



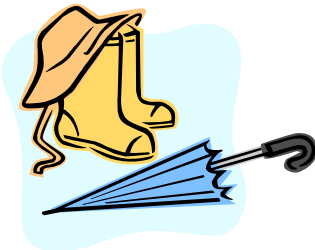
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<p>Presentation/ Favorite Foods Day Saturday, February 7</p> <p>Agriculture & Environmental Science Day UC Davis Campus March 6 & 7</p> <p>Farm Day March 19</p> <p>Camp Staff Training weekend May 2 & 3</p>

Feb. 7	County 4-H Presentation/Favorite Foods Day, 4690 D Street, Petaluma
Feb. 11	Record Book Workshop, 6:30 p.m., 4-H office
Feb. 13-15	Western Bonanza Livestock Show, Cal Poly
Feb. 25-Mar. 1	Western Regional Leaders Forum, Denver, Colorado
Feb. 28-Mar. 1	Shooting Sports Training, Rifle discipline, Bakersfield
Mar. 6-7	Agriculture & Environmental Sciences Field Day, Davis
Mar. 19	Farm Day, Marin Center, Exhibit Hall
Mar. 28	Sectional Presentation Day, UC Davis
Mar. 28-Apr. 4	National Conference, Chevy Chase, Maryland
Mar. 27- 29	National Youth Horse Leaders Symposium, Nebraska
Mar. 28-29	State 4-H Horse Classic, Reedley College
Mar. 31	2009-2010 State Ambassador applications due
Apr. 1-5	Junior Grand National Rodeo, Cow Palace
Apr. 16-18	4-H You See Davis Days, UC Davis campus
Apr. 18	Livestock Judging Contest, CSU Fresno
May 2-3	Camp Staff Training weekend, Las Posadas, Angwin
May 3	Nicasio-Tri-Valley 4-H Fair, Marin French Cheese Co.
May 12	County 4-H Council Meeting, Pt. Reyes Fire Station
May 30	State 4-H Field Day, UC Davis Campus
June 6	West Marin Fair, Pt. Reyes
June 21-29	Washington Focus I
June 25-28	State 4-H Championship Horse Show, Watsonville
June 26-30	California Focus, Sacramento
July 11-18	Marin County 4-H Summer Camp, Las Posadas, Angwin
July 12- 22	Washington Focus II
Aug. 6- 9	State Leadership Conference, UC Merced



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Statewide 4-H News

Agriculture & Environmental Sciences Field Day

The University of California Davis is hosting the 33rd annual Agriculture and Environmental Sciences Field Day. This year's event will take place on March 6th and 7th, with an estimated 3,000 FFA and 4-H students in attendance. The event consists of 26 judging events and leadership contests that are all facilitated by current UC Davis undergraduate students. For registration and more info go to <http://caee.ucdavis.edu/StudInfo/clubs/NewsEvents/Events/fieldday>. Registration deadline is Feb. 13, 2009.

Shooting Sports Workshop

A 4-H Shooting Sports workshop for rifle discipline will be held at Five Dogs Shooting Range, 20238 Woody Road in Bakersfield, Saturday, February 28, 8:00 a.m.–5:30 p.m., and Sunday, March 1, 8:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Participants must attend both days of the 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 a 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.

State Leadership Conference 2009

This year's conference will be held August 6-9 at the new UC campus in Merced. The theme for this year's State Leadership Conference is "SLC: It's a BIG



DEAL". Proposals are being accepted for mini-track or workshops. Sessions should focus on science, engineering and technology (SET), community service, citizenship or leadership topics. Forms are available at <http://fourh.ucdavis.edu> under conferences. Proposals are due Friday, February 27, 2009.

Show Us Your Creativity

Enter the State 4-H Horse Classic Artwork Contest! All 4-H members are invited to enter the design contest for the artwork for the "State 4-H Horse Classic Championship Horse Show" tee-shirt sales. The winning entry will receive a free t-shirt featuring 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. The design can be comical or serious. Submit your artwork on 8 1/2 x 11" paper in black /white and color versions. It may be computer generated or hand drawn. The logo will be used for tee-shirts, awards and promotion of the event. Send entries to Jeanne George, State 4-H Equine Education Advisor, 1754 Walnut Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080.



2008 logo

State 4-H Field Day

Plan to attend the 2009 State 4-H Field Day on Saturday, May 30, 2009 at the UC Davis campus. The 8th annual Field Day is an event for the entire family, with both competitive and fun activities. You can present a demonstration, participate in the fashion revue, take a plant science test, participate in a judging contest, or draw a logo for 2010! State 4-H Ambassadors will be collecting new or used stuffed animals which will be donated to local children's hospitals. Learn more about State Field Day at <http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/fieldday/>.



