### SEPTEMBER 2012

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<td>Labor Day Holiday, UCCE Office Closed</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Horse Show, 8:00 a.m.</td>
<td>Harold Tolbert, 661-205-1975</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>Harvest Hall Exhibits DUE, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m.</td>
<td>Entries Accepted: Arts &amp; Crafts, Clothing &amp; Textiles, Cloverbuds, Projects, Contest, Food Preservation, Home Furnishings, Junior Sciences, Miscellaneous Projects, Memory Book Page &amp; Photography</td>
<td>Terri Wilson, 661-868-6235</td>
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<td>14</td>
<td>Harvest Hall Exhibits DUE, 8:30 - 12:30 p.m.</td>
<td>Entries Accepted: Food &amp; Nutrition Prep</td>
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<td>Fair Work Day</td>
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<td>17-18</td>
<td>Harvest Hall Exhibits DUE, 2:00 - 7:00 p.m.</td>
<td>Entries accepted: Feature Booth Set-Up</td>
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<td>18</td>
<td>Harvest Hall Exhibits DUE, 12:00 - 7:00 p.m.</td>
<td>Entries accepted: Individual Place Settings, Scarecrows, Table Decorating, Unusual Display of Plants, Vegetable &amp; Plant Science &amp; Miniature Gardens</td>
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<td>Harvest Hall Cupcake Wars Entry, 6:00 PM</td>
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### OCTOBER 2012

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<td>ALL Harvest Hall Exhibits Released! 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Veronica Slaton, 661-868-6235</td>
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<td>*New Leader Orientation, 7:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Teresa Andrews, 661-979-1003</td>
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<td>*Fair Review Meeting, 6:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>*Countwide Cloverbud Project Meeting, 6:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>*Horse Leader Meeting, 6:30 p.m.</td>
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<td>Christopher Diniz, 661-213-4518</td>
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<td>*Field Day Planning Meeting, 6:00 p.m.</td>
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<td>Teresa Andrews, 661-979-1003</td>
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<td>Horse Awards, TBA</td>
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<td>Veronica Slaton, 661-868-6235</td>
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<td>28</td>
<td>Countywide Cloverbud Project Meeting Fieldtrip, 3:00 p.m. MUST RSVP to attend!</td>
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<td>LAST Day to enroll in Hi 4-H Group</td>
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Send Coupons to Military Overseas

Did you know that overseas military members can use expired coupons up to six months past their expiration date? Military families stationed overseas are often living on one income and money can be scarce. Let’s support our military by showing them some coupon love! Please join us each month to send our unused and expired coupons overseas.

Eligible Coupons:
• Send only Manufacturer Coupons;
• Do NOT send store or restaurant coupons.
• Do NOT send coupons that are over 30 days expired.

Mail or drop off your expired or unwanted coupons to our local 4-H office at:
UCCE – Kern County
1031 So. Mt. Vernon Ave.
Bakersfield, CA 93307

4-H MyPlate Challenge at 2012 State Field Day

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) recently unveiled the federal government’s new food icon, MyPlate, to serve as a reminder to help consumers make healthier food choices. 4-H is challenging you to show how you’re making YOUR plate MyPlate. We invite you to submit a photograph illustrating how you’re creating healthy meals using MyPlate as a guide. 4-H members do not need to pre-qualify at a county event.

4-H WEBSITES
http://cekern.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/
http://www.areyouintoit.com
http://www.fourhcouncil.edu
http://www.4-h.org/fourweb
http://www.ca4h.org

4-H ENROLLMENT WEBSITE
https://california.4honline.com

4-H VOLUNTEER WEBSITE
http://ucanr.org/4-hvolunteers/

LOCAL 4-H OFFICE
Veronica Slaton, 4-H Program Rep.
vaslaton@ucdavis.edu 661-868-6235
Berney DeLaCruz, Operation Military Kids
bdelacruz@ucdavis.edu 661-868-6227
John Borba, 4-H Advisor/Interim County Director
jaborba@ucdavis.edu 661-868-6216
Fax:
661-868-6208

There are many new stories of 4-H program success happening all across California. Visit: http://www.ca4h.org/News/Media/ to read stories recently featured in the media.

KERN COUNTY 4-H IS ON FACEBOOK!

Kern County 4-H is on Facebook! You can search for us: Kern County 4-H and ‘like’ us! We will post updates, important event reminders, announcements—all sorts of important things! It’s the best way to keep up-to-date!
Save-the-date!

Regional 4-H Thrive Master Trainer Trainings and Updates are scheduled for 2012. The Master Trainer Training is for volunteers who wish to become part of their county’s training team.

Current Master Trainers who wish to extend their service an additional year will attend a one-day update training on Saturday. New Master Trainers will attend the whole weekend.

All conferences are sponsored by 4-H Thrive and will cover the cost of conference, travel, and lodging.

