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Special Points

* Caring Adults Wanted!
* Farewell to Pat Bagley
* 10 Commandments for Parents of Youth Showing Livestock
* Important Club Dates to Remember!
* Record Book Judging
* CalFocus Delegate's Project

4-H - *"To Make the Best Better"*

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New York, New York — Hi 4-H Exchange

Mary Hall

The Yuba-Sutter Hi 4-H Club recently returned from a week long Exchange Trip with a Columbia County, New York 4-H Club. While there, the members visited a large dairy farm, Saratoga Battle Field, Lake George, the country's oldest Professional Rodeo, Howe Caverns, a Farmers Museum and toured New York City where they saw Ground Zero, the Statue of Liberty, many famous stores and Times Square at night. They also made stepping stones which will be placed at the Columbia County Extension complex. Members also spent time with host families and got to see some of the other sights around Columbia County. Members that participated were: Megan Bartlett, Ben Duran, Ian Enriquez, Haleigh Fuentes, Hailee Gullett, Chris Hall, Dustin Miller, LeAnn Palu, Rachel Perryman, and Kayla Taylor. Leaders were Mary Hall and Terry Fuentes. Members will be hosting the New York group for a week next summer.

Making stepping stones for Columbia County Extension complex in New York

Enjoying the Nation's oldest professional rodeo

The Hi 4-H exchange group at Saratoga National Historical Park and Battle Field in Saratoga, New York

AUGUST

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			Yuba-Sutter Fair	**Yuba-Sutter Fair** State Leadership Conference	1 **Yuba-Sutter Fair** State Leadership Conference	2 **Yuba-Sutter Fair** State Leadership Conference
3 **Yuba-Sutter Fair** State Leadership Conference	4	5 Able Riders Club Meeting	6	7	8	9 Butte County 4-H Horse Show
10	11	12 Able Riders Club Meeting	13	14	15 **State Fair Begins**	16
17 Guide Dogs Club Meeting	18	19 Able Riders Club Meeting	20	21	22	23 Tehama 4-H Horse Field Day
24	25	26 Able Riders Club Meeting	27 **New Year Club Leaders Start-up Meeting**	28	29 **All Star Applications Due**	30

Yuba-Sutter Fair
150 Years of Summer Fun!

July 30 — August 3

442 Franklin Avenue, Yuba City

Good luck to all members who are displaying still exhibits and showing animal projects!

2008-2009 All Star Program

The deadline for All Star Applications is:
Friday, August 29, 2008
Applicants must be 15 years of age by 1/1/08.

Other requirements and information can be found in the "All Star Application" packet available at the 4-H office.

THE California STATE FAIR is Going Hollywood!

AUGUST 15 - SEPTEMBER 1, 2008
CAL EXPO

4-H members and leaders are invited to help staff the 4-H booth at the California State Fair and share experiences and projects with the public. For each person that is scheduled for a two-hour shift, the State Fair provides a ticket for 1 day of admission and parking passes as needed. The parking passes are valid in the livestock parking lot Z behind the fairgrounds (gravel road with unpaved parking).

Sign-up by **August 4, 2008** by visiting:

http://ca4h.org/wrp/statefair/

CARING ADULTS WANTED

As we all know, our volunteers are the heart of the 4-H Youth Development Program. Help us to recruit caring adults you know to serve in this important role. Research shows that positive youth development is aided when youth develop relationships with caring adults other than their parents. Potential volunteers can call Megan Osbourn at 822-7515 for more information. ***"Those who can, DO. Those who can do more, VOLUNTEER!"***

SAVE THE DATE
Upcoming Events and Activities

Butte Co. 4-H Horse Show
Saturday, August 9, 2008
Entries due by August 1
For further questions, contact Callie McCarthy
(530) 342-8155

2nd Annual Tehama County 4-H Horse Field Day
"Trail & Rail"
Saturday, August 23, 2008
Pre-registration is due August 15
Contact Tehama Co. 4-H at (530) 527-3101

New Leader Orientation!

