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Kern County Fair ---
New Website:  www.kerncountyfair.com
Entries for Livestock - Please refer to the Fair Catalog for entry dates and tagging information. Community Club Leaders who have children exhibiting at the Kern County Fair aren't allowed to sign their entry forms, they need to have the club co-leader or 4-H staff member sign the entry.
Fair Livestock Questions contact Teresa Andrews 661-979-1003 text with name and message
Fair Harvest Hall Questions contact Ana Williams 661-747-9242 call or text with name and message

September 15th, 16th, and 19th
Harvest Hall Exhibits DUE! Refer to Fair Book!

September 16th – Fair Work Day

Kern County Fair - September 20th through October 1st

October 2nd – Harvest Hall Exhibits Released
Please pick up your entries

October 10th – After Fair Meeting
6:00 p.m. at the UCCE Kern Office

November 11th - 4-H Field Day Kern County Fair Grounds
Includes: Medal Testing, Bake Day, Fashion Revue and much more!
More information will be in the October newsletter
Questions contact Meredith Hendricks @ 661-322-1677

Updates to Leader Council Bylaws & Constitution

Revisions to the Kern County 4-H Leader Council bylaws and constitution are being proposed. The most current version and the proposed changes are posted at:

http://cekern.ucanr.edu/Youth_Development/Kern_County_4-H_Council/

The proposed changes will be discussed at the next Leader Council meeting on October 24th
NOTES FROM THE SHEEP BARN

September 2017

CONGRATULATIONS, your 2017 project year is coming to a close, with only one more important event, The Great Kern County Fair.

Now it’s time to present your project and collect your rewards for all your hard work.

1. You have chosen your project.
2. You have fed your project out right.
3. You have maintained a clean and healthy environment for your project.
4. Now it’s time to reap the harvest for all of your hard work.

Remember our goal is to produce a group one market lamb, a GROUP ONE is the best grade for a market class. If you receive a group one this means you did a great job picking, feeding, and caring for your project lamb.

As Larry “The Cable Guy” would say LET'S ALL GO OUT THERE AND GIT ‘R’ DONE 😊

IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE KERN COUNTY FAIR

- SEPT. 20TH BE ON GROUNDS NO LATER THAN 10:00PM
- SEPT. 21ST WEIGH IN - SCALES OPEN AT 11AM
- SEPT. 23RD MARKET SHEEP, PEN OF SIX. CHECK FOR CLASS AND TIME 8AM. LADIES AND LADS 7PM SHEEP SHOW RING
- SEPT. 24TH SHEEP SHOWMANSHIP
• SEPT. 25TH KERN BRED AND FED 8AM FOLLOWED BY EWE CLASS DECLARE FOR AUCTION 8:30AM - 5PM CLOSED. PEEWEE SHOWMANSHIP FOLLOWED BY ADULT 7PM
• SEPT. 29TH AUCTION 1PM MARKET LAMB

BREEDING SHEEP PROJECT MEMBERS

• SEPT. 19TH ON GROUNDS BY 10PM
• SEPT. 20TH BREEDING SHOW 10AM. SHEEP RELEASED AFTER SHOW

GETTING YOUR EWES READY FOR BREEDING SEASON

• WORM THEM
• SHEAR THEM, TRIM FEET
• CHECK FOR ANY HEALTH ISSUES OR PROBLEMS GETTING YOUR RAM READY FOR BREEDING SEASON
• WORM THEM
• SHEAR THEM, TRIM FEET
• CHECK FOR ANY HEALTH PROBLEMS

ALWAYS FIRST:

CHECK WITH YOUR PROJECT LEADER WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR IF HELP IS NEEDED.

GOOD LUCK TO ALL, I WISH YOU ALL THE VERY BEST THIS YEAR AT THE KERN COUNTY FAIR. I HOPE THIS HAS BEEN A GREAT 4-H EXPERIENCE FOR YOU.

