



# 4-H Spirit

## LCORT 2012

**Theme-** “Reeling in Success Through 4-H”

**Date-** January 27-29, 2012

**Where-** Wonder Valley Ranch

**Cost-** \$140 per delegate (includes t-shirt, 2 nights lodging, 4 meals beginning Saturday morning, snacks, materials and recreation)

**Who Can Attend-** 7th-9th graders

10th-12th graders present the workshops.

Registrations forms are now available on

[http://cemariposa.ucdavis.edu/4-H\\_Program/](http://cemariposa.ucdavis.edu/4-H_Program/)

[Mariposa County Project Forms and more/](#)

and due into the office along with fee by November 16, 2011. A late registration fee of \$10/person will apply after December 1.

### Leadership Team Application Now Available

The Leadership Team is a training program for 4-H teen members who wish to gain additional experience in leadership and public speaking. The teen members will work with an adult leader advisor.

#### Selection Criteria:

- Minimum of 13 years of age during year of application
- Have completed at least the eighth grade by July 1 of year applying
- Completed at least 2 years of 4-H membership and project experience with written records
- Completed at least one year as a Junior or Teen Leader, with written report
- Achieved Bronze Star rank by the time of application

Application available on-line at [http://cemariposa.ucdavis.edu/4-H\\_Program/Mariposa\\_County\\_Project\\_Forms\\_and\\_more/](http://cemariposa.ucdavis.edu/4-H_Program/Mariposa_County_Project_Forms_and_more/), or at the office. Application due into the office by 5p November 16 and interviews on Monday, November 28.

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**TIME CHANGE  
NOVEMBER 6**



**2010-11 COUNTY WINNERS AND MEDALISTS FROM  
ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT : “4-H Under the Big Top”**

	(Gold)	(Silver)	(Silver)	(Silver)
Swine-	Wyatt Harrison			
Rabbits-	Alicia Stoesser			
Horses-	Elseana Stowronski			
Poultry-	Krystal Robinson	Shelby Mandeville	Brittany Collier	Josh Mandeville
Meat Goats-	Shelby Mandeville	Robbie Stark	Joseph Quinn	
Sheep		Erin Bryson		
Self-Defense-	Josh Mandeville	Josh Stoesser	Jennifer Genung	Wyatt Estep
Theatre Arts	Claire Gorham			
Food/Nutrition	Saylor Cramer	Erin Bryson	Robbie Stark	
Photography-	Jennifer Genung	Elseana Skowronski	Clancy Kramer	Brittany Collier
Hiking	Maria Loya	Wyatt Harrison		
Citizenship	Saylor Cramer			

Achievement Award– Intermediate– Krystal Robinson

Outstanding Record Books-

Junior– Saylor Cramer    Intermediate– Wyatt Harrison    Senior– Alicia Stoesser

Scrapbook Award– Hi 4-H

Outstanding Table Display- Don Pedro Rattlers

National 4-H Week Window Display Contest Winner– Bootjack 49ers

Most Dedicated Leader- Carol Suggs

Outstanding New Leader- Rachel Gorham



**Congratulations to all!**

**THANKS TO ALL WHO DONATED & PURCHASED ITEMS AT THE  
SILENT AUCTION. IT WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!**

**Also thank you to the committee: Catheys Valley 4-H Club**

**See ya next year at Achievement Night!**

**4-H Volunteer Leader Dinner/Training Rescheduled**

**The dinner/training for Mariposa County 4-H Volunteer Leaders has been changed from Saturday, November 5 to Saturday, January 7, 2012. This will take place at McCay Hall in Catheys Valley. Time to be announced.**

**Please mark your calendars!**

## 4-H Projects Criteria

In the next few months the 4-H Spirit will offer 4-H leader's criteria for their projects such as leaders names, meeting location, needs for project etc. to help members and parents get started.

