MAY 2017

1 All Star Applications Due

13 Horse Show

20 Online Record Book Training 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

*22 Horse Leader Meeting - 6:30 p.m.

*23 Leader Council Meeting - 7:00 p.m.

29 Memorial Day Holiday UCCE Office Closed

JUNE 2017

*6 Final Medal Testing

10 Rifle Match - Five Dogs Range

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Would you like your club featured in next month’s newsletter?

Do you have a photo for the newsletter?
E-mail event info & photos to cekern@ucdavis.edu

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE!
Articles/photos for the next issue of
The 4-H Network
must be received by May 20th
Kern County 4-H
1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue
Bakersfield CA 93307-2851
Phone: 661-868-6200
Fax: 661-868-6208 or cekern@ucdavis.edu

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County Clover bud Project Update

The “Share my Favorite Animal Day” for Clover buds has been cancelled. The event was scheduled for June 17th at the fairgrounds. Providing this information at this early date will allow families to make the date

Rabbit/Cavy Showmanship Clinics
A series of showmanship clinics for 4-H members in the rabbit and cavy projects have been scheduled for the summer months. The clinics will help 4-H exhibitors prepare for the Kern County Fair showmanship classes. Each session will be held at the UC Cooperative Extension Office, 1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue in Bakersfield. The dates and times are listed below. If you have any questions, contact Armando Cabrera at 661-472-8886.
Monday June 19 7:00 p.m.
Monday July 31 7:00 p.m.

What to Put in Your Show Box
The Kern County 4-H project chairs have begun to put together lists of items that should be in a 4-H members show box when at the fair or other exhibitions. So far we have received lists for the horse project, the dairy goat project and the dog project. Thank you to Kimberly Hill, Tammy Lindley and Claudia Burk for supplying those lists. To view the lists you can visit the link below under the heading “Miscellaneous Kern County Fair Resources”:

http://cekern.ucanr.edu/Youth_Development/4-H_Events/
We will post additional lists as we receive them.

MAY PROJECT MEETING

- FRIDAY THE 19TH AT 6:30 PM @ THE SOTO HOME

PLEASE CONTACT LEADERS OMAR & NAOMIE SOTO FOR ADDRESS @ 661-412-1522 OR 661-412-1599 OR EMAIL naomies28@gmail.com

WE HAVE JUST 2 MEETINGS LEFT! MAY MEETING WILL BE A WALK TO THE PARK WITH OUR LLAMAS, MEDAL TESTING REVIEW AND SOME FAIR TALK.
Kern County Fair Livestock Entries Online

The 2017 Livestock Catalog is now available online for your reference. http://www.kerncountyfair.com/p/livestock/livestockinfo. The fair is happy to announce that we will be accepting online entries for the livestock department this year.  https://kern.fairmanager.com/

Before signing on to our online entry system, please go to www.kerncountyfair.com and look at the Livestock Catalog. Please make sure you have read the appropriate rules and regulations before entering. Leaders & Advisors: If you are entering for your members, choose Quick Group. You will be able to enter several exhibitors and check out all in the same cart.

You are also able to pay for the blocking chutes, goat and lamb tables, extra passes (admission & parking) through this entry process. If you are entering a registered animal or a Kern Bred & Fed class, you must upload your registration papers or your Kern Bred & Fed Form after check out. Online entries may be entered up until 11:59 PM on your respective closing date. Be sure to fill out all required fields. Incomplete entries will not be accepted.

No late entries or late entry receipts will be accepted.

If you have any questions regarding this new entry process, please contact the front desk at 661-833-4900 during regular business hours or email livestock@kerncountyfair.com.

*Be sure to follow the directions emailed to you after submitting your entry online to complete the process. Regular entries will still be accepted by mail, or walked in to the administration office at 1142 South P Street, Bakersfield, CA, 93307.

Kern County 4-H Dog Project

Dog Classes meetings on Thursdays

When: May 4, 11, 18 and 25

Where: Fruitvale Park

Time: 6:00 p.m.

*Please RSVP to Claudia Burk at 661-393-1914 or 661-303-8343

Please note: June 24 is the Dog Progress Show at the Kern County Fairgrounds starting at 8:00 a.m.

Rally, Obedience, and Showmanship will be offered
Internet Café Workshop

The ORB Internet Café provides staff, volunteers and members instruction on using California 4-H’s Online Record Book System. The café is a 3-hour workshop that combines presentation, hands-on practice and group discussion. Participants will need to be at a computer with internet access and have either the ability to communicate through their computer (webcam) or a phone line.