CHARLIE FORESHEE

JUDI DOSER

4-H CO-COMMUNITY SHEEP LEADERS
4-H 2017 Officer Training

When: The 2017 Officer workshop will be on September 9th, 2017
Where at: It will be at the Kern County 4-H office
What time: 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

The Kern County 2017- 2018 4-H All-Stars will be having the 2017 4-H Officer training workshop. This is a good educational Officer workshop for any 4-H Officers interested in improving their leadership skills.

Contact Shannon Parks at northwest.4h@bak.rr.com or 661-703-2128 if any questions
Above Photo:
Austin, Aiden and Aaron with Calloway 4-H representing Kern County at the California Rodeo, Salinas Horse Parade and Grand Entry

Photo at Right:
Sami with Calloway representing Kern County Mounted Sheriff Posse at California Rodeo Salinas Parade and Grand Entry
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, the dog project and beef project. Thank you to Kimberly Hill, Tammy Lindley, Linda McPheeters 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/](http://cekern.ucanr.edu/Youth_Development/4-H_Events/) We will post additional lists as we receive them.
Kern County 4-H Member Places in State Archery Match

Each year Mendocino County hosts a state wide archery match. 4-H clubs shoot their targets locally and then send them to Mendocino County to be scored and compared to targets/scores from other 4-H members from around the state.

*Congratulations to our local competitor who placed in the competition*

3rd Place    Michael Cobb    Northwest 4-H Junior Compound Bow

4-H Shooting Sports National Championships

**June 24 – June 29, 2018**

**Grand Island, NE**

Applications are now being accepted for the 2018 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships in Grand Island, Nebraska. The applications and a list of expectations of potential California 4-H members wishing to participate in the event can be found at: [http://4h.ucanr.edu/?calitem=380208](http://4h.ucanr.edu/?calitem=380208)

Applications are due online or at the State 4-H Office by October 1, 2017. The online application can be accessed at: [https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=21623](https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=21623)

Additional information regarding the 2018 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships can be found at: [http://www.4-hshootingsports.org/nat_invite.php](http://www.4-hshootingsports.org/nat_invite.php)

4-H Camp Enthusiasts - Save the Date!

The 2018 4-H Camping Conference will be held April 6 - 8, 2018 at Redwood Glen in the Santa Cruz Mountains between San Francisco and Santa Cruz. The camping conference is a biannual event which provides 4-H teen leaders, volunteers and staff the opportunity to improve their camping programs and meet others who are just as passionate about camp as they are. The conference is filled with enlightening workshops, engaging activities, and new programming ideas. Additional information will follow!
4-H Shooting Sports Workshops

If you have an interest in sharing your Shooting Sports skills with youth, how about becoming a 4-H Shooting Sports adult volunteer or teen leader? There will be a variety of 4-H Shooting Sports leader certification trainings offered this fall. The classes will be held over a Saturday and Sunday weekend format at the Safety First Shooting Association, River Oaks Range, 11584 Shaffer Rd, Winton, in Merced County (center state). This class is being hosted by Merced County 4-H. You must become a 4-H leader or member and attend both days to receive certification to lead the shooting sports discipline of your choice 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, with Saturday and Sunday lite breakfast refreshments. Please bring your own lunch to the class. Junior and teen leaders are invited but must attend with an adult or have a certified shooting sports adult leader they will be assisting back home. Driving directions to the facility are at http://www.safetyfirstshooting.org/html/directions.html. Tent or Dry RV camping is an option. Numerous hotels are available in the area, contact Dave below for more info if needed.

To register, please complete and mail the “CA 4-H Shooting Sports Training Request and Registration Form” available at http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/4785.pdf with an adult http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/20100.pdf or youth http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/4726.pdf 4-H medical release form and a $35 check payable to “Merced County 4-H Council” and mail to UCCE, 2145 Wardrobe Ave, Merced, 95341. Registration is due Friday the week before your class (7 days prior), and Space is limited to 20 attendees. For more information call Dave at 209-614-1718 or Darlene McIntyre at 209-385-7418 or email her at dlmcintyre@ucanr.edu.

