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Achievement Night October 5th!

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12th Annual 4-H Achievement Night Installation of Officers and Silent Auction

Date: Wednesday, **October 5th, 6:00 p.m.** at Hatfield Hall, Madera Fair.
Cost: **\$6.00** per person.

A sandwich, salad & desert dinner will be served by the Golden Oak 4-H Club.

The Madera County 2011-12 4-H All Stars, Justin Borba, Joshua Dowell, Kyle Garrison and Daphne Norman will host the dinner and installation of officers.

The 2011-12 TLAW George Browning along with his advisor, Vicki Browning, will be assisting to help make it a great event.

The 7th Annual Silent Auction will be presided over by our 2011 California Focus Delegates and their Advisors. The money from the auction supplements the Citizenship Focus trips.

Advance reservations are required for dinner. Return the reservation form along with the fee to the 4-H Office by Tuesday, September 27th (form page 7). This is a family event so bring everyone. Those of you who mail in your reservation form and money may pick up your tickets at the door.

A reminder to all 4-H members, this is an awards ceremony, please dress appropriately.



Beef, Beans and Greens Luncheon

The 4-H Beef, Beans and Greens Luncheon is the main fund raiser for Leaders Council and helps offset some of the costs of supporting the County 4-H program.

The luncheon will be held on Thursday, October 20th, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. in the Van Alan Hall at the Madera Fairgrounds. Tickets are \$8.00 for a beef sandwich, side of beans, salad and dessert buffets and beverages. As always, take outs are available.

All 4-H members are asked to bring desserts to be used that day.

Each club is required to sell a minimum of 10 tickets.

If any project leaders or 4-H parents are available to help that day please let us know.

It takes the support of the whole 4-H community to make this luncheon a successful fundraiser for the County 4-H Program, so sell, sell, sell and hope to see you there!

Resources Available

The 4-H Office has many resources available to loan out to leaders in the form of videos, books, slides and some CDs. Printed lists of these items are available at the 4-H Office.

The first meeting of the countywide Floral Design project will be Thursday October 13th at 630pm in the Demo Building. If you are interested in being a part of the group please be in attendance.

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2011 Madera 4-H Horse Expo

Madera County 4-H Skills Day

Date: Saturday, November 5th

Place: Madera Fairgrounds

Registration: 12:00 p.m.

Skills: 12:30 p.m.

Awards: 4:00 p.m. approximately

Bring: a pencil and grooming equipment if needed.

4-H members will take the Horse Expo written test prior to the day of the event. Horse leaders must administer and return the tests to the 4-H Office by Monday, October 25th. The tests will be corrected Wednesday, October 26th, 9:30 am in the 4-H Demo Building. Leaders, be sure to have volunteers from your club to assist with correcting tests.

During tallying at Horse Expo Horse Bowl XI will be conducted. Sign up for the horse bowl when checking in at Horse Expo. Questions will come from the county horse materials: Horse Safety Guidelines, The Light Horse Book, The Colorado Horse Manual and Expo Study Guides Levels 1-4. Points will be given for each correct answer. We hope you will plan on taking part in this fun and educational game.

Leaders may request tests from the 4-H Office beginning October 4th. Provide the office with a list of names and the test level for each youth. Please allow one to two days for assembling of the tests.

Rememberall tests (used or unused) must be returned to the 4-H office in the original envelope.

Horse Ownership Papers Due December 1, 2011

Horse ownership papers are due in the 4-H Office Thursday, December 1, for members to be eligible for spring fairs/shows. Get them in early - don't wait until the last minute!

CELEBRATE NATIONAL 4-H WEEK!

National 4-H Week welcomes you to connect with the 4-H community where young people across America are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills. National 4-H Week will be celebrated October 2nd - 8th this year.

What is your club doing to celebrate National 4-H Week? By the end of 4-H Week all of Madera County should be aware of 4-H.

You can promote 4-H with recruitment information brochures and posters available from the 4-H Office to tell everyone about 4-H.

Wear something green all week to show your love and support of 4-H.

Get a 4-H club committee together and start planning now to tell your community about 4-H with window displays in stores, bulletin board displays in schools or at the libraries.