**Besides the project criteria, all members must have 80% attendance at club and project meetings, must complete project record fom and Personal Development Form (PDR) , and do a project presentation per project that member is in. These records are to be current and up-to-date by July 15 for fair purposes and then completed and turned in at the September club meeting or by the required date set by 4-H Staff.**

### County-Wide Junior Master Gardeners What's it all about?

**Leader:** Niarja Marchand

Members can expect to learn Horticulture & Environmental Science education through fun & creative activities. Get your hands dirty, work in the soil and plants. Learn about your environment and take part in community service activities.

Meetings are held at the 4-H Office and at garden site. Project need is to purchase the Junior Master Handbook.



### Food & Nutrition

**Leaders**– Debbie Lester & Suzanne Cramer (County-wide)

Jennifer Metcalf-Don Pedro Rattlers



In this project members will learn correct measuring and mixing, presentation of foods, food groups, and healthy choices. They will discuss kitchen safety too.

Meetings are held at the leader's home.

### Archery

**Leaders**– Beth & Robert Broomfield (county-wide)

David House– Don Pedro Rattlers

Members will development a basic appreciation for archery and learn the history. Will learn the parts of the bow and arrow and go to the range and practice the skill of archery. Also will learn safety and about safety equipment and more. Bows and arrows are provided by the 4-H program.

### Goats

**Leaders**– Codie & Kathy Hart (county-wide)

Erica Jonson– Don Pedro Rattlers

Become aware of the scope of dairy, meat or pygmy goats. Will learn breeds, marketing, breeding, kidding, housing, feed, and more.

Animals are not required to be in this project but if members' want to take an animal to fair they must purchase their own and also get animal insurance for fair.

## **BEEF CARCASS CONTEST WINNERS**

1. Dalton Talbot– 4-H
2. Brooke Earling-FFA
3. Chad Brossard– Independent
4. Bryce Williams– FFA
5. Danielle Wardle– FFA

**Congratulations to all!**

## **County Judging Day & 4-H Thrive Training Slated for January 21**

4-H Judging Day will be held at McCay Hall on Saturday, January 21 starting around 9am.

Judging Day is an event on decision making. Four items of the same type are placed on tables for the members to rate them from 1 through 4 and then give their reasons why they placed them to judges. Members can earn medals for their hat.

Afterwards will be 4-H Thrive training for junior/teen leaders and their project leaders.

Come join the fun!!!

### **ENJOY YOUR 4-H YEAR!**

**BE ACTIVE IN YOUR CLUB,  
PROJECTS, COUNTY-WIDE  
4-H ACTIVITIES, AND REGIONAL  
& STATE ACTIVITIES.**

**SET GOALS FOR THE NEW  
YEAR SO YOU CAN EARN YOUR  
NEW STAR RANK; BRONZE,  
SILVER, GOLD OR PLATINUM!!**



What is happening in your club or project? Have you had a special event or been involved in a community service project? Let others know what you are doing by writing an article for the 4-H Spirit. Articles and photos are due into the office by the 15th of each month. Let all clubs & projects share their 4-H happenings!!! Remember you get credit on your PDR for news articles.

## **Who Pays for Project Materials & Supplies?**

The project leader should figure the overall cost of the project (publication fees, duplicating costs, project material cost, etc.). The members should be charged accordingly to cover these costs or have the member purchase their own curriculum through the 4-H catalog. If leaders collect money from members, they must give a receipt to the member for that amount. **Remember, that non-4-H curriculum must be approved by the 4-H staff before sharing it with the 4-H youth.**

A project leader cannot charge for their services, lessons, or rental as 4-H is a volunteer organization. Any situation where an adult charges a fee for the above is not a 4-H project and the adult is not covered by the UC Liability Insurance. Also, the 4-H youth are not covered by the 4-H Accident Insurance in this situation.



## About UCCE Insurance

### What the University of California Cooperative Extension Insurance does cover:

#### Automobile Liability-

The insurance program provides secondary auto liability coverage while driving to and from an official UCCE business activity.

Coverage is secondary to the insurance which covers the vehicle driven by the volunteer involved in an accident, and only if the volunteer's action is determined to be negligent in causing the accident.

Recommended coverage is \$50k and \$100k.

