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Medical Leave:
Kimberlee will be on medical leave from November 25th until approximately February 25th.

*Indicates meeting is held at the
UC Extension Office, 1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue, Bakersfield, CA
2010 4-H PRESENTATION DAY

4-H Presentation Day is designed to give 4-H members experience in public speaking skills. The event is scheduled for Saturday, March 27, 2010 at General Shafter School, located at 1825 Shafter Road, in Bakersfield. Individuals and teams must pre-register for the event using the form below. Judges are needed for all grades and categories. Please contact John Borba at 661-868-6200 if you would like to judge.

The schedule for the presentation day is as follows:

| March 27, 2010 | 9:00 a.m. | Judge’s Orientation |
|               | 9:00 a.m. | M.C. Orientation |
|               | 9:00 a.m. | Presenter’s Arrive |
|               | 9:30 a.m. | Presentations Begin |
|               | 1:00 p.m. | Awards Assembly |

2010 4-H Presentation Day Entry Form
Due or postmarked by March 19, 2010
Mail to: Presentation Day Entries
1031 S. Mt Vernon Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93301

4-H Club:
[ ] Individual Presentation  [ ] Indoor Presentation
[ ] Team Presentation  [ ] Outdoor Presentation

(Team entries must be submitted on one form with names, grades, & ages for all team members)

Name: ______________________________________  Grade: _____  Age: ______
Name: ______________________________________  Grade: _____  Age: ______
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Title or Subject: _______________________________________________________________

Category of Presentation:

[ ] Demonstration – Traditional (1-3 members)  [ ] Interpretive Reading (Individual Only)
[ ] Illustrated Talk – Traditional (1-3 members)  [ ] Job Interview (High School Age Only)
[ ] Prepared Speech (Individuals Only)  [ ] Demonstration – Scientific (1-3 members)
[ ] Impromptu Speech (Individual Only, 6th grade+)  [ ] Illustrated Talk – Scientific (1-3 members)
[ ] Audio Visual Presentation (1-2 members)
[ ] Cultural Arts (Individual or Groups)

Information regarding the above categories and scoring sheets can be found in the “4-H Presentation Manual.” The manual can be accessed on the web at:
Volunteer Website

The volunteer leader website is a new interactive and growing site that can be seen at http://ucanr.org/4-hvolunteers/. There are sections that will change monthly, a 4-H Blog, 4-H Volunteer Voices, and updates in the program. We hope you’ll enjoy seeing all the resources you need in one centralized location. In order to build this new section of the website, please send any recent stories of 4-H in the news in your community that you would like to share. You can email these stories to: fourhstateofc@ucdavis.edu

How do I reach my local 4-H Office?

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Veronica Slaton 4-H Program Rep. II  vaslaton@ucdavis.edu  661-868-6200
Kimberlee Claffy 4-H Secretary  kgclaffy@ucdavis.edu  661-868-6233
(Special Projects Only)
Terrence Stroman Outreach/Prevention  tdstroman@ucdavis.edu  661-868-6200
Berney DeLaCruz Operation Military Kids  bdelacruz@ucdavis.edu  661-868-6200
Fax Number  661-868-6208

4-H Websites
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

State 4-H Calendar

The State 4-H Calendar is available at http://www.ca4h.org/4hinfo/calendar/. The calendar contains nation, state, and multi-county events, deadlines, trainings, and conferences! County 4-H Staff are encouraged to use this calendar to list activities that may be of interest to others outside of your county. The calendar is particularly useful for scheduling multi-county, sectional and statewide trainings, committee meetings, and other events. Staff can access the calendar using the 4-H Information System (WRP).

4-H Handbook

An updated online and searchable 4-H Handbook was released on July 1, 2009. You can find it on the California 4-H Website. You can expect additional support documents throughout the year. Here are three new enhancements:

- Electronic Check Conversion Frequently Asked Questions (link) - provides an overview of the electronic check conversion process and how to review monthly bank statements that contain checks that have been electronically converted.
- 4-H YDP Petting Zoos and Interactive Animal Displays Frequently Asked Questions (link) - provides answers to safety resources and insurance coverage for these activities.
- 4-H YDP Shooting Sports Handbook provides updated guidance to the 4-H YDP shooting sports project and activities.

