Dear 4-Families,

By now the Community Club Leaders should have received their club’s 4-H Common Measure Survey for 4-H members age 9 and older. The survey is not required but if the members complete the survey they will receive a “Lamp of Knowledge” Medal for their 4-H hat.

If you have questions or need information about the 4-H Youth Development Program, contact Jim O’Neill at the UCCE Office at 707-253-4146 or email (see below).

P.S. The UCCE/4-H Office will be closed on Friday, March 30, 2018 (Cesar Chavez’s Day Holiday).

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Announcements

Napa County 4-H Council Meeting

The Napa County 4-H Council Meeting (Club and Countywide Project Reports Required) will be held on Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at UCCE/4-H Meeting Room.

Countywide Leadership/County Ambassador Project Meeting

The Countywide Leadership/County Ambassador Project invites all 4-H members (Ages 11 through 19) to participate in this hands-on training. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 20, 2018 starting at 6:00 p.m. in the UCCE/4-H Meeting Room. Please contact Jody Brady 707-255-2552 for additional information.

Countywide Dance Project Meetings

The Countywide Dance Project invites all 4-H members to participate in this project. The meetings are held on Saturdays at the Academy of Danse. Please contact Emily Blackseth at emilyblackseth@me.com or 510-499-8700 for specific dates and times.

Countywide Robotics Project Meetings

The Countywide Robotics Project Meetings will be on Wednesday, March 7, 2018 and Thursday, March 15, 2018 at the UCCE/4-H Meeting Room starting at 4:00 p.m. Please contact Maria Thomason at 707-255-2907 or NapaThomasons@gmail.com for additional information.

County Presentation Day

County Presentation Day was held on Saturday, February 24, 2018 with thirty-one (31) separate presentations from ten (10) 4-H clubs and well over one-hundred (100) spectators. In addition, there were three (3) dance performances by the Countywide Dance Project.

Bay/Coast Area Presentation Day

The Bay/Coast Area Presentation will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018 at Dozier-Libbey Medical High School, Antioch, CA. Register at: http://bit.ly/AreaPresDay by Sunday, April 1, 2018. To be eligible for Bay/Coast Area Presentation Day you must have received a Gold Medal at County Presentation Day.
Scholarship Applications

The Scholarship Applications are available on the Napa County UCCE Website at: http://cenapa.ucanr.edu. The applications are due Friday, March 23, 2018. **No late applications will be accepted.** The scholarships are for graduating high school seniors enrolled as a 4-H member in Napa County that will be attending college. See the application for specific requirements. The interviews will be conducted on Monday, April 2, 2018 staring at 5:00 p.m.

County Ambassador (aka All Star) Applications

The County Ambassador Applications are available on the Napa County UCCE Website at: http://cenapa.ucanr.edu. The applications are due Friday, March 23, 2018. **No late applications will be accepted.** The interviews will be conducted on Monday, April 2, 2018 staring at 5:00 p.m. To be eligible for a County Ambassador, you must be between 14-18 years old and meet the 4-H membership requirements for the length of the term of service (varies between 12-24 months). Applicant must have demonstrated leadership experience and skills. A member must document the following:

- Mastery of a project as demonstrated by at least 6 hours of instruction. Provide a statement of what project skills you have mastered,
- 40 hours of significant leadership roles, either inside or outside of 4-H,
- 30 hours of citizenship and/or community service, either inside or outside of 4-H,
- 10 public speaking engagements, at least 2 of those must have been given at a 4-H event,
- Demonstrate involvement in 4-H as evidenced by a list of activities that are a combination of 15 of the following: project skill activities, 4-H events attended, and honors/recognition. Definitions for these three categories are found in the Record Book Manual under the section describing the Personal Development Report (PDR). Completing a PDR is not an application requirement for County Ambassador,

**OR**

- Achievement of a Gold Star Rank as evidenced by the signed and dated Star Rank chart or other documentation that verifies you have achieved this star rank.
2017/2018 Countywide Projects

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The Napa County 4-H Council requires members to be enrolled and active in a 4-H club within Napa County before enrolling in a Countywide Project(s). The projects are open to all members on a first come basis.

4-H Shooting Sports Training

The State 4-H Office has announced the following Shooting Sports Leader Training. To register for the course please complete the “California 4-H Shooting Sports Training Request and Registration Form,” available at: http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/4785.pdf. For additional information and locations of training contact John Borba at jaborba@ucanr.edu.

- **Western Heritage** – TBA
- **Rifle** – March 10 & 11, 2018 (Kern County)
- **Shotgun** – April 14 & 15, 2018 (Kern County)
- **Shotgun** – April 21 & 22, 2018 (Merced County)

2018 National 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop

The National 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop is designed for current 4-H Shooting Sports Leaders who want to step up and become certified as a State Instructors. The workshop will be held at Clover Woods Camp, Madrid, Iowa for Sunday, May 6 to Thursday, May 10, 2018. For additional information and an application contact John Borba at jaborba@ucanr.edu.
Animal News

Countywide Rabbit Project Meeting

The Countywide Rabbit Project Meetings will meet each month at 1:00 p.m. at the UCCE/4-H Meeting Room. The next meeting is on Sunday, March 18, 2018. Please contact Jenae’ Newnom at 707-320-3486 for additional information.

Countywide Goat Project Meeting

The Countywide Goat Project will meet the third Monday of each month (except November, December, July, and August) at 6:00 p.m. at the UCCE/4-H Meeting Room. The next meeting is on Monday, March 19, 2018. Please contact Darlene Young at 707-318-6218 for additional information.

