



Marin County 4-H Newsletter
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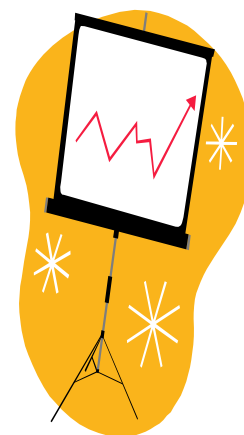
NOTE CHANGE IN VENUE!

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| Feb. 2 | Presentation Day, 4-H office in Novato |
| Feb. 6 | Record Book training, 6:30 p.m., 4-H office |
| Feb. 23 | Statewide Record Book Training, Davis |
| Mar. 1-2 | Ag & Environmental Sciences Field Day, Davis |
| Mar. 6-9 | Western Regional Leaders Forum, Boise, ID |
| Mar. 7 | 4-H Food Safety training, UCCE Sonoma County |
| Mar. 20 | FARM DAY , Marin Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall |
| Mar. 29 | Sectional Presentation Day, Davis |
| Mar. 29- Apr. 5 | National 4-H Conference, Chevy Chase, MD |
| Mar 27-31 | National Camping Institute, Virginia |
| Mar. 31 | State 4-H Ambassador applications due |
| Apr. 4-13 | Junior Grand National, Cow Palace |
| Apr. 5- 6 | Archery Leader Training, Kern County |
| Apr. 5-6 | Equine Educational Contests, CSU Fresno |
| Apr. 17-19 | You See Davis Days, UC Davis Campus |
| Apr. 18-20 | California Camping Conference, Mariposa |
| Apr. 29 | County 4-H Council Meeting, 6:30 pm Pt. Reyes Fire Station, Pt. Reyes |
| May 3-4 | Camp Staff Training, Los Posadas |
| May 4 | Nicasio-Tri-Valley Fair, Cheese Factory |
| May 31 | State 4-H Field Day, Davis |
| Jun. 26-29 | Horse Classic, Santa Cruz Fairgrounds |
| Jun. 27-July 1 | California Focus |
| Jun. 29- July 9 | Washington Focus #1 |
| July 6- 14 | Washington Focus #2 |
| July 31-Aug.3 | State Leadership Conference, UC Davis |
| Aug. 3-9 | Marin County 4-H Summer Camp, Angwin |

Statewide News

Sectional Presentation Day

North Central Sectional Presentation Day will be held Saturday, March 29 in Wellman Hall on the UC Davis campus. Any 4-H member who receives a Gold Medal award for their County Presentation may compete at the sectional level. Primary members may participate, but will not be judged or go on to further competition. Registration information is available through the Marin County 4-H office. The registration deadline for this event is Monday, February 25th. As with all Sectional and State competitions, we must provide a judge from our county.



AG & Environmental Sciences Field Day

This event will be held March 1-2 at the UC Davis campus. There will be judging events and leadership contests. 4-H clubs and individual members are welcome to compete in all events. Registration materials are available at aes.ucdavis.edu/Events/FieldDay.htm and will be due February 12, 2008.

2008-2009 State Ambassador Program

Become a 2008-2009 State Ambassador! Youth ages 16-19 and adult advisors are now being sought to provide statewide leadership. Ambassadors act as 4-H representatives, conduct team projects, and plan the 4-H State Leadership Conference. Applications are due March 31, 2008, and are available at <http://www.ca4h.org/leadership/ambassador/index.asp>.

California Camping Conference

The State-wide camping task force will be hosting a camping conference April 18-20. The conference will be held at Jack L. Boyd School at Green Meadows Fish Camp in Mariposa County. The conference will feature a variety of workshops in staff training, behavior management, new program ideas, team building challenges, and guest speakers. There will also be special workshops available in CPR and Food Safety, as well as an Archery certification course. The cost of the conference is \$120.00 per person. All camp adults and youth staff are encouraged to attend this conference. Additional information and registration forms are available at <http://www.ca4h.org> or by contacting the Marin County 4-H office at 499-4207. Registration deadline is Friday April 4, 2008.



COUNTY AND CLUB NEWS



NOTICE: Change in Venue

**Presentation Day has been moved to the 4-H office
at 1682 Novato Blvd., Suite 150-B in Novato**

2008 Marin County Presentation Day

This year Presentation/Favorite Foods Day will be held at the 4-H office in Novato. The event will begin at 9:30 a.m. Presenters should arrive fully prepared by 8:30 a.m. Once you have checked in, you will be given a program including the time of your presentation and the area where your presentation will be located. There will be a short orientation with the Chairpersons at 9:00 a.m. followed by the judges orientation at 9:15 a.m. Presentations will begin at 9:30 a.m. and go on through the morning. There will be a booth set up with Arts & Crafts to offer something for members to do while they are waiting. If you have any questions or need directions to the office, please call 499-4207.

Farm Day

This year's theme is "Growing up Green in Marin." Farm Day will be held Thursday, March 20th at the Marin Center. 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 educational event by bringing animals, having educational displays, serving as guides, or volunteering in a booth. This is a great opportunity to share your 4-H experience with other youth in the county. Please contact the 4-H office at 499-4207 if you would like to volunteer on that day. We also provide forms for community service hours needed for school requirements.

4-H Boat Project Set to Launch

The 4-H staff is collaborating with the Spaulding Wooden Boat Center in Sausalito, along with Big Brothers/Big Sisters to provide a boat building /sailing project for 4-H members. The project will be set up in three sessions. It will take members through basic woodworking skills to building a sailboat and sailing the boat that will be built by the members of the group. This project is open to members age 13 and above. The Spaulding Boat Center will be having an Open House on Saturday, March 15th. This is an opportunity to tour the facility, meet with volunteers who will be running the project, and see what the project will entail. This project will enable youth to experience the true craftsmanship of wooden boat building and sailing.



Grants, Awards and Scholarship Opportunities

~For youth

~Hadden Scholarships-deadline February 28 <http://fdcenter.org/grantmaker/youthfdn/guide.html>

Do Something Grants-year round www.dosomething.org/

Making a Difference –scholarship www.making-a-difference.com

Mix it up grants program for youth leadership –no deadline <http://www.mixitup.org>

~For West Marin youth

Inverness Garden Club- March 31. www.scholars@invernessgardens.org

2008 State Leadership Conference

Present a track or mini track session or workshop at State Leadership Conference. Educational sessions are being sought in citizenship, healthy living, science, engineering and technology. Proposals are due by February 29, 2008. More information is available at <http://ca4h.org/conference/slc/index.asp>.



NASA Engineering Design Challenge

Be a part of space exploration by growing seeds flown in space! Plant growth will be an important part of space exploration, with scientists anticipating the growth of plants on the moon in specialized plant growth chambers. Members are invited to participate in this innovative project. To register visit www.nasa.gov/education/plantchallenge

Update your PDR

| <u>Event</u> | <u>Area</u> | <u>Event</u> | <u>Area</u> |
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| Did a demonstration for Presentation Day | 6 | Did a prepared speech for Presentation Day | 6 |
| Attended County Presentation Day | 3 | Attended Presentation Day Workshop | 3 |
| Submitted a news article to local paper | 6 | Attended CAL Conference | 3 |



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