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PROGRAM

CITIZENSHIP
LEADERSHIP
LIFE SKILLS



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4-H Memos



California 4-H State Leadership Conference
UC Davis August 2-5, 2007

The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. The Planning Committee encourages county delegations to bring their county spirit. Many delegations have county shirts, hats, or other symbols representing their county. Come prepared to lead a cheer for your county!

2007 Conference: August 2 - 5, 2007 at UC Davis

94th Annual 4-H State Leadership Conference!

Purpose of the 4-H State Leadership Conference

Provide advanced leadership training for high school 4-H youth

Stepping stone for county and sectional leadership activities

Provide an opportunity for statewide networking and idea sharing

Provide input into statewide 4-H activities

Important Dates

March 2, 2007 - Education Proposals Due

April 16, 2007 - Registration Materials Available

May 25, 2007 - Financial Aid Deadline

June 4, 2007 - Financial Aid Notification

June 22, 2007 - Registration Deadline

July 7, 2007 - Last Day for a Refund & Paperwork from Counties Due

APRIL, 2007

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4-H EXCHANGE PROGRAMS; WHY HAVE EXCHANGES?

Exchange programs appeal to most 4-H teen members. Exchanges provide opportunities to travel, sight-see, meet new people, make new friends, explore expanding interests, experience how others live and see other 4-H members in action. Exchange programs, properly planned and conducted, can be an important educational experience for 4-H teens. Exchange programs can give youth and chaperones a chance to experience a culture different from their own. All exchange programs should help participants recognize value and celebrate diversity.

What is a County 4-H Teen Exchange?

Exchange programs are a series of learning experiences in which individuals from a club, community or county visit in the homes of 4-H members in another geographical area, and are visited by them in return. Counties usually host a group one year and return to visit the homes of their guests the following year.

Exchanges can be between:

- 4-H members of clubs in the same county
- Farm and city families in the same county
- 4-H'ers from two different counties within the state (intrastate)
- County (or multi-county) 4-H'ers from different states (interstate)
- 4-H'ers and others from a different country (for example, Canada, Belize, Poland)
- Special interest groups (for example, a 4-H Teen Computer Club in Michigan getting to know a 4-H Teen Computer Club in Wisconsin)
- Groups or individuals involved in a project or community service

Objectives

Exchange programs aim to help 4-H members:

- Develop knowledge of other people and their way of life.
- Gain a deeper insight into one's own values.
- Create and foster a spirit of understanding and appreciation of others' heritage, customs and other cultural factors.
- Foster the development of initiative and independence.
- Learn about other areas of our state and nation.
- Create new, and perhaps, lasting friendships.
- Gain new insight, leadership experiences and abilities.
- Expand 4-H understanding beyond local community or county.
- Gain 4-H ideas to strengthen local 4-H clubs and activities.
- Enrich individual's lives.
- Share information learned with other members and families upon return home.
- Become involved in another community

There may be other objectives depending on your county or group.

Participant Expectations

There are some expectations of all exchange programs and the county may add others.

Participants represent the 4-H program and are expected to make decisions that demonstrate that they are good representatives for their county and San Diego County 4-H Youth Development.

4-H EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

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WHY HAVE EXCHANGES?

Families are encouraged to attend the exchange trip meetings, especially when hosting. The 4-H exchange is designed for the 4-H member to live with the family and get to know them. Family involvement helps ensure a successful exchange experience.

Participants should be involved in the design and implementation of the exchange. The process of doing the exchange is as educational as the trip.

Members are expected to participate in the majority of exchange group functions.

Members are responsible for the cost of the program. The club members may plan fund-raisers. Funds raised can be evenly divided by all club members, or members who participate in fund-raising events can be given the credit with records kept on the amount of money each member has earned. Make sure that everyone knows how funds will be handled.

California 4-H International Exchange

2007 Japanese Exchange Month-long Hosting Program July 22 to August 18



The California State 4-H Youth Development Office is looking for families who would like to host a Japanese youth in their home for one month this summer. This is an opportunity for a family to experience a different culture and increase their understanding of

themselves and the world they live in. The Japanese delegation includes boys and girls ages 12 to 14 who participate in the Labo youth development organization in Japan.

Youth are matched with a family with a child of the same gender and close in age that shares common interests. Information about the Japanese students can be found on the California 4-H web site at: <http://ca4h.org/exchange/japanese/index.asp>

There is also an opportunity to house one of the two chaperones for 2 weeks. The chaperone host family does not have to have children in the home.

Applications are currently being accepted with the hope that all the students will be placed by mid-May. Families that apply early in the process have the opportunity to select their student from a group of applications.

Please consider offering this priceless educational experience to your family. Teens that participate in exchange opportunities are better prepared for life in a global society. Through this first-hand experience they gain a deeper understanding of another culture and gain insight into the values and lifestyle of their own family and community.