✦ Overview of the Features & Functions in the Online Record Book
✦ Navigating the forms in the Online Record Book
✦ Project & Club Leader Functions and Approving Forms
✦ Maximizing your ORB experience—How to use ORB to be efficient and save time

ORB INTERNET CAFÉ LOGIN INFORMATION

WHEN: SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2017
TIME: 1 PM-4PM

PRE-REGISTRATION FOR THIS WORKSHOP IS NOT REQUIRED! YOU WILL NEED TO LOGIN USING THE INFORMATION BELOW:

YOU ARE ENCOURAGED TO TEST YOUR COMPUTER’S COMPATIBILITY AND TO UPDATE IT WITH ANY NECESSARY APPLICATION DOWNLOADS PRIOR TO THE WEBINAR.

MEETING LINK: HTTPS://UCANR.ZOOM.US/J/855912227

TELEPHONE:

DIAL: +1 408 638 0968 (US TOLL) OR +1 646 558 8656 (US TOLL)

MEETING ID: 855 912 227
2017 TULARE COUNTY 4-H
TRAP & SKEET SHOOTING MATCH
SATURDAY JUNE 3, 2017
Tulare County Trap Club
West of Rd 80 on Ave 328 Visalia
Check in 8:00 AM, Mandatory Shooters Meeting 9:00 AM
Match hosted by Elbow Creek 4-H

The match is open to 4-H members enrolled in shooting sports from Tulare, Kings, Kern, Fresno and Madera Counties. Age is determined by member’s age as of 12-31-2016

Age Divisions:          Junior        9 & 10 years old
                        Intermediate   11, 12, & 13 years old
                        Senior         14 years & up

Cost: Trap - $10.00 per shooter for 2 rounds of Trap.
      Skeet - $10.00 per shooter for 2 rounds of Skeet

Shooters must provide their own shotgun shells. No reloads permitted.

Registration must be postmarked by May 26, 2017. The range will be open for practice from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM, Cost $5.00 per round.

Rules: Trap - Shooters will shoot two rounds of twenty five targets from 16 yards. Amateur Trapshooting Association (ATA) rules will be followed.
      Skeet - Shooters will shoot two rounds of twenty five targets, NSSA rules will apply.

Match Awards – Awards will be given to the top 5 shooters in each age division.

REGISTRATION FORM

Participant’s Name ___________________________ Club ___________________________
Age as of 12/31/2015 _________ Birthday _______________ Phone # ( ) ________
Trap ___________ Skeet ___________ Trap & Skeet ________
Signature of Participant: ___________________________________________
Signature of Parent: _______________________________________________
Signature of Shooting Sports Leader: _________________________________

For more information call Don O’Dell. 559-627-2203 or 559-972-4771
Return form to Tulare County Trap Match, 4437 – B S. Laspina St, Tulare CA 93274
Make checks payable to Tulare County 4-H Leader Council
Countywide Position Nomination Form

Please fill out the following form for yourself or someone you feel would be a good fit for one of our Countywide positions. Return to: Amy Andrews, 1031 S. Mount Vernon Ave, Bakersfield, Ca, 93307; by June 15th! Nominees should be currently registered 4-H Volunteer Leaders. The “Teen Chairperson” positions are designed for high school aged members, who are already in some sort of leadership role. Please see the back of this page for descriptions. Multiple people are allowed to be nominated in any one position. Voting will be held at the 4-H Leader’s Council meeting in June. You can also fill out online at: http://ucanr.edu/chairnomination

Please fill out the following information of the person who is being nominated:

Name: __________________________

Club: ___________________________ Phone: __________________________

Email: __________________________

Are you nominating yourself or someone else? □ Self Nominating □ Someone else

Position Nominated For:*  

- □ Council President  - □ Cavy Chairperson  - □ Horse Chairperson  - □ Pygmy Goats Chairperson  
- □ Council Vice President  - □ Teen Cavy Chair  - □ Teen Horse Chair  - □ Teen Pygmy Goat Chair  
- □ Council Treasurer  - □ Clothing & Textiles Chairperson  - □ Judging Teams Chairperson  - □ Rabbit Chairperson  
- □ Council Secretary  - □ Teen Clothing & Textiles Chair  - □ Teen Judging Team Chair  - □ Teen Rabbit Chair  
- □ Home Economics Coordinator  - □ Cloverbud Chairperson  - □ Market Goats Chairperson  - □ Rockety Chairperson  
- □ Field Day Coordinator  - □ Teen Cloverbud Chair  - □ Teen Market Goat Chair  - □ Teen Rockety Chair  
- □ Kern County Fair Board Liaison  - □ Dairy Cattle Chairperson  - □ Teen Dairy Cattle Chair  - □ Teen Sheep Chair  
- □ South Central Sectional 4-H Leaders Council Liaisons  - □ Teen Dairy Goat Chair  - □ Teen Dairy Goat Chair  - □ Sheep Chairperson  
- □ Visibility & Public Relations Coordinator  - □ B.I.G. Chairperson  - □ Teen Dog Care & Training Chair  - □ Teen Sheep Chair  
- □ Alpaca Chairperson  - □ Teen B.I.G. Chair  - □ Teen Dog Care & Training Chair  - □ Teen Sheep Chair  
- □ Beef Cattle Chairperson  - □ Teen Alpaca Chair  - □ Teen B.I.G. Chair  - □ Teen Sheep Chair  

* Please choose only one (1) position for nomination. For all position descriptions and all the responsibilities and expectations of these positions, please see the attached sheet.

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Countywide Coordinators, Liaisons & Project Chair Descriptions and Responsibilities:

**Home Economics Coordinator:** It shall be the duty of the Home Economics Coordinator to work with a committee to plan the Home Economics events for the county, maintain communications with the various Home Economics Chairpersons regarding major events, or project training opportunities, and serve as a resource leader for the volunteers in Home Ec. related Fields.

**Field Day Coordinator:** It shall be the duty of the Field Day Coordinator to work with a committee to plan a 4-H Field Day, serve as a resource leader for the volunteers in ag related projects, and maintain communications with the Ag Chairpersons regarding major events, or project training opportunities.

**Kern County Fair Board (KCFB) Liaison:** It shall be the duty of the KCFB Liaison to act as a means of direct communication between the 4-H YDP and KCFB. Duties include: attending the KCFB meetings as a representative of 4-H YDP, delivering and discussing the annual 4-H Fair Review meeting notes to the appropriate contact, as well as heading a record book review committee to verify the eligibility of members to show at the Kern County Fair.

**South Central Sectional (SCS) 4-H Leader’s Council Liaisons:** Kern County is responsible for up to five (5) representatives with a least one (1) youth delegate, 9th grade and above. Adult delegates shall be elected for two (2) year terms and youth delegates to a one (1) year term. SCS Liaisons will be responsible for attending the South Central Sectional Leader’s Council meetings, via conference call/web cam, or in person, and reporting back to Kern County Leader’s Council. Mileage will be paid for the travel to and from meetings at the rate of $20 (twenty cents) per mile.

**Visibility & Public Relations Coordinator:** It shall be the duties of the Recruitment & Public Relations Coordinator to develop, coordinate and direct public relations activities to: a) increase awareness of 4-H in the community, b) to promote opportunities in 4-H, and c) to encourage and increase member and adult volunteer participation. This will include: news releases, media contacts, searching for outlets/opportunities to promote and advocate on behalf of the Kern County 4-H YDP and its events. This position will have a budget set forth by Kern County Leader’s Council to assist with related costs.

**Countywide Chair Position Responsibilities:**
- Coordinate and hold periodic leader meetings to establish project needs.
- Encourage and establish industry related field trips and learning experiences.
- Coordinate and assist with county events as appropriate, i.e. a 4-H Field Day project presentation or demonstration, hosting a project progress show, etc.
- Keep a record book for all of the activities to be forwarded to the new chairman.
- Attend Council meetings.

If no Teen Chairperson, responsibilities will also include:
- Coordinate and or assist with project medal testing as deemed necessary, including developing and keeping current project tests and study guides.
- Submit something monthly to the ‘Project Chair’ section of 4-H Newsletter, i.e. projects, information, upcoming shows/training opportunities, etc.

**Teen Chair Positions:**
- Attend Council meetings.
- Coordinate and or assist with project medal testing as deemed necessary, including developing and keeping current project tests and study guides.
- Submit something monthly to the ‘Project Chair’ section of 4-H Newsletter, i.e. projects, information, upcoming shows/training opportunities, etc.

* as taken from the Kern County 4-H Leader’s Council by-laws
State 4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Check out our statewide calendar of events, dates & deadlines!