The Regional Training Dates are:
- Southern Valley: September 8-9, 2012
- Southern: September 22-23, 2012
- Far Northern: September 29-30, 2012

Registration information and more details are to come. Please contact Scott Mautte, scmautte@ucdavis.edu for additional questions.

“Opportunity for Pygmy Goat Members/Leaders”

Project leaders from Rio Del Norte 4-H will be setting up a series of meetings for those who would like to learn more about caring for and showing pygmy goats. The meetings are open to 4-H members and leaders from other clubs and it will be a chance for 4-H families to meet others who share an interest in pygmy goats. If you would like more information, please contact Nancy Campise at 661-589-9425.

National 4-H History Preservation Program: 4-H Oral History Project

http://www.4-hhistorypreservation.com/

Extension is celebrating its Centennial Year in 2014, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the implementation of the Smith Lever Act. The National 4-H History Preservation Leadership Team proposes to capture oral recollections of former 4-H members, staff and volunteers about their 4-H experiences. Over the next two years, current 4-H members will be trained, and will conduct interviews in their local communities. For further information and to provide your input feedback on this idea as well as your interest in participating in a pilot test, please contact: TomTate,tate@aol.com, or info@4HHistoryPreservation.com.

2012 California 4-H State Leaders Forum

Registration is now open. Wake up to the possibilities at “4-H in a Minute!” Join the South Central Section November 9-11 at Asilomar Conference Center in Pacific Grove. The registration fee is $60 until September 1st, so get together with your friends and plan to register early.

The forum will include:
- Opportunities to network with 4-H peers from throughout the state.
- Inspirational speakers from far and near.
- Workshops designed to help you be a more effective mentor to 4-H youth.
- “Minute to Win It” competitions between 4-H Sections.
- Opportunities to honor dedicated, long-time leaders.
- Ample time to enjoy the natural beauty of the Asilomar Conference Grounds and adjacent beach.

Conference registration is by survey with paper forms also available. The conference housing and meal package is reserved directly through Asilomar until September 9. For further registration information and to find all forms, go to: http://www.ca4h.org/Programs-Conferences/SLF/. SLF 2012 promises to be an exciting conference, focusing on timely issues and having a good time.

“The bad news is time flies. The good news is you’re the pilot.” – Michael Altshuler
It is time to start the selection process for the 2013 Salute to Excellence 4-H Volunteer Awards. The National 4-H Salute to Excellence Volunteer Recognition Award recognizes 4-H volunteers who demonstrate exemplary service to 4-H, while promoting service through volunteerism as both an opportunity and a privilege. Additional information is available at http://www.4-h.org/resource-library/grants-awards/opportunities/salute-to-excellence-awards/

The categories are as follows:

The **Volunteer of the Year Award** is for individuals who have served as 4-H volunteers for less than 10 years at the local, county, district or state level.

The **Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer Award** is for individuals who have served 10 or more years at the local, county, district or state level.

Mail completed nomination packet(s) to the State 4-H Office, Attn: Shannon Dogan, University of California, Davis, One Shields Ave., DANR Bldg., Davis, CA 95616. If you FED EX the packet please send it to the State 4-H Office, Attn: Shannon Dogan, DANR Building, 225 Hopkins Road, Davis, CA 95616.

Nominations should be received by **October 2, 2012** to be considered. The State 4-H Office will verify with county 4-H staff that the volunteer is enrolled and in good standing. All nomination packets will be reviewed by the 4-H Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee who will recommend one nominee for each category to the Associate Director of 4-H Program and Policy for final approval. Please note there is no limitation on the number of nominees from each county.

**State Record Book Competition**

To help youth prepare 4-H Record Books for state competition there is a 2012 Addendum to the Record Book Manual posted on the Website: [www.ca4h.org](http://www.ca4h.org)

Youth who are planning to submit a 2012 Record Book to State Competition should review this addendum for the most current guidelines. Individuals wishing to be 2012 Record Book judge need to complete and submit the Judge’s Application by September 30, 2012 by following the link to the application by survey. Other forms available on the Website include:

- State Judging Process
- 2012 Record Book County Check Sheet
- 2012 Record Book Cover Page
- Previous Years’ Records Formatting Guide

**Announcing the New Highest California 4-H Youth Award!**

The Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee is pleased to announce the launch of the California 4-H Diamond Clover Award. The Diamond Clover is awarded to the highest achieving 4-H youth members through an application and essay process. All youth who achieve the qualifications are eligible for this award. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year and while a young person is between 17 and 19 years of age. Each quarter, applications are reviewed by the Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee and awards are given. Awardees are announced annually at the State Leadership Conference. Applications are available now for submission beginning July 1, 2012 at [http://www.ca4h.org/Administration/Advisory_Committees/IR/](http://www.ca4h.org/Administration/Advisory_Committees/IR/)

**Rationale:** Most youth serving organizations have a highest honor—Boy Scouts have Eagle Scouts, Girl Scouts have the Gold Award, Camp Fire USA has the WoHeLo Award. While the 4-H State Ambassador Program is a very high honor, it is a working honor and is prohibitive to many who may be deserving of a highest youth award.

