



Dates & Deadlines



SEPTEMBER

- 4th - Leaders' Council Meeting
- 6th - 4-H Kick-Off at the Movies
- 10th—Teen Camp Council Meeting
- 18th - Livestock Leaders' Meeting
- 27th - Officer Training
- 27th - Officer Installation
- 27th - New Leader Orientation
- 29th - 4-H All Star Poster Contest

October

- 2nd - Leaders' Council Meeting
- 8th- 4-H National Youth Science Day
- 5th-14th -National 4-H Week
- 11th -4-H Bike Ride
- 16th—Livestock Leaders' Meeting
- 18th -4-H Meat Trimming
- 19th -4-H BBQ
- 19th -4-H BBQ Poster Contest
- 31st- Proof of ownership of Beef/lease horse/DNA

Check out

www.ceimperial.ucanr.edu/4h

for a complete calendar

Officer Training and Installation

WHEN: SEPTEMBER 27TH

WHERE: CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS - 1280 S. 8TH STREET EL CENTRO

WHO SHOULD COME? EVERY CLUB'S OFFICER BOARD!!

TIME: 2:00PM—6:00PM

DID YOU KNOW? 4-H empowers youth members to make the club's decisions, with leadership provided by the club's officers. (THAT'S YOU!) By taking responsibility for decision-making, youth members are also responsible for evaluating the outcomes of the decisions made – for example: What worked? What didn't work as well? What might we do differently next time?

You have been elected a club officer. Congratulations! As a club officer, you have a very important leadership role. You and your fellow team members will serve as role models to other 4-H members. THIS TRAINING WILL HELP YOUR TEAM LEARN THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF EACH MEMBER OF YOUR TEAM AND HOW TO EFFECTIVELY CARRY OUT YOUR DUTIES AS A CLUB OFFICER. (HOSTED BY THE 2014-2015 ALL-STARS). FOR QUESTIONS CALL THE 4-H OFFICE AT 760-352-9474, TEXT 760-332-9909 OR EMAIL SMABATTI@UCANR.EDU.



Introducing the new "4-H 101" Take a n in-depth look at the 4-H program each month! You will have 2 options each month to sit in on these workshops: The first Thursday of each month at 5:30pm and then again at approximately 7:00pm (following the conclusion of the monthly Leaders Council-Meeting. This months topic is: FUNDRAISING

#2 project Skill
#3 event attended

✓ PDR # 5 Assisted with facility set up or tear down
✓ PDR #4 Leadership Development PDR # 3 Event Attended

LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING 9-4-14

LIVESTOCK LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING 9-18-14

Both meetings meet at the Farm Bureau in El Centro at 6:00pm.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!





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Join Us at the Movies for a
4-H Re-Registration Kick Off

Where: Cinemark in the Imperial Valley Mall

Saturday September 6, 12:00pm - 5:00pm

(Please arrive in the Imperial Valley Mall Food Court 30 minutes before movie)

Cost: FREE!

The 4-H All Stars invite all current, returning and NEW members to our kick-off event. Enjoy a FREE movie and check out the booth displayed in the food court to promote the fun events planned for this year.

Need a communication opportunity? Call us! We need volunteers to talk up 4-H to the public! Is your club looking to expand and grow its membership? Call us! We will fit you into our booth so the community can see what you have to offer. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

-Bryanne Sanchez, Carlos Lopez & Steven Johnson - 4-H All Stars 2014-2015

Bring a friend to sign up for 4-H!

- ✓ When you attend the Kick Off, it goes in your record book here
- PDR#3- (County)
- Attended only PDR#6
- Exhibit a Board PDR#5
- Assist with set up or tear down PDR#4
- Work on the committee PDR #6
- Write an article to the press.

Members: Come early to check out project displays!



