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Congratulations 2006 June Graduates!

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**California State 4-H
Presentation Day**

California State Presentation Day will held **Saturday, May 28 at Wellman Hall, U.C. Davis.** This and additional information can be found at <http://ca4h.org/leadership/spd>.

Any 4-H member (4th grade and above) who has been awarded a Gold Medal in their 2006 Sectional Competition may compete in the category that the medal was awarded. 4-H members may give only one presentation and that presentation must be the same as the presentation awarded a gold medal in their 2006 Sectional Presentation Day. If Madera County 4-H has entries, **a qualified judge from this county must also attend.** You must inform the 4-H office if you plan to attend.

Registration is on-line only at <http://ca4h.org/wrp/spd/>. If you have any questions please call the 4-H office.

**2006 4-H Camp
Applications Due
Monday, June 5th**

Attend 4-H Camp 2006 July 16-20 at Jackass Rock Campground.
 Cost \$80 per camper (family plan available)

Join us for a great week of outdoor fun in the High Sierra. Special activities are being planned for your enjoyment by the camp committee...there'll also be sessions for hiking, outdoor cookery, cake decorating, in camp sports, arts and crafts, scrap booking, archery, fishing, horse trail ride, swimming, riflery and shotgun. Ask about 4-H camp...don't miss it!

*There will be a minimal fee for shooting sports. **Riflery \$2/session and Shotgun \$3/session.** Fees will be collected at camp.*



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

Correction to April Club Notes:
County Presentation Day Gold Medal
Winner: Joseph White, Chowchilla 4-H not Jennifer White.

Outstanding Leader Award

Nomination forms are due by Saturday, June 24, 2006 (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. Show your appreciation by nominating one of your leaders for this award.

Thank You!!

Thank you to all volunteers and parents for their help with the Livestock Expo, from grading tests to all the events that took place during the Expo. Thank you to the All Stars for their help with the games. It was one of the best Expos ever.

Blanche Campbell

2006 State Leadership Conference

Site/Date: San Diego, August 10-13

Cost: \$365 (estimated)

Theme: "TAKE A RISK - Leaders, Heroes and You"

4-H teens from all over the state of California will be gathering August 10-13th at the University of California-San Diego for the annual State Leadership Conference.

"Take a Risk - Leaders, Heroes and You" is this year's Conference topic. 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-aged 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.

Registration information is available and due back to the Extension Office by June 1st. All high school aged youth are encouraged to attend. Financial aid is available if you qualify.

FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH FACTS:

7:2...RATIO OF THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF TELEVISION SETS TO THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN. (U.S. CENSUS BUREAU)

2.4...AMOUNT OF BILLION HOURS TEENAGERS VOLUNTEER SERVICE IS WORTH TO THE U.S. ECONOMY. (INDEPENDENT SECTOR/GALLUP, 1999 VALUE OF SERVICE).

Regional Presentation Day Results

Congratulations to the following members who participated in the Regional Presentation Day held April 8th in Merced, they are eligible to go to State Presentation Day.

Gold Medals winners are:

Bethany Buchnoff, Spring Valley

William Buchnoff, Spring Valley

Katelyn Cook, Chowchilla

Megan Galleano, Howard

Sarah Glantz, St. Joachims

Paige Janzen, Howard

Montanna Oh, Chowchilla

Jennifer Toschi, Howard



4-H Members Exhibiting Market Animals at Madera District Fair

There is a mandatory pre-weigh-in to exhibit market beef, goats, sheep and swine at the 2006 Madera District Fair.

Beef: Sunday, May 7th, 9-12 a.m. at Producer's Livestock.

Goats, Sheep and Swine:

Saturday, July 8, 7 a.m. till noon Madera District Fairgrounds

Sunday, July 9, 8-11 a.m. Oakhurst-Yosemite High School.

Animals must be pictured and ear tagged.

Leaders must file an exhibitor list with the Madera Fair **on or before weigh-in date.**



2006 - 2007 Leadership Teams

The following members will serve as 2006-2007 All Stars: Jessica Gambriel and Robert Zimmerman from Coarsegold 4-H and Joe'l Gorman from Sierra Shadows 4-H.