Give demonstrations to civic and service clubs, have a feature story and picture in our local newspaper, do a radio spot, contact the cable companies for service spots, have your town mayor make a proclamation, have the county board of supervisors make a proclamation, hold a special program to honor your club volunteers, leaders, parents and friends of 4-H...**PROMOTE 4-H NOW!**

Guidelines for writing a 4-H article may be found at the 4-H Office.

4-H TRIP NOTIFICATION

Project leaders need to remember that anytime they take project members out of Madera County (even to Fresno) they need to fill out a 4-H Trip Notification Form. This form can be picked up at the 4-H Office and must be turned in 7 working days before the event.

You can also find the form on our website: <http://cemadera.ucdavis.edu>

LCORT - 2012

Leadership Conference of Regional Teens

Start planning now - **LCORT 2012** is coming up. **"Reeling in Success Through 4-H"** is this year's theme. The conference will be held **January 27-29, 2012** and will again be held at Wonder Valley Ranch in Sanger, CA. **Check in time is January 27, 6-9 p.m.** The **registration fee is \$140** per delegate/counselor. The fee includes registration materials, lodging for 2 nights, 3 meals on Saturday, 1 meal on Sunday and snacks, all conference materials, recreation **AND** t-shirt.

Members in 7th, 8th and 9th grades are encouraged to attend. Registration forms are available on our website or at the 4-H Office and are due Tuesday, November 22nd.

Chaperones, both male and female, will be needed.

Youth in Action Awards

National 4-H council has announced the annual **Youth in Action awards** opportunity. If you know of a 4-H youth between the ages of 14-19 who has made a significant impact in their community, consider nominating him or her today. A youth who is nominated will also need to apply for the award at <http://www.4-h.org/get-involved/sponsor/4-h-legacy-awards-gala/youth-in-action-awards/> by November 1, 2011. An application and more information is available at <http://www.4-h.org/get-involved/sponsor/4-h-legacy-awards-gala/2011>.



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Washington/California Citizenship Focus Trips

A wide variety of citizenship learning activities for 4-H members are being planned beyond the county level.

For those members who are 13 years old or older, an eighth grade graduate at time of travel (June 2012) and currently serving as a Jr/Teen Leader we recommend the California Citizenship Focus trip - a four day study of our state government in Sacramento. This program will offer the 4-H member: a comprehensive look at all of the state legislative and judicial processes and a look at California history, heritage, cultures and industries.

For those members who are 16 years old or older (June-July 2012) at time of travel, have completed their Sophomore year in high school and are currently serving as a Teen Leader we recommend the Washington Citizenship Focus trip - a 7-10 day study of our federal government in Washington D.C. This program will offer the 4-H member: a comprehensive look at the federal government, how bills become law, and learn about 4-H activities in other states. The study group at the National 4-H Center will be comprised of 4-H members from several other states.

These programs are offered to all California 4-H members. The fees will be approximately \$495 for California Focus and \$1700 for the basic Washington Focus trip. Selected delegates are responsible for their initial (\$150/CA \$600/WA) deposit and will participate in a set number of fund raisers to earn part or all of their fees. The Madera 4-H Leaders Council also budgets a set amount for each of the delegates. Deadline for California/Washington Focus applications is Tuesday, October 4, 5:00 p.m.; interviews are scheduled for Wednesday, October 26 starting at 6:00 p.m. in the Demo Building

The pre-application criteria, established by the 4-H I&R Committee, **must have been met by the 4-H year prior to applying. Please read the application carefully.**

Re-Enrollment Time

It's re-enrollment time again. Your Community Club Leader will give you the re-enrollment packet. Please check your re-enrollment form and add/correct/delete information where necessary. Please pay special attention to birth dates. Our old system just recorded the month and year and we need the complete birth date for the new 4H Online enrollment. Be sure to complete both sides of the Medical Form and *be sure to include the date of the last tetanus shot*. Read and sign the waiver form. For members-adults please be sure to include your child's age when you sign the waiver. Adults, for the Confidential form - please answer all questions where applicable.

Make sure you *return the forms to your CCLs by the date they require*. The CCLs must update their rosters and return all the forms to the 4-H Office by October 4th.

Write "Thank You" Letters!!

