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4-H CAMP AND SUMMER FUN!!

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4-H Camp July 16-20

Applications due Monday June 5

Come join the fun....4-H Camp at Jackass Rock Campground July 16-20. \$80 per camper (family plan available.) A week in the High Sierra with outdoor activities, crafts, scrap booking, horseback riding and more. Camp applications must be completed with the name of a camp counselor, turn them in to your Community Club Leader with your check in time to reach the 4-H office by June 5.

Workshop

Pistol Discipline

Location: Stanislaus County Ag Center - Harvest Hall, 3800 Cornucopia Way, Modesto, CA

June 16, 2006: 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

June 17, 2006: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

June 18, 2006: 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

At the successful completion of this class 4-H leaders will be certified as pistol trainers for the shooting sports program. The first day consists of lecture. The second day consists of lecture and range time. The third day consists of range time and concludes with skills testing. To register for this event contact the instructor, Jim Atherstone, at (209) 993-7971.

Any leaders interested in taking shooting sports training sessions must obtain the application forms from the 4-H Office and have them signed by the 4-H Advisor BEFORE attending any training.

Record Book Judging

Date: **June 24th**
 Time: 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 Location: The Madera Farm Bureau, 1102 S. Pine St.

Record books are due to your Club's Community Club Leader on the date the leader sets for early-June. Please assist your CCL with this big project by **getting your books to them when required.** Be sure they are up-to-date with all the necessary information.

A completed record book must include an Annual Project Report form for each project completed as well as a Personal Development Report form for the year. *Assembling Your 4-H Records* (MCF-22) is available at the 4-H Office.

CCLs be sure you have all the required forms completed that are to be turned in on **June 24th.**

Outstanding Leader Award

Nomination forms are due by Saturday, June 24th (County Record Book Judging) for outstanding 4-H Community club Leader, 4-H Project Leader, 5 years and under, 4-H project Leader - 6 years and over, and 4-H Program Supporter.

4-H Shooting Sports

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Articles for Club Notes must be submitted to the 4-H Office by the 15th of each month.

2006 State Leadership Conference

Site: UC San Diego

Dates: August 10-13

Cost: \$360

Theme: "TAKE A RISK: Leaders, Heroes and YOU!"

The 4-H State Leadership Conference engages youth in reaching their fullest leadership potential.

The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. The Planning Committee encourages county delegations to bring their county spirit. Many delegations have county shirts, hats or other symbols representing their county.

The mission of the 4-H State Leadership Conference is to provide youth with leadership and service skills, peer and adult networks, encouragement and opportunities necessary to improve their well-being, their family and their community. The conference is an opportunity for groups of youth to learn new skills, network statewide, and learn about other opportunities for involvement. The State Leadership Conference will provide high school-age youth with five hands-on educational workshops. Youth, adults, faculty and community members will offer workshops to stimulate your mind and inspire you to try new and innovative programs.

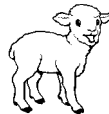
Bring a Buddy Initiative

For this year's 4-H State Leadership Conference, the 2005-2006 4-H State Ambassador team is pleased to announce the "Bring a Buddy" initiative. Delegates are encouraged to bring a friend, schoolmate, or other high school aged youth to experience 4-H and the Conference

Buddy delegates should be registered as 4-H members before attending the conference. This will ensure that they are covered under 4-H liability and

health insurance programs. They need to register for the conference through the Cooperative Extension office using the conference registration form and pay the normal registration fee. Buddy's will be held to the same expectations and Code of Conduct as all delegates.

For more information refer to the information in the SLC packet. Packets are available at the 4-H Office.



Regional Sheep Field Day

The eighth annual Regional Sheep Field Day will be held Saturday, June 24th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 pm at D.K. Farms, 15782 W. Oakland Avenue, Five Points. The morning sessions will include Showmanship, Judging Lambs and Wether Dams, Grooming Market Lambs, Sheep Dog Herding Demonstration, How tos of Feeds & Feeding, Lead Classes at the Fairs - How to participate and win and more...including Door Prizes.

New for this year - Special session designed for parents to have all your questions answered about the 4-H Market Lamb Project.

Hamburger lunch to be served for \$5.00/person.

Adults, please bring your folding lawn chairs.

Please reserve the date and plan to attend. To RSVP, or for more information, call Dieners: (559) 884-2234, Penfolds: (559) 897-4876 or Campos: (209) 357-9106. For directions e-mail georgenediener@juno.com.

