**HIGHLIGHTS IN THIS ISSUE**

| 1 | UCCE Office Closed for New Year's Holiday |
| 7 | New Horse Member/Parent Orientation 7:00 p.m.  
Harold Tolbert  
661-205-1975 |
| 9 | Dairy Goat Project Meeting 6:00 p.m.  
Harold Bulford  
661-393-3386 |
| 9 | Market Goat Project Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
Paul Hudson  
661-645-9225 |
| 11 | Online Record Book Training—UCCE Tulare County |
| 20 | UCCE Office Closed for Martin Luther King Holiday |
| 24-26 | (LCORT) Leadership Conference of Regional Teens  
Wonder Valley Ranch-Sanger, CA  
Helen Tolbert  
661-205-1975 |
| 27 | Horse Leader Meeting 6:30 p.m.  
Horse Registration & Paperwork Due  
Harold Tolbert  
661-205-1975 |
| 28 | Leader Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
Carol Newkirk  
661-330-5040 |

*Meeting is at the UC Extension Office, 1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue, Bakersfield, CA

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| 8 | Horse Field Day  
Harold Tolbert  
661-205-1975 |
| 17 | UCCE Office Closed for Presidents' Day |
| 22 | Embroidery Machine Training 10:00 a.m.  
Veronica Slaton  
661-868-6235 |
| 24 | Horse Leader Meeting 6:30 p.m.  
Harold Tolbert  
661-205-1975 |
| 25 | Farm Day in the City Planning Meeting  
Nancy Hillberg  
661-393-0473 |
| 25 | Leader Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.  
Carol Newkirk  
661-330-5040 |

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New Leader Orientation NOW ONLINE!!!

Drum roll please.......our New Leader Orientation page is now UP AND RUNNING ONLINE! Any in person Orientations scheduled are now canceled, as it can now be accessed ONLINE anytime!
Please visit our County 4-H website at:
http://cekern.ucanr.edu/Youth_Development/
and look for the "Becoming a New 4-H Leader" page to get started!!!
Please pass the word along to any potential leaders!!!

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 internet or online printable 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

Food Safety Training Available ONLINE!

The State 4-H Office requires that every club have at least one 4-H leader trained in Food Safety. The more leaders in your club that are certified, the more convenient it is for your club. It is required that a certified volunteer is to be present at all bake sales/food booths to make sure proper food safety guidelines are handled. Food Safety trainings are available anytime online! Please visit the website below, and use the provided sign-in/user information:
Website: http://ucanr.edu/sites/MISKIS/
Username: miskis
Password: makeitsafe_1234

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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.
Program Evaluation!!!

It seems lately that we have had less and less attendance in county events, scholarships and the All-Star Program in Kern County. We have also noticed a few other trends, and with the rise of technology we want to make sure that we are not only doing as much as we can to reach out to our 4-H audience, but to make sure the word is actually getting out to you!!! We have set-up a broad survey covering several topics so that we can evaluate here in Kern County. We truly appreciate that you are taking the time to do this survey; please be completely honest when answering these questions. The information is anonymous and we are only using the data of the answers to see how we can better our program! We are asking all leaders, parents and even older members to take it...please feel free to share and encourage others to take it as well! You can find the quiz here:

http://ucanr.edu/kc4hquestions

Newsletter Update

You may have noticed a new look to an old item; the cover of our county newsletter has changed. The University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources (ANR) Division, which 4-H falls under their umbrella, requires all ANR publications to host the new logo. All newsletters originating from Kern County, to include the Farm Advisors, will also sport this new look as required by the Division.

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!

Bakersfield Symphony Orchestra 2013-2014

Come join us at the Symphony! This year’s schedule is as follows:

6:30 Pre Concert Lecture with CSUB music Professor Jerome S. Kleinsasser
7:30 Concert

February 8, 2014
March 15, 2014
April 12, 2014
May 10, 2014

The ticket price for 4-H is $5.00, but you must contact Jenine Snoddy prior to the concert so she can get a voucher to you. Hope you can join us! Jenine Snoddy
Four-hmom@bak.rr.com
661-979-4365

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/
Two Local Training Opportunities at the UC Extension Office, 1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue, Bakersfield

Embroidery Machine Workshop
Saturday, February 22, 2014
10:00 a.m.
Leader Council owns an embroidery machine that is capable of sewing logos and motifs on fabric and clothing items. A workshop will be held to show 4-H leaders how to utilize the machine to create items for their club use.