Archery – Sept 9 & 10th
Pistol – Sept 16 & 17th
Western Heritage – Oct 7 & 8th
Muzzle Loading – Oct 15 & 16th
Rifle – Nov 18 & 19th
Shotgun – Nov 18 & 19th
Archery – Dec 9 & 10th
Pistol – Dec 9 & 10th
Western Heritage – Jan 6 & 7th
Muzzle Loading – Jan 13 & 14th
There is still time...

JOIN HI 4H

Enrollment ends September 30th.

Qualifications:

Be enrolled in 9th. grade or above.

Want to be a leader in 4H and beyond.

Like to have fun with your peers.

Next meeting is Saturday, October 14th. at 11am.

It’s a swim party at the advisor’s house.

Call Ms. Kim, 661-863-8902, to confirm and get directions.
National 4-H Western Heritage Conference and Championship Shoot

The National 4-H Western Heritage Conference and Championship Shoot was held August 1 – 3, 2017 in historic Fort Benton, Montana. The 4-H Western Heritage Project combines a comprehensive study of the Old West with the fastest growing shooting sports discipline in the world – western action shooting. The purpose of this project is to provide an avenue for 4-H members and adult leaders to experience the lifestyles and cultures of the Old West from the period of around 1860-1900 through a living history approach to learning while instilling the concepts of firearms safety and personal responsibility. Members dress in Old West clothing, shoot replica firearms of the frontier period, and expand their knowledge of U.S. history.

This year, for the first time ever, a 4-H Western Heritage team from California attended this national event. Seven 4-H members from Kern County and one from Santa Clara travelled to Fort Benton to participate in the program. The youth participated in their county project and then attended their state event to prepare themselves. Although the program involves shooting, the emphasis is on education. The 4-H member’s entire score for the event is also comprised of how well s/he scores on a history test and their interviewing skills. Museum visits and more than thirty different educational sessions were available for the youth and their families to participate in.

Congratulations to the following Kern County 4-H members who placed at the event:

Junior Division - Girls Interview Skills
4th Place EmmaLee Lindley Kern County

Senior Division - Girls Interview Skills
3rd Place Christine Lindley Kern County
5th Place Hope Lindley Kern County

Senior Division – Rimfire Shooting
4th Place Garrett Hawks Kern County

Senior Division – Overall Top Hand
5th Place Garrett Hawks Kern County
2017 National 4-H Western Heritage Conference & Championship Shoot

Kern County 4-H Members at Fort Benton, Montana
The Desert Empire Fair is proud to present the Fall Equine Festival to be hosted at the Desert Empire Fairgrounds and Event Center in Ridgecrest. A variety of classes will be offered during this two day event. The dates are Saturday, October 7th and Sunday, October 8th. Western, English, 4-H, Walk Trot and Leadline divisions will be available for your options. Overnight stabling and dry camping are also available. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Candee Coffee at 760-371-5817.

See next following pages for Sponsorship, Entry and Class Forms.
Ridgerunners Open Horse Show Series  
Sponsorship Form

Dear 4H Supporter:

The Ridgerunners 4H Club of Ridgecrest, California, is excited to present Desert Empire Fair Fall Equine Festival. We expect this show to garner much regional attention, with exhibitors traveling from nearby Kern and Inyo communities, and Antelope Valley and Victorville cities. We are looking forward to combining our efforts to expand your business opportunities and to support the youth in their development of citizenship, leadership, helping others, and self-confidence through the 4H Program.

We hope that you will be able to take this opportunity to support our youth through sponsoring a class series or high point series for this underadjusting effort for our local 4H club. The funds raised through this horse show series will benefit The Desert Empire Fair Fall Equine Festival, and The Ridgecrest Optimist Club, Ridgerunner 4-H.

