Dear 4-Families,

The “Biggest Event” of the year will take place with Presentation Day on Saturday, February 24, 2018.

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 Monday, February 19, 2018 (Presidents’ Day Holiday).

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Announcements

Napa County 4-H Council Meeting

The Napa County 4-H Council Meeting (Officers Only) will be held on Tuesday, February 13, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at UCCE/4-H Meeting Room.

Countywide Leadership & All Star Project Meeting

The Countywide Leadership/All Star Project invites all 4-H members (Ages 11 through 19) to participate in this hands-on training. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 27, 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, February 7, 2018 and Thursday, February 21, 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 2018

County Presentation Day will be held on Saturday, February 24, 2018 starting at 9:00 a.m. at the UCCE/4-H Meeting Room. The registration form is available on the Napa County UCCE Website: http://cenapa.ucanr.edu and is due at the UCCE/4-H Office by Friday, February 9, 2018 by 5:00 p.m. See schedule on page 10.

Favorite Foods Day 2018

Favorite Foods Day was held on Saturday, January 27, 2018 with 48 members from 7 different clubs participating and twice that many family and supports.
Scholarship Applications

The Scholarship Applications are available starting Thursday, February 1, 2018 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.

All Star Applications (New)

The All Star Applications are available starting Thursday, February 1, 2018 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 an All Star, 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 hosted by Kern County 4-H Council. 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. All training will be held in Bakersfield (Kern County). For additional information contact John Borba at jaborba@ucanr.edu.

- **Western Heritage** – February 24 & 25, 2018
- **Rifle** – March 10 & 11, 2018
- **Shotgun** – April 14 & 15, 2018
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, February 25, 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, February 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, February 20, 2018. Please contact Sherry Paukert at 707-280-1402 for additional information.

4-H Camp News

2018 Summer Camp Leadership Team Meetings

- Six County Camp Board Meeting – Monday, February 12, 2018 @ 6:00 p.m.
- Week II – Thursday, February 15, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.
- Week I – Wednesday, February 28, 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 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/.
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:** TBA

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/](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

Bay Coast Area News

Bay Coast Area Committee Opening

The Bay Coast Area is looking for an Adult Volunteer Leader from Napa County to serve on the committee. If this is something you would like to do contact Trent Baldwin, Bay Coast Area Director at Tbaldwin4h@gmail.com.
Project Meetings – Ask Effective, Broad Questions

4-H project leaders fulfill a number of roles: organizer, planner, chaperone, and educator. In being an educator, project leaders facilitate learning experiences for their youth members. A critical component of this educator role is drawing out young people’s ideas. Asking effective questions (or prompts) will help build their understanding and promote reasoning and critical thinking. Effective questions help to stimulate thinking and creativity. However, not all questions/prompts are created equal. There are broad questions/prompts and focused questions/prompts.

- **Broad Question/Prompt**: Elicits a variety of acceptable and generally unpredictable responses. Broad questions/prompts allow youth to make sense of and explore their own ideas, in their own terms, without restrictions, and only minimal guidance. Broad questions encourage youth to share various ideas during a discussion. Examples: What do you know about agriculture? Discuss your observations.

- **Focused Question/Prompt**: Elicits a particular, predictable response planned by the facilitator. Focused questions/prompts generally have a right and wrong response or a “yes” or “no” response. Examples: Name the parts of a goat. What is a pollinator?

We often default to focused questions/prompts that inquire about memorization and recall of information. Developing effective questions can be challenging, particularly during the middle of a 4-H project meeting, so plan out a handful of questions/prompts in advance.

**Tips**
- In general, ask more broad questions and fewer focused questions.
- Broad questions ask youth to discuss, interpret, explain, evaluate, compare, and share if or what if. Other broad questions ask youth to compare what worked and what did not work, ask if there are other ways it could work, and why they think it works.
Clove
r Day (March 17, 2018)
2018 North Bay 4-H Clover Day

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/. 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.
• **Opening Speaker:**
  Charis Denison, **Prajna Consulting**

  *Empowering young people to be active agenda of change in their persona, political, and social lives.*

Charis Denison is an expert in community involvement, human development, and ethics. She has built her experience primarily by working with schools and non-profits for more than 20 years. Charis has worked as the national Service-Learning consultant for the Durango Institute for Co-Curricular Education. She co-wrote *Tolerance for Others*, a middle school human development text, with Leni Wildflower. Charis holds a Master’s degree in Organizational Development from the University of San Francisco. She has been a faculty member at Westridge School in Pasadena, CA, the Urban School of San Francisco, the Branson School in Ross, CA, and Marin Academy in San Rafael, CA. Currently, she runs Prajna Consulting and consults with schools, parents, students, and businesses both organizationally and individually.

• **AM Concurrent Workshops:** *LEARN new strategies to make your 4-H activities more engaging*
  
  o 4-H 101 Basics and Introduction to Leading a Project
  
  o Efficient and Fun 4-H Clubs: A 4-H Club Leader Panel
  
  o Motivating and Engaging Children: Age-Appropriate Child Development
  
  o Retaining Youth in Your 4-H Club: Findings and Practical Advice from the 4-H Youth Retention Study
  
  o Leading Effective Projects: Planning for Mastery

• **PM Project Roundtables:** *MEET other project leaders to SHARE ideas and LEARN from each other. Projects include swine, cattle, goats, sheep, citizenship, rabbits, poultry, photography, clothing/textiles, arts and crafts, outdoor adventure, foods, shooting sports, woodworking, gardens, and sports.*

**Event Contact:**

Steven Worker, PhD
4-H Youth Development Advisor serving Marin, Sonoma, and Napa counties
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