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LCORT REGISTRATION DEADLINE - NOVEMBER 23

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Leadership Conference of Regional Teens (LCORT)

Registration for LCORT 2010 Conference is due in the 4-H office **Monday, November 23**. The **conference will run January 29 - January 31, 2010** at the Wonder Valley Ranch in Sanger, CA. This year's theme is "Life is not a dress rehearsal...take a leading role"

Members in the 7th, 8th and 9th grades are encouraged to attend. The fee is \$105 and includes 2 nights lodging, 4 meals (starting Saturday morning), snacks and all registration materials (\$115 after December 1, 2009).

Every Delegate is responsible to:

- *Attend and participate in all sessions and activities.
- *Act in accordance with the 4-H Code of Conduct.
- *Be responsible for yourself and your belongings.
- *Follow all facility rules.
- *Follow the dress codes.

Registration forms are available on our County website at: http://cemadera.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/Applications.htm

Chaperones will be needed based on the number of delegates.

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2010 Calendar Changes

January 23	Favorite Foods/Consumer Science
February 21	Small Animal Expo
March 27	Large Animal Expo

Please make note of these changes on your calendars.

Volunteer Leader Website

The volunteer leader website is a new interactive and growing site that can be seen at <http://ucanr.org/4-hvolunteers/>. There are sections that will change monthly, a 4-H Blog, Volunteer Voices, and updates in the program



We Need Your Email Address

When completing your enrollment forms, please make sure your correct email address is listed on your form. We will be sending out Club Notes, reminders, project specific emails and entry forms. Our budget has been cut this year and this is one way we have to reduce our spending between paper, copies and postage.

A small supply of Club Notes will be made available in the 4-H office or from your Community Club Leader for those that do not have email.

Subscribe to receive Club Notes Online

You can subscribe to Club Notes by typing in <http://cemadera.ucdavis.edu> then going to NEWSLETTERS, clicking on CLUB NOTES and entering in your information. You will receive a notification email each month when Club Notes are posted and if any updates are made.



4-H Horse Ownership Papers Due

Horse ownership papers are due in the 4-H Office by Monday, December 1 for members to be eligible for spring fairs. Originals must be delivered to the 4-H Office. No faxes, no e-mails.

If you are planning to participate in the Chowchilla Horse Show you must also turn in paperwork to the Chowchilla Fair office.



Hi 4-H - Is now recruiting MEMBERS...THIS GROUP IS OPEN TO ANY high school aged 4-H MEMBER. THE GROUPS GOAL IS TO HAVE FUN, BRING KIDS TOGETHER COUNTYWIDE AND

HELP OUT THE RESIDENTS OF MADERA COUNTY THROUGH COMMUNITY SERVICE.

CALL THE 4-H OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Favorite Foods Day/Consumer Science Judging Day Scheduled

Favorite Foods Day and Consumer Science Judging will be held **Saturday, January 23, 2010** at Life Change Community Church, 717 Robertson Blvd, Chowchilla, 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. See the enclosed Favorite Foods Day flyer (pg.5) for guidelines and categories.

Guidelines for Consumers Science Judging

During Favorite Foods Day judging members, leaders and mini members may participate in a Consumer Science Judging Contest.

- \$2 entry fee per member
- Pre-entry not required
- Bring a pencil.
- First, second and third place medals will be awarded in the junior, intermediate and senior age divisions: mini-members will receive participant ribbons. Study guides are available at the 4-H Office: citrus and vegetables. Vegetable classes may include potatoes, carrots, broccoli, onions and lettuce.
- Information on giving reasons is included in the vegetable study guide.

4-H Shooting Sports Workshop Rifle Discipline

Atascadero, CA

Saturday, November 14, 2009 8:00am - 6:00pm

Sunday, November 15, 2009 8:00am - 4:00pm

A shooting sports training workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at Santa Lucia Sportsmen's Association Facility in Atascadero.