Sponsorship Opportunities:

(1) - Show Series High Point Sponsorship ................. $200
(3) - Show High Point Sponsorships ....................... $150
(34) - Class Sponsorships ................................ $100
All Around Sponsorship ..................................... Any amount

Please feel free to contact Candee Coffee at 760-371-5817 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Candee Coffee  
Ridgerunners 4H Horse Project Leader,  
Owner/Trainer of C&C Stables

Receipt for non-profit Ridgerunners 4H (tax ID #90-0527557) Open Horse Show Series Sponsorship

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This event is a horse show for both English and Western disciplines. There will be awards to first place in each class and ribbons for 1st through 6th places. There will be High Point awards for the following: Walk-Trot, 4-H, Junior and Senior, 17 & Under, and 18 & Over divisions. High Point is based on one horse/one rider. The Jeffery James Becker Memorial Sportsmanship Award will be awarded to 4-H. The Leroy McKellips will be awarded to 18 & Over and the Velma Pickrell to 17 & Under. Plan to bring your equine friends and come for a great day of sportsmanship and camaraderie. Join us for FUN! As always, we're waiting to greet you.

**Dates of Event:** October 7th and 8th
**Location:** Desert Empire Fairgrounds and Event Center, 529. Richmond Rd, Ridgecrest CA
**Time:** Entry booth opens at 7 am Show starts at 8 am.
**Attire:** Western-approved helmets are required for ages 17 & under. Western hats permissible for riders 18 & over, long-sleeved western shirt, jeans, belt, boots and chaps (optional). English - approved helmets are required for age 17 & under. Show Helmet, breeches, belt, polo shirt, Hunt Coat (optional).
**Pre-entry Fees:** $7.00 per class
**Post Entry Fees:** $1.00 per class
**Stall Fees:** $20.00 per night - Please clean stalls after use - no bedding provided
**For Questions Contact:** Show Mgr. Candee Coffee 760-371-5817

**Participant Rules:**
No cross entering any division - no exceptions! Absolutely no cross entering from Lead Line to Walk Trot division or Walk-Trot-Lope.
No listed age division may cross enter to another age division regardless of circumstance except 4-H classes open to English or Western. Classes are open to Western or English riders. A food and beverage booth will be available on the grounds (including breakfast).

**Definitions:**
Lead Line Trail Class: Restricted to Lead-Line riders only. Age: age of Jr Rider is the age of January 1 regardless of age on the date of the event.
Desert Empire Fair
Fall Equine Festival
Entry Form

Show Date ___________ Entry # ___________

Exhibitor's Name ___________________________ Age (if minor) ___________

Address ____________________________________________

City/Zip ___________________________ Phone # ___________________________

Horse's Name ___________________________ Horse Owner __________________

Email ______________________________________

Place class numbers in boxes below:

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Post-Entry Fee: ___________ x $1.00 = _______
Overall Highpoint Fee ___________ $25.00 = _______
Grounds Fee: ___________ $5.00 = _______
Stall Fee per Night: ___________ nights @ $20.00 = _______
Drug Fee: ___________ $5.00 = _______

Total Fees Due: [ ]

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY
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RELEASE OF LIABILITY:

I, ________________, in consideration of the acceptance of this entry hereby acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate in the Ridgerunners Open Horse Show. I am aware that participating in these events involves the risk of injury to my person and property and, accidents can happen to anyone at anytime. I voluntarily accept all risk of personal injury (including death), and property damage arising from this event. I hereby agree that I, my heirs, personal representatives and assigns will not make a claim against or sue Desert Empire Fairgrounds & Event Center and Ridgerunners 4-H or their employees, officers, directors, members, agents, or affiliated entities for any injury or damage arising from the negligence or not of other acts, however caused, of Desert Empire Fairgrounds & Event Center and Ridgerunners 4-H and Ridgecrest Optimist Club, their employees, officers, directors, members, agents, contractors, guests, invitees, and affiliated entities from all actions, claims, or demands, from my participating in the Ridgerunners Open Horse Show.

I agree that this release included injury or damage caused in whole or in part by negligence, active or passive of the Desert Empire Fairgrounds & Event Center and Ridgerunners 4-H; their members, employees, land owners, agents and contracting parites. I have carefully read this agreement. I understand that it is a complete release of liability and promise not to sue or make a claim. I am aware that it is a release between myself and Desert Empire Fairgrounds & Event Center and Ridgerunners 4-H for participation in the Ridgerunners Open Horse Show.