Class size is limited and you must register at this link
Embroidery Machine training link: http://ucanr.edu/embroidtraining

Junk Drawer Robotics Training
Saturday, March 1, 2014
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Junk Drawer Robotics is a 4-H SET project that involves youth in hands-on activities that help them learn about science, engineering and technology by designing and building simple robotic projects from materials that can be found around the house. This training is offered to Kern County 4-H teen leaders (grades 9 – 12), volunteers, and parents. The goal is to train participants in the concept of robotics so they may return to their clubs and implement these activities with their club members. Lunch will be provided. Participants must sign up online
Robotics Training link: http://ucanr.edu/roboticstrain

DOG MEETINGS

Save these dates for dog meetings to start the new year. We will be working on Breed Identification as well as Canine Good Citizen (CGC), available for any dog!

Jan 9 and Jan 16—Thursdays SPCA Ed building at 6:00 p.m.

Call 393-1914 or email: cskyrocket@bak.rr.com for more info.

Claudia Burk
Kern County 4-H Dog Care and Training
7216 Cedarcrest
Bakersfield, Ca. 93308
661 393-1914
National Wreath Day

Wreaths Across America is a national nonprofit organization founded in 2007. Businessman Morrill Worcester started with an annual wreath laying ceremony in 1992 at Arlington National Cemetery. The ceremony has now grown to honor our fallen heroes at more than 800 cemeteries, military memorials and other locations in all 50 states and foreign locations.

This year the Stallion Springs 4H Group of Tehachapi California was one of two youth organizations that attended the event at Bakersfield National Cemetery on December 14, 2013.

The event is organized by the Bakersfield Breakfast Rotary Club each year, and their goal is to “Remember, Honor, and Teach.”

Our club members, Mason Pearson, Rachel Miller, Moria Loyd, Olivia Loyd, Andrew Blatt and Julia Miller met at the Bakersfield National Cemetery, located on the beautiful oak-studded land of Fort Tejon at 8AM. The event started at 8:30AM with holiday and patriotic music. At 9:00AM the “National One Minute of Silence” was observed to honor our veterans. Then our 4H group, along with the Boy Scouts of America helped recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

Following the ceremony, our 4H group and many public volunteers assisted in laying over 2,300 wreaths at the veterans’ graves.

Stallion Springs 4H was very honored to participate in this ceremony and plans on attending the next event in December of 2014.

Written by Susan Pearson of Stallion Springs 4H Club
State 4-H Horse Classic Planning Team
Application deadline: January 15

Want to help plan the 2014 State 4-H Horse Classic?

Apply here: http://ucanr.edu/classic-planning-team

All applications are due by January 15th and the planning team will be determined by 4-H staff and will be announced the first week of February.

4-H Volunteer Café

Are you a club or project leader who is tired of doing the same old activities month after month? Maybe you need something designed just for you to be encouraged and encourage your own personal growth. The 4-H Volunteer Café is a place designed just for you providing encouraging and thought-provoking articles of how the principles of positive youth development translate into your 4-H experience, it offers tons of resources for you as a 4-H volunteer that you can use immediately in your meetings and gives you a place where you can contribute your own experiences and challenges. To check out the 4-H Volunteer Café, use the following link: http://4hvolunteercafe.wordpress.com/.