State Qualifying Dairy and Livestock Judging Contests

The 2010 Judging Contests will be held April 17, 2010 at Fresno State University in conjunction with a state FFA judging contest. Applications are due by February 19, 2010 to the State 4-H Office. The entry fee is $25.00/team or $5.00 per individual. The applications are available on the state website: http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/livestock/index.asp. If you have any questions feel free to contact Mitch Yiarregui, State 4-H Livestock/Dairy Judging Chair Person at (559) 706-3988 or Cynthia Barnett, ccbarnett@ucdavis.edu and Steve Dasher, hsdasher@ucdavis.edu.

Rocket Leader Workshop

Saturday February 20, 2010
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

If your club wants to start a rocketry project, this is the workshop for you. This basic skills class will teach the new leader everything you need to know about building and launching model rockets—all in one morning. All material will be provided free of charge. You must pre-register for the class by Tuesday, February 16th. You can do this by calling John Borba at 661-868-6216 or by emailing him at: jaborba@ucdavis.edu.

2010 State 4-H Fashion Revue

“What’s in YOUR closet?” Planning has begun for 2010 State 4-H Fashion Revue, to be held during the State 4-H Field day at UC Davis! We’ll have new, exciting activities, so join us by serving on the State Fashion Revue Committee. Needle Arts will not be offered this year, but Traditional, Consumer Science-Purchased, Wearable Art
and Recycled categories remain in addition to our new 2010 Challenge. The Challenge pattern is Simplicity #4762, a vest that can be customized to fit your needs. Is it a formal vest or a durable one for fishing or hunting? Need extra pockets? Leather trim? Vests can be made for girls with a few simple adjustments and can coordinate with many different outfits. Use your imagination to create a masterpiece for State Fashion Revue. For more information go to http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/fashion or contact samoore@ucdavis.edu.

* A flyer for the 2010 Challenge Category is included in this newsletter.

What are you Doing in Your County Clothing Projects?
State Fashion Revue 2010 will feature our County Corner where you can share innovative ideas from your county that relate to the Clothing and Textiles project including non-wearable items. To get more information check out our website: http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/fashion/

The 2010 California State Fair
The California Exposition & State Fair Board has announced new dates for the fair. The 2010 California State Fair is now tentatively scheduled to run for 19 days from Wednesday, July 14 to Sunday, August 1, 2010. For more information, you may contact Erica Manuel of the California Exposition and State Fair at emanuel@calexpo.com. 4-H members, adults and staff may also contact 4-H Animal Science Committee Chairs Cynthia Barnett, ccbarnett@ucdavis.edu and Steve Dasher at hsdasher@ucdavis.edu for additional questions.

Education Summits on Bio-Security in 4-H
In order to improve the understanding of 4-H adult volunteers, veterinarians, and administrators from fairs and exhibitions about existing bio-security risks associated with 4-H Animal Science projects in California and issues related to traceability, three Regional Education Outreach Summits will be offered by 4-H and Veterinary Medicine Extension. Each Education Outreach Summit will include four major components:

(a) an overview of current data on bio-security risks associated with 4-H Animal Science projects; (b) updated information from USDA on the current status of NAIS and animal traceability; (c) a listening session to provide stakeholders the opportunity to share their experiences and provide feedback on traceability issues to USDA and (d) a mini-training for 4-H teens and volunteers on the new 4-H Bio-Security curriculum. Dates and locations of the Education Outreach Summits are: December 12, 2009 – UC Davis; January 16, 2010 – UC Tehama County; and February 27, 2010 – UCCE Kern County. Times for all summits will be 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Register at: http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=4238. For more information, contact Martin Smith (mhsmith@ucdavis.edu) or Steven Worker (smworker@ucdavis.edu). You can also contact Veronica Slaton for more information at (661) 868-6235.

Western Regional Leaders’ Forum
The 2010 Western Regional Leaders’ Forum is scheduled for March 11-14, 2010 in Albuquerque, NM. Some key upcoming dates youth development professionals will want to save include:

December 15, 2009:
✓ Early Bird Registration Deadline, $200
January 15, 2010:
✓ Regular Registration Deadline, $250
✓ Share Faire Registration Deadline
✓ 4-H Display Registration Deadline
✓ Volunteer Leader Award Deadline