June
6/10 Open invitation: CA 4-H State Management Board Meeting
6/16-20 California Focus
6/18 SLC Late Registration ends
6/24-7/01 Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF)
6/24-7/05 Extended Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF)
6/30 Raise your Hand Campaign Ends
July
7/16-20 Leadership Washington Focus (LWF)
7/20-23 2017 State Leadership Conference (SLC)
7/31 Spark Surveys Deadline

Leadership
The State Leadership Conference Planning Team is hard at work planning for conference. SLC a leadership conference for 4-H youth ages 13-19. The 2017 SLC will be held at UC Davis on July 20-23, 2017. If you are a recent 4-H alumni consider applying to be a Program Assistant please take a look at Program Assistant Page for more information on PAs. For more information on SLC check out the SLC Event Page on the state website.
Important SLC Dates:
Week of April 3rd: SLC Early Bird Registration ends
Week of May 23rd: SLC Regular registration ends
July 20-23: State Leadership Conference

Management Board Updates
Open invitation: CA 4-H State Management Board Meetings
Want to find out what is happening in 4-H? Do you have a topic you want to see discussed? The State Management Board will meet in Davis on the following dates in 2017: April 30th, Saturday, June 10th, and Saturday, August 19th. You can attend in person or call in. Mark these dates on your calendar and check for details closer to the meeting dates. Contact Sue Garcia, Secretary, CA 4-H State Management Board for any questions.

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM)
2017 4-H National Youth Science Day— National 4-H Council and 4-H National Headquarters officially announced the 2017 4-H National Youth Science Day Challenge: Incredible Wearables! Developed by University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Incredible Wearables is a hands-on project that challenges young people to use the engineering design process to build a wearable fitness tracking device that will help people lead healthier lifestyles. Along the way, young people will learn how circuits, sensors and health data can be blended with fashion and function to create a viable wearable tech product. The Challenge Kit will be available for pre-sale starting in April.

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California 4-H Foundation Updates

"Raise Your Hand" to pay it forward to the next generation of 4-H’ers! Join the California 4-H Alumni & Friends Network and help California win $20,000! This spring, California 4-H is asking alumni & friends to raise their hands! It’s easy! March 1 through June 30th:
1. Raise Your Hand: Go to www.4-H.org.Raise-Your-Hand and scroll down to the form to show your pride as a 4-H alumni & friend.
2. Compete for California: Raising your hand is a vote towards a $20,000, $10,000, or $5,000 award for the states with the most alumni hands raised. If California wins, prize money will support mini-grants to counties to launch or support "Teens as Teachers" programming.
3. Pay it Forward: Tweet, post, and share the link, along with your #4Hgrown experience: www.4-H.org.Raise-Your-Hand
Or support and tag fellow alumni and ask them to raise their hands for their state!

Thank you for helping kids learn responsibility, compassion, respect, and the value of hard work by supporting 4-H. Together we can grow the next generation of true leaders!

Mary Ciricillo | Director, Annual Giving | California 4-H Foundation

USDA seeking mentors to assist with vocational agricultural education project in Haiti

With funding from U.S. Agency for International Development, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) is managing a vocational agricultural education capacity building program in Haiti focused on reestablishing three vocational agricultural schools throughout the country. USDA is seeking mentors to assist with guiding students and teachers toward satisfying Student Agricultural Experiences learning. Mentors must be willing to travel and work in Dondon, Haiti for at least a 3-week period. If you are interested or need additional information, please contact Patty Fulton, USDA-National Institute of Food and Agriculture, 202-690-3852; cell – 202-531-0629.
State 4-H Advisory Committees - Applications are open until May 31.
Do you want to be more involved in helping to determine the direction of 4-H? Do you have ideas that you would like to share and work with a team to implement? If so, consider applying for one of the State 4-H Advisory Committees. The State 4-H Advisory Committees provide leadership and offer insight, review and input to the Statewide 4-H Director for the operation and management of the 4-H Youth Development Program. Youth and adult volunteers are encouraged to apply! Learn more on the State Advisory Committee page.

California 4-H Foundation Updates

Spring Tractor Supply Campaign April 26 – May 7
The Spring Tractor Supply Campaign is here! Tractor Supply Companies throughout California will once again adorn their stores with green paper clovers in support of 4-H!

