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University of California Cooperative Extension Napa County  
4-H Youth Development Program



## NEWSLETTER

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*November 2009*

Dear 4-H Families,

As we prepare to celebrate the Thanksgiving, I want to thank all the Community Club Leaders, co-leaders, assistants, and Countywide Project Leaders for their efforts in organizing this year's clubs and Countywide Projects throughout Napa County.

If you have questions or need information about the 4-H Youth Development Program, contact the UCCE/4-H Office at 253-4221.



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# Announcements

## Napa County 4-H Council Meeting

The Napa County 4-H Council Meeting (Executive Session) is held on Tuesday, November 10, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. in the UCCE/4-H Meeting Room.



## New Leader Orientation

All new Adult Leaders must attend one of the following New Leader Orientations before they can be an "official" Project Leader. If the Adult Leader has not attended one of the orientations or taken their fingerprints by Monday, March 1, 2010, they will be dropped from the 4-H Youth Development Program. In addition, camp counselors have until Tuesday, December 1, 2009. The orientations will be held at the UCCE/4-H Office Meeting Room, 1710 Soscol Avenue, Suite 4, Napa, (enter on the east side of building).

- Tuesday, November 10, 2009, at 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 17, 2009 at 12:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 8, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, January 12, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, February 9, 2010, at 6:00 p.m.

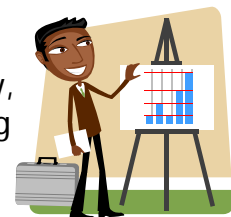
## Countywide Teen Leadership Project



The Countywide Teen Leadership Project will be held on Tuesday, November 24, 2009, starting at 6:00 p.m. with dinner in the UCCE/4-H Meeting Room. Please RSVP to Colette Crowther by phone 258-2560 or email [mamzel707@gmail.com](mailto:mamzel707@gmail.com).

## Countywide Presentation Project

The Countywide Presentation Project will be held on Monday, November 23, 2009, starting at 7:00 p.m. in the UCCE/4-H Meeting Room. Please RSVP to Colette Crowther by phone 258-2560 or email [mamzel707@gmail.com](mailto:mamzel707@gmail.com).



## New Countywide Projects

There are three new Countywide Projects offered to 4-H members this year thanks to two Adult Leaders, Molly Donohoe (4-Leaf Clovers) and Paula Borge (Napa Ranch). The three projects are Hometown Heroes, Green Theme, and Bird Watching.

1. "Hometown Heroes" is open to anyone ages 10 years and up. You will meet a handful of Napa Valley citizens who make a difference in our community through their leadership skills and a true belief through action; the responsibility of giving back to our community. There will be three meetings.
2. "Green Theme" is about composting, reusing, volunteering, and more. Learn fun ways to make the idea of recycling and the preservation of our environment a natural part of our everyday lives. All ages are welcome. There will be three meetings.
3. "Bird Watching" is walking, watching, and listening. Learn about our Napa Valley native birds and visit them in their natural habitats. Explore all the beautiful birds in our local marshlands. There will be lots of fun to be had in our beautiful surroundings. All ages are welcome. There will be three meetings.

For additional information contact Molly Donohoe at 707-758-0688 or Paula Borge at [3borges@sbcglobal.net](mailto:3borges@sbcglobal.net).

## National 4-H Week

The Napa County 4-H Council presented Blue, Red, and White Rosette Ribbons and checks for \$100.00, \$70.00, and \$40.00 to the participating clubs (Pope Valley, Napa Ranch, 4-Leaf Clovers, Browns Valley, Monticello, Calistoga/Bennett, Rutherford, Valley Vines, and Capell Valley) for their excellent displays that they had during National 4-H Week. **Congratulations!**

## Favorite Foods Day



Favorite Foods Day will be held on Saturday, January 16, 2010, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the UCCE/4-H Meeting Room. The Registration Form is included in this newsletter. Adult Leaders are needed to help judge the food and Junior/Teen Leaders are needed to help with projects during the food judging. The Registration Form is due at the UCCE/4-H Office by Friday, December 18, 2009 by 5:00 p.m.

## 2010 Citizenship Focus Program

The State 4-H Office has announced the dates for the 2010 Citizenship Focus Program. You will experience local and national government that will help you understand how you can be more involved in your community. Registration and additional information is available at <http://ca4h.org/citizenship/focus/index.asp> for the California Focus and <http://ca4h.org/citizenship/dcfocus/index.asp> for the Washington DC Focus I or II.

- **The California Focus**, June 25 to June 29, 2010
- **Washington Focus I**
  1. Road to Democracy, June 27 to July 5, 2010
  2. Heritage Trail I, June 27 to July 3, 2010
- **Washington Focus II**
  1. A Global Journey, July 11 to July 21, 2010
  2. Heritage Trail II, July 11 to July 17, 2010



## California 4-H Outbound Program


During the summer of 2010, the California 4-H Office will send 4-H members outbound to Australia, Costa Rica, and Japan. In addition, staff or leaders can apply to accompany a group and act as their chaperone. The applications, instructions for letters of recommendation, payment schedule, and additional paperwork are available on their website at: <http://ca4h.org/exchange/>.