The dates have been set for the 2008 / 2009 New Leader Orientations. All orientations will be held at the 4-H office. *It is mandatory that all adults assisting with the operation of a 4-H unit/project be certified **before** they begin working with members.*

The certification process includes:

* A completed Adult Volunteer Application.
* Live Scan fingerprinting & background check.
* Attendance at a New Leader Orientation on one of the following dates:

Sat., September 6, 2008, 10:00 am;

Tues., October 14, 2008, 7:00 pm;

Wed., November 5, 2008, 7:00 pm; OR

Sat., April 4, 2009, 10:00 am

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

October 5-11 , 2008

Start Planning Your Club Activities and for the Window Display Contest.

This year's theme is:
"What Diversity Means to Me…"

National 4-H Week

Achievement Night

Come celebrate the outstanding accomplishments of our youth members, leaders, and clubs!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2008
Dessert @ 6:30 PM, Presentations @ 7:00 PM

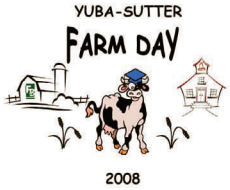
NEW YEAR LEADERS' START-UP MEETING

Wednesday, August 27 @ 6:30 pm
4-H Office
Kick-off meeting for the 2008-2009 4-H Program Year!

Community Club Leaders will receive standard paperwork, in addition to information on *new* paperwork, policies and procedures.

EVERY CLUB NEEDS TO BE REPRESENTED!

If the main Community Club Leader is unable to attend, please make sure someone else from your club is there to take the information back to your club.



FARM DAY 2008
Friday, October 3, 2008

Hosted by the Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau and Yuba-Sutter Fair. For more information and to sign up to have a display/presentation, contact the Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau Office @ 530-673-6550.

2008 State Leaders' Forum

November 7-9, 2008

Asilomar, Pacific Grove, CA

Get ready to rock at the California State 4-H Leaders' Forum, hosted by the South Central Section.

Volunteers, Leaders and Staff are invited to help "Build Solid Foundations" for the 4-H Youth Development Program.

Registration and lodging reservation information is available at: www.ca4h.org/conference/slf/index.asp. The best lodging rates are available per person if you have a roommate. Please call Megan at the 4-H office if you would like to attend and need to find a roommate.

Registration Deadline: **September 7, 2008**

Farewell to Pat Bagley

Pat Bagley is retiring from her position as Office Manager for UCCE in Sutter and Yuba Counties on August 29, 2008. She has been with the county since 1988 and has been in the farm advisors office since 1994. Pat has been exceptional in her job and we always knew we could count on her to pull every project through even with the heaviest workloads. She has always been very supportive of the 4-H Youth Development Program and helpful in executing the many details related to the program. Pat's plans for retirement include gardening and visiting her family - especially having more "playtime" with her great grandchildren. We would like to thank Pat for her service and wish her a very well deserved and enjoyable retirement. May she grow beautiful gardens!

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS FOR PARENTS OF YOUTH SHOWING LIVESTOCK

1. Thou shalt not feed, train, and care for the animal for thou are trying to teach thy child responsibility.
2. Thou shalt forgive a child for making mistakes in the show ring for thou hast made mistakes too.
3. Thou shalt not get mad when thy child forgets items in the show box, for one day thou may forget the show box.
4. Thou shalt help the show management for they are doing a job that thou would not want to do.
5. Thou shalt see that thy child is on time for all activities for thou would not want to wait for others.
6. Thou shalt make sure thy child has animals entered and registration papers in order by the designated time.
7. Thou shalt teach thy child that winning a blue ribbon is a desirable goal but making friends along the way is a more worthy goal.
8. Thou shalt not complain about the judge for it is his/her opinion that has been sought.
9. Thou shalt remember that livestock projects are teaching projects, not necessarily moneymaking projects.
10. Thou shalt remember that the livestock project is a family project that shall be enjoyed and supported by the entire family.