Last Fall Tractor Supply Paper Clover raised over $55,000 for California! The top 4 California stores were located in the counties of Humboldt, San Bernardino, Sutter and Stanislaus!

Funding supports scholarships for youth to attend 4-H camps and 4-H leadership conferences. Stop by your local tractor supply store between April 26 and May 7, and add a clover in support of our 4-H youth!

For questions, please contact Tammie Erhard at tjerhard@ucanr.edu.

3 National 4-H Campaigns – resources on Branding Toolkit page

March 1 – June 30, 2017
Purpose: Identify 4-H alumni youth, families & volunteers
Goal: Have the most California 4-H alumni sign up on 4-H.org/Raise_your_Hand to win up to $20k towards teen leadership development

April 1 – April 30, 2017
Purpose: Celebrate Volunteer Appreciation Month with a month of service, culminating in National 4-H Day of Service on April 29.
Goal: Register service learning and service projects at 4-H.org/TrueLeadersinService

April 26 – May 7, 2017
Purpose: Raise funds for 4-H camps and youth leadership programs
Goal: Support Tractor Supply partnership and community giving towards 4-H
2017-2018 State Program Fee Increase

Dear 4-H Families,

4-H is the first and largest youth development organization in the world, and for over 100 years has been preparing young people ages 5 to 19 with the skills they need to lead for a lifetime. The University of California, Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources administers 4-H and provides significant support to cover operational costs, including funding for nearly half of all county-based staff positions and all Advisor positions.

Annual program fees paid by members and volunteers help support fundamental services, including insurance, program development, resources, events, required online systems, and staff to sustain and enhance exceptional programming for nearly 92,400 members and 13,500 adult volunteers.

Over the next five years, state program fees are projected to increase to cover increased costs for program operations. For the 2017-2018 program year, starting July 1, 2017, fees will be $46 for youth and $16 for adult volunteers. We believe that 4-H should be accessible to everyone and, therefore, fee waivers will continue to be available for qualifying families (contact the local County 4-H Office for more information). 4-H is still relatively inexpensive compared to other youth activities such as youth football or soccer (which start at several hundred dollars a season). And, youth who participate in 4-H are more likely to excel in school, participate and be interested in science, make more healthy choices, contribute to their communities and thrive today and in the future. The lifelong benefits are priceless!

The State 4-H Office will continue to raise funds to help alleviate projected increases and develop new revenue streams to support 4-H in order to keep costs as low as possible for families.

Scholarship, Award, & Grant Opportunities

**Hispanic and Latino Students Scholarship Guide**

**Diamond Clover Award**—This is the highest achievement for which a 4-H youth member is recognized. All youth members who achieve the requirements are eligible to receive this award. Awardees receive the California Diamond Clover Pin or Necklace Charm, a certificate and a recognition letter. Applications are accepted year round. Applications are reviewed by the 4-H Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee and awarded quarterly. Find more information **here**.

**Home Depot Community Impact Grants**—Grants, up to $5,000, are available to non-profit organizations and tax-exempt public service agencies in the U.S. that are using the power of volunteers to improve the physical health of their community. Grants are given in the form of The Home Depot gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, or services.

**Best Buy Foundation Community Grants**—Deadline May 19, 2017 The Best Buy Foundation is looking to support your afterschool and summer program that helps youth develop 21st-century technology skills. The Best Buy Foundation’s annual Community Grants are awarded to programs that provide computer programming, digital imaging, music production, robotics, and mobile app development experience to students ages 13-18. The Best Buy Foundation provides one-year grants up to $10,000, with the average grant award of $5,000.
4-H State Cooking Competition - at the California State Fair JULY 25th

July may seem far way, but it’s the season for cooking! 4-H members 9 and older are invited to participate in the 4-H State Cooking Competition at the California State Fair. In preparation for this event we suggest Project Leaders use the Cooking 101 curriculum (available here: [Cooking 101 curriculum](#)). Teams will consist of 3 youth members and will compete at a self-selected level of Beginner, Intermediate, or Advanced levels. See division descriptions below.

Divisions:

Beginner: Beginner teams will prepare one healthy main entree dish. Beginner teams will use predetermined and pre-approved recipes and are not required to incorporate a secret ingredient. Each team will have 15 minutes to gather items from the pantry, and then 60 minutes to cook their dish. A panel of judges will taste and determine the winning team!

