



4-H Calendar of Events

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March

- 8 Presentation Day Registration Due
- 15 *Roundup* Deadline
- 16 Camp Counselor Meeting, 4-H Office, 6:30-8:30 pm
- 19 County-wide Presentation Day, Potter Valley
- 23 Camp Steering Committee Meeting, 4-H Office, 6 to 8 pm
- 25 Cesar Chavez Holiday
- 26 County Council Meeting, Ukiah 4-H Office
- 28 Ethics Training, Bethel Baptist Church, Ft. Bragg, 6 pm

April

- 1-2 Thrive Training, Rohnert Park
- 9 Sectional Presentation Day, Eureka
- 15 Preston Scholarship Due
- 15 *Roundup* Deadline
- 16 Extravaganza, Ukiah 4-H Office
- 20 Camp Counselor Meeting, 4-H Office 6:30-8:30 pm
- 27 Camp Steering Committee Meeting, 4-H Office, 6 to 8 pm
- 30 Potter Valley Rabbit Show, Potter Valley

May

- 1 Redwood Valley Horse Show, Redwood Rider Arena
- 2 Project Proficiency Enrollments Due
- 7 County Council Meeting, Ukiah 4-H Office
- 16 *Roundup* Deadline
- 18 Camp Counselor Meeting, 4-H Office, 6:30-8:30 pm
- 28 State Field Day, UC Davis
- 30 Memorial Day, 4-H Office Closed



Lake/Mendocino 4-H Summer Camp Camp Masonite Navarro Summer Camp Application Due Dates

\$135 Early Bird Registration due by March 7
\$150 Registration due by April 25

The theme for this year's camp is **Space**. Registrations are accepted on a first come basis. Once camp is full, a waiting list will be started. **All registration forms and payment must be received to be considered registered! Postmarks by due date are OK.** Registration packets are available on line at <http://celake.ucdavis.edu/> or at the 4-H office and should be sent to the Lake County Office: UCCE Lake County, 883 Lakeport Blvd., Lakeport, CA 95453. **Questions?** Contact Julie Frazell at the Lake 4-H Office at 263-6838 or jfrazell@ucdavis.edu.

Camp Dates:
June 19-24 -Teen Staff
June 20-24
Chaperones and Campers

Chaperones Needed: Must be an appointed 4-H volunteer. Contact the Lake 4-H Office at 263-6838.

Leader Corner...



Leaders, keep an eye on this space for important dates and messages.

Extravaganza Change of location

Saturday April 16th is the date for the Extravaganza (which includes Fashion Revue, Favorite Foods, and Still Exhibit entries). The location has been moved to the Ukiah 4-H Office Conference Room to save money for council. The building has rooms that can be used for judging Fashion Revue items, a full kitchen for Favorite Food entries, and plenty of space for still exhibits.

The committee is working on the event now, their tentative plans are to have members drop off entries Friday afternoon or Saturday morning by 9 a.m. The judging will be done, and then everyone is invited back for the Fashion Show and showcase of entries.

Have your projects plan entries for this fun event. Entry forms are available on our county website: <http://cemendocino.ucdavis.edu/4-H Program/Fashion Revue and Favorite Foods/>

\$ SCHOLARSHIPS \$

Looking for money for education? There are several opportunities for 4-Hers to help pay for higher education. The State 4-H website has information on many of these scholarships. Check this link: http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Members/Scholarships/Scholarship_Categories/ Other scholarships are available locally, and we will share that information with you in this column. Most applications are available at the 4-H Office.

- **Preston Scholarship**
Offered in honor of Dr. Russell Preston, noted physician in Mendocino. Three \$1,000 scholarships are available to qualified graduating seniors. **Due April 15**
- **Mendocino County Farm Bureau Scholarship**
Info: MCFB at 462-6664 (Application packet also at 4-H Office)
Applications due March 15
- **Mendocino County Cattlemen's Association Rudy Mora Beef Scholarship.**
Applications available at 4-H office or MC Farm Bureau. **Due May 15**

Project Proficiency Reminder

Enrollment in the Project Proficiency Program closes on May 2 this year. You may sign up for a proficiency in a project you are currently enrolled in. You can only be awarded proficiency pins for two projects or two levels of the same project per year. First year members may sign up for only one proficiency.