2010 State 4-H Horse Events
Dates have been set for 2010 State 4-H Horse Events. The state 4-H Horse Classic – Educational Contest will be held April 24 & 25 at Reedley College, Reedley, CA (southeast of Fresno). The Championship Horse Show will be held at the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds in Watsonville on Thursday, June 24 through Sunday, June 27. Tentatively, the English classes and Over Fences will be held on Friday, Western classes on Saturday and Gymkhana on Sunday. More information is available by December 1st on the web site at: http://ca4h.org/projresource/horse/

2010 State 4-H Field Day
The 2010 State 4-H Field Day is planned for May 29, 2010. The event will include a variety of interests including presentation day, state fashion reveu, a plant science contest and interview contest amongst many others. If you are interested in this exhibiting in this event visit: http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/fieldday/SFD-App-Form2010.pdf for an application. Applications are due April 2, 2010.

State Leadership Conference
The 2010 year’s theme is “Operation 4-H,” and is an annual event in which high school age members from across the state meet to develop leadership skills through workshops, games, and evening activities. We are now accepting applications for educational session/track presenters. Please share your knowledge about all things leadership and help Operation 4-H be a success. Visit the California 4-H website at: http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc to download a proposal. Proposals are due at the State Office by February 26, 2010. You may contact Quang Tong for additional questions at (530) 752-5644.
Congratulations Zack Blanton!

Zachary “Zack” Blanton of the Sierra Mountaineers has submitted his record book for the State Competition. Zack was selected as a medalist in this prestigious event. Our congratulations go out to Zack.

2010 State 4-H Horse Classic

Posted online are the 2010 State 4-H Classic – Educational Contests Information, Rules and Entry Forms. Go to http://ca4h.org/projresource/horse/classic.asp. The even will be held on April 24 and 25 at Reedley College, Reedley, CA. Entries are due April 1st. If you have any questions, please contact Jeanne George at 530-527-3101 or e-mail her at jlgeorge@ucdavis.edu.

2010 4-H State Leadership Conference

July 29 – August 1, 2010 at UC Davis

The conference – “Operation 4-H” – will provide over 500 high school aged youth and adult 4-H volunteers with an opportunity to engage in hands on learning experiences while developing citizenship and leadership skills. Educational sessions are being recruited emphasizing 4-H science, engineering and technology activities. Proposals are due February 26, 2010 and are available at: http://ca4h.org/4hresource/updates/attach/2009/Dec09/2010SLC-EducationProposal.doc

CGC Classes

CGC classes are available for all Dog Project members AND other 4-H members and parents on a space available basis. This training is not designed for Cloverbuds.

The Canine Good Citizenship program is sponsored by the American Kennel Club. It is a training and evaluation program designed to insure that your dog is a good citizen and neighbor. The CGC title on your pet will give you access to recreation areas that are closed to dogs without the certification. It is being widely used in the LA County and other areas where pet overpopulation is a problem. Many RV Parks are reducing pet fees in campgrounds for those who are certified.

Classes will be held at 6:00 PM at Greenacres Community Center. They will begin February 16th and run through May 30th on Tuesday nights. Each night two areas of the CGC testing will be presented and evaluated. Home exercises will be suggested for those who need extra work. Formal testing will be done at the last class.

Please call or e-mail to reserve a spot. Priority will be given to current Dog Care and Training members, their parents and leaders. All handlers must be able to control the dog. Aggressive dogs may need an obedience class first. For more information, e-mail cskyrocket@bak.rr.com or call (661) 393-1914, ask for Claudia.

Members may count these meetings as County-Wide project meetings, therefore, no fees will be charged except for the testing. $10 for members and $15 for non-members.

Classes will be held at the Greenacres Community Center (Calloway Drive) on the Tennis Courts in the back. From 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM, on the following days: February 16, 23; March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

2010 State 4-H Field Day

May 29, 2010 at UC Davis

The State 4-H Field Day is the largest California Statewide 4-H event, open to 4-H members, siblings, parents, 4-H volunteers and staff. In 2010, 4-H SET will be featured with many hands-on science, engineering and technology activities and challenges! Your 4-H Club or project can help! Educational Displays constitute a unique aspect of the State 4-H Field Day. These exhibits are a great opportunity to share knowledge, interact with youth and adults, and engage people in new activities. Possibilities for displays include hands-on activities, community service, informative booths, etc. Applications are due April 2, 2010 and the form is available at: http://ca4h.org/projresource/fieldday/SFD-App-Form2010.pdf. More information is available at: http://ca4h.org/projresource/fieldday/

California Camping Conference

April 23 – April 25, 2010

The 2010 California Camping Conference will be held at the Nevada 4-H Camp near Stateline, Nevada (at Lake Tahoe) on April 23 – 25, 2010. The conference serves as a valuable resource for camp administrators, camp staff (youth and adult), and Extension Staff in planning and implementing all types of camp programs. Important conference topics include the new Camp Safety Manual addressing California Health and Safety Code requirements for camps; engaging fun activities for your camps; archery certifications; and camp staff training. Look for conference fee and registration detail in next month’s newsletter, but be sure to mark the date on your calendar for this important event.