- California 4-H Youth Development
  Get Connected and Plugged In to Positive Youth Development!
  California 4-H has several ways to connect with us online to get up-to-the-minute updates on information affecting 4-H statewide. Don’t rely on urban legend or information to pass through the grapevine—get the information as it happens and from the horse’s mouth. Here is a list of the ways you can connect with us online:

  - Website: http://4h.ucanr.edu
  - 4-H Online Record Book (yes every registered adult volunteer and every youth ages 9 and older has an Online Record Book account): http://4h.ucanr.edu/4hbook/
  - Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/california4H
  - Twitter: https://twitter.com/California4HY
  - YouTube: http://www.youtube.com/user/California4h
  - Pinterest: http://pinterest.com/california4h/
  - Blog: http://4hvolunteercafe.wordpress.com/
  - Instagram: http://instagram.com/ca4h

We will be continuing to provide virtual opportunities for you to connect directly with us at the State Office through these social media outlets.
More chances to win!

4-H Members: We want to know what Thrive means to you! The State 4-H Office is having a contest to find our favorite pictures of what iThrive means to our young people. You can send a drawing, painting, photograph, sculpture of any of the thriving concepts: Sparks, Mindset, Goal Management, the 6 Cs, Thriving, or Well-being. We will pick our 5 favorites: 1 for sparks, 1 for mindset, 1 for GPS, 1 for the 6 Cs (thriving) and 1 for well-being. Each winner will get a $25 gift card! The deadline is Jan. 6, 2014. Send art entries to:

iThrive
University of California, Agriculture & Natural Resources
California State 4-H Office
2801 Second Street
95618-7774

iThrive Leadership Project Curriculum has a SET Focus for the 2013-14 Program Year

Are you looking for ways to continue to develop 4-H members ages 12 and up in effective leadership skills? iThrive takes the principles of positive youth development and organizes them in a fun and engaging way to develop the leadership skills of our 4-H youth. Each module of this year’s curriculum links one or more scientific and engineering practices to a Thrive concept. These eight essential practices are those used every day by scientists and engineers in their work.

The accompanying iChampion Adult Volunteer Leader Guide provides an easy to follow resource to make project leaders successful in using this curriculum. Using the experiential learning cycle, iThrive provides opportunities for youth to realize their true and full potential and shows them how they can help their peers do the same. The curriculum is free and available to any project leader of a leadership project. To find out more about Thrive, check out the state website at http://4h.ucanr.edu/About/Thrive/. If you are interested in bringing Thrive into your leadership project for the 2013-2014 program year, contact your county office to find out how you can get started.

Are you leading a Thrive project?

If so, you have a chance to win a $50 gift card! Send in all 8 postcards following your Thrive project meeting and you will receive a gift card at the end of the program year.
Online Record Book Survey Awards

We would like as many 4-H members as possible to complete surveys in the Online Record Book. It is our way to find out about you and how the California 4-H Youth Development Program is doing overall. To encourage 4-H members to complete surveys online we have established incentives for completing the required Spark Score Questions.

Can you still win a gift card? Yes! There is still time for youth to win! If you have previously completed the required Spark Score Questions for any time period ending before January 31, 2013, you will be eligible to win a $25 gift card in the spring if you complete all the required Spark Score Questions in your ORB by January 31, 2014.

Also, all youth who complete all the required Spark Score Questions in ORB before January 31, 2014 and all the required Spark Score Questions that are available between May 1, 2014 and August 31, 2014 will receive a $50 gift card in the fall of 2014.

A new way to win! All youth who complete the required Spark Score Questions in ORB by January 31, 2014, but haven’t completed any Spark Score Questions at a previous time, can still win a $10 gift card! So be sure to log in and do all the required Spark Score Questions in your ORB.

Where do I find the surveys? Spark Score Questions are on the right side of your ORB home page.

Martin Luther King Day

What is your dream?
For more than 50 years, thousands of 4-H’ers have participated in our high school program, Citizenship Washington Focus and now we are happy to introduce its precursor for middle school 4-H’ers, LWF. Middle school 4-H delegates will:

- Build confidence in their ability to motivate and direct others in meaningful action
- Practice effective communication with others through group discussion and public speaking
- Work with others to create and accomplish goals
- Develop an understanding of their own personal leadership style
- Exchange ideas, practice respect, and form friendships with other 4-H’ers from across the nation.
- Experience hands-on learning using the historical backdrop of Washington, D.C.

$565 per participant
Registration due by Jan 10.