Contact Pat English for more information at: 530-754-8520 or pnenglish@ucdavis.edu.

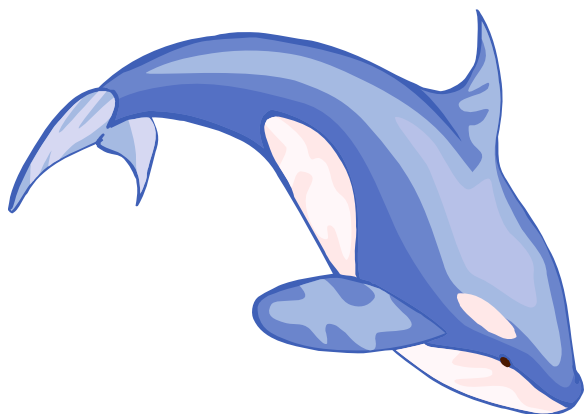
Finland 4-H Exchange

California will explore an exchange with Finland 4-H this summer and is looking for a host family for one 18-year-old boy, Markus, who will be arriving on June 18 for a one-month visit. He is been a 4-H member in Finland for many years and enjoys sports, reading, jigsaw puzzles, and movies. Please contact Pat English at: pnenglish@ucdavis.edu or 530-754-8520 if you are interested in this host family opportunity.

4-H CALIFORNIA STYLE

By Ryan Hodgson and Brianne Bergerud

An article written by two exchange students from Alberta Canada that they wrote in their 4-H Magazine. The Magazine can be found at [http://www1.agric.gov.ab.ca/\\$department/deptdocs.nsf/all/4h1080/\\$FILE/4h_magazine_winter06.pdf](http://www1.agric.gov.ab.ca/$department/deptdocs.nsf/all/4h1080/$FILE/4h_magazine_winter06.pdf)



4-H...California Style

2006 Delegates

In recognition of our achievements in the Alberta 4-H program, we, Brianne Bergerud and Ryan Hodgson, traveled to San Diego, California from August 7 – 13 to partake in the annual State Leadership Conference (SLC) as well as visit the area while staying with a host family. The week flew by with plenty of exciting activities, fantastic weather and the creation of awesome friendships.

Upon arrival, we were greeted by our host families and quickly got down to business – after all we did have a tan to work on! We spent the day around the city of San Diego as well as getting to know our host families. Although we were placed in different towns, we had the opportunity to do a group tour at Sea World with other local 4-H members, leaders and their families. We were fortunate to get a special behind the scenes look at the animals as well as an opportunity to see the “Shamu Show.” What a great time!

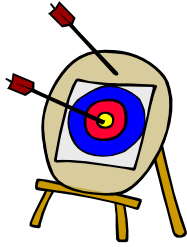
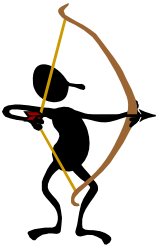
SLC began on Thursday morning and continued until Sunday. At this conference we had an amazing opportunity to connect with California 4-H members and share knowledge about our 4-H program, province and country. It was quite humorous when the American members admitted that we “didn’t talk different” than them. We were asked many bizarre questions, and needless to say, we had a lot of fun tricking them into thinking that our lives were totally opposite of theirs (red means go and green means stop in Canada... right Ryan?!).

Throughout the conference we were treated to fun activities and many educational workshops and sessions. The weekend focused on the theme “Leaders, Heroes and You,” allowing the delegates to discover their inner leadership qualities and learn how to utilize their unique talents to influence others. We were also invited to partake in the special “All Star” activities – a program for outstanding 4-H members in the California program.

The weekend continued with a formal dance on Saturday night. Upon returning home, we were very tired, but excited about the fantastic friendships and memories that we made with those involved with the California 4-H program. Many of our friends are excited to come to Canada to experience our unique and fantastic 4-H program. So, senior members, if you have the chance to attend the Alberta 4-H Selections program in the future, consider ranking the California exchange trip high on your list. You definitely won’t regret this awesome experience!

CALIFORNIA STATE 4-H SHOOTING

4-H Shooting Sports Workshop Archery Discipline Red Bluff, CA



A shooting sports training workshop for the archery discipline will be held in Red Bluff, CA. Upon successful completion of the course, participants

will be certified as archery volunteers and can instruct archery club projects and camp programs. Attendance at both days is required.

The course will be held at Wetter Hall, 1740 Walnut Street, Red Bluff and at the Ishi Archery Range, Hwy 36 East, Red Bluff.

Cost for the course will be \$25 and includes morning refreshments, Saturday lunch and class materials.

Drying camping is available at the archery range. In addition, on Saturday evening, we will meet for a no-host dinner and optional discussion.

For more information contact Leland George, State Archery Instructor, at 530-527-4369 or e-mail: ljgeorge@tco.net.