Southwest 4-H Gets Involved in the Community!

Southwest 4-H held a canned food drive for the months of November and December. We collected cans for Lamont Family Resource Center and Greenfield Family Resource Center. We also collect can tops for the Ronald McDonald House in Bakersfield. We believe in helping our community out in a time of need! Our Christmas party was held at Skateland. We had a lot of fun.

Submitted by,
Weldon Colbert
Has your 4-H Club Supported Military Kids in the Past 3 Months?

Is your club planning to assist military kids in the future? Operation: Military Kids (OMK) wants you to know about it! We have funding opportunities available to support your club in your future project/ event planning. Contact Sylena Wise at 530-752-8585 or email smwise@ucdavis.edu for more details.

Let’s Get Ready to Lead!

July 29th through August 2nd you will begin a journey of a lifetime at UC Davis. Meet new friends through the intense recreational activities, become more knowledgeable about your leadership mission through the educational workshops, and be inspired by the secret agent speakers and commander in chief in every assembly! Be pumped, be armed, and be ready for the conference that will help you develop as a leader and benefit your Operation 4-H Journey! State Leadership Conference is ready for you, but can you handle this much extreme???

SLC 2010 Operation 4-H:
July 29th – August 1st, 2010 at UC Davis
SIGN UP NOW!

State Fair Volunteer Group Offers Money for College
Friends of the California State Fair Scholarship Program Now Accepting Applications from California Students

In periods of economic uncertainty it is often education programs, scholarships and grants for students that dry up, leaving some of the most promising students without support to cover college expenses. In anticipation of that trend, the Friends of California State Fair today announced that it will continue its scholarship program for the 2010-2011 academic year. California college students and graduating high school students are eligible and must submit an application by Friday, March 12, 2010.

This year, 24 scholarships will be awarded in the following areas: arts, general studies, agriculture, international studies, teaching and credential programs, fair management, business, sports management, history, viticulture, enology and culinary.

“In times like these it is even more important to maintain a support base for California students,” said Friends of California State Fair Executive Director Harry Moos. “The Friends of the California State Fair Scholarship Program is committed to offering more than $27,000 in aid to ensure that some of California’s finest young people receive the financial support they deserve.”

Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of personal commitment, goals established for their chosen field, leadership potential and civic accomplishments. All applicants are also eligible for the Ironstone Concours d’ Elegance $5,000 outstanding candidate scholarship.

The Friends of the Fair Scholarship Program was initiated in 1993 and is a collaborative effort of the Friends of California State Fair, the California Exposition & State Fair and the California State Fair Agricultural Advisory Council.

Scholarship applications can be found online at www.bigfun.org.

Kern 4-H Crazy Goat Driving!
N.O.R. Parade 2009

On Saturday December 12th, Melissa Hardy of Golden Empire 4-H, Linda Snoody and I, Michelle Williams, of Sundance 4-H took our goats to the NOR Christmas Parade. The parade started at North High School and went on North Chester Road to Standard School. We wore 19th century costumes depicting Victorian Europe, as the theme of the parade was “Christmas Around the World.” People seemed to enjoy seeing the goats driving and really liked petting the pigmy goats. Adding to the enjoyment was the very nice weather we had for this year’s parade and topping it off we won the trophy for our division with our wonderful goats.

CREATE A DESIGN!

Enter the State 4-H Horse Classic Artwork Contest

All 4-Hers are invited to enter the design contest for the artwork for the “State 4-H Horse Classic – Championship Horse Show” for t-shirt sales. The winning entry will receive a free t-shirt with their design. The event is held in Watsonville, CA at the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds. For design ideas, check out the neighboring landscape and tourist attractions. It can be comical or serious. Be creative!