Check out www.4HLWF.org for more details and to register

Leadership Washington Focus (LWF) is a 4-H leadership program for youth entering grades 7 through 9. The program will take place at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, just 1 mile from the Washington, D.C. border.

Save the Date: 37th Annual Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Field Day
This year’s event will take place on March 7th and 8th. 4-H can participate in all 24 different contests! Registration must be completed online at: <http://calaged.csuchico.edu/registration/>.

After you register, we request that you submit a printed copy of your online registration along with your payment. Checks should be made payable to “UC Regents” and mailed to:

Attn: Courtney Rhodes  
College of Agricultural & Environmental Sciences  
One Shields Avenue  
Davis, CA 95616

Deadlines:
December 2: Online Registration opens.
February 7: Agriscience Fair and Job Interview materials due and online. Registration closed.
February 14: Payments must be postmarked – A $25 late fee for payments postmarked after this date will be enforced.

Please register as soon as possible to ensure space for your teams. For more information contact: fieldday@caes.ucdavis.edu, or visit: http://caes.ucdavis.edu/fieldday
If you have an interest in sharing your archery skills with youth, how about becoming a 4-H Archery adult volunteer or teen leader. There will be a 4-H archery leader certification training held February 1st & 2nd in Corralitos, CA (near Watsonville). The class will be offered Saturday, February 1st, 9 AM – 5 PM, and Sunday, February 2nd, 9 AM- 12 noon, at the Corralitos Community Center, 33 Browns Valley Road, Corralitos, in Santa Cruz County. This class is being hosted by Santa Cruz County 4-H. You must become a 4-H leader or member and attend both days to receive certification to teach archery at the project, club and camp levels. The course will include a PowerPoint lecture, review of equipment, practice shooting and teaching, and a written test. The cost is $35 per person to include a resource binder, and Saturday breakfast & lunch and Sunday breakfast. Junior and teen leaders are invited but must attend with an adult. If you are already a certified volunteer archery leader and would like to become a trainer, contact Jeanne at 530-524-7278 or email mtlassenlover@gmail.com to discuss options.

To register, please complete and mail the “CA 4-H Shooting Sports Training Request and Registration Form” available at http://www.ca4h.org/files/2123.pdf, and an adult or youth 4-H medical release form and a $35 check payable to “Santa Cruz County 4-H Council” and mail to UCCE, 1432 Freedom Blvd., Watsonville, CA 95076. Registration is due Friday, January 17th and space is limited. For more information call Stephanie at 831-763-8015 (Mondays & Wednesdays only) or email her at sfontana@ucanr.edu or contact Jeanne at the contact information above.

CITIZENSHIP/LEADERSHIP

- **Save the date! California Focus is June 13-17, 2014**
  California Focus is a unique citizenship educational experience that combines hands-on participation in workshops, debates and simulations with speakers, tours, fun activities and new friends from across California.

- **Citizenship Washington Focus**
  June 22-28, 2014
  Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is a week-long 4-H citizenship program for youth ages 14-19 that takes place at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, just 1 mile from the Washington, DC border. Every summer, thousands of young people participate in the program, which provides opportunities for them to:
  - Strengthen their communication, leadership, and citizenship skills on a national level
  - Understand the importance of civic and social responsibilities as they relate to the development of better citizens and leaders
  - Exchange ideas, practice respect, and form friendships with other youth from diverse backgrounds
  - Experience hands-on learning using the historical backdrop of Washington, DC.
January 25, 2014

Welcome exhibitors to our 30th annual show! This year we are again offering a double open/double youth rabbit show as well as a Youth breed ID competition, judging and costume contest. We will also be offering a YOUTH showmantship competition! And this year, we will be hosting an Open Mini Rex and Jersey Wooly 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 : Melonie Shugart and Co-Superintendent: Jan Humecky
Show Secretary : Jaycee Shugart
Breed ID – Melanie Fletcher
Costume Contest-Cathy Popplewell
Awards – Cathy Lenker
Showmanship- Jordin Sterry-Hintz, Rachel Alexander and Sarah Netherton
Information Table: Alicia Parks

