



September 2008

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New Adult 4-H
Leader Orientation
September 4

4-H Club Officer
Training
September 9

County 4-H
Council Meeting
September 16

4-H Achievement
Day
October 5

National 4-H Week
October 5-11

Sept. 4	New Leader Orientation 10:00 a.m.–12 noon, 4-H office, Novato
Sept. 9	Club officer training, 5:30 p.m., 4-H office, Novato
Sept. 16	New Leader Orientation, 5:00 p.m., 4-H office, Novato
Sept. 16	Marin County 4-H Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
Sept.26-Oct.4	Stockton Rodeo, Stockton Arena
Sept. 30	Applications due for State Record Book Judging
Sept. 30	Junior Grand National Merit Award applications due
Oct. 3-5	California 4-H WHEP (Wildlife Habitat Evaluation Program) Conference, Walker Creek Ranch
Oct. 4	Avian Science Day, UC Davis campus
Oct. 4-5	Shooting Sports, Archery Training, Clayton, CA
Oct. 5	Marin County 4-H Achievement Day, 2:00 p.m., West Marin School, Pt. Reyes
Oct. 5-11	National 4-H Week
Oct. 11-12	Shooting Sports Rifle Leader Training, Corona
Oct. 18-19	Shooting Sports Shotgun Leader Training, Ukiah
Nov. 3	Club enrollments and fees due to 4-H office
Nov.7-9	2008 4-H State Leaders Forum, Asilomar
Nov. 15	All Breed Fur and Feather Show, Ventura County
Dec. 5-7	State Record Book Judging, Davis
Mar. 6-9	Western Regional Leaders Forum, Boise ID
Mar. 24-30	National 4-H Conference, Chevy Chase, MD
Apr. 1-5	Junior Grand Nationals, Cow Palace, San Francisco

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Statewide News

State Record Book Competition

For youth choosing to participate in State Record Book competition, books must be complete and submitted to the Marin County 4-H office by Monday, October 27th. State record book judging will take place December 5-7th in Davis. If you are interested in being a judge for record book competition, applications are available at <http://www.ca4h.org/rhresource/ir/recordbook/StateJudging2008/2008-Record-Book-JudgesApp.pdf>.



Grand National Stock Show Merit Awards

The Grand National Rodeo will take place April 1-5, 2009. Applications are now available for Merit Awards. These awards are to provide financial assistance for the purchase, care and feeding of animals that will be shown at the 2009 Grand National Stock Show. New Merit Awards will be given for Classic, Breeding and Market Animals. The following awards are given: Beef (\$750), Swine (\$300), Lambs (\$300), and Goats (\$150). Interested members are encouraged to apply regardless of whether they have previously shown at the Grand National Stock Show. Applications are available on the website: www.grandnationalrodeo.com. Applications are due no later than Tuesday, September 30, 2008, postmarks accepted.

Volunteer Leader Website

The volunteer leader website is a new interactive and growing site that can be seen at <http://ucanr.org/4Hvolunteers/>. There are sections that will change monthly, a 4-H Blog, 4-H Volunteer Voices, and updates in the program. We hope you'll enjoy seeing all the resources you need in one centralized location. In order to build this new section of the website, please send any recent stories of 4-H in the news in your community that you would like to share. You can email these stories to fourhstateofc@ucdavis.edu.

National 4-H Conference

Applications are now being accepted from 4-H members ages 16-19, 4-H volunteers and 4-H staff. The National 4-H Conference is the Secretary of Agriculture's premier youth development opportunity to engage youth in developing recommendations for the 4-H Youth Development Program. Join the delegation by applying by September 30, 2008. More information is available at: <http://www.ca4h.org/conference/n4hc/index.asp>.



2008 Golden Clover Awards

The Golden Clover program is seeking qualified 4-H members and volunteers to apply for the Robert Brownlee Science Award. Applications are available at <http://www.ca4h.org/ir/goldenclover/2008GoldenAwards-ReRelease.pdf> and are due September 30, 2008.

California Computer Corps

Are you interested in and have experience with computers, the internet, digital photography, GPS/GIS or other tech areas? Join the 2009 California Computer Corps! The 4-H Computer Corps increases the use and awareness of computer technology in the California 4-H Youth Development Program. 4-H members age 15-19, volunteers and 4-H staff may apply by September 30, 2008. For more information go to <http://ca4h.org/wrp.compcorps/>.



California 4-H Service Learning Grants

Each year the California State 4-H office provides funds to members and volunteer leaders for a service learning project. Groups or individuals can request up to \$5,000.00 to fund activities that address significant environmental, economic, and or social issues affecting California's youth, families, and communities. The Service Learning RFP application is available on the web at: <http://www.ca4h.org/citizenship/funding/index.asp>. Examples of past projects are also listed. Applications are due September 15, 2008.

4-H Interstate Exchange

Lancaster County, PA 4-H Program is looking for an exchange with any interested California 4-H groups. Scenic Lancaster county is located in Amish country and located close to Gettysburg and Washington D.C.. Contact Sharon Sherick at ssherick@dejazzd.com.