**Check it out...our new website!**

Our website has had quite an update! Stop by and look around our very informative and super helpful website. Bookmark it, save it as a favorite! Visit us at: [http://cekern.ucdavis.edu/YouthDevelopment/](http://cekern.ucdavis.edu/YouthDevelopment/)
Do you see a need in your community?

JOIN The Revolution of Responsibility! $1,000 is available to 4-H Clubs and Groups
Due July 15, September 15, November 15
http://ucanr.org/join/

To JOIN the revolution, 4-H members, with the help of an adult 4-H volunteer mentor, should follow these steps to plan a project.

*Identify an issue or problem in your community.
*Find community organizations to collaborate with.
*Plan the project: form goals, outline tasks, list needed resources, and prepare a budget
*Prepare ways to document and record your project to share with others.

*JOIN the revolution at http://ucanr.org/join/

A toolkit of tips, templates, links, and suggested guidelines has been developed to support your projects. From the initial work to identify a compelling community issue to the final celebration of its completion, use this toolkit to help you carry out the important steps necessary to ensure success. http://www.ca4h.org/Support/RofR/Toolkit/

Archery Leader Certification Training

Saturday, October 13 and Sunday, October 14
Humboldt County UCCE Office
5630 South Broadway, Eureka, CA 95503

Attendees must attend both Saturday (9AM - 5 PM) and Sunday (8:30 - 12 noon) to be certified as a 4-H adult, teen or junior leader. The cost will be $30 for training and a binder of resources. There will be a lecture, hands on practice and a test. To register, complete the "Request for Training Form" at http://www.ca4h.org/files/2123.pdf and mail with your payment to Sandy Sathrum at 5630 South Broadway, Eureka, CA 95503. Make checks payable to Humboldt County 4-H. Participants are responsible for all transportation, overnight lodging and meals. If you have any questions, call Sandy at 707-445-7351.

Shooting Sports Leader Trainer Course

Muzzle Loading Discipline
5 Dogs Range - Bakersfield, CA

Saturday, October 20, 2012 – 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, October 21, 2012 – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Upon successful completion of this course, 4-H leaders will be certified in the shooting sports discipline of muzzle loading. They will be certified as leader trainers and are eligible to serve as shooting sports leaders for clubs or counties and they may also instruct and certify shooting sports volunteers. Class size is limited. There is no fee for the course. However, if you wish to receive National Muzzle Loading Rifle Association instructor certification there is a fee of $40. To get more information or register for the class contact John Borba at: jaborba@ucdavis.edu or telephone 661-868-6216.

Poultry Members, Leaders and Parents

#1 - Poultry entries are due to KCF on Aug 8, 2012 by 5pm.
#2 - Make sure leg band numbers are on your entry and match bird on arrival to fair. (Enter Gate 40)
#3 - NEW -- Exhibitors are to provide their own feed and water containers for the poultry.
#4 - Shavings will be provided until we run out. Then the exhibitor is responsible for their own.
#5 - Pens must be cleaned from 6am to 8am every morning. Barn will close @ 8am until fair opens.
#6 - Ducks, Geese and Goose pens need to be cleaned twice a day, morning and evening.
#7 - Times of Events will be posted on a board in the poultry barn.
Western Region Leader Forum – March 21 – 24, 2013 in Hawaii

Hawaii 4-H members, volunteers, faculty and staff are looking forward to seeing you in Hawaii March 21 – 24, 2013 for the Western Region Leader Forum. The planning committee is hard at work planning an event you will enjoy and remember because of what you will learn and the people you will meet. At the forum you will definitely enjoy the beauty and climate of this place many people only know as Paradise.

The conference site is the Waikiki Beach Marriott and Resort. It is a beautiful hotel located on Waikiki Beach in Honolulu. You will need to register at the hotel before you register for the conference so you will have the confirmation code required to avoid the surcharge for those who choose to attend WRLF and stay at another place. Reservations at the Marriott may be made at 800-848-8100 or by using the local number of 808-922-6611. We have reserved a block of rooms which you will need to refer to when you register by giving the code, WR4A, to the person taking your reservation.