Our Distinguished ARBA Judges:

RABBITS: *Joe Lugo *Ray Stacey *Scott Williamson*
*Michael Perez, *Chris Zemny *Melissa Magee*Kevin Stanford*Justin Ambrosino*
*Kathleen Utter* Linda Bell

Show Registrar (Rabbits)- Amy Zittel

FOOD BOOTHS: Shafter 4-H ** Hot Breakfast and Lunch

See next page for entry information
ENTRY INFORMATION
Entries must be postmarked by January 18, 2013. Email entries are due by SUNDAY January 19, 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

JAYCEE SHUGART
11709 BROCKRIDGE CT 661-589-6071
BAKERSFIELD, CA 93312 KCRBAENTRIES@GMAIL.COM

Entry fee:
$6.00 per rabbit:
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!

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Showmanship entries must be emailed to: Hopeshaven08@yahoo.com. Cost of entry for show-
manship 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).

The top winner from each will move on to compete for “Best Dressed”. Every participant gets an
award. No fee, but donations are welcome!
The ORB Internet Café is provided to give staff and volunteers both individualized and group instruction on using California 4-H’s Online Record Book System. The café is designed as a 3-hour workshop that combines presentation, hands-on practice and group discussion. Participants will need to bring a laptop or tablet with them to the café. The following topics will be covered:

- Overview of the Features & Functions in the Online Record Book (Record Book, Social Media, Evaluation)
- Navigating the forms in the Online Record Book (PDR, APR, 4-H Story)
- Project & Club Leader Functions and Approving Forms
- Maximizing your ORB experience—How to use ORB to be efficient and save time (Print Feature, Expression Pages, Collection of 4-H Works etc.)

ORB INTERNET CAFÉ REGISTRATION INFORMATION

WHEN: JANUARY 11, 2014
WHERE: UCCE Tulare 4-H Office 4437-B S. Laspina St. Tulare, CA 93274
TIME: 9 AM- NOON

COUNTY CONTACT: LEAH HARRELSON, LAHARRELSON@UCANR.EDU
REGISTER: http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=11584

1 Logging into the Online Record Book will not be covered in this training, please work with your county office prior to the training to secure your login information for the Online Record Book if you currently have not accessed the system.
The California Camping Conference inspires ideas and innovation and helps camp administrators create fun, safe, and rich learning experiences for both campers and camp staff. Sponsored by the University of California 4-H Youth Development Program, the weekend offers staff, volunteers and youth opportunities to develop their capacity as leaders in their local camp programs.

You will...
- Add new, fun, educational activities to your program
- Better understand how to work with campers, teen staff and adult volunteers
- Learn how to market and recruit campers and teen staff
- Network with others who share your passion for camp
- Come away with practical tools to increase the safety, fun and growth for campers and staff

Conference workshops include:
- Understanding and dealing with difficult behaviors
- New science, engineering and technology (SET) activities for camp: shelter building, first aid and safety, creating cookouts and overnight adventures
- Working with chaperones and other adult volunteers
- Project Learning Tree and more “green” ideas
- Our campers Thrive activities
- Important steps for camp health and safety compliance
- Archery certification
- And more!

Registration fee by February 1st is $140 per person ($150 by March 7th) and includes meals, lodging, and all conference materials. The conference begins at 7:00 p.m. Friday, ending just before lunch on Sunday. Suggested participants include camp directors, youth leadership team, camp volunteers and 4-H staff members. Archery Certification is an additional $35 and the 12-hour course precludes other workshop sessions.

For a copy of the brochure or to register online, visit: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Camps/Conference/

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www.facebook.com/CA4HCamping
www.twitter.com/CA4HCamping
2014 4-H Honey Bee Essay Contest

Each year the Foundation sponsors an essay writing contest for active (fees paid) members of 4-H clubs across the country. There are cash prizes for the national winners: 1st Place - $750.00; 2nd Place - $500.00; 3rd Place - $250.00. National and state winners receive a book about honey bees, beekeeping, or honey. All essays must be submitted electronically to Eric Mussen, ecmussen@ucdavis.edu, and are due on or before February 15, 2014.