Upon successful completion of the course, participants will be certified as rifle trainer and can lead a rifle project at the club level or serve as a county trainer to certify other leaders. There is no cost for the course. To register for the course and receive more information contact John Borba at: jaborba@ucdavis.edu

For information about the facility and a map, please visit the range website at: <http://santaluciasportsment.org/>

Tulare, CA

Saturday, January 9, 2010 8:00am - 6:00pm

Sunday, January 10, 2010 8:00am - 4:00pm

A shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at Rankin Field Range, 20000 Road 140 in Tulare. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as rifle trainer and can lead a rifle project at the club level or serve as county trainer to certify other leaders. There is no cost for the course. To register for the course and receive more information contact John Borba at: jaborba@ucdavis.edu

For information about the facility and a map, please visit the range website at:

http://www.tcdsa.org/documents/rankin_filed.htm

CALENDAR

November

1	Horse Expo, 12pm
2	Leader, Jr/Teen Leader Plans due
6-8	State Leadership Forum
11	Veterans Day - 4-H Office closed
23	LCORT registration/fees due 4-H office
23	Favorite Foods Day meeting, 6pm
23	New Leader Orientation, 6pm
23	Leaders' Council Meeting, 7pm
26	Thanksgiving Day
27	Holiday - 4-H office closed

December

1	Horse papers due 4-H Office for Spring Shows/Fairs
1	Chowchilla Horse papers due Fair
5	Trees for Charity
21	Small Animal Expo tests available
24	Christmas Eve - office closed
25	Christmas Day - office closed

January

1	New Years Day - office closed
4	Camp Teen Council apps due
6	Small Animal Committee Meeting, 6pm
6	Large Animal Committee Meeting, 7pm
23	Favorite Foods/Consumer Science Day
25	Small Animal Tests Due
25	New Leader Orientation, 6pm
25	Leaders' Council Meeting, 7pm
27	Correct Small Animal Tests, Demo Bldg. 9:30 am.
29-31	LCORT

STATE AMBASSADOR 2010-2011

The **2010-2011 4-H State Ambassador** applications are now available! Candidates need to be at least 16 years old by July 1, 2010, have leadership and event planning experience, and ability to represent the 4-H YDP. 4-H State Ambassadors plan the 4-H State Leadership Conference, represent the California 4-H YDP and conduct team projects. Applications are due **March 31, 2010** and are available at <http://www.ca4h.org/leadership/ambassador/>.

Office Policy

Please remember, it is the policy of the 4-H office to *not accept* faxed documents that have a deadline i.e.: Horse papers, Jr. Leader Plans, California and Washington Focus, Emerald Star, camp applications, LCORT registration, to name a few.

Most deadlines are on a Monday which allows to have papers delivered over a weekend to the drop box by the front door. This makes it possible for everyone to make a deadline.

It is important that *everyone* observe deadlines.

4-H Hat Guidelines

Green Hat - Junior 4-H members, defined as a 4-H member in the eighth grade and below (or 13 years old and younger).

White Hat - Senior 4-H members, defined as a 4-H member who has graduated from the eighth grade (or 14 years old and older)

Stars and Medals

Left Side of Hat - All Star, platinum, gold, silver, or bronze stars in front. (Members may "cascade" the stars, although some counties request that members only wear their current star.) Behind the stars are placed the Jr./Teen Leader emblems after that, the Hi 4-H Patch. These patches are only worn while the member is serving as a junior or teen leader.

Cap Stripes - When the completion pins are presented to the members they should be accompanied by the appropriate "stripe."

- White stripe on green background for green cap.
- Green stripe on white background for white cap.
- Gold stripe on white background for member completing a year of junior/teen leadership with a white cap.
- Gold stripe on green background for member completing a year of junior/teen leadership with a green cap.



Horse Expo 2009 Medalists

Congratulations to all medalists!!