Please submit your artwork on 8 ½ x 11 inch paper in black/white and color versions. It may be computer generated or hand drawn. Make it simple for a screen print with a maximum of three colors.

Please attach your name, address, city, telephone #, and age to the entry. And place in a secure cardboard envelope labeled “do not bend” for mailing. Send entries to Tammy Fletcher, State 4-H Equine Advisory Committee at 471-070 Eternal Springs Way, Susanville, CA 96130 by March 31, 2010.
The 26th Annual State 4-H Shooting Sports Match

This annual shooting sports event is open to all youth and adult leaders, enrolled in the shooting sports project. To find out more information, visit the website at: http://ca4h.org/projresource/shootingsports/index.asp.

Military Requests 4-H Help!

Operation Military Kids and 4-H have been asked to help at Yellow Ribbon events this year. Yellow Ribbon is a program mandated by congress that consists of multiple briefings to assist military families through all stages of deployment (pre-deployment, deployment and reintegration). Community support is crucial to creating a network of resources to support those military families in your local area. Due to the Yellow Ribbon Event the children are able to participate in activities that focus on bettering themselves during their parent’s deployment cycle while the service member and spouse attend their own briefings. If you are interested in offering an activity at one of the following events please contact Sylena Wise at smwise@ucdavis.edu or 530-752-8585.

March 27, 2010 San Diego, CA (Location TBD)

2011 State Ambassador Application

The 2011 Ambassador Application has been posted on the CA State 4-H website. All interested 4-H Members who qualify should fill out an application form, http://www.ca4h.org/leadership/ambassador/. Applications are due by March 31, 2010. The State 4-H Office is also looking for qualified volunteers who are interested in being advisors for the 2011 State Ambassador Team. 4-H State Ambassadors are expected to make a 14-month commitment to the program beginning on July 1, 2010 and ending August 31, 2011. 4-H State Ambassadors may only serve one term. Please contact Quang “Hogan” Tong at 530-752-5644 or qtong@ucdavis.edu for more information.

2010 State 4-H Field Day

May 29, 2010

The event will include a variety of interests including presentation day, state fashion revue, a plant science contest and interview contest amongst many others. If you are interested in exhibiting at this annual event visit the website at: http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/fieldday/SFD-App-Form2010.pdf, for an application. Applications are due April 2, 2010.

Shooting Sports Workshop

A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at Border Tactical Range, 925 North Imperial Avenue, in El Centro, CA (Imperial County). The workshop will be held on Saturday, June 12, 2010 from 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM and Sunday, June 13, 2010 from 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a rifle trainer and can lead a rifle project at the club level or serve as county trainer to certify other leaders. There is no cost for the course. To register for the course and receive more information, contact John Borba at jaborba@ucdavis.edu. For more information about the facility and a map, please visit the range website at: http://bordertactical.com.

You Willing to Serve Lunch at State 4-H Field Day?

State 4-H Field Day is looking to partner with a 4-H group willing to serve lunch at the 2010 State Field Day on May 29, 2010. Interested clubs should contact Quang “Hogan” Tong at 530-752-5644 or qtong@ucdavis.edu.

Humboldt Poultry Fanciers Association 2010 Winter Show 50th Anniversary Show 1960 to 2010

The Humboldt County Poultry Fanciers 50th Anniversary Winter Show will be held Saturday, February 13, 2010 at the Redwood Acres Fairgrounds in Eureka, CA.

Coop in will begin February 12 at noon until 9 PM and on February 13th at 7 AM until the show begins at 9 AM. This is an American Poultry Association and American Bantam Association sanctioned show. There will be many special breed meets and for the first time a game bird show.

A 4-H show, Junior Showmanship Classes, and an Avian Bowl for Juniors will be facilitated by Dr. Francine Bradley.

An awards banquet will be held within walking distance of the show, on the fairgrounds, beginning at 6 PM, Saturday.

There will be a silent raffle on Sunday February 14th.

For further information, show booklet and entry forms please visit our website at www.humboldtpoultry.org.

Questions may be referred to show superintendent Harry Majors at 707-496-6350.

Mail entries to: Agnes Wilson, P.O. Box 70, Malin, OR, 97632, (541) 723-2079. Or email to: trurirwilson@hotmail.com. Checks should be made payable to HPFA.
A cool December 19th morning found the Kern County 4-H Horse Project Riders trying something new and very exciting. That was the morning of the first (hopefully annual) 4-H Extreme Cowboy Race hosted by Jerry Manda at his Bakersfield ranch.