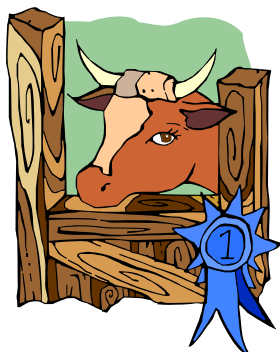


Note to Project and Community Leaders: Please give your community leaders a list of project members enrolling in the proficiency program prior to the May 2 deadline. Each club will submit a complete list of all proficiency enrollments from each project to the 4-H office by May 2. **County-wide project leaders should submit their lists to Linda Edgington by May 2.**

The Project Proficiency Program is designed to measure the level of the member's knowledge and skills learned from project participation. To earn recognition, each member must complete at least 80% of the required guidelines, be enrolled in the Proficiency Program by May 2, and complete the project proficiency before the end of the 4-H year. Completed proficiencies are reported to the 4-H Office by Club no later than September 30th.

An Update from the Mendocino County Junior Awards Committee

Yes, it is February and we are already actively seeking and receiving donations for the 2011 Redwood Empire Fair and the Mendocino County Fair. The Mendocino County Junior Awards Committee purchases awards to go along with the ribbons at the fairs for most winners. All money received by the committee goes directly to these purchases.



We have a donation flyer available upon request. We are asking all 4-H members to please ask your friends, family and favorite businesses to support this program. Below is a list of the donors that have already contributed this year. We will be updating this list throughout the year. If you recognize any of these names, please thank them on behalf of our program.

Anderson Angus Ranch
Anderson Logging Inc
Betty and Raymond Barnett
Bob Dempel
Clines Unlimited Construction
Daniels Construction
Feather Rock Ranch
Gary Swanson Paving, Grading
George Weger
Keith's Family Food Center
KW Swine
Vic and Maggie Weaver
Wine Country Termite and Pest
Yokayo Veterinary Center

If you would like flyers, please contact Nadine Boer 463-0411 or by email pirtpete@pacific.net and she will be happy to mail you some. Five more months until fair time!!!!

Reminder...

Presentation Day—March 19 at Potter Valley School, 1041 Main Street in Potter Valley. Sign-in starts at 8:30 am. **Deadline to register is March 8.**

Choose one of three ways to register:

- Click here for the link to the on-line registration form:
<http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=5926>
- Click on the calendar listing on our website at <http://cemendocino.ucdavis.edu/>
- Or pick one up from the 4-H Office.

W.H.Y. Conference

“4-H Keeps Your Engines Revvin’ in 2011”
September 23-25, 2011

The North Sectional 4-H W.H.Y. Conference will be held September 23-25 at Camp Masonite Navarro. This annual event is for 4-H members, 6th grade and older, and volunteer adult leaders to learn about leadership, citizenship, and life skills. The planning committee is looking for workshop ideas that are educational, fun, and challenging. Do you have an idea that you would like to share? Go to the 4-H page on our website at : http://cemendocino.ucdavis.edu/4-H_Program/ and scroll down to the WHY Conference information for a form to send in with your workshop ideas.

T-Shirt Logo Design Contest

Design a T-shirt logo for the 2011 W.H.Y. Conference. Selected winner receives a paid registration for the conference! Submit your design by May 1, 2011.

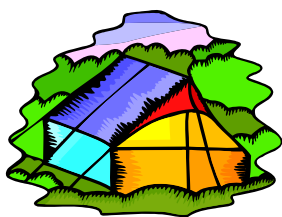
- ◆ Designs should only include two colors
- ◆ Should be no larger than 12” x 12” and submitted as original artwork or digitally as a pdf or jpeg file to Linda Edgington at lgedgington@ucdavis.edu
- ◆ Must include theme “4-H Keeps Your Engines Revvin” in 2011” and W.H.Y. Conference
- ◆ Must be original artwork.

For more information, please contact Linda Edgington at 707-463-4495.

Summer Camp Steering Committee Report

January 26th was the first meeting of the Camp Steering Committee for 2011. Judy Fortner has volunteered to chair these meetings. She would like to invite anyone and everyone interested in the Summer Camp program to attend and give their input. The committee is currently working on raising funds to help offset the cost of camp and to purchase much needed supplies.