Reminder! Market Weigh-Weigh-In for Madera District Fair

There is a mandatory pre-weigh-in to exhibit market goats and sheep at the 2006 Madera District Fair. **Dates: Saturday, July 8th, 7 to 11 a.m. Madera District Fairgrounds and Sunday, July 9th, 8-11 a.m. Oakhurst, Yosemite High School.**

All market swine must be pictured and ear tagged. Leaders must file an exhibitor list with ear tag numbers and pictures with the Madera Fair **on or before weigh-in date.**



Rabbit and Cavy Shows

American Rabbit Breeders Association sanctioned YOUTH RABBIT and CAVY SHOWS will be held at the San Mateo County Fair August 13, 2006. Entry is open to all youth. In addition to purebred rabbit and cavy judging, pet classes, showmanship and a dress-up contest are also being offered.

Entry deadline is July 10, 2006. To obtain entry forms, visit www.sanmateocountyfair.com or call the San Mateo County Expo Center at 650-574-3247. For additional information contact show secretary, Carol White at henrycarolwhite@yahoo.com, or 650-872-3177

2006 California 4-H Leader's Forum - "4-H University 101"

Once again, leaders from all over California will be meeting at the Asilomar Conference Center in Pacific Grove on the Monterey Peninsula! Join them; learn new techniques for club and project leadership.

Start making your plans **NOW!** Talk with the 4-H leaders, staff and parents in your club and county, form a group and all come experience "4-H University 101" at the 2006 California State 4-H Leaders' Forum..

The 2006 California State 4-H Leaders' Forum will have something for everyone; new leaders, experienced leaders, befuddled leaders, staff and parents.

This year the Forum Committee decided to focus on sharing ideas about the various ways that the 4-H Youth Development Program educates its members, volunteers and staff.

There is still time left if you want to present a workshop that will be interesting and helpful to 4-H leaders, parents and staff, especially if it fits the target topic, but certainly not limited to the target topic.

Please note, there may be a few Craft Workshops that will have a fee for materials, presenters will collect these fees at the time of the workshops.

Forum registration is **DUE August 1, 2006.** Early registration is necessary to inform Asilomar how many will be attending the Forum. Too high an estimate will cost financially and if too low there will be no rooms available.

Gift baskets for the Silent Auction are requested.

Reminder to All Leaders

1. Many 4-H forms are in the 4-H Project Leader Guide and may be copied.
2. Some forms **must** be signed by the Community Club Leader (i.e.: the Fair Exhibitor List), if not signed by your CCL they will not be accepted when turned in to the 4-H Office, this could cause a problem with deadlines.
3. If you need a form(s) contact the 4-H Office.
4. Deadlines will be adhered to, late entries will not be accepted.
5. **Newspaper articles from clubs must be submitted to the 4-H Advisor** for approval before being sent to the paper and **must include the 4-H Statement.** If you don't have the statement, please contact the 4-H Office.
6. When club checks are written: (a) two people from the same family **must not** sign the check. (b) a person **may not** sign a check if it is made out to him/her.
7. Clubs **may not** own animals; a club **may not** buy an animal or accept one as a donation.

FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH.....FACTS

May 2006

More than (51%) of parents either do not have or do not know if they have software on their computer(s) that monitors where their teenager(s) go online and with whom they interact.

Nearly three out of 10 (28%) of parents don't know or are not sure if their teens talk to strangers online. (*Parents Internet Monitoring Study* by Cox Communication. The National Center for Missing and Exploited Children. NetSmartz, and the Ketchum Global Research Network
<http://www.netsmartz.org/pdf/takechargestudy.pdf>)

25 percent of teenagers 13-17 who can name the city where the U.S. Constitution was written (Philadelphia)

75 percent of teenagers 13-17 who know where to find the zip code 90210 (Beverly Hills).

(Survey conducted by the National Constitution Center, Philadelphia, 1998)

52 percent of children ages 5-17 who have a TV in their bedroom. (BJK&E Media Report, *The New York Times*.)

December 30, 1997).

Implementing Policies for Section 800: Health and Safety Guidelines

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On July 1st, 2006, one of the most significant changes in the California 4-H Youth Development Program is the implementation of the revised Youth Protection Policies (Section 815 of the 4-H Policy Handbook) requiring every 4-H event or activity to have two adults available at all times to supervise youth. What is important to remember is:

- (1) These adults should, whenever possible, stay within view of one another.
- (2) The **best practice** is that both of these adults are appointed 4-H volunteers.