Intermediate: Intermediate teams must prepare a healthy three course meal consisting of an appetizer, entrée, and dessert using provided recipes. They are required to incorporate a secret ingredient. Each team will have 15 minutes to gather foods from the pantry, and then 60 minutes to cook a three course meal. A panel of judges will taste all courses prepared and determine the winning team!

Advanced: Advanced teams must prepare an appetizer, main course, and dessert without the use of recipes. Cookbooks are not allowed for Advanced competitors. All dishes must incorporate a secret ingredient that will be revealed at the competition. Each team will have 15 minutes to prep and then 60 minutes to cook a three course meal. A panel of judges will taste all courses prepared and determine the Champion!

Notes:

- Each team may bring one tool to use during competition.
- Each team must wash their dishes and return them after competition.

Limited spots are available, so if you would like to participate in the 2017 4-H Cooking Competition start preparing now using [4-H Cooking 101](#) and plan to register for team here: [https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=19404](https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=19404)

Happy healthy cooking!
Anne

**Other Updates**

SFR service projects for 2017 are Cancer Heart Pillows and quilt squares for Quilts of Honor. 4-H members are invited to sew the heart pillows and quilt squares at home, at project meetings and at county events. Get together with your friends and learn more about the American Cancer Society, cancer hospitals, and Quilts of Honor. See the flyers on the SFR website for patterns, directions, how to donate, and who to contact with questions. The Cancer Heart Pillows can be distributed in local communities or brought to SFR. The quilt squares or quilt tops are brought to SFR where they will be sorted by pattern then donated to the Quilts of Honor volunteers who will finish the quilts. They are presented to veterans during honor ceremonies. Your thoughtful donations will touch the lives of many. The State Fashion Revue event has five categories for 2017. Members qualify in their home counties to enter in Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased $40 limit, Upcycled, and the two challenge categories - Stripe/Print/Plaid Challenge and the Knit Challenge. Please review the category rules and general SFR policies on the [website](#). If you have questions, contact [Sue Moore](#), SFR Registrar.

**Gift Certificate Program**- Don’t know what to get that 4-Her in your life for the holidays or a birthday or just because? How about a [Gift Certificate](#) for a Statewide Conference?

#UCANR4H
KERN COUNTY 4-H FIREWORKS BOOTH!!

July 1st through July 4th
13011 Stockdale Highway
(Sonic Shopping Center)

Clubs are required to work 2-3 hour shifts.
Must be 18 and over to work.
Please call Teresa Andrews at 661-979-1003
to schedule shifts.

RIFLE MATCH

Saturday, June 20, 2017
8:00 am at 5 Dogs Range

A small bore (.22 caliber) rifle match for 4-H members enrolled in the shooting sports project will be held at 5 Dogs Range.

Start time is 8:00 a.m. For more information contact Orville Andrews at 661-201-0708.
Tuesday, May 9th at 6:00 pm at the 4-H office is the next opportunity for Project Medal Level Testing. Please remember you may only pass one level per project per year. You may take a maximum of three tests at one event if time permits. All testing done in November and February has been scored and recorded. Results are in the newsletter. Archery and Shooting Sports are hands on tests and must be taken at designated events with qualified leaders.

We are still in the process of updating and rewriting for some projects. If any leaders are interested in working on tests that do not have project chairs, please contact the office. Tests currently unavailable include: Beef, Clothing, Photography, Music, Plant Science, and Rocketry.

These tests need to be updated, a study guide provided, and answer sheets made for ease of scoring.

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Premier 4H members participated in 2017 Kern County Presentation Day and Viva La Pizza
Congratulations!
Premier 4H Club has been learning some interesting new things lately. At our April meeting we had a certified CPR instructor demonstrate life saving techniques with our group. As you can see, the members got really involved. Even though it wasn't a certification class, we learned a lot. Many of our older members plan on taking a certification class soon.

Jack Whitaker
Premier 4H Club Vice President
# 2017 Presentation Day Awards

## SENIORS
- Gabrielle Ansolabehere, Gold
- Annica Bennette, Gold
- Anastasya Bryant, Gold
- Nolan Byers, Gold
- Claire Hall, Blue
- Maile Pryor, Gold

## JUNIORS
- Sophie Ansolabehere, Gold
- Annyka Bryant, Blue
- Michael Cobb, Gold
- Olivia Loyd, Gold
- Mason Pearson, Blue
- Zoey Wilkerson, Blue