"Thank you" letters are very important. A "Thank You" should be sent for scholarships, 4-H award sponsors, fair buyers, donors for events such as the Washington and California Focus trips and the Silent Auction.

Be sure to show your appreciation to those who have contributed to 4-H and helped make your experience an enjoyable one, and to insure they will want to help others in the 4-H Program in the future.

Be a Part of the Madera County 4-H Horse Team

For those that are interested in participating in the State 4-H Horse competitions this year, Stacy Miles of Raymond 4-H will be beginning her study group in October. If you would like to be part of the team or have any questions contact the 4-H office or Stacy directly at 689-3320

State Record Book Competition

Time is fast approaching for 4-H members to get their record books ready for state competition. Books are due to the 4-H Office by October 28th for preparation to be sent to the State Office by November 4th. A State 4-H Cover Page and County Check Sheet must be included before the book is submitted to state judging. Judging will be December 2nd - 4th.

Senior 4-H members (at least 14 years of age by December 31 of the program for which the book is being entered) are eligible to enter state competition. All 4-H work up to the end of the county program year should be included.

State level competition is focused on recognizing 4-H members who have outstanding 4-H Record Books and who have made a contribution to the 4-H Youth Development Program.

A state medal is awarded to members who have demonstrated personal growth in their leadership, citizenship and life skills development. At the state competition, the first round of judging will determine the books that receive a minimum of 90 points. 4-H Record Books receiving at least 90 points shall be declared "State Medalists." The second round of judging will determine "State Winners" based on available award funds for the year.

If you have any questions, please contact the 4-H Office, 675-7879, ext. 202; or go to the state website: www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/recordbook/competition.asp.



2011 Golden Clover

The **2011 Golden Clover applications** and nomination forms are now available at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Members/GoldenClover/>. Nominations and applications will be due by **September 30, 2011**. Individuals and groups may apply or be nominated in multiple categories. The selection committee reserves the option of moving applications to another category if they feel it would be a better match. Applications are evaluated on how well the applicant meets the description of the category and overall participation within 4-H. Group applications consisting of youth and adults need to demonstrate strong youth-adult partnerships. Questions can be sent to Quang "Hogan" Tong at qtong@ucdavis.edu.

Favorite Foods Day Volunteers Needed

Our first planning meeting for Favorite Foods Day is scheduled for Monday, October 24th at 6pm in the Demo Building. This is a very important meeting since we are planning to incorporate some changes this year. The actual day of the event is Saturday January 21st.

First we are switching locations to Minarets High School in O'Neals. Second we are adding a new event...an **Iron Chef** Team Competition. A team will provide all of their cooking utensils, sides, spices but they will not get their main ingredient until that day.

We are looking for some will volunteers to spearhead this addition to our fun event.

State Fashion Revue

The State 4-H Fashion Revue committee announces categories and service project for 2012. Entry categories returning from 2011 will be Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased (with \$100 limit), and Wearable Art-Embellished. The Recycled category will not be offered at State Fashion Revue for 2012; counties may choose to include it at local events only. The \$15 Challenge was so popular in 2011, it will become the \$19.99 Challenge for 2012. It has the same rules (shoes and sales tax don't count, receipts required) but the limit is increased to \$19.99 to allow more creativity. We are adding a second challenge called the Bag Up Fashion Challenge. Sew a tote from Simplicity #7161, view A only, and model it with a garment or garments that coordinate with the tote bag. SFR will be coordinating two service projects. The Quilts for Wounded Warriors is returning because the American Legion needs more quilts. Statewide, 4-H created sixty quilts in 2011 and we look forward to even more in 2012. Our second service activity is the Million Pillowcase Project, for handmade or decorated pillowcases. If you, you project, or county would like more information about SFR, these categories and service projects, or would like to join our committee, please visit our website at <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFR/>

Captain Planet Foundation: The Captain Planet Foundation is funding grants to schools and community-based organizations that encourage hands-on projects to improve the environment. Up to \$2,500 in funding is available for projects that will inspire youth to become active in environmental stewardship and community service activities. The deadline to apply is **September 30, 2011**. For more information, visit <http://www.captainplanetfoundation.org/default.aspx?pid=3&tab=apply>.

Animal Committee Meetings October 12

The Small Animal Committee meeting will be at 6:00 p.m. and the Large Animal Committee meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. Both will be held in the Demo Building.