DATE: ______________ Signature: ______________

(If the participant is under age 18, the parent or legal guardian must sign this release.)
California 4H presents

MINDFULNESS RETREAT

NOVEMBER 3-5, 2017
CAMP OCEAN PINES
CAMBRIA, CA

$175 to attend
Register by October 1, 2017
https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=21346

Teens ages 13–19 and adults are welcome to spend the weekend at beautiful Camp Ocean Pines developing their health and well-being. Teens will not only increase their personal skills in leading a healthy lifestyle, but will also gain skills needed to be a health advocate in their communities.

For more information contact
Anne Iaccopucci
amiaccopucci@ucanr.edu
or Jenna Colburn
jcolburn@ucanr.edu

The mindfulness retreat will address:

- exercise
- understanding mindfulness
- stress management
- health advocacy
- community connection
- nutrition
- relationship building

University of California
Agriculture and Natural Resources
4-H Youth Development Program

It is the policy of the University of California (UC) and the UC Division of Agriculture & Natural Resources not to engage in discrimination against or harassment of any person in any of its programs or activities. Complete nondiscrimination policy statement can be found at http://ucanr.edu/sites/annstaff/files/169224.pdf. Inquiries regarding ANR’s nondiscrimination policies may be directed to Linda Marie Manton, Affirmative Action Contact, University of California, Davis, Agriculture and Natural Resources, 2801 Second Street, Davis, CA 95618, (530) 750-1318.
2017-18 Thrive Educational Series Update

The Thrive Educational Series is available for download from the state 4-H website at http://4h.ucanr.edu/About/Framework/PYD/Thrive/4-H_Thrive_Educational_Series_Resources/. Included on this page is each of the age-appropriate curricula in the series (iSprout, iGrow, and iThrive). The page has links to the videos used in the curricula, an order form for supplemental supplies that cannot be purchased in the store, and links to the short online courses for those leaders that wish to gain a deeper knowledge and understanding of the principles of thriving.

No registration or certification is required!

For support related to the Thrive Educational Series, please contact Scott Mautte at scmautte@ucanr.edu

Explore, Discover, Engage!

2017 Capitol Corridor 4-H Leadership Summit

Join your fellow 4-H Leaders, parents and staff in a day of exploration, discovery and engagement at the 2017 Capitol Corridor 4-H Leadership Summit on Saturday, September 23.

Both experienced volunteers and newcomer 4-H parents will find useful sessions at this day-long event. Need ideas for building a successful project or energizing your club meetings? Are you a newer parent and puzzled about 4-H opportunities, lingo and practices? Curious about how to build an online presence, grow your group, or work more successfully with teen leaders? Whether you have ideas to contribute or questions for which you seek answers, join our resident experts in discussion and activities that will build understanding and inspire. Click here to see the full array of sessions.

Our lunchtime keynote, Becky Lunders of teamWorks, will get us thinking about developing engagement in our 4-H parents, volunteers and youth. Becky’s work with volunteer leaders is impressive, and her insights and passion deep.

Encourage your 4-H friends—leaders and parents—to join you and register for a full or half day.

The details:
What: 2017 Capitol Corridor 4-H Leadership Summit: Explore, Discover, Engage!
When: Saturday, September 23, 9:00 am to 3:30 pm
Where: California State 4-H Office, 2801 2nd St., Davis, CA 95618
Cost: $11 per person (covers refreshments and lunch)
Register at: http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=21137
Registration Deadline: Monday, September 18
National 4-H Service Project - WW1 Memorial

The National Junior Master Gardener 4-H program has partnered with the WW1 Memorial Commission on a national service project for 4-H youth to be involved with building the WW1 Memorial. The Junior Master Gardener program is proud to promote because it ties to gardening!

Groups can make a donation of $64.99 and receive 60 poppy seed packets from the WW1 Memorial Commission. They can then sell the seeds to support their program. The recommended selling price is $2 per seed packet which would generate $120. Basically the first dollar goes to fund the National WW1 memorial and the second dollar stays local for the 4-H club, school group, etc. to support their activities/programs.