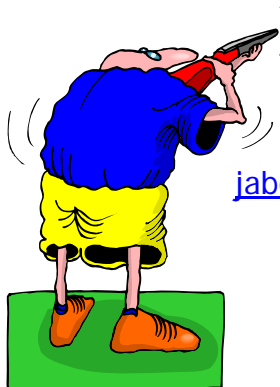
## California State Fair

The California Exposition and State Fair Board of Directors have voted to change the California State Fair dates starting in 2010. The new dates are **Wednesday, July 14 to Sunday, August 1, 2010.**



## California 4-H Shooting Sports Workshops

 The California 4-H Shooting Sports Advisor has announced two workshops for Rifle Discipline in Atascadero (November 14 and 15, 2009) and Tulare (January 9 and 10, 2010). To register for the course or receive more information contact John Borba at: [jaborba@ucdavis.edu](mailto:jaborba@ucdavis.edu).



## Animal News

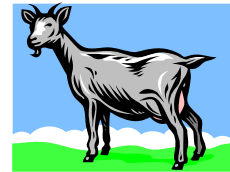
### Countywide Poultry Project



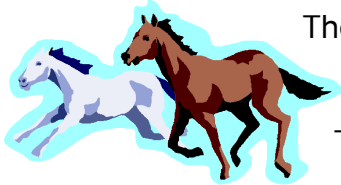
The Countywide Poultry Project will meet each month at 7:00 p.m. at the UCCE/4-H Meeting Room. The meeting will be held on Thursday, November 19, 2009. Please contact Sherry Paukert at 226-2100, if you have any questions.

### Countywide Goat Project

The Countywide Goat Project will meet each month at 7:00 p.m. in the UCCE/4-H Meeting Room. The meeting will be held on Monday, November 16, 2009. Please contact Denise Aragon at 280-1114, if you have any questions.



### Countywide Horse Project



The Countywide Horse Project will meet each month at 11:00 a.m. at the Valley Oaks Horse Ranch. The meeting will be held on Sunday, November 15, 2009. Please contact Lori Timm at 252-2527, if you have any questions.

## 4-H Camp News

### 4-H Camp 2010 Meetings

- Monday, November 9, 2009 at 6:00 p.m., Six County Camp Board Meeting.
- Sunday, November 15, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., Top Staff Interviews at UCCE/4-H Meeting Room.
- Sunday, November 15, 2009, at 1:00 p.m., Selection of Counselors and Staffers at UCCE/4-H Meeting Room

## 4-H Camp 2010 Dates

- Week I – Sunday, July 18 to Friday, July 23, 2010
- Week II – Sunday, July 25 to Friday, July 30, 2010



## Additional News

### C.A.L. Conference

The "Create A Leader" Conference is a leadership conference for 4-Hers in 6th grade and up. This year's theme is "Find Your Inner Treasure!!" The conference is held at Walker Creek Ranch (Marin County), on Friday, January 22, 2010 to Sunday, January 24, 2010. The fee for the weekend is \$75.00 (\$85.00 if you would like a T-shirt). Applications must be turned into the Napa UCCE/4-H Office by Friday, November 27, 2009.

### Napa County Farm Bureau



The Napa County Farm Bureau announces its 3rd Annual Barn Dance and BBQ on Saturday, November 14, 2009 at Chardonnay Hall, Napa Valley Exposition, starting at 5:30 p.m. For more information go to [info@napafarmbureau.org](mailto:info@napafarmbureau.org) or call 224-5403.

### Sixth Annual Napa County Crop Report Art Contest

The Napa County Agricultural Commissioner's Office and the Napa County Agricultural in the Classroom Program invites Napa County students in grades 6 through 12 to enter their Napa County Crop Report Art Contest. Entries will be judged by a panel of expert agriculturalists. The Grand Prize winning entry will grace the front cover of the report and win a \$250.00 prize. The second and third place winners will be featured inside the publication and each student will win \$150.00 and \$100.00 respectively.

The art work must depict Napa County Agriculture. All entries must be submitted to the Napa County Agricultural Commissioner's Office, 1710 Soscol Avenue, Suite 3, Napa, by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 31, 2009. Additional information is available from Craig Graffin, 253-4357 or Jennifer Roberts, 224-5403 ext.104.

## Community Service Opportunity



The Napa Salvation Army is looking for enthusiastic volunteers to "Ring a Bell" this Holiday Season at one of their Red Kettle locations. You can volunteer at one of the seventeen stores from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., starting on Friday, November 20 to Thursday, December 24, 2009. Call Captain Michael Johnson at 707-226-8150, ext. 101 if you want to volunteer or obtain additional information.

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UCCE/4-H Meeting Room

**Fax (253-4434) or Postmarked by Friday, December 18, 2009**  
UCCE/4-H Office, 1710 Soscol Avenue, Suite 4, Napa, CA 94559-1315

\_\_\_\_\_ Participant \_\_\_\_\_ Judge \_\_\_\_\_ Helper \_\_\_\_\_ Junior/Teen Leader for Art & Crafts

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Club \_\_\_\_\_

Are you in a 4-H Food Project? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If yes, what project? \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, what year? \_\_\_\_\_

Check One Entry Category: (Brief description)

\_\_\_\_\_ Hot Main Dish: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Salad: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Dessert: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

- Favorite Foods Day provides an opportunity for 4-H Members to demonstrate skills and knowledge learned in the 4-H Food Projects.
- 4-H Members prepare their favorite food; design a menu around the food; and design a single place setting around the meal.
- The food categories are Hot Main Dish, Salad, Dessert, or Other.
- The day of the event, members bring their prepared entry to the event along with the recipe for their entry, the coordinated menu, and a theme place setting.
- A two person judging team will interview each member and ask questions about the menu, nutritional value of the foods, choice of place settings, general questions about preparation techniques used, and food safety concerns.
- Participants will be mailed additional information once your registration is received at the UCCE/4-H Office.