For info:
760-332-9909
smabatti@ucanr.edu

Movies:

Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles
12:55pm Showing

When The Game Stands Tall
12:45pm Showing



California Statewide Shooting Sports Match Results

Bronze Medal

Steven Johnson, Advanced Trap

Silver Medals

Trent Cox, Junior Skeet

Austin Boutwell, Intermediate Skeet

Steven Johnson, Advanced Skeet

Seth Hilfiker, Intermediate Competition Rifle

Seth Hilfiker, Intermediate .22 Rifle Telescopic

Gold Medal

Seth Hilfiker, Intermediate .22 Rifle Open Sights



PDR #3 event attended #7 Honor Received
#2 Project skill activity

Imperial County Participants

Marty Cortez

Sean McLaughlin

Jack Grizzle

Shea Robertson

Andrew Pacheco

Rhett Robertson

Emil Schaffner

Spencer Hilfiker

John Pacheco

Cooper Dickerson

Abraham Ramos



4-H Shooting Sports
Learn by Doing

County Wide Shooting Project (Shotgun) 2014=15

Contact Teen Leader Steven Johnson for more information at ruger2245@sbcglobal.net

Information

- One time fee of \$40.00 to the IVRPA for range and target fees.
- Shotgun-12 or 20 gauge. Not grandpa's old gun, but something that fits kids.
- We will be shooting Trap and Skeet.

Equipment Needed

- Eye protection.
- Ear protection.
- Shell vest.
- Ammo, We will shoot 3 to 4 boxes per session.

How to dress

- No open shoes. No flip flops or sandals.
- Long pants. No shorts.

Meeting place and times

- We will be meeting at the IVRPA shooting range located by Wheeler Road (email me for directions).
- We will be meeting the third Saturday of every month from October to May.



New County Wide Projects

Skateboarding— the first meeting will be in late September. If you are interested please email smabatti@ucanr.edu. All skill levels welcome. (Volunteer leader needed)

Beginning 4-H—Is this your first year (or 2nd ,3rd) in 4-H? Are you as lost as an Easter Egg? Well this project will slow things down and explain the many facets of 4-H while trying out new and different projects. The first meeting will be **September 30, 2014, 6:30 pm** at the 4-H office (1050 E. Holton Rd.). Once the group is established we will change the meeting time to meet everyone's schedule. New projects and exciting field trips!! (Volunteers needed to host a monthly project)

All-Star Corner

Steven Johnson -My personal goal as an Imperial County All-Star is to help members break out of their shells. 4-H did this for me at the Teen Involvement Conference one year ago and I will do what it takes in order to give that back to the members of Imperial. I am currently a Junior at Imperial High and I am involved in FFA, and Imperial High Jazz Ensemble, as well as Imperial Valley Rifle and Pistol Association outside of school. I would say that the way 4-H builds character and creates friendships for a lifetime is the most amazing thing for me to see.



State Leadership Conference Dance



Carlos Lopez: Personal goal as an All Star this year is to increase 4-H's visibility in the community. I am a Senior at Central Union High School. I play the trumpet in The Great Spartan Band and in the Central Jazz Ensemble. I am the president of McCabe 4-H and participate in many projects within my club. My top three favorite projects are poultry, photography, and robotics.

Hello my name is **Bryanne Sanchez** and I will be serving as one of the 4-H All-Stars this year. I am currently 15 years old but will be turning 16 in a few weeks. I am a sophomore at Imperial High School where I also serve as class president. I am in the band and play alto saxophone. This last year I played softball too. 4-H has always been a big part of my life and I have benefited from this program in so many ways. One of my goals this year is to make sure every member is also experiencing a wonderful year and truly learning and growing through 4-H. There are so many opportunities that you can take advantage of with the right amount of effort and hard work. I would like to help each and every one of you work your way up to the next level. For many members, that starts with completing a record book. My personal goal as an All-Star this year is to guide members to becoming more familiar with how to create a successful record book. The All-Stars will be holding trainings to help you fill out your book, but I encourage everyone to start by attending as many county events as you can, as well as doing a presentation either to your club, project, or class on a 4-H related subject. From there, you will have completed more of the requirements to filling out your record book. The All-Stars will always be here to help and please let me know if there is something you need done or would like help with. This year I am focusing on giving back to 4-H; because 4-H has given me so many extraordinary experiences that every member should get the opportunity to have.