We are promoting through all of our JMG groups and state partners, but this is open for any and all 4-H groups. It is a great opportunity for youth to learn more about WW1, while also being a part of a national service project. Many resources, learning experiences and details on how to participate in the poppy project can be found at the website below:

http://jmgkids.us/poppy/

Groups can start now, but the big push is between Sept. 5 and October 20th. Representatives from 4 winning groups will be invited to experience an expense paid trip to the groundbreaking of the National WW1 Memorial in Washington DC in November. For more information contact:

Lisa Whittlesey
Extension Program Specialist & Coordinator International Junior Master Gardener Program
Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service
(979) 845.8565

Marathon Kids and CA 4-H partnership!

Up for a fun challenge? California 4-H is teaming up with Marathon Kids to help you start a 4-H Running project or take your Color Me Green project to the next level this year. The Marathon Kids program aligns perfectly to the goals of 4-H and CMG, and we're confident you won't want to miss out on this opportunity!

How does it work? Marathon Kids clubs set mileage goals, run or walk throughout the season, track their progress and earn exclusive Nike rewards for every milestone they complete. This easily fits into the CMG structure, giving you an extra tool to ensure your participants stick to their physical activity training plan over the course of the project. The best part: the team at Marathon Kids will provide Project Leaders with all the tools, training and resources you want or need to be successful. They'll even help you customize the program to fit your CMG project's needs.

How to get started: As an exclusive offer to California 4-H clubs, Marathon Kids is offering a 5% registration discount. Just follow these instructions to register your CMG project as a Marathon Kids club to receive your exclusive discount. The offer is good through Nov. 15, 2017 to give you plenty of time to get organized.

Questions? Contact Anne Iaccopucci at amiaccopucci@ucanr.edu. Let's show the country that California 4-H is leading the way on youth physical activity!
Welcome to the 2017-2018 California 4-H State Ambassadors

Addy Rubin – Imperial County
Anna Lucostic- San Joaquin County
Bailey Walvoord- Alameda County
Jada Ho-Santa Clara County
Rose Fiorenza-Imperial County
TJ Suit- Santa - Clara County

State Ambassador II
Kyle Geringer- Santa Clara County

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**INCREDIBLE WEARABLES**

Pre-Order Your 2017 National Youth Science Day kits! National 4-H Council and 4-H National Headquarters are pleased to introduce the 2017 4-H National Youth Science Day challenge: Incredible Wearables. Incredible Wearables is a hands-on STEM project that challenges young people to build a wearable fitness tracker that will help people lead healthier lifestyles.

To complete the challenge, kids must work together to design, build and refine a wearable health-tracking device that is low-cost, easy-to-use and aesthetically appealing. Incredible Wearables is perfect for both classroom and out-of-school learning. The 75 to 90-minute hand-on project is highly adaptable and is suitable for 4th-12th graders. The 4-H NYSD kit is now available for pre-sale on the [4-H Mall](https://www.4-hmall.com) website. Each low-cost kit can serve up to 10 youth at a time, and is re-usable.

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**2017 CALIFORNIA STATE 4-H & FFA LIVESTOCK QUIZ BOWL**

Grand National Livestock Exposition, Horse Show and Rodeo
Saturday, October 14, 2017

The California State 4-H Office will be hosting the 2017 California State Livestock Quiz Bowl as part of the Grand National Livestock Exposition, Horse Show and Rodeo on October 14, 2017. This contest is open to both FFA and 4-H members. The top 4-H team and the top FFA team at this contest will be eligible to compete at the [Western National Round Up](https://www.4-h.org/roundup) in Denver, Colorado in January.

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Looking for a qualifying Horse Show for the 2017–2018 California 4-H Horse Classic? Visit our [Equine Qualifier Events page](https://www.4-h.org/equine/qualifier-events) Host QA Qualifying Horse Show? [Register](https://www.4-h.org/equine/qualifier-events) for it to be considered a qualifying show for the 2018 California 4-H Horse Classic. Please submit show results on the [Classic Qualifying Show Results Sheet](https://www.4-h.org/equine/qualifier-events).

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**ORB Internet Café Training Online**- Want to learn how to better use the CA 4-H Online Record Book? We will be hosting 2 online opportunities to learn ORB for staff, volunteers and youth members. This is the same training that we were offering live in counties over the past few years but now you can access from the comfort of your own home! Unable to attend either date? Not a problem, the training will be posted on our 4-H Youtube page following each training.