Countywide Poultry Project Meeting

The Countywide Poultry Project will meet the third Tuesday of each month (except September, December, July, and August) at 6:30 p.m. at the Vintage High School Farm’s Classroom. The next meeting is on Tuesday, March 20, 2018. Please contact Sherry Paukert at 707-280-1402 for additional information.

4-H Animal Science Symposium

The 4-H Animal Science Symposium will be held on Tuesday, June 19 and Wednesday, June 20, 2018 at U.C. Davis. The symposium is a train-the-trainer professional development conference with educational sessions on animal welfare and animal health led by specialists on animal welfare, animal health, and species-specific issues. Additional information will be available next month.

New 4-H Livestock Curriculum

U.C. Davis is looking for 4-H projects, particularly animal science projects, to participate in the testing of a new 4-H curriculum titled, “At the Interface between Livestock and Predators: Reducing Depredation through Livestock Husbandry,” which was developed in response to a community need in California. The goal of the curriculum is that youth will apply the knowledge they learn in their communities to solve authentic community needs associated with predator depredation. There are five modules in the curriculum that include: biomes, the food web, predator identification, risk assessment and mitigation tools and opportunities for service-learning and community engagement. 4-H projects would be asked to test each activity from March to May 2018. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Colette Ankenman at cankenman@ucdavis.edu.
25th Annual JLAC Barn Dance

The 25th Annual JLAC (Junior Livestock Advisory Committee) Barn Dance will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2018 at the Napa Valley Expo’s Chardonnay Hall. Tickets will be available on Thursday, March 1, 2018 at Advanced Auto Body, Wilson’s Feed, St. Helena Veterinary Hospital, and Napa Valley Expo. The tickets are $50.00 for regular Admission and $60.00 for Reserve Seating.

NT&CF Important Animal Dates

- Saturday, April 8, 2018 – Steer Weight-in at the N.V. Expo – TBA
- Saturday, June 9, 2018 – DNA Check-in for Market Animals - TBA

4-H Camp News

2018 Summer Camp Leadership Team Meetings

- Six County Camp Board Meeting – Monday, March 12, 2018 @ 6:00 p.m.
- Week II – Thursday, March 15, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Week I – Wednesday, March 21, 2018 @ 6:00 p.m.

2018 Summer Camp Dates

- Week I – Sunday, June 10 to Friday, June 15, 2018
- Week II – Sunday July 22 to Friday, July 27, 2018

2018 Summer Camp Applications

The 2018 Summer Camp Applications are available starting Thursday, March 1, 2018 at the following website: http://ucanr.edu/2018summercamp.

Top Staff and Camp Mom/Dad

**Week I – Top Staff:** Kyla Hill, Finn Morgan, Meghan Reynolds, and Haley Veveiros

**Week I – Camp Mom/Dad:** Leslie Simpkins and Ryan Woolworth

**Week II – Top Staff:** Sadie Monhoff, Brady Berryhill, Cassie Espinosa, and Tyler Smith

**Week II – Camp Mom/Dad:** Dawn Madole and Chad Beardsley
Camp Week II News

Summer Camp Week II is looking for Chaperones (over 21) for their week of camp. Call Kerri Abreu at 707-942-6720 for more information. In addition, there are collecting small and medium size pill bottles to use as a small survival kit they would like to make. Turn them in to the UCCE/4-H Office.

Las Posadas 4-H Camp T-Shirts and Sweatshirts

Las Posadas 4-H Camp is celebrating 90 years of camping this year. Week 1 of camp is selling t-shirts and sweatshirts to help celebrate this event. If you are interested in ordering a t-shirt or sweatshirt, please go to: http://cenapa.ucanr.edu/Napa_County_Programs/4-H_Programs519/.
Where you can download an order form. Any question please contact Bobbi Lindwall at: napa4hcamp@hotmail.com

2018 4-H Camping Conference

The 2018 4-H Camping Conference will be held April 6-8, 2018 at Redwood Glen Camp in Loma Mar, CA. The conference is a biannual event which provides 4-H teen leaders, volunteers, and staff the opportunity to improve their camping programs. The conference is filled with enlightening workshops, engaging activities, and new programming ideas. To registration online go to: http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/CampingConference_128/.
Saturday, March 17, 2018
9:00am – 3:00pm
Hosted in Sonoma County - Youth Agriculture & Leadership Center, 6445 Commerce Blvd, Rohnert Park, CA

For 4-H volunteer leaders in Sonoma, Marin, Napa, Mendocino, and Lake Counties (not for 4-H youth members)

- Registration due by Monday, March 5, 2018
- Go to [http://ucanr.edu/cloverday/](http://ucanr.edu/cloverday/). There is a $10.00 Registration Fee.
- Registration limited to 50 from Sonoma, 20 from Marin, 35 from Napa, 20 from Mendocino, and 20 from Lake.
- $10 registration fee (waived for leaders in Sonoma)

**Background:** For over a hundred years, the 4-H program has relied on 4-H volunteer leaders to bring knowledge, experience, and passion in their work with youth. 4-H volunteer leaders need many skills and abilities organizing programs and working with youth. To keep 4-H the premier organization it has remained, we must provide training and development opportunities for 4-H volunteer leaders to **MEET** fellow leaders, **SHARE** ideas and strategies, and **LEARN** from one another.

**Clover Day:** A one-day volunteer development event for 4-H volunteer leaders in Sonoma, Marin, Napa, Mendocino, and Lake Counties. The focus is to support skill and relationship building between fellow 4-H volunteer leaders for both project-specific areas as well as other 4-H topics to help improve youth engagement and learning.