If the adults are appointed 4-H volunteers-this is the best practice, no matter their age. An additional approach to implement this policy includes one appointed volunteer and one “outside” adult. The 4-H volunteer must be in charge of the event or activity. The second adult must be over age twenty-one (21). Age twenty-one (21) is the statewide age minimum age for chaperones. Please check with your county, their minimum age may be more than twenty-one. This is not optimal, but it is an acceptable approach to implementing the “two adults at all times” policy.

The fall train-the-trainer series tried to anticipate the practical concerns of how to implement this policy of two adults present at all times. We addressed issues of transportation, hotel and motel stays, camping, and use of the restroom. The statewide 4-H Policy Advisory Committee put forward their best thinking and provided suggestions for implementation (see <http://ca4h.org/4hresource/handbook/index.asp>. look under November 19, 2005 tab). County teams were developed and are in the process of presenting how your county will approach implementing this policy. The state office offers the minimum guidelines, the county office may have more stringent implementation requirements, please check with your county office.

Road Rules - Teen drivers need Mom and Dad

Automobile crashes are the leading cause of death for American teens, reports the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. And 16-year-olds have higher crash rates than drivers of any other age, stats show.

For that reason, automobile safety officials advise parents to take a more active role in their aspiring drivers’ training. “Parental involvement is key,” says Yoli Buss, director of driver improvement for Tampa-based AAA Auto Club South.

Parents must insist that anything requiring concentration beyond the rules of the road be done before the car is put into drive. (No cell phones or fumbling for CDs while in motion!) Here are some more tips for parents of young drivers:

Make sure they practice. A new driver becomes confident after about five years. Teens can build skills with driving sessions — most states require 50 hours of road time. Parents also can invest in a training program, which may lower auto insurance rations.

Write a “new driver” contract. Include passenger limits, teen crash rates rise with the number of passengers, statistics show. Make seat belts mandatory, and set speed limits and curfews. Establish a plan that gives your teen more driving privileges as he ages.

Choose a vehicle that’s not too big small or fast. Your best pick: a sturdy, not age-weary, mid-sized vehicle with enough horsepower for a newbie to merge safety into traffic. Go online to safecar.gov, libs.org and aaa.com for safety ratings.

(Vyvyan Lynn - Family, USA Weekend 5/26-28, 2006)

June 04, 2006 - July 22, 2006

Weekly Planner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Jun 4</i>	<i>Jun 5</i> 4-H Camp Apps/fees due 4-H Ofc. 5 p.m	<i>Jun 6</i>	<i>Jun 7</i>	<i>Jun 8</i>	<i>Jun 9</i>	<i>Jun 10</i>
<i>Jun 11</i>	<i>Jun 12</i>	<i>Jun 13</i>	<i>Jun 14</i>	<i>Jun 15</i>	<i>Jun 16</i>	<i>Jun 17</i>
<i>Jun 18</i>	<i>Jun 19</i>	<i>Jun 20</i>	<i>Jun 21</i> ALL Camp Cnslrs Mandatory Mtg. 7:00 p.m.	<i>Jun 22</i>	<i>Jun 23</i>	<i>Jun 24</i> Outstanding Ldr nominations Co. Record Book Jdg, Van Alen Hall
<i>Jun 25</i>	<i>Jun 26</i>	<i>Jun 27</i>	<i>Jun 28</i>	<i>Jun 29</i>	<i>Jun 30</i>	<i>Jul 1</i> New Enrollments Due 4-H Office
<i>Jul 2</i>	<i>Jul 3</i>	<i>Jul 4</i>	<i>Jul 5</i>	<i>Jul 6</i>	<i>Jul 7</i>	<i>Jul 8</i> Mdra Fair Pre-weigh Mdra Fair 7-11
<i>Jul 9</i> Mdra Fair Pre-weigh Ysmte HS 8-11 am	<i>Jul 10</i>	<i>Jul 11</i>	<i>Jul 12</i>	<i>Jul 13</i>	<i>Jul 14</i>	<i>Jul 15</i> Cnslrs. arrive 4-H Camp - 1 pm
<i>Jul 16</i> July 16-20 4-H Camp - Campers Arrive 1:00	<i>Jul 17</i>	<i>Jul 18</i>	<i>Jul 19</i>	<i>Jul 20</i> Campers picked up by 11 a.m.	<i>Jul 21</i>	<i>Jul 22</i>