While 4-H is fun at the local level, I found out that 4-H at the state level is much more enjoyable. What I mean is that when I attended the State Leadership Conference for the first time this year I was able to comprehend how large an organization 4-H is and how it positively impacts not just members in the Imperial Valley, but much of the world. The California State Leadership Conference is likely to remain one of the most memorable experiences of my life and by far my biggest wow moment in 4-H.

DON'T QUIT

When things go wrong as they sometimes will;
When the road you're trudging seems all uphill;
When the funds are low, and the debts are high;
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh;
When care is pressing you down a bit
Rest if you must, but don't you quit.
Success is failure turned inside out;
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt;
And you can never tell how close you are;
It may be near when it seems afar.
So, stick to the fight when you're hardest hit -
It's when things go wrong that you mustn't quit.



We, your All Star-Ambassador Team, are committed to helping Imperial County members develop citizenship, leadership, responsibility and life skills of youth through the experiential learning process. We want to meet each and every one of you, learn your name and share with you the knowledge we have gained through our 4-H walk. If you see any of us, please come up and introduce yourself and share your 4-H experiences with us. We want to know ALL ABOUT YOU!

Leader Development Day

ATTENTION

ALL NEW AND RETURNING YOUTH AND ADULT TREASURERS MUST ATTEND "COMPLETE THE TREASURE OFFICER TRAINING" SEPTEMBER 27TH IN CONJUNCTION WITH OFFICER TRAINING AND LEADER DEVELOPMENT DAY(CHAPTER 9, SECTION V, 2.) At a minimum, trainings must be conducted annually and attendance is required in order to hold the position of treasurer and manage unit or VMO banking accounts.

WHEN: September 27th

WHERE: Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
1280 S. 8th Street El Centro

DO I NEED TO REGISTER? To give the presenters an idea of how many printed materials to make please RSVP to the 4-H office by SEPTEMBER 25th, 760-352-9474 or smabatti@ucanr.edu.

WHO IS THIS FOR? EVERYONE! All new and returning leaders, parents, or community members interested in the 4-H program

HERE IS THE AGENDA—See you all there!!

2:00pm Welcome and Introductions

2:30 Session 1 Options (pick one)

- New Leader Orientation
- The In's and Out's of being a Community Club Leader work shop
- Officer Advisor Work Shop

3:30 Session 2 Options (pick one)

- Intro to record books for adults
- Advanced Record (Judging, hosted by Record book Committee Chairman Terri Sullivan)

5:00 Leaders Round Table (Share Ideas with current and re-tired leaders; what works, what doesn't, brainstorm)

6:00pm See ya later!

Welcome back to the new 4-H Club year! Here are a few ideas to help reach out to new families who may be joining your club!

Create a buddy system for each new member and family that joins your group. There are a variety of ways you can support new members and families in your club and group.

- Setup a welcome committee that greets people at the door of your community and project meetings. Have the committee get the names of visitors and new members and families so that they can be introduced at the beginning of the meeting.
- Have everyone wear nametags so that new people and returning members can identify one another by name. Maybe the club can create its own special nametag for members to wear at the meetings, similar to business and civic groups.
- Encourage the club or group membership to welcome and make an effort to say hello to each other.
- Have someone identified for each new member to call and remind the new families when there is an upcoming community, project or committee meeting.
- Hold a special new parents' meeting to explain the different opportunities available and the "4-H Culture" so that they can be supportive.
- Provide a sheet with all the club or group contacts and meeting dates so that the member can contact others when he or she has questions.

 PDR # 5 Assisted with facility set up or tear down

Online Record Book Surveys are open from September 15 to January 31st, 2015!!!