The Camp Steering Committee decided on a calendar as a fundraising idea. Donations are being requested and gladly accepted. Due to the costs of renting the camp facility, the fees for camp have been increased to \$135 for early bird registration due by March 7th, after that \$150 until the deadline of April 25th.



The camp theme is **Space**. This year the directors are Ryan Blyleven and Trenton Phillips. The deans are Natasha Looney, Chayton Johnson and Julia Racz. Camp is in need of Male Chaperones. It is

always a struggle to have enough adult males for all of the male youth that register for camp. Insurance requires us to maintain a youth adult ratio, we need more men to volunteer to chaperone so we won't have to turn any boys away. May 25th is the mandatory chaperone meeting at the Ukiah 4-H office.

Supplies needed for camp: At this time they are looking for wagons or something to use to transport sleeping bags, mattresses and duffle bags up the hill to the cabin sites and items that would relate to the theme (Space).

The dates for the camp steering committee meetings are; Feb 23rd, March, 23rd, April 27th and May 11th at the Ukiah 4-H office starting at 6:30 p.m. Hope to see you there!

Redwood Empire Fair Horse Show is scheduled for Sunday, July 24 at the Potter Valley Rodeo grounds. Please mark your calendars.

Ethics Training

Ethics Training on the Coast is scheduled for Monday, March 28 at Bethel Baptist Church on Hwy. 20 near Fort Bragg beginning at 6 pm. The Inland training will be held at the Ukiah 4-H office at a date to be determined. This training is required for those taking animals to the Fairs including the State Fair. Only two trainings will be held in Mendocino County; however, members may attend any State Fair Ethics Training. Check out Bigfun.org for dates.

Host Families Needed for 4-H International Exchange

California 4-H is looking for families who would like to host an international student in their home for one month this summer.

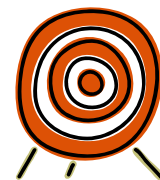
The international students range in age from 12-19 and come from Costa Rica, Japan, and Norway. The students are not here as tourists. They are here to live with your family and participate in your normal activities. The costs are minimal. The students come with their own spending money and medical insurance.



Applications are being accepted now. For additional information go to: www.ca4h.org/Projects/Citizenship/International/ or contact Pat English, Exchange Coordinator at 530-754-8520 or pnenglish@ucdavis.edu

Archery Shoot –Youth Only Sunday, March 20, Red Bluff

Sponsored by the ISHI Archery Club in Red Bluff, this annual event is for all youth 17 years and under. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m., and entry fee is \$5.00. No pre-registration is required, but all parents/guardians of minors must sign insurance waivers obtained at this website: www.ishiarcheryclub.org For more information, contact Jeanne or Leland George at ljgeorge@clearwire.net or 530-527-4200.



“Club Scribe”

News from county 4-H clubs

Ukiah Shamrocks 4-H Club

Submitted by Mattie Duggan

Have we ever had so much fun? We had a great, and fun-packed January meeting. Our officers showed how doing our record books can be really easy. We also had two members, Marishka, and Erika talk about doing “Fun Skits” at Presentation Day, and a lot of people looked interested. After that our officers helped explain an awesome game that we got to play. It was called Skit in a Bag. We all got to watch each other having fun acting out the skits.



Wow! In February, we had just as much fun as last time, or maybe even more. We flew through the business portion of the meeting and got prepared for two very special guests, the very nice couple who own the local candy shop **Expressions**. They shared their secrets for delicious chocolate covered strawberries, and tasty lollipops. We all had a great time, and hope to see all of your smiling faces at our next meeting. :)

Willits 4-H Club

Submitted by Caitlyn Forrester

Willits 4-H has been hard at work for the last few months. We have been working towards a much needed livestock scale. When we started doing fundraisers for this purchase, we thought that it was going to take us a really long time to achieve our goal. Little did we know how amazing the community of Willits really is? We started our fundraising in October with a bake sale at the local hometown harvest festival. We then did another bake sale as well as pictures with Santa at JD Redhouse here in Willits. During our planning of these two bake sales we were approached by the Willits Kiwanis. They wanted us to help out at a

spaghetti feed they were putting on in December. All three of our fundraisers were extremely successful. We were able raise all of the money we needed in two short months. We then started our search for the perfect scale. We didn't have to look far when a parent of a past Willits 4-Her offered the scale that he had purchased for his daughter's project a few years ago. This was the perfect scale for us. We were able to purchase it and still have money left over. We are planning a few fundraisers for the up coming months, including another joint effort with the Willits Kiwanis.