4-H Volunteers are encouraged to attend. If you would like your questions answered or your concerns heard or are interested in helping on one of the committees now is the time to let the committee members know.

NEW LEADER ORIENTATION

Attention: Community Club Leaders: Please remind your potential new leaders that they must attend an orientation and have their fingerprinting completed before they hold any meetings. Volunteers must call the 4-H Office (675-7879, ext. 202) to sign up for the session so materials will be available.

The next date that is scheduled is:

Wednesday, October 12th at 530pm
If a volunteer is unable to attend one of the above orientations please have her/him call the office and make other arrangements.

Sign up for Club Notes via email

Due to the budget we continuing to offer Club Notes via email only. You can sign up online at anytime to receive an electronic newsletter. Visit the website at: <http://cemadera.ucdavis.edu> . Go to NEWSLETTERS and then click on the newsletter you are interested in, enter your email into the blank field and submit. You will be notified by email when the newsletter is posted.

Calendars & Cookbooks are now available

Calendar and cookbook sales are underway to support Madera County 4-H Scholarships. Ask your community club leader, leaders' council member or contact the 4-H office for more information.

Calendar

October

- 2-8 4-H Week
- 4 Club Enrollment 2011-2012 due
- 4 Horse Tests available
- 4 CA/WA Focus applications due
- 5 Achievement Night/Officer Installation, Silent Auction-Hatfield Hall 6pm
- 12 New Leader Orientation, 530pm
- 12 Small Animal Committee Meeting, Demo 6pm
- 12 Large Animal Committee Meeting, Demo 7pm
- 20 Beef, Beans & Greens, Van Allen Hall 11:30-1:30
- 24 Favorite Foods Day Meeting, 6pm
- 24 Leaders' Council Meeting 7pm
- 25 Horse Tests due, 5pm 4-H office
- 27 Correct Horse Tests, Demo 9am
- 27 CA/WA Focus Interviews, Demo 6pm
- 28 State Record Books due to 4-H County Office

November

- 1 Jr/Teen & Leader Plans due
- 5 Horse Expo, Madera Fairgrounds 1030 reg
- 11-13 State Leadership Forum
- 22 LCORT registration due
- 28 New Leader Orientation 6pm, Conference Room
- 28 Leaders' Council Meeting 7pm



National 4-H Week

October 2-8

Theme for 2011 is 'Join the Revolution of Responsibility'

Remember to get your articles into the 4-H office September 20 before 5:00pm

2011 4-H Camp Medal Winners

Arts & Crafts:

Cody Eckman & Makenna Galimba

Cake Decorating:

Tryston Lewis & Shelby Seybold

Sports:

Katelan Galleano

Roman Gonzalez

Archery:

Mason Ellis

Alexis Fringer

Camp Hike:

Riley Hendrix

Taylor Wade

Paintball:

9 - 11 yrs: Grayson Galimba & Ryan McDougald

12 yrs & older: Nicholas Dybas & Madison Pearson

Cooking:

Chris Bowe & Katelan Galleano

Swimming:

Josh Gwartney & Emily McDougald

Canoe:

Matthew Medrano & Kalea Kamalani

MVC Boy: Cody Clay - Chowchilla

MVC Girl: Karah Varner - Golden Oak

"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. More details will follow in the next edition of Updates.

Come Join the Revolution of Responsibility! 2013 marks the centennial for 4-H in California and the 4-H YDP 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 first deadline for applications is **October 15, 2011** with additional due dates of January 15 and April 15, 2012. For more information, check out the website at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Support/RofR/> or contact Pat English at: penglish@ucdavis.edu.

The **2011-2012 Junior Master Gardener** program is offering a fundraising opportunity for any youth group to take part in at any point during the '11-'12 year. This is a green fundraiser that features Growums theme garden starter kits. An FAQ is available here on the fundraiser for more information.

Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation - Community/School Projects Funded,

<http://www.toolboxforeducation.com/>. Application deadline: **October 14, 2011**. The Toolbox for Education Grant Program, offered by Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation, provides grants of \$2,000 to \$5,000 to public K-12 schools and school parent-teacher groups associated with public schools throughout the U.S. that develop projects that encourage parent involvement and build stronger community spirit. Preference is given to funding requests that have a permanent impact such as facility enhancement (both indoor and outdoor) and landscaping/clean-up projects. This year the program is seeking ways to provide the tools that help educators and parent groups through these challenging times efficiently and with the greatest impact.