We would like as many 4-H members as possible to complete surveys in the Online Record Book. It is our way to find out about you and how the California 4-H Youth Development Program is doing overall. Thank you to everyone who has completed their surveys so far. A list of previous survey winners can be found [here](http://4h.ucanr.edu/About/Research/Evaluation_Updates/). http://4h.ucanr.edu/About/Research/Evaluation_Updates/

Thank you to all the Project Leaders who sent in all your **Thrive** postcards! Your responses will help us to make this program better for our young people. A list of the Project Leaders can be found [here](#).

 PDR # 6 Communication #7 When you win an award!



EXTRA! EXTRA! Read all about it!

Each month club reporters, officers and 4-H members who want to share their club news with the county are invited to submit articles to smabatti@ucanr.edu by the 25th of each month.

✔ PDR # 6 submitted an article!

From the desk of:

Dillon Sanchez,

Southwest Valley Club reporter:

Attention all returning or new Southwest Valley 4-H club members. Please come to our first club meeting Tuesday, September 9th at 7:00 P.M. at the Ben Hulse Elementary School cafeteria in Imperial. We will be signing everybody up for their projects during this meeting, so be sure to attend.

Megan Smedley,

Teen Camp Council Reporter:

We have had two great planning meetings and are gearing up for our meeting on September 10, 5:30pm at the 4-H office, 1050 E. Holton Rd., Holtville. If you are interested in joining feel free to email me at: bigsmeds@gmail.com

Did you know CA 4-H has a Cloverpedia? The Cloverpedia is a resource designed to be a living document for individuals to learn more about common California State 4-H terms, events and programs. Along with an explanation of which each item is, there are also hyperlinks to online resources that will provide more detail.

Check out the Cloverpedia [here](http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/121154.pdf). (<http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/121154.pdf>)



Three Imperial County 4-H members (Baylee Rose, Amy Sanchez, and Marty Cortez) headed to Sacramento this June for the California Focus Conference. During this jam-packed



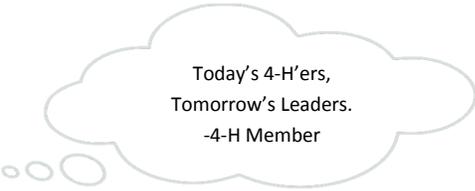
five day event, 4-H delegates participated in political campaigns, elected constitutional officers, created legislation, and toured the State Capitol, Old Sacramento underground, and had dinner on the Delta King. The 4-H officers were sworn in to office at the California Court of Appeals, in which 4-H is the only youth program allowed to tour the appellate court! Delegates observed the Assembly and Senate floors in action, as well as met with Senator Ben Hueso, who discussed The Salton Sea, the importance of taking an active role in your community, and how strong an impact 4-H makes in developing life skills such as leadership, citizenship and responsibility.

California Focus is a unique citizenship educational experience that combines hands-on participation workshops, debates and simulations with outstanding speakers and historical, cultural and government sites. California's capital city, Sacramento, becomes a "living classroom" for this five day adventure. Delegates participated in activities designed to encourage them to become active in current issues and affairs.

California Focus was the beginning of a life of public participation that left these students with a strong determination to become involved in their community. They are now creating a service Plan of Action for Imperial County, organizing an educational program emphasizing literacy. They will be educating parents on the importance of reading books to their children at a young age by holding a reading workshop with a holiday theme. They hope to gain community support in delivering their Plan of Action.



Scholarships & Awards



Teens Teach Tech Grant

Application

Deadline: September 15

Apply for our grant to hold your own Teens teaching Tech program in your community. "Teens Teaching Tech" is a workshop series designed to provide older adults with one-on-one support with their modern devices from teens in the community to foster and cultivate intergenerational relationships. We will supply the training materials and funding for promotional flyers, print-outs and volunteer staff T-shirts. Older adults have gadgets like digital cameras, tablets, mobile phones, and apps that they find challenging to use. The goal of this program is to promote intergenerational programs and help senior citizens feel comfortable with ever-evolving technology. Click [Here](#) for Application

Project Learning Tree GreenWorks!

