The 4-H Network
Connecting all of Kern County

**JANUARY 2013**

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<td>Jenine Snoddy</td>
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Midway 4-H taking a break with Santa after helping serve a Christmas dinner for ARC-TAFT, (a Center for serving persons with disabilities). Every year Midway 4-H helps the clients by serving dinners and seeing each client has help getting to a table. Their help is priceless.
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

New Leader Orientation Meetings

Each year new 4-H leaders join the program and are required to attend an orientation meeting. The meetings are held at the UC Extension Office at 1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue in Bakersfield. New Leader Orientation Meetings for the 2012-13 program year will take place on the following dates:

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IDEAS THAT WORK

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.

Santa reading Christmas stories at the OMK Christmas Party
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.

4-H Shooting Sports Workshop
Rifle Discipline
Bakersfield, CA

Saturday, January 12, 2013 – 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Sunday, January 13, 2013 – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at UC Cooperative Extension Office, 1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue in Bakersfield. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a 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 or receive more information, contact John Borba at: jaborba@ucdavis.edu (This course is not open to 4-H leaders from Santa Cruz County).

Save the Date:
State 4-H Field Day 2013
May 25, 2013
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/

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/
COUNTY WIDE DOG CARE AND TRAINING PROJECT

Requirements: Regular member plus one dog
Temperament check for dog (Call Claudia Burk at 661-393-1914)
Permission of Community Leader and/or Club Dog Leader
Attend as many training sessions as your club requires or at least ten during the year if you have no club project

Course Content: Basic Obedience; CGC Title available, rally, some agility, showmanship, medal program

Other Options: Field Work, Herding, Lure Coursing, Tracking

Meetings: Cold and Hot Weather; SPCA Building at 3000 Gibson, Thursday nights TBA
Good Weather; Fruitvale-Norris Park, Wednesday nights TBA
We average 2-3 scheduled meetings per month, 6:00 p.m.
January 10 and 24
February 14, 21, 28

For more information, please contact: Claudia Burk, Skyrocket Kennels, 7216 Cedarcrest, Bakersfield, CA
661-393-1914 email: cskyrocket@bak.rr.com

All 4-H members in any club may sign up for the County Dog Project. Your Community Leader must be aware and agree to your participation. Your dog must have had all its shots and pass a temperament test in order to come to the project meetings. It does not matter what breed or mix of breeds it is. Members will learn how to train and care for their dogs and will be allowed the opportunity to compete in appropriate shows when the dogs are ready. Showing is not mandatory. Breeding projects are discouraged.

2013 4-H Film Making Statewide Project, supported by BestBuy

http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Tech/CTLT/Film/
For 4-H members (age 13-19), volunteers, and staff to learn how to produce films. The goal of the 4-H Film Making Project is to enhance technological literacy of 4-H members by helping them learn the basics of film production including storyboarding, filming, and editing. Our goal is to have 4-H members produce films that feature how 4-H is impacting their community (for example, 4-H Revolution of Responsibility projects) and recording 4-H alumni and creating films featuring the "Voices of 4-H History" for the CA 4-H Centennial.

The project is coordinated by the 4-H Technology Leadership Team,

- Hosting four-hour video production workshops around California using the National 4-H Film Making Curriculum (workshops limited to 30 people)
- Lending video equipment kits to counties
- Showcasing completed videos at the State 4-H Film Festival and on various websites

Learn more and register for a workshop at http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Tech/CTLT/Film/
Steven Worker
4-H Science, Engineering, and Technology Coordinator
4-H Youth Development Program
University of California, Agriculture and Natural Resources - Youth, Families, and Communities
(530) 754-8519 | fax (530) 754-8541 email: smworker@ucanr.edu
www.ca4h.org
Regional Teen Winter Camp
January 18 - 21, 2013
Pinecrest, CA

Stanislaus County Hi 4-H will be hosting their annual Winter Camp at Camp Sylvester in Pinecrest on January 18 - 21, 2013. They are extending the invitation to other Hi 4-H Clubs and high school age members in surrounding counties. If you are a high school age 4-H member and are interested in participating, please contact the Kern County Extension Office at 661-868-6200 no later than December 14th. They have space but would need to know approximately how many young men and women would be attending from Kern County. They need a firm commitment so they can make sure there are enough cabins and chaperones. A $25 deposit will hold your reservation.

Transportation for youth is the responsibility of each county as well as the required chaperones (1 adult per 7 youth of each sex).

Lodging at Camp Sylvester and meals (Friday “light supper” thru Monday breakfast)...........$136
Full payment due by January 3, 2013

Skiing or Snowboarding available at Dodge Ridge. Rent equipment at home and purchase advanced lift tickets, or rent at Dodge Ridge -- no group rates available at this time.

Other Activities
Bring extra $$$ for:

Ice Skating at Long Barn......................... .10.00 (possibly more $)
Leland Meadows-Sledding, tubing .............9.00 (walk-up rate)
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(Rates may be more after season opens so please bring extra $$)
Lunch $ for Monday (fastfood/pizza)...............????