E-Waste Drive Campaign Scholarship is being presented as an opportunity from DoSomething.org and BestBuy with EnergyStar. Teams will collect e-waste items, turn them into Best Buy stores and complete a report. Reports are to be submitted by **October 1, 2011**. More information is available at: <http://bit.ly/qgU13a>.

Tractor Supply and Del's Paper Clover promotion is going to be held **Sept. 21st – Oct. 2nd, 2011**. 4-H clubs, volunteers, or staff near a TSC/Del's Store should register online to be in their local TSC/Del's store at least one day during the Paper Clover fundraising promotion by visiting www.tractorsupply.com/4-H. This is also one more way that you can spread the word about National 4-H Week and National Youth Science Day!

KaBOOM! has announced the **Let's Play Spruce Grants**, which will award \$750 each to communities working to make the playgrounds cleaner, safer and more welcoming. Visit: http://kaboom.org/build_playground/get_funding/grants#spruce for more information. The next deadlines to apply are **October 15** and **November 15, 2011**.

UnitedHealth HEROES program is offering grants to assist youth ages 5-25, build local programs to combat childhood obesity. The deadline for grant submission is: **October 17, 2011**. More information is available at: www.YSA.org/HEROES.

Build-A-Bear Workshops have announced their 2011 grant opportunities, with grants ranging up to \$10,000 each. Organizations working to support such causes as children's health and wellness, animals, and literacy and education will be considered. Click [here](#) for more information. The grant applications may be submitted through **October 28, 2011**.


Home Depot Community Impact Grants Program – The deadline to apply is **October 31, 2011**. For more information, visit: <http://bit.ly/elis5T>. Individuals and groups working to make repairs and improvements to housing and community facilities in their neighborhood, as well as developing local parks and making greener spaces in the community are encouraged to apply for this funding opportunity. Grants of up to \$5,000 will be made in the form of The Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, and services.

2011 Promise Neighborhoods Program – Through the U.S. Department of Education, grant opportunities for this program and applications have recently been made available. Grant recipients will be selected no later than **December 31, 2011**. For more information, visit: <http://www2.ed.gov/programs/promiseneighborhoods/index.html>.

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 For information regarding programs, please contact us.

MADERA COUNTY 12th ANNUAL 4-H ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT AND INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND 7th ANNUAL SILENT AUCTION
Wednesday, October 5, 2011.....6:00 p.m.
Hatfield Hall, Madera Fair
Cost \$6.00 per person



4-H members, leaders and parents are cordially invited to attend the Madera County 12th Annual 4-H Achievement Night and Installation of Officers to be hosted by the Madera County 4-H All Stars. The event will be held **Wednesday, October 5th, 6:00 p.m., Hatfield Hall at the Madera District Fairgrounds**. A sandwich, chips & salad dinner will be served by the Golden Oak 4-H Club at a cost of \$6.00 per person. Place settings will be provided. The 7th Annual Silent Auction will also be held. Clubs, individuals and donors provide many interesting items to bid on for purchase. Come and check out the great choices.

This will be a time that outstanding 4-H members and record book winners will be recognized. An exciting program is planned for everyone's enjoyment. This is an family event so bring everyone.

Members being recognized or installed are reminded to wear their 4-H uniform.

Please be sure to make your reservations early....return the reservation form below along with the amount due to the 4-H Office by **Tuesday, September 27th before 5:00 p.m.** You will receive a ticket for each person attending. Seating will be provided in the back for those not eating dinner. Money **will not** be taken at the door.

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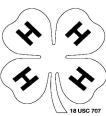
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RESERVATION - MADERA COUNTY 4-H ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT
INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS AND SILENT AUCTION

I would like to make reservations for _____ people. Enclosed is \$_____ for my reservation.
 (\$6 per person)

Club _____.

Name(s) of member(s)/leader(s) attending: (Please print)

Member	Leader



Please make check payable to Madera County 4-H Leaders Council.