More info and rules: http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/176473.pdf

Western Region Leaders’ Forum

March 27-30 at the Crowne Plaza located in downtown Billings, MT.
Join Montana 4-H as they welcome the Western Region Leaders’ Forum to Billings in March 2014. Agents, staff and volunteers are hard at work planning a conference that will help you to “Discover the Past. Present. Possibilities of 4-H”. Participants will enjoy a first class conference facility and hotel accommodations, nation speakers, local entertainment and over 60 informational workshops. WRLF is an exciting time to network with peers from across the region sharing ideas and building relationships to carry 4-H into the future. More info: http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/175016.pdf

Registration is now open! http://wrlf2014.com/registration

California State Fashion Revue is May 31, 2014 at Olson Hall on the UC Davis campus.

This year our SFR community service projects are Drawstring Bags for Foster Kids and Walker Bags for Seniors. We are working on these projects all year and look forward to having a lot of support from all of our counties.


Check out the State 4-H website for information about the State Fashion Revue categories and get an early start on your projects for your county fashion revue submissions: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Events/SFD/SFR/
Save the Date - State Field Day  
May 31, 2014

8:00am-6:00pm
UC Davis Campus-Wellman Hall

Participation opportunities:
MyPlate Challenge- http://ucanr.edu/myplate (MyPlate last day to register May 15)
State Field Day exhibit applications due May 4th

New this year: **4-H Engineering and Technology Showcase**
Have a 4-H Engineering or Technology project you will like to showcase or demonstrate?
Apply here http://ucanr.edu/exhibit/display_application! Funding for supplies, materials or handouts is available, contact Steven Worker for more information, sworker@ucanr.edu.

Find more information here: http://ucanr.edu/4hstatefieldday.

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2014 State Fashion Revue  
May 31, 2014

Theme: California Grown, California Sewn
SFR logo contest open to all 4-H members: **Entries due January 15** to http://ucanr.edu/sfrcovercontest.  
Categories: Traditional, CS Purchased, Upcycled, Denim and Apron Challenge
See the website for all the rules and category requirements.
SFR is open to members qualifying at their County Fashion Revue.

**Entry deadline is May 17**, so schedule your county event in time.

SFR website: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Events/SFD/SFR/.

SFR is coordinating 2 service activities. Get a group together and join in the fun by making something to benefit others. The walker/wheelchair bags are for seniors, both men and women. Suggested patterns are Simplicity #2382 and 2862, or a free online pattern (see the link on the SFR website). If you would like to contribute tote bags, please go to the SFR website for instructions. Tote bags will be used for Foster children. You may bring completed walker bags or tote bags to State Fashion Revue or contact Courtney at cjam11219@gmail.com or Araceli at carrillosonia@yahoo.com for mailing information.

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Save the Date: **2014 State Fair 4-H Throwdown**

July 22nd and 24th, three teams compete each round with a secret ingredient in each round! A panel of judges, yet to be named, will judge the 3 course creations!

Registration opens in March!
The daily schedule: Round One: 11am-1pm, Round Two: 1:30pm-3pm, Champion Round: 3:30pm-5pm

Start prepping now for the State Fair 4-H Throwdown!

**Save the date! SLF 2014 - Nov. 14 – 16, 2014** at the Crowne Plaza Sacramento. Look for ‘Innovative Project Idea Sharing’ coming soon to the SLF website. Chair: Cindy Dixon cin_mom@sbcglobal.net

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**Save the Date: California 4-H Film Festival**

May 31, 2013 at UC Davis, part of the State 4-H Field Day
Films due May 5, 2014

The 2014 theme will be announced in January at http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Events/SFD/State_4-H_Film_Festival/

National 4-H Film Festival in 2014

August 3-6, 2014 in Missouri; films welcome from 4-H members across the U.S.
http://4h.missouri.edu/filmfest. The National 4-H Film Festival will invite youth produced videos/films to be submitted for viewing and judging.
• June 29-July 2, 2014 – Destinations to include Historical Gettysburg, PA, Philadelphia, PA and more! 
  