Registration for the forum may be completed by going to: http://www.ctahr.hawaii.edu/wrlf/

DEADLINES:
Deadline for Regular Registration is December 31, 2012 - $375
Deadline for Hotel room Rate of $179 is February 21, 2013 - $425

Save the Date: State 4-H Field Day 2013 – May 25
at UC Davis

The State 4-H Field Day takes place annually on the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend at the UC Davis campus from 8:00am until 6:00pm. The event is open to all 4-H members, volunteers, staff, and parents. More information will be released in January 2013. For more information, go to: http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/

August 2012

The Stallion Springs 4-H is excited about entering into its second year with newly elected officers and past experienced officers to help the new ones this year. Annica Bennette served as the President of the Stallion Springs 4-H last year and plans to help the officers this year. Julia Miller is the newly elected president for this year.

Annica Bennette is excited about her second year with 4-H. She is 10 years old and liked being President last year. She learned that the position took lots of responsibility and leadership skills. She also said it took a lot of patience. She loved doing 4-H because she sees her friends and learns lots of things with the projects. She learned that you don’t eat a chick when you eat a hard-boiled egg!

Julia Miller is also excited about her second year of 4-H. She is 12 years old, in the 7th grade and is home schooled. The projects that she is doing are chickens, home economics, table setting, and horses. Some of her goals for this year with 4-H are to know the parts of the horse better, do well at the fair and help the club as best as she can since she is the newly elected president.

Stallion Springs 4-H has some great members this year and we are learning how to be future leaders that care about their community. Every year will get better and better as we continue to grow.

Written by Julianna Narduzzi, Stallion Springs 4H News Reporter
September 2012

Dear Prospective Jr. Fair Board Member:

Thank you, in advance, for applying to the Great Kern County Fair Junior Fair Board and good luck! The Junior Fair Board is an organization for high school freshmen, sophomores and juniors. It is a great way to meet kids from other schools and a wonderful way to serve your community. Junior Fair Board members have a lot of fun, but the work is hard. The following is a brief outline of the duties and responsibilities of the Junior Fair Board so you and your parents know in advance, what are expected of you and the time that will be required.

The Junior Fair Board will begin work in January with monthly Monday meetings and possible community activities i.e. parades, street fairs, etc. As the time gets closer to fair, meetings may be held bi-monthly or weekly. The meetings begin at 6:00 pm and last 1-1 ½ hours. Fair activities will be scheduled as to have no impact on school attendance.

Work begins in earnest the week before the fair starts. If you have an animal at the fair, we will work around your show times with your scheduled activities. There will be many activities that will be planned by the Junior Fair Board during the fair. In the afternoons, we meet and then sponsor activities, possibly until 9:00 pm. (This is a very busy and tiring week and a half. It can be difficult to keep up the pace and your studies, too. Even the best student’s grades can suffer. Some of our activities every member is expected to participate in, so bear this in mind when you apply.)

Junior Fair Board shirts will be provided for members. You are expected to wear shirts tucked in at all times with proper clothing. As representatives of the Fair, many people will closely scrutinize your behavior. Behavior deemed unacceptable by the senior Fair Board or Junior Fair Board advisors may be cause for dismissal.

Interviews are tentatively scheduled for November 2012. You will be notified by telephone as to your exact interview time.

We look forward to meeting you at your interview. Please sign and have a parent or guardian sign below. Return this with your application to the Kern County Fair main office by the end of October. This will verify that you and your parents understand what is expected of you if you are selected to serve as a member of the Great Kern County Fair Junior Fair Board.

Good Luck!

Applicant Signature ____________________________ Date ____________

Parent (Guardian) Signature ______________________ Date ____________
KERN COUNTY FAIR
JUNIOR FAIR BOARD APPLICATION

Please Print
NAME:_________________________________________

ADDRESS:_________________________ CITY:____________________ ZIP_______

EMAIL:_________________________ PHONE:_____________________

SCHOOL:_________________________ GRADE:_________ G.P.A.:__________

PARENT(S)/GUARDIAN(S) NAME:_____________________________________

CLUBS AND/OR ORGANIZATIONS ACTIVE IN (INCLUDE OFFICES HELD):
_____________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________

LIST ALL ACTIVITIES IN OR OUT OF SCHOOL (USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY):
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HOBBIES & INTERESTS_________________________________________________
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WHY DO YOU WISH TO SERVE ON THE JUNIOR FAIR BOARD?: __________________________________________

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WHAT PROJECTS OR IDEAS DO YOU HAVE IN MIND TO FURTHER THE ACTIVITIES OF THE JUNIOR FAIR
BOARD?: __________________________________________

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HAVE YOU BEEN INVOLVED IN THE KERN COUNTY FAIR BEFORE? _____ YES _____ NO

IF YES, IN WHAT WAY AND FOR HOW LONG? __________________________________________

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DO YOU PLAN TO HAVE AN ANIMAL AT THE 2013 FAIR? WHAT KIND AND HOW MANY? __________

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SIGNATURE: ________________________________ DATE: ____________________

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AT KERN COUNTY FAIR OFFICE BY 5:00 P.M. ON Thursday, November 1, 2012.