In December, instead of having our normal present exchange at our holiday party, all of our members agreed to bring in an unwrapped gift to donate to Toys for Tots. This was a huge success. Everyone was pleased to be able to help out a less fortunate child in our community.

In January we had our awards ceremony, where we handed out record books, 100 % attendance awards, proficiency awards, and the rest of the awards that members earned last year.

Potter Valley 4-H Club

Submitted by Cooper Johnson

Happy New Year everyone from the Potter Valley club! On December 5th we had our club's annual Awards Night. This was put on by our Vice Presidents Chesney and Becca. It was a great turn out and almost everyone brought some kind of food and we celebrated our achievements for the past 4-H year. Many members earned awards for record books, project proficiencies and projects.

For the new year, our club has new t-shirts for officers to wear at our meetings.



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Members can purchase our newly designed shirts also, they just do not have the title of "officer" on them. Our photography leader, Mary Thornton, brought calendars made from pictures taken by members. These calendars are for club families to purchase to keep track of their 4-H events.

Next month at our club meeting Trenton Phillips will be coming out to share about his trip to Washington D.C.

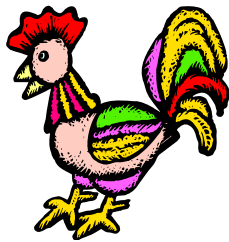
We are looking forward to hosting the Mendocino County Presentation Day on March 19th. We are getting ready for this big county event by organizing different committees. We hope everyone will come out and join us for this "fantastical" day. Even if you have never given a presentation before, come watch others and learn for next year! Until next time, this is Coop, signing off...

Mendocino Spartans 4-H Club

Submitted by Rory Beak

Hello again. The Mendocino Spartan 4-H club had a very busy Valentines Day. Some of us learned how to sing a 1930s "sweetheart" song to perform for the elders at the Lodge at the Woods (our local retirement home). Others made healthy snacks for the lodge, and most of us Spartans made homemade Valentines that made the elders at The Woods feel very good.

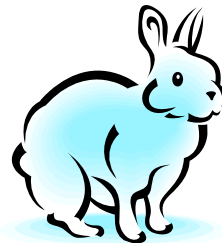
Other things to report: Two Spartan families went to the Eureka Poultry Show and had lots of fun showing their birds. Other Spartans are planning to participate at the Cloverdale Citrus Fair. And we hope to see you all at County Presentation Day in March.



Round Valley 4-H Club

Submitted by Jocey Thieman

Greetings from Round Valley 4-H! On February 7, 2011 at our club meeting we decided on a T-shirt design. The project meetings were announced.



The rabbit group went to the rabbit show in, Santa Rosa. They shared their experience and some even brought their rabbits to share with the group. Speaking of rabbits, leader Kathy Britton got her fifteen year leaders pin. Thank you, Kathy for all of your work being a leader in 4-H. There were also members who got their pins.

Our next meeting is going to be on March 7, 2011 at 5:30 at the Charter School. Members please remember to bring your Mad Hatters hat for our annual contest.

Council Minutes On Line

Keep up with Mendocino County 4-H Council by reading the minutes from the meetings. County Council is the decision-making body for all of Mendocino County 4-H. New this coming year is an increase in 4-H enrollment fees starting with the new 4-H year September 1: Youth enrollment fees will be \$25, and adult fees will be \$10. At October's meeting, the Council voted to eliminate excused absences at all Club and Project meetings and, instead, require 80% attendance at these meetings.