Clyde D. Lane, Jr.,
Extension Specialist
University of Tennessee

CLUB DOCUMENT SUBMISSION DATES

END OF YEAR DOCUMENTS

- 2007-2008 "5 Presentations" pin list; "Alfred Garcia Award" nominees list — **July 2, 2008**
- 2007-2008 **Secretary and Treasurer Books** — **Sept. 5, 2008**
- 2007-2008 **Club Program Planning Guide**, including: — **Sept. 5, 2008**
  - * 2007-2008 club budget, club inventory
  - * 2007-2008 club audit/peer review
  - * June/July 2008 bank statement

NEW YEAR DOCUMENTS

- 2008-2009 Enrollment & Insurance forms and fees — **Nov. 1, 2008**
- 2008-2009 Outreach Efforts Reports — **Jan. 1, 2009**

PLEASE BE KIND TO THE 4-H OFFICE STAFF BY SUBMITTING DOCUMENTS BY DUE DATES FOR ANNOUNCEMENT AT ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT AND STATE 4-H OFFICE REPORTING. THANKS!

COUNCIL NEWS

Sutter-Yuba 4-H Council Meeting

Thursday, September 11, 2008 @ 6:30pm
4-H Office

All adult and teen leader representatives are welcome!

Contact the 4-H office at 822-7515 or e-mail Megan Osbourn at mgosbourn@ucdavis.edu to add any "New Business" or other items to the Council Meeting Agenda.

Council Meeting Minutes & Agenda

Now online by going to: http://cesutter.ucdavis.edu/, clicking on 4-H Youth Development Program and then clicking

SERVICE LEARNING RFP

California 4-H Clubs, Units and Groups may apply for funding to conduct a service-learning project that addresses significant environmental, economic and/or social issues affecting California's youth, families, and communities.

Financial support up to $5,000 may be requested.

http://www.ca4h.org/citizenship/funding

Due September of each year

Robert Brownlee Science Award

The 2008 4-H Golden Clover Award program is seeking qualified 4-H members and volunteers to apply for the Robert Brownlee Science Award.

Applications Due: **September 30, 2008**

In the Spotlight

Rocky Hills Uses Recognition Requirements to Plan Project Meetings

by Linda Olsen

After being project leaders for several years, two of the Rocky Hills leaders decided they needed more guidance to make their projects tie in better with the recognition program. They figured, "Why spend all of the time in project meetings if we don't cover the things members need to know in order to earn their proficiencies?" and, "Why not teach the members to become comfortable speaking in front of a group by making project-level presentations at most project meetings?"

Integrating the use of proficiencies was not as difficult as it might seem at first. During project planning sessions, several proficiency items were chosen for emphasis at each meeting, covering all proficiency items during the year. Level 1 items, for example, were used to teach the first year members. They also introduced the ideas to primary members and provided a refresher for members who are at more advanced levels.

Public speaking is one of the hardest, most feared things, even for adults. Starting by getting up in front of people they knew made it easier for members to feel relaxed in front of an audience. Even primary members were encouraged to get up and use the basic presentation format to explain what they had done and learned at that meeting.

These proficiency concepts were first applied to Arts & Crafts, Cooking, and Fashion Revue (Textile Arts). Most of the project groups in the Rocky Hills Club have now also adopted this approach.

For more information on the Project Proficiency Programs, contact Megan Osbourn at 822-7515.

Policy Reminders and Updates

New 4-H Banking Policy (704.2): As of July 1, 2008 all Sutter-Yuba 4-H club units are required by UCCE to *change the mailing address* on their monthly bank account statements (both checking and savings accounts) to be mailed to the Sutter/Yuba Counties Cooperative Extension office. The bank statements will be copied and forwarded immediately to the respective club contact. All clubs must also *remove* the UCCE County Director, Mike Murray from the account as a signatory. All address changes must be completed by ***September 30, 2008.***

Change mailing addresses to:
Sutter/Yuba Counties Cooperative Extension
142 Garden Highway, Suite A
Yuba City, CA 95991-5512

Please **submit information** about your club to Megan Osbourn by **August 22nd** for the September newsletter.

4-H Club Reports

Browns Valley: The Browns Valley 4-H Club has elected officers for the 2008-2009 year. The officers are:
President—Dustin Rossiter
Vice President—Jarred Woods
Secretary—Evan Christopherson
Treasurer—Stacy Kraus
Reporter—Rachael Goforth
Historian—Samantha Barker
Sergeant at Arms—Allison Goforth and Bailey Jenks
The club will be holding their end of the year potluck dinner at the Yuba Sutter Fair and the first meeting of the new 4-H year will be in September.