County and Club News



Marin County 4-H Club Meeting Information

<u>Club</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Club Leader Contact</u>
Indian Valley	4-H Office, 1682 Novato Blvd. Novato	Toni Shroyer (415) 892-3662
Halleck Creek	Halleck Creek Riding Club, Nicasio	Julie Cassel (415) 669-7512
Mill Valley	169 Locust Avenue, Mill Valley	Mary Press (415) 388-6332
Morning Sun	Morning Star Farm, Novato	Jill Baradat (415) 898-9556
Nicasio	Community Center, San Geronimo	Sherry Mesker (415) 488-9426
Pt. Reyes-Olema	Dance Palace, Pt. Reyes	Laura Nunes (415) 669-7153
		Jacki Hemelt (707) 766-4875
San Rafael	First Congregational Church, San Rafael	Caryl Hodges (415) 457-5594
Shooting Sports	Valley of the Moon Trap Club, Napa	Pat Karinen (415) 892-8616
Tomales	Tomales Town Hall, Tomales	Norma Nygard (707) 795-9788
		Tami Furlong (707) 778-8134
Tri-Valley	4690 D Street, Petaluma	Cheri Katen (707) 778-8134
		Lori Glenn (707) 762-7291
		Angela Dellinger (707) 364-4502

Clubs to Hold First 4-H Meetings of the New Year

Indian Valley Club - Thursday, September 18th at 7:00 p.m.
 Halleck Creek Riding Club- Saturdays at 9:00 a.m.
 Mill Valley- Thursday, October 2 at 3:00 p.m.
 Morning Sun -Call for dates and times
 Nicasio- Wednesday, September 10th at 7:00 p.m.
 Pt. Reyes-Olema- Monday, September 15th, 7:00 p.m.
 San Rafael- Monday, September 8th, 7:00 p.m.
 Shooting Sports- Saturday, September 13th, 9:00 a.m.
 Tomales- Monday, September 15th, 7:00 p.m..
 Tri-Valley, Monday, September 8th, 7:00 p.m .



The 4-H Million Tree Project

As your club begins planning for community service projects for the coming year, you may want to consider Project Million Trees. It is a great community service project which will help counter the affects of global warming. The goal is to mobilize millions of 4-H youth across the U.S. to plant 1,000,000 trees across the nation to help reduce atmospheric CO2. If your club would like to participate, visit the website at www.4hmilliontrees.org. and register. Then visit <http://www.arborday.org/Shopping/Memberships/4h/> to become Arbor Day members and receive twelve trees at \$1 each. Trees will be available in the fall for planting in California. If every club in Marin County participates in this project we could plant over one hundred trees this year.



National 4-H Week

National 4-H week is October 5-11. Each club should begin thinking about how they are going to promote 4-H and their club in their communities. You may need to reserve a space at the library or store front for your 4-H display. Make arrangements early to ensure the space is available when you need it.



Additional ideas for promotion: bring a friend to your first club meeting, post club flyers at school, post offices, public buildings. Put a short article in a local newspaper with dates and times of your club meetings. Wear your 4-H hat to a local event.

Dedicated Leader

Doris "Scotty" Mendoza passed away in August. She was a project leader in the 4-H program for over 40 years. She is survived by her husband of 67 years, Joe Mendoza. They raised their family on the ranch in Pt. Reyes. Scotty loved children. She spent a good part of her life as a project leader in the Marin County 4-H program teaching youth a variety of the skills, including sewing. Scotty always made sure she looked her best wherever she went. She was a member of the Sacred Heart Parish in Olema, she was one of the founding members of the Inverness Garden Club, volunteered with the American Cancer Society in Petaluma, and spent many years volunteering with the 4-H Youth Development Program. She was known by most as "Grandma Scotty". Over the years she made a great contribution to the Marin County 4-H Program. She was one incredible person and she will truly be missed!

Fountain of Youth Facts

- 64...Percent of 18– 29 year olds say that they were not too, or not at all interested in campaign news.
 - 65...Percent of party leaders surveyed think "media has done much to turn young people away from politics"
 - 40...Percent of 18-25 year olds are not registered to vote, and 2 out of 3 that are registered tend not to vote.
- More Fountain of Youth facts can be found at <http://civicyouth.org/research/products/CivicPoliticalHealth>

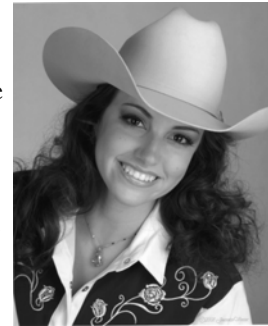


4-H Achievement Day

The 2008 Marin County 4-H Achievement Day will be held on Sunday, October 5th at the West Marin School at 2:00 p.m. Awards will be given for record book competition, star ranks and special leader recognition. Club members are expected to attend this county-wide event. 4-H families are encouraged to bring snacks or cookies to share after the awards ceremony. For more information contact the 4-H office at 499– 4207.

Camille Cordisco

Former member of the Mill Valley 4-H Club, she participated in Marin County Shooting Sports project and attended 4-H summer camp as a camper and staff member. Camille is currently competing in the Miss Stockton Rodeo queen contest. This premier Stockton rodeo is the third largest in the nation. The Stockton Rodeo is a fully sanctioned PRCA event and will be the concluding competition before the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas this fall. Rodeo cowgirls and cowboys will compete for prize money. The rodeo will be held from September 26 through October 4th .



Update your PDR

<u>Event</u>	<u>Area</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Area</u>
Attended a County Fair	3	Project Exhibit at a County Fair	2
Participated as a staff member at 4-H Summer Camp	4	Represented the Marin County 4-H Program at the State Fair	6

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