## INTERMEDIATES
- Isabella Actis, Gold
- Isabelle Ansolabehere, Blue
- Areyke Bryant, Blue
- Gabrielle Camou, Gold
- Sophia Camou, Gold
- Haylie Cobb, Gold
- Maysie Hall, Blue
- Alyssa Jimenez, Blue
- Moria Loyd, Gold
- Olivia Loyd, Gold
- Kaylee Lytle, Gold
- Isabelle McAvoy, Gold
- Alynah Trevino, Gold
- Brea Trevino, Gold
- Luka Zaninovich, Gold
The University of California Cooperative Extension Office of Kern County welcomes Sue McKinney to the staff as a 4-H Program Representative. Sue is a lifelong resident of Bakersfield. She attended Bakersfield College, where she enjoyed many different classes which included biology, horticulture and woodworking. She graduated from Cal State Bakersfield with a degree in Business Administration. Sue has been involved with 4-H for about ten years. Her daughter wanted to live on a farm since she was very little. Although they don’t live on a farm, 4-H enabled them both to enjoy an agricultural lifestyle. They have made a lot of friends in 4-H and had some wonderful adventures. In her spare time Sue enjoys working on restoring her vintage trailer. Sue feels honored to be a part of the Kern County 4-H team and is excited to be able to help others grow and experience 4-H. She will be available for your 4-H needs every afternoon except Thursday.
So you think you might want to be in the Cavy Project?

By Cassie Smith of Tehachapi Mountain 4-H

Cavies or guinea pigs are small and easy animals to take care of. You can have just one. Cavies are great house pets if you just want one. They don't smell bad as long as you clean their cage at least every 4-5 days.

There are 13 breeds of Cavies. Abyssinian, Abyssinian Satin American, American Satin, Cornet, Peruvian, Peruvian Satin, Silkie, Silkie Satin, Teddy, Teddy Satin, Texel and White Crested. Americans make the best cavy for the first time shower. They have easy coat care and are super easy to handle. The best place to learn and see cavies is at a show. You can see how they are judged and ask breeders questions and maybe talk to the cavy judge after the show. Most breeders and judges are happy to talk to new kids in the hobby. It's always good to do your research before you buy your cavy.

Once you have found your cavy, housing and caring for them is pretty easy. First make sure you have proper housing. Minimum of 18x18 with at least 15 inches high cage is needed with wire-free bottom. We have also kept ours in plastic bins and left the lids off. The cavies will need shavings or wood pellets which must be cedar-free. There are lots of different ways to house your cavy, so do a little research and see what works best for you and your new cavy.

Cavies will not eat unless they have water, so always make sure they have water. You also have to provide them a high quality feed pellet. There are many different feed suppliers. It's best to stick with what the breeder uses. You also need to provide extra vitamin C. Cavies do not store vitamin C in their bodies like other animals do. The best way is to add vitamin C powder to their water. You can also feed them fruits and veggies high in vitamin C such as yellow bell peppers and carrots. Don't forget to give them love - lots of love.

Showing your cavy, first thing, make sure it has a tag in its left ear. This is to ID the cavy to the judge without knowing who the exhibitor is. Be sure to enter in the correct class as there are at least 22 varieties for each breed. You also want to make sure you enter by correct age and sex. There are 6 show classifications: Junior boars and sows, Intermediate boars and sows and Senior boars and sows. The best book on showing is the ARBA standard or perfection for rabbits and cavies. Another way to show your cavy is by showmanship. Showmanship is doing an examination of your cavy for a judge.

This is a condensed version to give you a basic idea what having a cavy is all about. Other resources are Cavy Resource Handbook A4-H Guide to Guinea Pigs which is available at www.4-hmall.org. There is also the American Cavy Breeders Association at www.acbaonline.com and American Rabbit Breeders Association www.arba.org.
I would also like to invite everyone to the Kern County Rabbit Breeders Backyard Rabbit and Cavy show May 20th at the Kern Ag Pavilion. There will be a single cavy show judge by Sharon Baker who will be happy to talk to any one new to cavies. There will also be breeders to talk to and purchase cavies from.

Me and My Cavies Texel, Teddy and American.

Texels are my favorite Breed.
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!!!

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

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/

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!
Check Us Out!!!

Kern County 4-H is stepping up our high tech skills! We now have the ability to send out TEXT reminders about upcoming events, deadlines, meetings, updates, etc. If you’d like to sign up for our updates, please follow the steps below!

Kern County 4-H would like you to join Kern County 4-H Updates!

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