The Teen Leader Award Winner for 2006-2007 is Sarah Gorman from Sierra Shadows 4-H

The Leadership teams will attend the State 4-H Leadership Conference at UC San Diego in August.

2006 Scholarship Recipients

The following are winners of the 2006 scholarships:

Leaders Council Scholarship

Anne Katuin

Brett Martinazzi

Corey Padgett

Madera Co 4-H Memorial Scholarship:

Corey Padgett

Ellen Erickson Memorial Scholarship

Anne Katuin

Emily Fahey Memorial Scholarship

Brett Martinazzi

Congratulations to all and Good Luck!!!

"Thank You's" Are Important

Maybe there is a way you can thank your leaders for all their hard work. A cake or cookies? Flowers? A dinner? Movie tickets? A hand made thank you card?

A "Thank you" should also be sent for scholarships, 4-H award sponsors, Fair Buyers.....

Can you think of anyone else you would like to show your appreciation to?

REMINDER!!**RECORD BOOK JUDGING JUNE 24th**

Record books **are due** to your Community Club Leader **on the date the leader sets for mid-June**. Please help your CCLs by getting your books to them in a timely manner. Start now to 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. **Record Book judging will take place at the Madera County Farm Bureau, 1102 S. Pine.**

Sectional Record Book judging will be July 29, books will be due to the 4-H Office, July 24, by 5:00 p.m.

4-H FUND RAISING

1. All fund raising done in the name of 4-H by any part of a 4-H club must be approved by the club as a whole. Funds must be kept in the club treasury and the method for dispersing the funds must be determined by the club prior to spending any of the money.
2. All fund raising using the 4-H name and emblem in any way must be in accordance with established University policy which prohibits gambling, wagering, or lotteries of any kind. If clubs are in doubt as to the acceptability of a fund raiser, they should consult the 4-H staff prior to planning the fund raiser. All 4-H fund raisers must be approved by 4-H Leaders Council.
3. Funds raised in the name of 4-H may not be used to reimburse members for personal expenses except for their attendance at organized 4-H events such as conferences and camps. For example, funds may not be raised in the name of 4-H and then given to members to supplement the sale of livestock or other projects. 4-H members themselves are not considered to be non-profit organizations and may not receive funds in this way. Nor are monies donated for this purpose tax deductible.

HOW-TO-END-A-4-H-YEAR-AND-GET-READY-FOR-SUMMER-SUGGESTIONS

The end of the 4-H year is June 30th. What does that mean! A flurry of activity? A mad rush to get record books completed? Maybe a tinge of sadness that another great 4-H year has ended? Whatever the 4-H year might mean for you, here are a few suggestions to help you finish up this year and get a jump on next fall.

1. **Record Books.** Plan a record book party or have a special community club meeting and invited members and parents. Give them assistance in filling out record books. Keep the emphasis on the member and what was learned rather than the record book and what it's worth.
2. **Have an awards potluck banquet or picnic.** This is a chance to get all your 4-H club "family" together and let them see what the leaders and members have accomplished. Don't forget to thank parents and leaders for their help.
3. **Plan to evaluate your club.** Maybe program planning in your club needs some attention. Maybe your club is doing fairly well in everything. Is there something you'd like to improve? Club evaluation sheets are available at the 4-H Office.
4. **Do a little organizing for fall.** Have your elections for officers in the spring. Then have your old and new officers and leaders work together over the summer to make a smooth transition for fall. Have you gotten a meeting place, time and date picked out for fall? It's a good way to start off the 4-H year.

NOTICE!

The 4-H Office is still missing some videos. If you have borrowed any items please check your home to see if they have become mixed in with you personal items.

One very important video that is missing is **4-H Presentation Basics "Let's Get Started" VHS #106**. Several clubs would like to use the video. Anyone who has prepared their members for presentations in the last few months should please check to see if you have the video. You may place any items in the drop box at the front door if the office is closed. Thank you.