#### General Liability-

UCCE insurance program provides limited liability coverage for volunteers in cases where it has been determined, through investigation, that they acted negligently. Coverage is for supervision of people and general supervision of a UCCE-sponsored programmatic activity. There are some exceptions and limitations which are determined on a case-by-case basis through investigation.

#### What UCCE insurance does NOT cover-

The insurance program does not provide coverage for any personal or real property not within its care, custody and control.

Examples could be ownership of and use of an animal in a project, using one's home, ranch, garden or arena for a program.

Livestock, horse, and dog project leaders need especially to be aware of this.

Volunteers should check with their insurance carrier and review their liability coverage before assuming the risks involved in using their personal property for UCCE programs. Adequate coverage is usually determined through a careful appraisal of personal assets. Coverage should be adequate to at least cover potential lawsuit related to the ownership, care and maintenance of their property.

## PDR Corner

Watch each month where to put your different activities that you have attended.

**Community Service**, if done as part of your club or project.

Brought food for food basket— Section 5

Christmas Caroling Section 5

**Parade:** Section 6

Decorated or made a project or club float-  
Participated in project or club parade entry

**Achievement Night**—

attended Section 3

Committee- Section 4

County Winner- Section 7

100% attendance Section 7

Star Ranks Section 7

Decorated or clean-up Section 4

Club table display winner Section 7

Presentation of Flags Section 6

Sang National Anthem Section 6

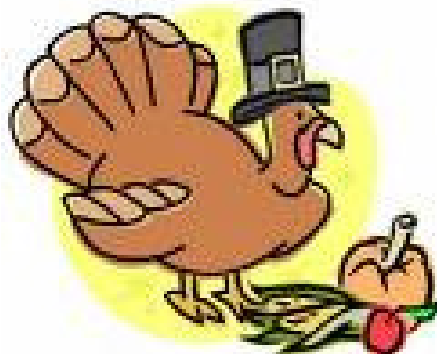
Achievement Award winner Section 7

MC Section 6

**Citizenship/Community Service**-(ex.: food baskets, Manna House-counts once for same activity)

Attended a Board of Supervisor's meeting Section 5

Chaired a Service activity Section 4



## 4-H Club & Project News

### **Cloverbuds November Meeting**

Cloverbuds is a project for our primary members kindergarten through 3rd grade. This project introduces the members to various 4-H projects. The first meeting will take place November 17 at 5p at the office. Project leaders are Tina Buirch and Donna Wice.

### **Sweetheart Valentine Pancake Breakfast**

Mariposa County 4-H Club Council will have its annual Sweetheart Valentine Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, February 12, 2011 at the Masonic Hall. Tickets will be available at the January club meetings for members and leaders to sell to family and friends. Menu will be pancakes, eggs, sausage, & drinks. We will need member and adult helpers so please mark your calendars for this council fundraiser.



### **Current 4-H Projects to Choose From Until December 15!**

**For regular members-** Hi 4-H (7th grades & up), County-wide Horses & Ponies, Catheys Valley Horses, Goats, Rocketry, Archery, Poultry, Theatre Arts, Photography, Rabbits/Cavies, **Self-defense (FULL)**, Guide Dogs, Beef, Sheep, Catheys Valley Swine, Small Engines, **Cake Decorating (FULL)**, Arts/Crafts (Catheys Valley only), Food & Nutrition, Citizenship, Swine (Triangle), Junior Master Gardeners, Scrapbooking-Bootjack 49ers only, **County-wide Scrapbooking (NEW)** and Hiking.

**For primary members-** Cloverbuds, Junior Master Gardeners, Poultry, Rocketry, Rabbits/Cavies, Theatre Arts, Pygmy goats, Arts/crafts (CV only) and Photography.