Access the minutes at http://cemendocino.ucdavis.edu/4-H_Program/4-H_Forms_and_Information/Mendocino_County_4-H_Council_info/

Next Council Meeting: March 26

New Short Term Spinning Project Offered

Lois Schaer will be leading a short term spinning project for beginners. The meetings will be held at the Ukiah 4-H office, a date and time determined by the group that enrolls. Lois has years of experience as a spinner and weaver. She wants to share her talents with you! If you are interested contact Linda Edgington at the 4-H office 463-4495 or by email lgedgington@ucdavis.edu

Opportunities & Updates from the State 4-H Office

- **2011 Google Science Fair:**
<http://www.google.com/events/sciencefair/>
For youth ages 13-18 **Deadline: April 4, 2011.** Google has partnered with NASA, CERN, National Geographic, Scientific American, and LEGO to create a totally new kind of STEM competition: a science fair that is more open, inclusive, and global than ever before. The subject categories are broad and encompass all areas of scientific interest. So whether you teach computer science, chemistry, biology or math, you can encourage your youth to enter.
- Applications are now available for the **2011-2012 4-H State Ambassador Team.** The Ambassador position is one of the highest service opportunities and recognition attainable in the University's California 4-H Youth Development Program. 4-H State Ambassadors are youth who have excelled in the areas of leadership and community service, and have been selected to serve the 4-H Youth Development Program in roles that promote leadership through education and service. The **deadline to apply is March 25, 2011.** For more information, visit the website at <http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/Leadership/SA/>
- **2nd USA Science & Engineering Festival:**
<http://www.usasciencefestival.org/>
Spring 2012 The 2nd USA Science & Engineering Festival kicks off with nationwide contests and school programs throughout 2011 and culminates with a Finale Expo in the Spring of 2012 in Washington, DC. We invite you to join in the nation's largest celebration of science. Our mission is to re-invigorate the interest of our nation's youth in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) by producing and presenting the most compelling, exciting, educational and entertaining science gatherings in the United States.
- **Financial Aid for 4-H State Leadership Conference**
Deadline: May 13, 2011.
<http://www.ca4h.org/files/53496.doc> Through a grant from Wells Fargo and assistance from the California 4-H Foundation, financial aid is available to delegates wishing to attend the 2011 4-H State Leadership Conference. The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together CA high school youth in a 4-day conference. This year it is scheduled for July 28-31, 2011 at the University of CA, Davis. For more details, go to www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/.
- **WiredSafety:**
Youth—and adults working with youth—will find a wealth of information about internet safety on this website. Whether you're looking for tips on social networking safely or learning the risks of identity theft, this site houses countless videos, animations, printable educational materials and curriculum related to cyber safety. For more information, visit www.WiredSafety.org.
- **ANR Environmental Health and Safety 4-H Resources:**
Are you confident your 4-H activities, events, retreats or camps are a safe place for youth? The ANR Environmental Health and Safety website hosts Clover Safe Notes listed by project area (with five new additions!), the 4-H Camp Safety Guidebook, 4-H Safety Training Record and more. 4-H youth, volunteers and staff will how to evaluate their environment for potential hazards prior to 4-H activities. Check out the website at <http://groups.ucanr.org/ehs/4H/>.
- **Start! Walking Now:**
Combine SET and Healthy Living programming to pack a powerful punch! On this website, youth are encouraged to identify a walking path in their community. Using Google Maps, visitors can record their favorite walking path in an online database. Then with a free tool kit, go outside and mark your path with official "Start! Walking Path" signs. To help get others in your community on the road to good health, visit www.startwalkingnow.org.
- **WaysToHelp.org Deadline:**
Reviewed monthly. Do you see a need in your community? Teens are invited to apply for \$500 to make their community service ideas become a reality. There are 16 categories to address, including general fitness, drug and alcohol abuse, crime prevention, cancer and smoking, and more. Applications are simple—just provide a 5,000 words or less summary of the proposed project. Grant requests are reviewed and responded to on a monthly basis. Visit www.waystohelp.org and select "See Ways To Help."

To see ALL the State 4-H Updates, go to: <http://www.ca4h.org/News/>

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MENDOCINO COUNTY 4-H
March 2011**

Web Sites

National 4-H Council

www.4-h.org

California State 4-H <http://ca4h.org>

Record Book forms, officer manuals, Policy Handbook, opportunities for youth and leaders, etc. Click on **Resources** for links to electronic 4-h forms, policies, and opportunities.

Mendocino County web site:

<http://cemendocino.ucdavis.edu>

The *Roundup* is available on this web site. You can also be notified when a new *Roundup* is available electronically. Please contact the Ukiah 4-H office for this information.

Yahoo Groups for Community Club Leaders

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/4h-ccl/>

Valuable site for discussing issues, sharing information and resources for curriculum, materials and project ideas.

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