The live virtual trainings will take place on:
Saturday, October 14, 2017 from 9am-noon
Saturday, January 13, 2018 from 9am-noon

Pre-registration is not necessary! Check out the [flyer](https://www.4-h.org/recordbook) here for login instructions.
Other Updates

Start planning for National 4-H Week.—National 4-H Week is always the first full week of October. This year National 4-H Week is October 1-7. The theme and hashtag to use is #TrueLeaders. Resources to promote National 4-H Week are available on the state 4-H website. Start planning now to contact local government officials with a request for proclamations – see the new template and guide. Use the press release template to let local news agencies know about the activities in your club celebrating National 4-H Week.

Support 4-H Camp and Leadership Conferences with Tractor Supply.—The spring 2017 campaign raised $64,824 for California 4-H, allowing 763 youth to experience 4-H camps and leadership events such as California Focus, State Leadership Conference, and other leadership conferences.

The Fall 2017 Tractor Supply fundraising campaign is from October 4 to 15. Updated graphics for use on your newsletters, social media and websites are available on the state 4-H website.

Share your 4-H story – apply for the Youth in Action Awards.—National 4-H Council’s 4-H Youth in Action Awards Program is a premier opportunity for youth to share their stories of how 4-H has changed their lives and how they have, in turn, impacted others. These awards highlight youth in each of our core areas of Agriculture, Citizenship, Healthy Living and STEM.

Last year, California had two winners – Samuel Sugarman, Agriculture; and Bryanne Sanchez, Healthy Living. In 2016, Ru Ekanayake was the Healthy Living winner and was named the National Youth in Action Winner! Applications are open now! See the National 4-H website for more information.

National 4-H Salute to Excellence Volunteer Recognition Award.—Due October 13, 2017

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.

One volunteer will be selected from each Cooperative Extension Region (Northeast, South, North Central, West) in each of two categories. Each region will have its own Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer and Volunteer of the Year. The application opens on Aug 21 & closes on October 13, 2017. If you have any questions about Salute to Excellence, please contact Gemma Miner, 530.750.1338.
National 4-H Week

October 1-7, 2017

The National 4-H Week resources are now available on the Branding Toolkit. This year's theme is #TrueLeaders. Clubs and volunteers can access this Google drive link to download and use the resources. The images for social media and print all have 4-H UCANR branding.

National 4-H Week resources

This link includes access to:

- National 4-H Week logos in English & Spanish
- Social media toolkit
- Presentation about National 4-H Week materials
- Flyers in English & Spanish - editable PDFs
- Ads in English & Spanish - editable PDFs
- Press release template
- Proclamation template and guide
- Snapchat filter & instructions
- Facebook filter, cover images, and post images
- Twitter post images
- Instagram post images
- social media Photo frames for National 4-H Week and True Leaders

Our youth are mostly on Snapchat and Instagram, so if you can share those images and resources with them, that would be great! Including - new this year - a Snapchat filter and instructions.
Achievement Night 2017
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!

To receive messages via text, text @kc4hupdate to 81010. You can opt-out of messages at anytime by replying, 'unsubscribe @kc4hupdate'.

Trouble using 81010? Try texting @kc4hupdate to (510) 246-3493 instead.

*Standard text message rates apply.

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My HEALTH to better living,
for my club, my community, my country and my world.
Educator Training to Cooking 101 Series/Cooking Academy

This training aims to educate and prepare high school students and 4-H adult volunteers to work with elementary school students while inspiring them to become “chefs”, and complete and eat healthy recipes.

This event will also provide an introduction and knowledge about the new Cooking Academy Program, model as a Teen as Teachers opportunity.

**When:** Sept, 10th, 2017
from 4:00pm-7:00pm

**Where:** UC Cooperative Extension
Conference Room
1031 Mt. Vernon Ave

Cooking Academy

For further details, contact
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For more information about 4-H in Kern County, go to cekern.ucanr.edu/Youth_Development