**For Don Pedro Club-** Rabbits, Cavies, Food & Nutrition, Sewing, Archery, Swine, Photography, Poultry, Goats, and Woodworking

### **ATTENTION ALL 4-Her's**

Don Pedro Rattler's 4-H Club is doing a year long community service project and collecting the tabs from ALL aluminum cans and sending them to the Ronald McDonald House in Sacramento where they will then recycle them. All proceeds go to the funding of the Ronald McDonald houses so families can have a place to stay while a loved one especially a child is at UD Davis Hospital (the fee for staying at the house is \$21.00 per night but is free if people can not afford it). The Don Pedro Rattler's are asking for your help in collecting these tabs from all their fellow Mariposa County 4-H Clubs, are goal is to collect **1 million** tabs by September 30, 2012. Tabs can be brought to the club meetings and then the CCLs can bring them to council for our CCLs to bring back to get counted and then sent to Sacramento. Hope everyone can help us reach our goal as well as doing a great community service for those who will benefit the most. Thank you Shawnee and Emily Metcalf- co-chairs

**The Foundation for  
The Preservation of Honey Bees, Inc.**

**2012 4-H BEEKEEPING ESSAY CONTEST ANNOUNCEMENT AND RULES**  
**Sponsored by The Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees, Inc.**

AWARDS: Cash Prizes to 3 Top Winners: • 1st Place -- \$750.00 • 2nd Place -- \$500.00 • 3rd Place -- \$250.00

Each State Winner, including the national winners, receives an appropriate book about honey bees, beekeeping, or honey.

TOPIC: For the 2012 essay contest, the essay topic is:  
**“The Results of Honey Bee Pollination in my Community”**

Honey bees pollinate a wide variety of plants. The food crops that benefit from honey bee pollination have been said to contribute one-third of the American diet. In addition, many non-food plantings and natural environmental plants benefit from honey bee pollination. The 4-H'ers are encouraged to investigate the plants in their communities that benefit from honey bee pollination and determine the results of that pollination.

The scope of the research is an essential judging criterion, accounting for 40% of your score. The number of sources consulted, the authority of the sources, and the variety of the sources are all evaluated.

Personal interviews with beekeepers and others familiar with the subject are valued sources of information and should be documented. Sources, which are not cited in the endnotes, should be listed in a “Resources” or “Bibliography” list.

Note that “honey bee” is properly spelled as two words, even though many otherwise authoritative references spell it as one word.

For rules and more details visit- <http://honeybeepreservation.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/05/2011-Beekeeping-Essay-Rules.pdf>

**ESSAYS MUST BE SUBMITTED ELECTRONICALLY!**

**Email your entry to:** [ncarroll@purdue.edu](mailto:ncarroll@purdue.edu)

**Subject:** Beekeeping Essay



## STATE 4-H NEWS

- The **2012 Western Regional Leader's Forum** is planned for **January 12-15**, in Cheyenne Wyoming. This will be an opportunity to meet and share with other Extension professionals what innovative ideas are happening in youth development programming. Online registration is now available here. Early bird registration is available for \$225 until November 1. Registration will close on December 15, 2011. More information can be found at: <http://www.ca4h.org/files/121901.pdf>.
- The **State Fashion Revue Committee** announces the addition of a new challenge for the 2012 SFR - **Bag Up Fashion** Challenge. Sew a tote bag from Simplicity pattern #7161, View A only, and model it with an outfit that coordinates with the tote bag. You will not be judged on the outfit, but how the tote bag is presented and the overall appearance of your outfit. Be creative! Show off your personality in your design. This cute, easy to make tote bag will become a wonderful accessory to your wardrobe or make a great gift to give after the Fashion Revue contest. NOTE: This Simplicity pattern will be discontinued as of **February 2012**. Please plan to purchase your pattern early. If you are unable to find a pattern, please contact Mary from the SFR committee at [maryengebreh@comcast.net](mailto:maryengebreh@comcast.net) and we will see that your county office receives a pattern to be shared in your county. If you, your project, or your county would like more information about SFR, additional categories or service projects that will be eligible at SFR, or would like to assist our committee, please visit our website at <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/>.
- "Save the Date!" - The **2012 California 4-H Camping Conference** will be held **March 23 – 25th, 2012** at Camp Campbell in Boulder Creek, CA. There will be hands-on training for adult and teen leaders who help plan and administer 4-H camping programs.