Please send "Training Request and Registration Form" and fees to Leland George at 21075 Hwy 36 West, Red Bluff, CA 96080.

Make checks payable to "Tehama County 4-H Council". Pre-registration due date is March 23.

For the "Training Request and Registration Form" go to the <http://www/ca4h.org> web site or contact your county 4-H office.

ART & DESIGN DAY

Thank you to all the 4H members, parents, volunteers and leaders who helped set up and take down at the end of the day. There was a true community spirit of cooperation throughout the events and it was appreciated.

Thank you for all the surveys, as we ARE reading them and using them to improve next year's event. Scheduling, check in, "down time," advertising, using Ambassadors and getting packets to leaders are all suggestions that consistently were noted and we will address each and every one.

New ideas for added events are already being considered, and we hope to use the e-mail addresses you provided to keep you updated well before hand. Remember, "word of mouth" advertising is the best, and each one of you who attended can now share with your clubs all the possibilities for Art and Design Day and can start planning and preparing now for next year. See you in 2008!!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW SAN DIEGO COUNTY 4-H ALL STARS

Elizabeth Parker – Olivenhain Valley
Taelor Robertson – Escondido
Jon Fowler – Jamul Chaparros
Wade Colburn - Fallbrook
Emily Whitecotton – San Dieguito

We thank our leaders and volunteer judges who took time out of their busy schedule to interview all of the candidates. We also want to congratulate the new All Stars for their hard work and dedication that has allowed them to earn this great honor.

Current All Stars

Elizabeth Kasten – Escondido
Melissa Morrison – Fallbrook
Kelsie Matthews - Fallbrook
Anna Najor – Olivenhain Valley
Lisa Hillebrecht – Escondido
Katie Kasten – Escondido
Alex Parra – Rancho Poway

EASTERN S.D. COUNTY JR. FAIR DOG SHOW

Monday, May 14, 2006
LAKESIDE RODEO GROUNDS
Highway 67 at Maplevue
Lakeside, California

Pre-entry ONLY. Entries must be postmarked by **March 29, 2006**. No Late entries will be accepted. Please fill out one entry form **PER DOG** entered.

Entry Fee: \$5.00 for each class entered.

Make checks payable to your local 4-H club. All fair entries must be sent together with a club check or money order. Mail All Fair Entries to:

**Eastern San Diego County Junior Fair
P.O Box 1202, Lakeside CA 92040**

Check in begins at 2:00 p.m. Judging will begin at 3:00 p.m., unless otherwise stated at show. All dogs must be kept on-leash at all times. San Diego County Dog Show Rules will be followed. Need more info? Call 760-630-1523

Please Print

Dog 4-H ID Number _____ 4-H Club _____
Dog Name _____ Breed _____
Member Name _____ Members Birth Date _____
Address _____ City _____
Zip _____ Phone _____ Entry Fee Enclosed _____

1. **Circle** your age group: (Age is defined as child's age on 12-31-06)

Primary: Under 9

Junior: 9 & 10 years

Intermediate 11, 12, 13 years

Senior: 14 & older

2. **Circle** class(s) entered with this dog:

SHOWMANSHIP

OBEDIENCE

Primary

Primary

Novice

Beginning Novice A

Open A

Beginning Novice B

Open B

Novice A

Master

Novice B

Graduate Novice

Open A

Open B

Member's Signature

Project Leader Signature

Parent Signature

SAN DIEGO COUNTY 4-H CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	PHONE or CODE
April 2 10 14 28	County Council Special Marketing Mtg. Horse Advisory South Section Leader Meeting Bonsall Dog Show	4-H office Gate Code 9317# 4-H office Gate Code 9317# Mt. SAC Bonsall	Drew 858-756-2004 Carmen 760-966-0307 Paulette 619-464-4394 Bonnie Trigg 760-630-1523
May 7 8 13-21 19	County Council Special Mtg.—Ethics Horse Advisory East County Fair Sectional Presentation Day	4-H office Gate Code 9317# 4-H office Gate Code 9317# Lakeside Fair Grounds Mt. SAC	Drew 858-756-2004 Carmen 760-966-0307 Gail Raser
June 4 4 8 12	Teen Council County Council SDCF Begins Horse Advisory	4-H office Gate Code 9317# 4-H office Gate Code 9317# Del Mar 4-H office Gate Code 9317#	Cathy Mitchell Drew 858-756-2004 Carmen 760-966-0307

SMALL ANIMAL SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC

All 4-H members who win 1st place in a small animal competition must participate in a Round Robin Event. At a Round Robin Event, all the winners from the small animal competitions compete for the title of Master Showman. Learn how to compete in a Round Robin competition. Find out how to show a dog, rabbit, cavy, goat and even a chicken! Guest speaker Paulette Sauln will give instruction on small animal showmanship.

The practice will be held on April 15th at Kit Carson Park in Escondido.

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