Level I

- Alexandra Jimenez, Alview-Dairyland
- Cody Clay, Chowchilla
- Kayleen Shultz, Golden Oak
- Sara Vind, Golden Oak
- McKayla Batty, Howard
- Lauren Garrison, Howard
- Emily Kaufmann, Howard
- Mikenzi Meyers, Howard
- Savannah Bohna, Raymond
- Peyton Garner, Raymond
- Alexis Soulis, Raymond
- Rebekah Alvarado, Sierra Shadows
- Samantha Russell, Sierra Shadows
- Annabelle Lowndes, Spring Valley
- Ryan McDougald, Spring Valley

Level II

- Elizabeth Lange, Alview-Dairyland
- Katherine Lange, Alview-Dairyland
- Toren Terlouw, Chowchilla
- Karah Varner, Golden Oak
- Jessie Miles, Raymond

Level III

- Christine Fry, Alview-Dairyland
- Erin Hooker, Alview-Dairyland
- Katelyn Abshire, Chowchilla
- Jordan Miles, Raymond
- Alex Sisk, Sierra Shadows
- Caitlin Brewer, Spring Valley
- Kinsey McDougald, Spring Valley

Level IV

- Chloe Ferguson, Sierra Shadows
- Kathryn Fletcher, Sierra Shadows
- Kristyn Fletcher, Sierra Shadows

Reeann Himelick would like to say a huge "THANK YOU" to all the participants and volunteers for your hard work for this year's Expo.



4-H Events in 2010!

Mark Your Calendars

LCORT

January 29 - January 31, 2009 -
Wonder Valley \$105

**Favorite Foods Day and Consumer
Science Judging Day**

Saturday, January 23, 2010.

Small Animal Expo

February 21, 2010 at the Madera
Fairgrounds

Request test from December 21

Return tests January 25

Correct test January 27

County Presentation Day

March 13, 2010 - Madera High -
North

Applications due February 22

Large Animal Expo

March 27, 2010 Madera Fair

Request tests February 8;

Return tests March 8

Correct tests March 10

County Fashion Review

April 24, Madera High - North

Workshop March 24

Entries due April 12



more on.... Favorite Foods Day

Entries are
judged on:
Flavor, texture,
appearance,

display (over all), completeness of
recipe. Place Settings, Decorated
Foods, Holiday/Special Occasion
are judged on proper setting,
attractiveness, originality, menu to
coordinate occasion, appearance,
creativity, color, design
coordination suitable for purpose.
It is important to display your entry
as attractive as possible.

Educational Awards must have
an educational related topic/theme
associated with the entry. Display
board, a picture frame containing
information is acceptable. The
display should reflect the item
entered. (Example: You are
making goat cheese...you may
want to tell what country this
originated from, how it is made,
etc).

We want to send best wishes
and good luck with our
California 4-H Livestock
Judging Team as they travel
to Louisville, Kentucky this
month to compete in the
2009 National 4-H
Livestock Judging Contest.
The team competed earlier
this year in the State
Competition held at Fresno
State University. This year's
team members include:
Sierra Meyers, Skottlynn
Snyder, Lindsay Tasos and
their coach Dustin Snyder.
Make sure you check Club
Notes next month for an
update on how they did.

Leaders' Council Meeting

**November 23, 2009, 7:00 p.m. in the
Demo Building.**

The Leaders Council meetings are open
to all volunteer leaders, members and
parents. Put the date on your calendar;
plan to attend!

Favorite Foods Day Meeting

November 23, 2009, 6:00pm in the
Demo Building

4-H Favorite Foods Day

Faith Hall at Life Change Church

717 Robertson Blvd, Chowchilla

Saturday, January 23, 2010



- 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. - Registration & Setup
10:00 - 10:30 a.m. - Judging Orientation
10:30 - 10:45 a.m. - Picture Taking
10:45 a.m. (Approx.) - Judging.....Showmanship...