The weekend agenda looks something like this:

Friday Night -- get settled into cabins and get acquainted with each other & the rules.

Saturday -- Skiing all day, or half day; dance in evening. Other snow activities around camp available for non-skiers.

Sunday -- Skiing all day, or half day for those that wish. Snow football at the lake, snow tubing or snow Olympics?? After lunch ice skating in Long Barn. Dance in evening.

Monday -- Snow activities around camp; clean-up; lunch in Sonora.

PLEASE NOTE: Skiers and Snowboarders—State 4-H Policy requires helmets to be worn at 4-H activities. It is the responsibility of the participant or the participant’s parent/guardian to ensure that the headgear worn complies with standards, carries the proper seals, and is properly fitted and in good condition.
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

4-H Junk Drawer Robotics Workshop

Saturday, January 12, 2013, 9:30am - 4:00pm
County Building & Safety and Fire Dept., 335 East Ave K-6 Lancaster CA 9353
FREE + Lunch provided.

Register at https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?
surveynumber=9315
(We need a minimum of 10 participants at this workshop!)

The Junk Drawer Robotics curriculum engages middle school youth (ages 10-13) in understanding scientific concepts and processes, the engineering design process cycle, and technology creation and building. This workshop will help prepare 4-H project leaders and teen leaders to implement the curriculum.

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

John Borba, 4-H Advisor/Interim County Director
jaborba@ucdavis.edu 661-868-6216

Fax: 661-868-6208

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!

Happy New Year!
January 26, 2013

Welcome exhibitors to our 29th annual show! This year we are again offering a double open/double youth rabbit and cavy show as well as a Youth breed ID competition, judging and costume contest.

We will also be offering a YOUTH showmanship competition!
And this year, we will be hosting an Open Mini Lop Specialty!

This is a one (1) day carrying cage show to be held at the Kern County Fairgrounds – 1142 S. “P” Street – Bakersfield, CA 93307.

INDOORS IN THE BIG EXHIBIT BUILDING!! Enter on P Street.
Doors open at 7:30 A.M. and judging will start promptly at 8:30 A.M.

Show Committee:
Superintendent : Charles Baldwin & Co superintendent: Carol Votaw
Show Secretary : Jessica Egan
Breed ID – Melanie Fletcher  Judging Contest: Cathy Lenker
Costume Contest: Dan and Melonie Shugart
Raffle – Sarah Legan  Awards – Karen and Rachael Alexander
Showmanship- Jordin Sterry-Hintz and guest judge Kathy Lugo
Information Table: Alicia Parks

Our Distinguished ARBA Judges :

RABBITS:* Joe Lugo *Ray Stacey *Scott Williamson*
*Michael Perez *Chris Zemny *Ashley Garza *Jennifer Milburn*Nate Burbidge (Utah)
*Troy Ihrke
  Cavy Judges: Sharon Baker &Ron Smelt
  Show Registrar (Rabbits)- Logan Van Allen
**FOOD BOOTH: Calloway 4-H** **Hot Breakfast and Lunch**

**ENTRY INFORMATION**
Entries must be postmarked by January 19, 2013. Email entries are due by Tuesday January 22, 2013. No day of show entries. Add on entries will be accepted until 8 a.m. for $6 per rabbit per show. Changes, other than tattoo changes, must be made at the show secretaries table by 8:30 a.m. at $1.00 per change. No exceptions. Please submit entries to:

Jessica Egan  
2509 Talisman Drive  
Bakersfield, CA 93304  
661-979-2309  
E-mail: allearsrabbitry@aol.com

Entry fee:
$6.00 per rabbit or cavy;  
You may also enter your rabbit in fur for $2.50/rabbit per show. Rabbits entered in fur MUST ALSO be entered in the regular show in their respective breed classes.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: KCRBA

㊒ E-mail entries will be accepted and confirmation will be given. If you do not receive confirmation, please contact the secretary. Any email entries made must be paid for even if you do not attend the show.  
㊒ All late entries must be approved before mailing them or they may be rejected.  
㊒ A $25.00 fee will be charged for all returned checks. All fees owed must be paid prior to the start of the show!

__Showmanship entries must be emailed to: Hopeshaven08@yahoo.com. Cost of entry for showmanship is $3.00 (at least one rabbit must be exhibited in show by participant in order to enter showmanship) please put “Showmanship” in subject line.__

CLASS:  
1. Pee Wee - 5 years thru 8 years  
2. Junior - 9 years through 8th grade  
3. Senior - 9th grade thru 19 years of age

Please include name of showman, age of showman, address, phone number, and tattoo number of rabbit you are planning on using for showmanship.

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**Rabbit/Cavy Dress up Contest**
There will be a Best Dressed Rabbit/Cavy Contest for all youth exhibitors. Categories will be “Most Original”, “Most Outrageous”, & “Best Character” (movie, cartoon, storybook, or comic), Rabbits and cavies will be judged together. The top winner from each will move on to compete for “Best Dressed”. Every participant gets an award. No fee, but donations are welcome!