Franklin: Franklin 4-Hers have been very busy this summer. The club held a special meeting to get all of the record books up to date. Club level presentations were given at that meeting. The fair livestock projects include Beef, Swine, Sheep, Market Goats, Pygmy Goats, Poultry, Rabbits, and Cavies. Scrapbooking, Cake Decorating, Arts and Crafts, and Gardening also have entries in the Yuba Sutter Fair.

Plumas: Club President Jacob Bartlett recently received a Platinum Star Rank, the highest rank under All Star. Jacob and longtime member Erin Hastey represented Yuba County at this year's Cal Focus. Both did a fantastic job as Sutter-Yuba delegates and had a blast while doing it! Two other longtime Plumas members, Megan Bartlett and LeAnn Palu, visited New York City in July while participating in this year's Hi-4-H exchange trip.

Sutter Buttes: This year the Sutter Buttes 4-H Club gave out 5 scholarships to Sutter Union graduating seniors. The students receiving the $250 scholarships were Alison Tarke, Petra Tica, Taylor Smith, Emily Burgess, and Jason Ferguson. To win this scholarship the students must have been active in Sutter Buttes 4-H for at least 2 years at anytime in their life. Our 4-H club would like to give all these students a huge round of applause , not only for contributing to our 4-H club, but to our community as well!

Yuba-Sutter Colusa Guide Dog/Puppy Raisers: The Guide Dog group has been busy with dogs finishing Guide Training. Adelaide and Hannah Baber's dog Carola graduated and was placed with a visually impaired person in July. Margery Magill's dog Lindy will be graduating from training in August. Bailey Jenk's puppy Ritzy has been career changed and is in training to be a Firefighter Disaster dog. Current puppies in training are: Lakota - Hannah Baber, Faberge - Margery Magill, Olivia - Bailey Jenks, Cadet - Chloe Gonzalez, and Brewer - Suzanne and Jeff Herboldshimer. The Club also recently elected officers for the upcoming 4-H year: President - Hannah Baber, Vice President - Margery Magill, Secretary - Bailey Jenks, Treasurer - Chloe Gonzalez, Reporter/Historian - Parker Jenks. Adelaide Baber was awarded a scholarship from the club, as well as a scholarship from Guide Dogs for the Blind. Anyone interested in becoming involved with the Guide Dog group should contact Suzanne Herboldshimer at 713-9395. This is one of the most rewarding projects as you will be helping others to see with the aid of a Guide Dog.

2008 State 4-H Record Book Competition

Time Line:

September 30, 2008 - Applications to Judge Due

October 24, 2008 - Books Due to County 4-H Office

December 5 - 7, 2008 - State Judging

The Purpose of Record Book Competitions:

- Provides an incentive to members to record their project work and personal achievement in their 4-H Record Book.
- Members receive feedback and encouragement on their 4-H project skill development, leadership and citizenship development, and record-keeping skills.
- Members are recognized for outstanding 4-H work.

Age Eligibility for the 2008 Competition:
Senior 4-H members (at least 14 years of age and no older than 19 years old by December 31 of the program year for which the book is being entered) are eligible to enter state competition. This means that 4-H members born anytime in 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, or 1993 *(between January 1, 1989 and December 31, 1993)* are eligible.

State 4-H Cover Page - The State 4-H Judging Cover Page must be included with 4-H Record Books entered for State Judging. The Cover Page may not be altered. 4-H Record Books missing the Cover Page will be reason for disqualification.

County Check Sheet - A county check sheet must be included with 4-H Record Books entered for State Judging. A committee, authorized by the County 4-H Office, must complete the checklist and ensure the completeness of the 4-H Record Book. 4-H Record Books missing the Check Sheet will be reason for disqualification.

Previous Years Materials - Materials from all previous years in 4-H must be removed and replaced with a summary of your previous involvement in 4-H (the 4-H member may include all involvement as a 4-H member, including primary). These pages must be placed at the back of the 4-H Record Book and must conform to the standard formatting and page guidelines.

More Information is available at:
www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/recordbook/competition.asp
Forms available at:
www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/recordbook/index.asp

2008 Record Book/Star Rank Judging

The Sutter/Yuba Counties 4-H Program's Record Book/ Star Rank Judging Committee judged Record Books for star ranks and for county level competition on July 19. A total of 40 Record Books were submitted.