CONSUMER SCIENCE JUDGING

Sampling of food following AWARDS

A Beverage/Snack Bar will be provided

SPECIAL AWARDS will be given for the following categories: beef, lamb, pork, raisins, almonds, dairy products, goat, poultry, candy, salad, decorated food, special occasion decoration, place setting, and educational theme. You **MUST** sign up your entry for the special awards when you register; you will **NOT** be entered automatically. Be sure to check when registering to see if your entry qualifies for special award consideration as most do. An item can be entered under more than one category for a special award as long as it qualifies.

GUIDELINES TO FOLLOW FOR FAVORITE FOODS DAY:

1. \$1.00 entry fee per item to be paid at time of registration.
2. One entry per category, with no limit on how many categories you may enter.
3. No pre-registration. Registration will be done that day.
4. All entries **MUST** be made by contestant and all setting up of entry or display **MUST** be done solely by the contestant.
5. Exhibit should be attractively displayed. A holiday or special occasion theme may be used. Placemats and decorations should be used in your display.
6. Recipes **MUST** be included, printed in ink or typed, on recipe cards or paper. An entry not having a recipe to accompany the entry will be disqualified. Please **DO NOT** put your name on the recipe card. Complete recipes, ingredients and instructions are required for each category entered. Please read your recipes very carefully. Recipes will **NOT** be returned.
7. You will be given a registration number when you check in. Please keep that number for registering your item.
8. All displays must be in place ready for judging by 10:30 a.m. for judging.
9. Mini-members may enter category 16. Participant ribbons only will be awarded in this category.
10. All 4-H members are eligible to participate. The Danish and American systems of judging will be used. Each contestant will be judged on their own merit receiving a blue, red or white ribbon on their entry. An entry can be disqualified if it does not come under the guidelines at the judge's discretion. Judges will choose from each category a 1st (gold), 2nd (silver), and 3rd (bronze) on an overall basis (mini member category excluded).
11. Tables will be covered with butcher paper. Spaces provided for each contestant will be 14" deep x 24" wide. In order to keep within these limits, please take this into consideration when creating your display.
12. NO alcoholic beverages or containers are to be used in displays in any category.
13. Electrical outlets **WILL** be available this year for hot items. Cold foods requiring immediate refrigeration will be provided (such as ice cream, or those that will melt easily). Space is limited to a first come first serve basis. Members please provide your own utensils for cutting & serving as though you were going to serve it.

CATEGORIES

1. Dairy Foods Entry must contain 2 dairy products; i.e.: butter, milk, cheese, sour cream, etc. No imitations.
2. Cookies All cookies, brownies, bar cookies, etc.
3. Cakes Made from scratch (not a box)
4. Breads White, wheat, banana, etc.
5. Appetizers..... Cheese balls, dips, fondues, etc. Please provide bread, crackers, chips, etc.
6. Pastries Pies, cheese cakes, puddings, breakfast rolls, etc.
7. Candies All kinds.
8. Healthy/Diet Foods..... Whole wheat, grain, fruits, etc. Recipes must contain nutritional facts such as Total fat, saturated & trans fats, sugar, protein, sodium, etc..
9. International Foods. Main or side dish, dessert or other. Entry should give Country of origin.
10. Made From Mix Entry is prepared from a mix or box, with additional items.
11. Entree/Main Dish Main dish of a meal or side dish of a meal
12. Decorated Food Cakes, cookies, cupcakes, etc.
13. Salads Any type of salad, green jello, potato, macaroni, fruit, etc.
14. Holiday/Special Occasion Decorations. Centerpieces, gift basket filled and decorated holiday crafts.
15. Place Setting..... Include menu (NO FOOD). Formal or informal, just for fun, picnic, etc.
16. Mini Member Participant ribbon only awarded.

4-H Favorite Foods Day is a baking display event for all 4-H'ers. You do not have to be in the Foods & Nutrition Project to participate. You can medal at this event, win special awards and above all HAVE FUN!!!

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