2009 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest

4-H members may enter the 2009 essay contest. This year's theme is "The Dance Language of Bees." Essays are due February 13, 2009. More information on this contest is available at <http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/Forms/2009BeekeepingEssay.pdf>



County and Club News



Presentation/Favorite Foods Day

Presentation/Favorite Foods Day will take place on Saturday, February 7th at 4690 D Street Extension, Petaluma (look for signs). This year's event will be held in the Glenn's barn, so wear warm clothing. Participants should arrive by 9:00 a.m. Presentations will begin at 9:30 a.m. Each participant must wear a white shirt or blouse, 4-H hat, green scarf for girls and 4-H tie for boys. Each participant is also responsible for providing their own equipment and supplies. If you have any questions, contact the 4-H office at 499- 4207. Morning refreshments will be available for purchase.



Stockton Poultry Show

On January 24-25, members of the Indian Valley 4-H Poultry group attended the Pacific Poultry Breeders Association Show in Stockton. Pictured (from left) are Olivia Severns, Jenna Magner and Samantha Navarro.

Upcoming Poultry:

- Feb. 14-15 Poultry Fanciers Show, Humboldt
- Feb. 21 Greater California Society of Poultry Fanciers, Fresno
- Mar. Golden Gate Bantam Club, Bakersfield



UCCE/4-H Marin SET

The Marin County 4-H program is one of several California counties participating in a National 4-H Council initiative for Science, Engineering and Technology (SET). This initiative was developed in response to the nation's concern for increasing the human capacity and workforce abilities in these subject areas. SET includes literacy and engagement components of improving knowledge and skills, addressing issues, including community service and collaborating with other agencies. 4-H provides a context for SET which combines a non-formal educational setting with these components.

The Marin County SET plan encompasses all of these components in a two-year project with an environmental science focus. In addition to newly created projects, there are also enhancements of current ongoing project groups, all framed around experiential and inquiry-based learning. Activity kits will be developed for multiple 4-H deliveries. The goals of the Marin County 4-H SET plan include:

- ◇ 400-800 youth participants
- ◇ Documentation of increased literacy and improved attitudes
- ◇ Leaders with increased youth development and subject matter knowledge and skills
- ◇ Information to help identify and develop potential future models.

More information about SET at the state and national levels is available at: <http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/SET/>.

Marin County Farm Day

This is the 25th anniversary of Marin County Farm Day. The theme is "Marin's Farming Roots: *Can You Dig It?*".

Farm Day will be held on Thursday, March 19, at the Marin Center Exhibit Hall. Each year the Marin County 4-H program collaborates with several organizations throughout the county to bring this educational event to thousands of school-age youth. 4-H members are encouraged to participate in this event by bringing animals, having educational displays, serving as guides, or assisting other exhibitors with their booths. This is a great opportunity to share your 4-H experience with other youth in the county. Contact the 4-H office if you would like to volunteer. The 4-H staff will provide community service forms to fulfill school requirements.



Scholarships and Grants

Christopher Columbus Awards Program is available to middle school youth who are interested in working in teams with an adult coach to use science and technology in providing solutions to an issue they care about. Teams will compete for a \$25,000 grant, a trip to the program's National Championship Week, and a \$2,000 savings bond. Entry deadline is February 9, 2009. For more information visit: <http://www.christophercolumbusawards.com>

State 4-H Ambassador Program

The 2009-2010 4-H State Ambassador applications are now available! Candidates must be at least 16 years old by July 1, 2009, have leadership and event planning experience, and the ability to represent the 4-H Youth Development Program. 4-H State Ambassadors plan the 4-H State Leadership Conference, represent the California 4-H Youth Development Program, and conduct team projects. Applications are due March 31, 2009, and are available at <http://www.ca4h.org/leadership.ambassador/>.

You See Davis Days

The collegiate 4-H club at UC Davis is pleased to present "4-H You See Davis Days" April 16-18 for high school students. This three-day event provides an opportunity for participants to experience college life at UC Davis. High school 4-H members are given the chance to:

- Attend classes
- Tour the campus
- Meet admissions advisors
- Explore Greek life
- Experience the food, dorms, and other highlights of college life.

The cost for this event is \$55.00

Register Now— space is limited. Registration information is available on-line at <http://clubs.ca4h.org/collegiate4h/ucd/ysddays.htm>.

Registration deadline is Monday, March 16, 2009.

International Exchange

Would your family enjoy being exposed to different cultures without traveling to another country? The California International Exchange month-long hosting program allows families to gain the benefits of international travel right there at home by hosting an exchange student from Costa Rica, Finland or Japan. Host family applications are being accepted now for the Summer 2009 program, in hopes that all placements will be in place by early May. In addition, all 4-H members and leaders can participate in the Australia Outbound Program in 2009. More information is available at <http://www.ca4h.org/exchange/>, or contact Pat English at 530-754-8520 or pnenglish@ucdavis.edu.



Update your PDR

<u>Event</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Area</u>
Attended the Presentation		Participated in a community service project	5
Day workshop	3	Submitted a news article for publication	6
Gave a prepared talk at your local club meeting	6	Attended teen leadership conference	3
Participated in a club judging contest	2		

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