing your animal
- Keep your animal between you and the judge
- Keep your animal set up at all times
- Don't crowd; give yourself and others room to show
- Watch the judge or animal not the audience
- Don't panic or get upset if your animal gets away. Just do your best
- Know the sex, breed and birth date of your animal
- The judge may ask questions, so know parts of your animal, where the breed came from, or any pertinent information about your animal



Please remember, the 4-H Office has numerous resources that may help you brush up on your skills before the fair.... stop by and check them out!

**MOST OF ALL
HAVE FUN AND ENJOY
YOUR EXPERIENCE!**

Leaders and Parents

Please keep in mind you are setting an example for our youth while attending 4-H related activities during the fair. The following guidelines are designed to provide a positive and satisfying 4-H experience during events and activities at the Livestock Pavilion.

- Please do not consume or be under the influence of tobacco, alcohol, or illegal drugs
- Please do not use discriminatory or obscene language
- Participate in auction and show activities when needed
- Help provide a safe environment for all youth while at the fair

Danny Wilds Award



This award was started in 1969 in memory of Danny Wilds, a member of the Big Valley 4-H Club during the years of 1959-1967.

All 4-H members exhibiting at the Lake County Fair are eligible for this award. Judging is based on sportsmanship; attitude; cooperation; quality of exhibits; appearance of exhibits and exhibitor; overall participation in fair activities.

There is no limit on the number of times a member may receive this award. An anonymous committee at the Fair will select the recipient. The recipient receives a pin for their hat and their name engraved on a perpetual trophy.

"Partyline" Name Change Contest



We would like to thank everyone for submitting their name suggestions; you have given us some excellent choices!! Now is the hard part and we would like your help!! We need your opinion on which top 5 names you think are GREAT!! Please log-on to the link below and take our short survey and tell us which top 5 names you think would make a great name for our newsletter!!

<http://ucanr.org/partylinenamechange>

2007 State Presentation Day

There were over 250 4-H members that participated at the 2007 State Presentation Day at UC Davis. As well as the six members pictured here Rebecca Pachie, Jocelyn Bennett and Joy Bennett were the members that attended from Lake County. Out of the nine participants three members received Gold awards and six received Blue awards. While we were waiting – before and after our demonstrations – there were many things for us to do. There was the Horticulture contest that was a



Pictured – Sophie Johnston, Morgan Campbell, Candace Johnston, Becca Brookes
Kelsey Carstensen w/ Bucky and Blair Brookes w/ Luxie

fun contest to test what you know about plants. There were handheld navigators that

you could borrow to walk around the campus and it would explain what was taught in all the different buildings. There was a silent auction that had tickets to Disney World, a mom's day at the spa, and some fun gift baskets. And in the afternoon we all got to watch the Fashion Review where 4-H members had made clothing and were modeling them while being judged. Even though there was all the work of getting from County to Regional and then to State I suggest you try it because it was really worth it.

Submitted By: Kelsey Carstensen, Big Valley 4-H Club

“Fun at the No Name Car Show”

By: Jocelyn Bennett

Big Valley 4-H and Cole Creek 4-H members had fun showing fuzzy lop rabbits and a polish feather head rooster to the crowds who came to the No Name Car Show in Library Park on

July 21st. We also had members of the Big Valley 4-H Club assemble a small engine and show a go-cart that the engine could be used in. We gave out information about 4-H and the

Jr. Livestock Auction. It was fun to get to know members from another club and to work together in the booth. It was also fun to see my dad's truck at the show too. The No Name Car

Show raised money for our local 4-H'ers. Thank You to all the car show exhibitors!



Participants: Big Valley 4-H Member- Charlie Carstensen, Jake Prather, Kelsey Carstensen, Clara Carstensen.
Cole Creek 4-H Member- Jocelyn Bennett, Joy Bennett, Julienne Bennett



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.

PROGRAMS

- The **California State Fair** is August 17th-September 3rd and once again The California 4-H Foundation is **recruiting 4-H members and leaders to help staff the 4-H booth**. This is a great opportunity for 4-H members and volunteers to share with the public their 4-H experiences, as well as the wide range of projects and leadership opportunities that are available to youth in the California 4-H YD Program. Small 4-H projects are welcome to accompany you (robots, rabbits, arts/crafts, service dogs, etc.) to give the public a “feel” for what types of projects are available. Examples of community service projects also make for good stories to share with the public. Please feel free to bring photo albums or record books to show anyone who may be interested in learning more about your 4-H project. Parking passes and fair admission tickets will be provided to 4-H members and adults who sign up for a 2-hour shift. A maximum of 4 youth and 2 adults per shift will be allowed. Further, each shift must have an adult or older teen in the booth at all times. To sign-up, please visit: <http://www.ca4h.org/wrp/statefair/>.
- The **North Section, WHY Conference** will be held September 7-9, 2007 at Triumphant Life Camp. This annual regional event (for volunteer leaders and 4-H members, 6th grade and older), gives participants an opportunity to learn leadership, citizenship, and life skills. For more information, please visit: <http://ca4h.org/conference/secconf/index.asp>. Registration is due **August 24, 2007**.

RESOURCES

- 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 are continually being added to the listing. These materials are designed to be used at project leader meetings and can be downloaded at: <http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/curriculum/>.
- **Public-Private Partnerships for Youth Programs**. Partnerships with key stakeholders are crucial to the long-term sustainability of youth programs. For practical information on creating and maintaining public-private partnerships to improve and expand youth programs and initiatives in communities and states visit: http://financeproject.org/publications/PublicPrivate_PM.pdf for a copy of **A Guide to Successful Public-Private Partnerships for Youth Programs**. Finding funding to support an increased demand for youth programs and services is a continuing challenge. **Creating Dedicated Local and State Revenue Sources for Youth Programs** outlines strategies for youth programs to create dedicated local and state revenue sources for youth programs, provides information on the capacity, funding, and community support and profiles strategies at work. Available at: http://financeproject.org/publications/DLR_PM.pdf.

FUNDING

- **For Youth, Adults, and Groups:** The **2007 Golden Clover Awards** are awarded in recognition for outstanding achievement and recognize 4-H members, volunteers, and groups in various categories. Nominate someone or nominate yourself! Award applications are available at: <http://ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/goldenclover/index.asp> and are due **August 31, 2007**.
- **For Youth:** The National Gardening Association (NGA) has announced that Home Depot will again sponsor **Youth Garden Grants** to help young people reap rewards and learn life lessons from working in gardens and outdoor habitats. NGA awards grants to schools and community organizations with child-centered, outdoor garden programs. The top fifty programs will receive gift cards valued at \$500, and an additional 100 programs will receive \$250 gift cards for the purchase of gardening materials and supplies to meet their program needs, An activity package is also awarded. Visit the NGA web site at: <http://assoc.garden.org/grants/> for complete program details and application procedures. Deadline: **November 1, 2007**

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