This timed event offered a Walk/Trot, Junior and Senior 4-H divisions that tested the horse and riders ability to maneuver over, around and through approximately 14 obstacles including a gate, a water hazard, jumps, dirt mounds, a bridge and a holiday wreath toss. Each rider made two runs and the combined times were used to determine the winners. Cowboy Race T-Shirts and cash were the awards for this special event.

**The Winners of the Various Divisions (1st – 5th)**

**Walk/Trot Division**
1. Shay Roberts – Golden Empire 4H
2. Eliza Zimmerle – Calloway 4H
3. Blake Slauson – Greenacres West 4H
4. Grant Rogers – Golden Empire 4H
5. Megan Wagoner – Greenacres West 4H

**Junior Division**
1. Melissa Hardy – Golden Empire 4H
2. Michelle Williams – Sundance 4H
3. Becky Hall – Maple 4H
4. Callie Patton – Shafter 4H
5. Taylor Slauson – Greenacres West 4H

**Senior Division**
1. Dakota Skellenger – Maple 4H
2. Kiki Haymes – Greenacres West 4H
3. Jessica Morris – Greenacres West 4H
4. Eric Jensen – Golden Empire 4H

**Special Awards were given to:**
- Becky Hall – Best Costume
- Linda Snoody – Best Decorated Horse
- Blake Slauson – Youngest Rider
- Grant Rogers – Most Improved Rider (based on time)
- Melissa Hardy and Her Horse Bet the Red Chip – Fastest Single Time

At the end of the day the parents took a turn to show the kids how it should be done with the winner being **Mrs. Becky Patton.** Second fast time in the parent’s race was **Mrs. Lisa Skellenger.**

This fun event gave all the 4-H horse exhibitors a chance to stay warm around the fire pit, drink hot chocolate, and sit back on their horses while visiting and cheering their friends on in a relaxed and festive atmosphere.

If you would like to join the 4-H Horse Project, please ask your community leader for information. You do not have to own a “show horse” to participate in this project. **Our first show is February 13th, at Parker Arena on Wible Road.** This is a non-point show. Fun classes will be offered, as well as a used tack sale. **Show starts at 8:00 AM.**
Make an inVESTment in your future wardrobe with this year’s challenge. Sew a lined vest, but don’t forget to spice it up. It could be reversible, have pockets, frills or whatever fits your style.

Start with Simplicity pattern #4762. You must use this pattern; no substitutions. The possibilities for personalization are endless! You can make it shorter or longer, add trim or appliqués, and experiment with fabrics, colors or details. To alter the pattern for girls, move the buttons to the left side. If needed, add back darts or use the cinch and enlarge the front darts. Purchase or sew an outfit to coordinate with your vest.

For more information about State 4-H Fashion Revue, go to http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/fashion
This year Home Ec. Field Day will be held Saturday-February 27, 2010, General Shafter School, located at 1825 Shafter Road, in Bakersfield. Registration will be held from 9:00 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. Judging will begin promptly at 10:00 a.m. Favorite Foods information is available online at: http://cekern.ucdavis.edu/Youth%5Development/Home_Ec_Field_Day.htm

Entry forms are due to the Extension Office NO LATER THAN February 19, 2010! Members will be sent a Favorite Foods packet that will include a menu card, and any other needed information. An updated booklet for 2010 should be available online by February 8. Please make yourself familiar with the new booklet, as we are unable to make the copies this year.

Project Linus! We will be collecting homemade blankets. Blankets can be quilted, machine sewn, serged, knitted, crocheted, or tied! All blankets will be donated to the local chapter of Project Linus, who will then distribute them to local agencies. There will be a contest for which club makes the most donations! More information on Project Linus can be found at: www.projectlinus.org or www.orgsites.com/ca/bakersfieldkerncounty

Placemats: Members can enter a placement in the sewn and/or no sew/embellished categories. All entries must be washable, either machine/hand wash or wipe off. No pre registration. Members not in a sewing project (Clothing/Textiles, Quilting, Fiber Arts, etc.) may enter a sewn placemat if it is incorporated with their Favorite Foods entry.