  Registration will be open December 1, 2013.

• New for 2014 - Leadership Washington Focus
  July 15-19, 2014
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• State Leadership Conference August 14-17, 2014 U.C. Santa Cruz
  “Raiders of the Lost Leadership”
  The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. Check our website, Facebook, Twitter & Instagram for updates and exciting announcements!

  California 4-H $1,000 for 1,000 Service Learning Projects
  [http://4h.ucanr.edu/Support/RofR/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/Support/RofR/)

  2013-2014 Revolution of Responsibility Application Deadlines:
  
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  **SCIENCE, ENGINEERING, and TECHNOLOGY (SET)**

  4-H Engineering and Technology Showcase (a special 2014 theme)
  May 31, 2014 at UC Davis, part of the State 4-H Field Day
  Proposals due by May 4, 2014 at [https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=11856](https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=11856)
  At the State 4-H Field Day, 4-H clubs, projects, and other groups are invited to setup displays to share information, conduct hands-on activities, and engage people in new topics. In 2014, a special theme will feature engineering and technology in 4-H, which could include robotics, woodworking, rocketry, gis/gps, engines, computers, automotive, farm machinery, and more. 4-H members part of an engineering/technology display are eligible for a “4-H engineering” pin (please include names in the comments box below). Limited funding is available for groups to exhibit, please contact Steven Worker at smworker@ucanr.edu to inquire.

  **MILITARY**

  Project Youth Extension Service (YES!) is now accepting internship applications for 2014-2015.
  Project Y.E.S! is a Department of Defense funded national internship program engaging college students in service to meet the needs of military families. Staff interns are provided an opportunity to give back to their communities and country while gaining invaluable practical and career-enhancing experiences. **Applications will be accepted through Feb 28, 2014** and students will be notified of the status of their application by April, 2014. More information and application materials can be found at [http://militaryfamilies.extension.org/yes-intern-program/application-requirements/](http://militaryfamilies.extension.org/yes-intern-program/application-requirements/).
Save the Date: California 4-H Film Festival
May 31, 2013 at UC Davis, part of the State 4-H Field Day
Films due May 5, 2014
The 2014 theme will be announced in January at:
http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Events/SFD/State_4-H_Film_Festival/

National 4-H Film Festival in 2014
August 3-6, 2014 in Missouri; films welcome from 4-H members across the U.S.
http://4h.missouri.edu/filmfest. The National 4-H Film Festival will invite youth produced videos/films to be submitted for viewing and judging.

New 4-H curriculum: Steps to a Healthy Teen
Steps to a Healthy Teen helps youth develop skills and knowledge in physical education and nutrition. For a curriculum overview please visit:
https://nationalfourthcouncil.adobeconnect.com/_a701077731/p3z93c5muzd/?launcher=false&fcsContent=true&pbMode=normal

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Kern County Fashion Revue 2014

"California Grown, California Sewn"

In order to stay more in line with the State Fashion Revue, please note that some of our categories have changed/been cut. Please find the following categories to enter for the 2014 year:

**Traditional:** A traditionally sewn garment/outfit made by the member
(member must be in sewing project)

**Consumer Education:** $40 limit for everything showing including shoes, jewelry and accessories, but not sales tax. Receipts are required, with purchases made during the 2013-2014 4-H year. Receipts can be handwritten if from garage sales, thrift shops, etc. (member does not have to be enrolled in specific project to participate)

**Upcycled:** Involves taking at least one existing garment and turning it into a completely new, different, and usable garment. The outfit must also include an accessory made from something that wasn’t originally an accessory. A before photograph is **required** showing the beginning garment. (member must be in sewing project)

**Denim Challenge:** Sew a wearable garment out of woven cotton denim, any type or color.
Sew or purchase additional garments to complete the outfit. There is no specific pattern requirement. (member must be in sewing project)

**Apron Challenge:** Create an apron from McCall’s 6132 or 6476. Use of one of these patterns is required. The member may make the pattern larger or smaller to fit and embellish the apron but not change the basic design. Sew or purchase additional garments to compliment the apron. (member must be in sewing project)