This is the last year that books will be judged for star rank at the county level. Starting for the 2008-2009 year, all Star Rank judging will take place at the club level. Next year Community Leaders will be required to submit the Personal Development Record to the 4-H office for any member applying for a higher star rank. We will do our very best to help the Community Club Leaders fully understand the Star Rank process.

For the 2008-2009 Program Year, please remember to use the most current Record Book forms that are available at: www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/recordbook/index.asp. The updated forms are also available at the 4-H office.

We look forward to awarding all of the Gold and Silver Record Book winners at Achievement Night on October 28, 2008.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR VOLUNTEERS WHO SERVED AS JUDGES!

California Focus

Jacob Bartlett and Erin Hastey served as delegates from Yuba County for the 2008 California Focus program. California's capital city, Sacramento, was a "living classroom" for this five-day, action packed adventure that helped them strengthen their leadership skills. Erin and Jacob are now working on the "Action Plan" they developed at Cal Focus, which will likely include organizing a book drive in the Yuba-Sutter area and donating the books to a local charity. We look forward to hearing about great achievements from our 2008 Cal Focus delegates.

Left: *Jacob Bartlett and Erin Hastey participate in the "Walk for Health" service project.*

Below: *Erin Hastey works to prepare her "Plan of Action."*

Sutter/Yuba Counties — 2008/2009 4-H Events Calendar

July / August	Yuba-Sutter Fair	July 30 - August 3 @ Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds
	State Leadership Conference	July 31 - August 3 @ UC Davis
	California State Fair	August 15 - September 1 @ Cal Expo, Sacramento
	New Year Club Leaders Start-Up Meeting	August 27, 6:00 pm @ 4-H Office
	2008/2009 All Star Applications Due	August 29 @ 4-H Office
Sept	Club "End of Year" Documents Due	September 5 @ 4-H Office
	New Leader Orientation	Saturday, September 6, 10:00 am @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Council Meeting	September 11, 6:30 pm @ 4-H Office
October	Farm Day	October 3 @ Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds
	North Section Council Meeting	October 4 @ Hosted by Nevada/Placer Counties
	National 4-H Week	October 5 - 11
	New Leader Orientation	October 14, 7:00 pm @ 4-H Office
	Club Officers Training	October 18 (date tentative) @ 4-H Office
	Achievement Night	October 28 @ Whitaker Hall, Potluck Desserts @ 6:30, Presentation @ 7:00
November	New Leader Orientation	November 5, 7:00 pm @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Council Meeting	November 13, 6:30 pm @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Craft Day	November 15, 9:00 am—1:00 pm @ 4-H Office
	State Leaders Forum	November 7 - 9 @ Asilomar, Pacific Grove, CA
January	Leaders Dinner/Bi-County Council Meeting	January 8 @ 4-H Office
	Fashion Revue Workshop	January (Date TBA), @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Presentation Day	January (Date TBA) @ 4-H Office
February	CSU, Chico Swine Day	February 7 @ CSU, Chico
	Bi-County Craft Day	February 7, 9:00 am—1:00 pm @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Presentation Day	February (Date TBA) @ 4-H Office
	CSU, Chico Beef Day	February 21 @ CSU,Chico
	CSU, Chico Sheep & Goat Day	February 28 @ CSU, Chico
Mar	Bi-County Council Meeting	March 12 @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Goat & Sheep Day	March (Date TBA) @ Lindhurst High School
	North Section Presentation Day	March (Date TBA)
April	New Leader Orientation	April 4, 10:00 am @ 4-H Office
	Bi-County Fashion Revue	April (Date TBA)
May	Spring Fair Set-Up Day	May 2 @ Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds
	Spring Fair / Presentation Day	May 9 @ Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds
	Sutter-Yuba 4-H Council Meeting	May 14 , 6:30 pm @ 4-H Office
	2009/2010 All Star Applications Due	May 29 @ 4-H Office
	State Field Day / Fashion Revue / Presentation Day	May 30 @ UC Davis
June	4-H Camp	June (Date TBA)
	California Focus	June (Date TBA) @ Sacramento

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