Deadline: September 30

Do you have an idea for a school/ community native plant garden, a forest improvement project, a streamside restoration plan, a recycling program or energy conservation project for your students? Need funds to implement it? Apply for a Project Learning Tree GreenWorks! Grant [here!](#)

Sports-For –All Clinic

Deadline: Rolling

Passion for sports? Promote fitness in your community by hosting a Sports-For-All Clinic. VolunTEENnation.org can provide you with funding, support and guidance to host your own sports clinic for youth on the autism spectrum. The grant can help fund the facility rental, healthy snacks, promotional fliers and/or equipment costs. Applications MUST be accompanied by two letters of reference. One letter must be from your principal, athletic director, coach or adult advisor and should be on official school letterhead. The second letter must be from the organization, facility or community field or school that will host the event.

<http://bit.ly/Sports4AllGrant>

National Youth Leadership

Deadline: November 7

NYLC and its partners present a number of awards honoring youth and adults for their commitment to education, service, community and service-learning. Each year the attendees honor award recipients by joining in a celebration during the conference, as well as planting a tree at a park or playground in the host city. [Click Here](#)



4-H National Youth Science Day (NYSD) - October 2014

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/SET/NYSD/>

The 2014 NYSD is titled, *Rockets to the Rescue* where youth will be tasked with the mission: design and build an aerodynamic food transportation device that can deliver a payload of nutritious food to disaster victims. Youth will learn engineering concepts, develop math skills, learn about nutrition and help solve a relevant, global issue. The focus of 4-H NYSD is to encourage youth to

experience science in a fun, constructive manner, increase interest in the sciences and encourage participation in support of 4-H programs.

✔ PDR#6 Write an article on NYSD PDR#3 Participate #6 Lead a session

Revolution of Responsibility Service Learning Mini-Grants

4-H groups can apply for up to \$1,000 to identify, plan and carry out a service-learning project in their community. Projects will be focused on the three key content areas that form the core of all 4-H programs: Science, Healthy Living, and Citizenship.

2014 Application dates: September 15, 2014 | November 15, 2014

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Support/RofR/>

[Read](#) how 4-H is helping their communities through California.

Emerald Star Funding!! ✔



Leader Tip of the month

Henry Ford said it best,

“If you always do what you’ve always done, you’ll always get what you’ve always got.”

While it’s easier to just do the same thing you did last year, do you really want to? Sure, you can get by doing the same stuff. Why not make it count and do something truly innovative. Try a different project, add one new aspect to your project, engage new volunteers. We’re all in this to make the best better; doing so means being innovative and it starts with you—the leader.

4-H BARBECUE



The 38th Annual 4-H Barbecue fundraiser will be held on Sunday, October 19, 2014, 12noon to 5:00p.m. at the California Mid-Winter Fair and Fiesta. Barbecue tickets are \$10.00 each. This is the only fundraiser for the year. All 4-H leaders and their clubs are urged to participate. **Every** 4-H club and member is asked to help sell barbecue tickets, prepare and serve the tri-tip barbecue dinner. We need all the help we can get from all our 4-H members and leaders. All proceeds from this annual barbecue fundraiser go back to the 4-H program. Every 4-H member and leader benefits from this fundraiser. Scholarships were provided to youth attending Sacramento Focus and Washington D.C. Focus trip. 4-H leaders Council provided 5 scholarships to graduating seniors (\$250.00). Scholarships are provided to the 4-H leaders to help defray the costs of chaperoning on trips. Cooperative Extension does not receive any monies from the fundraiser. All monies made by the annual barbecue fundraiser go back to the clubs, its 4-H youth and leaders. In order to have a successful barbecue fundraiser, we must have total cooperation from our 4-H clubs, members and leaders. If we all work together in selling our barbecue tickets early and get the working committees started, we will have a very successful barbecue fundraiser.

 PDR # 2 Poster Contest #7 received an award# 3 Attended #4 sold tix #4 helped at BBQ #6 wrote an article.