Other Categories & Contests:
Apron Contest – Sewn or Embellished Categories
Sewn/Handmade Potholder or Hotpad;
Sewn or Embellished Dish Towel or Tea Towel
Sewn/Handmade Dishrag; Embellished bath towel set; Embellished pillow case; Sewn/Handmade usable kitchen or bath accessory of members choice

Embellishment may include a wide variety of things, provided the item remains usable and washable. Ideas include: fabric painting, stenciling, sewn trims, crocheted edge or top, and embroidery (including red work).

Favorite Foods Days Entry Form

Name: _____________________________
Address: ___________________________
Valid E-Mail: _______________________ 
City & Zip: _________________________
Phone: ___________________________ Age: ______
Club: _____________________________ Grade: _____

Years in Food (circle)
1st – Fruit or Vegetables
2nd – Grain
3rd – Dessert
4th – Meat or Bean Dish
5th & Above – Whole Meat
Please check if you would like to take part in the Coordinated Theme Setting [ ]

Not sure what Home Ec. Field Day is all about, or if it’s right for you? Then come to the Home Ec. Field Day workshop on February 4th, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the 4-H Office! We will talk about what goes on, and answer any questions that you may have! Members and parents are also welcome to come to this event to get the feel for how things work!

Send entry form to the 4-H Office
1031 S. Mt Vernon Avenue
Bakersfield, CA 93307
Entries must be received no later February 19, 2010.
Kern County 4-H
Viva la Pizza!
Contest

Be a part of the 1st annual Kern County 4-H Viva la Pizza! Contest. It will be held the same time as Presentation Day, you will just drop off your pizza, and while Presentation Day is going on, all pizzas will be judged. Pizzas will be served as snacks after all judging is done! Remember…be creative! Look for unique and yummy recipes, or use one that’s special to you! To add more fun to the contest, come up with a creative name for your pizza!

When? Saturday, March 27, 2010 at Presentation Day
Where? General Shafter Elementary School -1825 Shafter Road, in Bakersfield.
Check-In: 9:00 a.m.

There will be two categories in each age group, ‘Ready Made Crust’ and ‘Homemade Crust’ please enter your pizzas in the correct category using the definitions below:

Ready Made Crust - Any crust or dough that was pre-made for you. This includes powder mixes, unless you alter in a significant way, ex: if you added fresh garlic and herbs to a powder crust.
Homemade Crust - Any crust or dough that you make from scratch!

Rules for the Contest:

• ANY 4-H member can participate, you DO NOT have to be in a foods project!
• Cloverbuds are invited to join the contest, but will be given a participation prize only, and will not compete.
• You must register ahead of time using the entry form below!

Viva la pizza!
Contest Entry form

Name:_________________________________________Club:__________________________
E-mail:______________________________________Phone:________________________

Age:
☐ Cloverbud
☐ Junior (4th –6th grade)
☐ Intermediate (7th & 8th grade)
☐ Senior (High School)

Crust:
☐ Ready Made Crust
☐ Homemade Crust

***Please return all entries to the 4-H Office by: Monday - March 22, 2010 (please no postmarks)
1031 S. Mount Vernon Ave. or Fax: 868-6208
California Operation: Military Kids Presents…

Speak Out for Military Kids Workshop

The California Operation: Military Kids (OMK)/ 4-H Military Partnership is inviting youth to be a part of this special Speak Out For Military Kids (SOMK) event. SOMK is a youth led adult supported project that generates community awareness of issues faced by youth of military families.

Youth attendees will work together as a team to create a poster for April: the month of the military child. The poster(s) will be distributed to our community partners throughout California to raise awareness of the hardships military youth and families experience every day.

Southern California Workshop

When: Saturday February 27, 2010
10:00 AM- 4:00 PM
Host: UCCE San Diego 4-H Office
5555 Overland Avenue, Bldg. 4
San Diego, CA 92123-1219

Other Information
For youth 13 to 18 years of age
No cost to attend
Lunch will be provided!
Websites: www.operationmilitarykids.org
http://ca4h.org/military

Interested in Attending?
For information on how to register, please contact the person below. Registration must be postmarked by Feb. 5, 2010. Register soon, for space is limited!

John Trammell
SOMK Workshops Coordinator
jtrammell@ucdavis.edu
(909) 844-1747

Northern California Workshop

When: Saturday March 6, 2010
10:00 AM- 4:00 PM
Host: California 4-H State Office
University of California
DANR Building, One Shields Ave.
Davis, CA 95616