### California and Washington Focus Trips

The dates for the 2012 **Citizenship Focus Program** have been set.

California Focus – June 15-19, 2012

#### **Washington Focus #1**

Heritage Trail I – June 24-30, 2012

Road to Democracy – June 24-July 2, 2012

#### **Washington Focus #2**

Heritage Trail I – July 8-14, 2012

Global Journey – July 8-17, 2012

Meet 4-H'ers from across California while you expand your life skills and learn more about your community and state. An information packet will arrive in your county 4-H office by mid-October or information is available now on the web at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/Citizenship/Focus/>. Registrations are due January 16. For questions contact Pat English at [pnenglish@ucdavis.edu](mailto:pnenglish@ucdavis.edu) or 530-754-8520.



## More State 4-H News

- **Come Join the Revolution of Responsibility!** 2013 marks the centennial for 4-H in California and the 4-H Program will celebrate by giving back to their communities with youth-designed, youth-led projects where participants learn leadership by actually leading, collaboration by forming relationships with other groups and agencies, and citizenship skills by actively seeking opportunities to make a difference in their communities. The Revolution of Responsibility will celebrate the power of youth taking action and will consolidate all the various funding programs that are provided by the State 4-H office. Chartered 4-H clubs/units can apply for funding (up to \$1,000) to support service-learning projects related to either club or project activities. An on-line application is available at: <http://ucanr.org/join/>. The next application deadline is **January 15. If you can't submit by January 15, 2012, applications will also be accepted for a third submission round until April 15, 2012.** For more information check out the web site at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Support/RofR/> or contact Pat English at: [pnenglish@ucdavis.edu](mailto:pnenglish@ucdavis.edu).
- The **Everyday Young Hero Awards** are offered and awarded on a weekly basis to youths from around the world, ages 5-25, who exemplify commitment to service. If you know of a youth that is deserving of nomination for this award, visit: [www.YSA.org/awards/hero](http://www.YSA.org/awards/hero) today.



### For Future All-Star & Emerald Star Applicants

For interested 4-H members 9th grade & up with their gold star, and three years of 4-H experience and working towards their platinum star. All-Star applications are now available at the office or at club meetings. Applications are due into the UCCE Office by November 15, 2011.



Emerald Star applications will also be available to 7th grade & up members who have their Bronze star and have been Junior/Teen Leaders. Start thinking about your great Emerald Star project. Talk with your leaders, parents, or contact Donna at the UCCE office to get some project ideas. These are also due November 15, 2011.

Both applications are on-line <http://cemariposa.ucdavis.edu> or at the office.

## Mariposa County 4-H Development Program Volunteer Opportunities

**4-H is not just for the member, but is a family affair!** Please indicate your interest with a check mark in the appropriate column in assisting the Mariposa County 4-H Youth Development Program. For information on a particular program, contact the UCCE office for more details at 966-4829. **Please return ASAP to your community club leader or the office.**

<b>In-County</b>	<b>Serve on Committee</b>	<b>Helper or Chaperone</b>
Community Service	_____	_____
Finance/Fund Raising	_____	_____
Dinner (fundraiser)	_____	_____
Program Planning Committee	_____	_____
Expansion/Review Committee	_____	_____
Weekend in the Country	_____	_____
Fashion Revue	_____	_____
Judging Day	_____	_____
Career Days	_____	_____
4-H Dances	_____	_____
Camp Tweety	_____	_____
Achievement Night	_____	_____
Presentation/Favorite Foods Day	_____	_____
Public Relation/Recruitment	_____	_____
County Fun Days	_____	_____
Council officer	_____	_____
<b>Out of County</b>		
Summer Camps	_____	_____
Regional Leadership Conference	_____	_____
State Leadership Conference	_____	_____
Judging Activities	_____	_____
Regional Presentation Day	_____	_____
Regional Council Meetings	_____	_____
Regional Fashion Revue	_____	_____
LCORT	_____	_____
Chaperone	_____	_____

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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**Thanks for your help!!**