 #5 Invite Military Club to your meeting

4-H Military Program

California’s 4-H Military Partnership Program supports 20 4-H clubs on military bases in 11 counties throughout the state. These military clubs provide a safe environment for military youth to explore new interests and ideas, as well as a predictable environment as they move from place to place. Inviting a military 4-H Club to a club meeting is a great way of connecting military and non-military youth. Contact the 4-H Office for more information 760-352-9474 or smabatti@ucanr.edu

 #3 Event attended #7 received award #2 project Skill



Did you miss the August Intercom?

Visit <http://ceimperial.ucanr.edu/4h/Intercom/>, enter your email in the subscribe box to ensure you receive your Intercom as soon as it is posted. You can also view old issues of the Intercom.

Here's what you may have missed:
(Visit the August Intercom for a complete posting)

- 4-H Poster Contest
- County Record Book results-Achievement Night and Star Awards
- New Leader Requirements
- 4-H Water Policy
- Feed and Show Clinic September 13,2014
- Citizenship Trip Dates
- Enrollment Fees
- Fashion Recue 2015 theme
- Sustainable You! Teen Camp Council
- Biggest Loser Bike Ride
- Incentivesfor reading the newsletter
- New Curriculum
- New County Wide Projects
- Shooting Workshops
- Record Book Tips

Look for the green Check mark to help with your record book PDR!



State 4-H Equine Field Day

Save the date, October 18th State 4-H Equine Field Day .Tentatively will be held at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. More information coming soon!



Enrollment

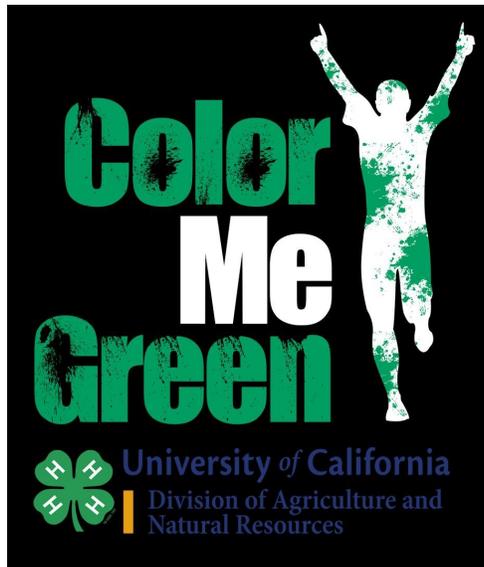
Before attending your first club's meeting, enroll online at: [Http://california.4honline.com](http://california.4honline.com)

Go to California.4honline.com to enter your account and re-enroll. Forgot the steps or have questions? Instructions are on the 4-H website: ucanr.org/jointhefun4h under : How to Enroll On-line."

Has your email changed? Call the 4-H office and speak to Jennifer 760-352-9474

DO NOT CREATE A NEW ACCOUNT IF YOU HAVE BEEN ENROLLED IN THE PAST. IF YOU ARE UNSURE CALL THE 4-H OFFICE.

Save the Date for Imperial County
All-Star first ever Color Run!!
March 21, 2015



Check out our statewide [calendar](#)
of events, dates
& deadlines!

September

9/6/2014 [4-H Shooting Sports Workshop - Pistol Discipline](#)
9/13/2014 [South Section Meeting](#)

October

10/1/2014 [Deadline: CA 4-H Quick Start Record Book Course](#)
10/4/2014 [North Section Meeting](#)
10/4/2014 [Shooting Sports Archery Certification Workshop](#)
10/4/2014 [2015 State Fashion Revue Committee Meeting](#)
10/18/2014 [Shooting Sports Leaders Meeting](#)
10/18/2014 [State 4-H Equine Field Day](#)

November

11/3/2014 [Deadline: Records Books for State Competition](#)
11/14/2014 [Save the date: 2014 State 4-H Leaders' Forum](#)

December

12/21/2014 [4-H Day at the Oakland Raiders](#)

State Leaders Forum:

101 Innovative Explosions on tap!!

Here are 101 innovative opportunities to meet and communicate with people from far distances but with close experiences and interests.

November 14 – 16, 2014.

See the SLF website: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Conferences/SLF/>

