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Calendar of Events

November

01 – Leaders Council Meeting 7:00p.m.
02 – **Last Day to buy Beef and Horse**
04 – Record Book Training (**CANCELLED**)
16 – Livestock Leaders Meeting 7:00p.m.
17 – 19 - Asilomar
18 – Small Animal Clinic – Magnolia & McCabe
23-24 – Thanksgiving Holiday –
Office Closed
28 – Judging Day – M/M & Magnolia

December

02 – El Centro Christmas Parade
09 – Calexico Christmas Parade
09 – Christmas In A Small Town
16 – 4-H Field Day – Tri-City, Calipatria, & United Valley
25 – Christmas Holiday – Office Closed

January

01 – New Year's Day
01 – Last Day to Buy – Sheep, Swine, Calves, Goats, &
Small Animals
04 – Leaders Council Meeting – 7:00p.m.
13 – Mt. Sac
18 – Livestock Leaders Meeting – 7:00p.m.
19-21 – T.I.C.
27 - IRAC

4-H LEADERS COUNCIL MEETING

The last meeting, until the New Year, of the 4-H Leaders Council, will be held Wednesday, November 1, 2006, 7:00p.m. at the Farm Bureau Auditorium, 1000 Broadway, in El Centro.

The tentative agenda will include the Annual Barbecue Fundraiser, the high ticket sellers, and the percentages going back to the 4-H clubs. This will be the last day to turn in the money without a penalty.

All 4-H leaders are urged to attend this meeting.

4-H LIVESTOCK LEADERS MEETING

A Livestock Leaders meeting will be held on Thursday, November 16, 2006, 7:00p.m. at the Farm Bureau Auditorium, 1000 Broadway, in El Centro, CA.

The tentative agenda will consist of 2007 Exhibitors handbook, livestock clinics, and 2007 fair auctions. All 4-H leaders are urged to attend this meeting. Plans are being laid out for the 2007 fair.

Bring a friend!

RELATIONSHIP WITH FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

To maintain the fine statewide cooperation that now exists between Cooperative Extension and High School Vocational Agriculture departments, it is essential that all staff members, volunteers, and advisors in both organizations be informed of the joint policy governing project enrollment of young people who belong to both 4-H and FFA.

Since both supervising agencies are publicly supported, neither has the right to determine the extent to which a member can participate in projects in either organization. To further clarify this policy, when a member maintains both a 4-H and an FFA project, the projects may not be in the same kind of category, livestock or crop. For example, a beef project in FFA and a sheep project in 4-H would be acceptable; but a beef-breeding project in FFA and a beef-feeding project in 4-H would not be acceptable, even if the animals were of different breeds.

A member of an FFA chapter or a 4-H unit may transfer projects from one organization to another only once during a calendar year (Jan. 1 to Dec. 31). To be able to show any project at the fair or show, it must be supervised by the organization under which it will be shown for at least 60 days prior to the event.

JUDGING DAY

Judging Day will be held Tuesday, November 28, 2006. Leaders will be notified by flyer of time and location.

4-H RECORDBOOK TRAINING WORKSHOP

The recordbook training workshop that was to be held on Saturday, November 18, 2006 has been rescheduled for a later date in January.

The reason for the rescheduling is to give the State 4-H Office time to meet and make decisions that will affect the outcome of the recordbooks. They have to approve changes that will affect how we put together the 4-H recordbooks.

Please be patient until we learn what the State 4-H Office has to propose then we can proceed with the record book training workshop.

ADULT PARTICIPATION IN 4-H

Adults may participate in 4-H programs as volunteers or as employees of other organizations, but not both. Effective relationships between 4-H YDP staff and volunteers in local communities must be maintained, in order to deliver educational programs to a large and diverse cross-section of California youth.

The 4-H YDP staff set the program's educational goals and standards, and then train adult participants to deliver the program at the county level. Additionally, 4-H YDP advisors are responsible for research, evaluation, program design, and curriculum development. Adult participants implement the

programs, providing logistical support for meetings and events, and directing the educational service to youth. Close cooperation and planning between program staff and adult participants, is required to produce effective 4-H programs.

Volunteer Roles and Responsibilities

Adult volunteers are critical to the success of the 4-H YDP. Volunteers must be 18 years of age and must complete an enrollment form and a screening process, including a Live-scan or BID-7 applicant fingerprint form. After attending an orientation meeting conducted by county 4-H YDP staff, a candidate will be appointed by the county director as a 4-H volunteer. From that point forward, the volunteer will

be considered an “Agent of the University of California.” Volunteer appointments are renewed on an annual basis.

Organizational/Unit Volunteers administer a 4-H unit such as a club, special interest group, camp, or project club.

Activity Volunteers provide leadership within a specific, short-term 4-H project or activity. These volunteers make preparations for the activity, obtain relevant literature and distribute it to adult and youth participants, and attend the activity or community event.

Program/Project Volunteers have expertise in particular 4-H programs or project areas which they teach to participants, parents, or special interest groups.

Resource/Key Volunteers have expertise in club organization, planning and conducting activities, or specialized subjects relating to projects. Unit volunteers and 4-H YDP staff often ask these individuals to serve as key resources and 4-H YDP staff often asks these individuals to serve as key resources at the club or county level.

Other Volunteers help with transportation, management, or recruitment. They may also serve as elected or appointed officers or committee members for the

county 4-H Volunteer Management Organization.

ANIMAL CARE AND HANDLING

The University of California does not provide liability coverage for injury or damage caused by the animals of 4-H members.

4-H animal projects teach members to assume responsibility for their animals. Project members must be taught, and shall use, safe and humane practices when handling and caring for their animals. It is also important for members to understand the difference between animal welfare and animal rights.

Definitions

Animal rights are based in the belief that people and animals have the same legal rights and deserve equal treatment. Animal rights proponents oppose the use of animals for any human purpose, including food, clothing, pets, recreation, hunting, or biomedical research.

Animal welfare is based in the philosophy that animals may be used for food, fiber, biomedical research, and recreation, but regard must be shown for the well-being of the animal. Animals are to receive humane handling and transport, proper nutrition, appropriate facilities and housing, disease prevention and treatment, humane exhibition, avoidance of unnecessary restraint, stress or

pain, and when necessary, humane euthanasia.

Policies

The following University of California health and safety policies relate to 4-H animal projects.

Each 4-H animal project shall include learning experiences appropriate to the species of animal, to ensure that 4-H members understand and practice the standards of humane treatment of animals.

Educational materials shall be reviewed periodically by the statewide curriculum committee to ensure that the content reflects current accepted animal care and handling practices.

Events such as greased pig contests, calf scramble contests, or other events for entertainment, or in which youth randomly capture animals from a group or compete against animals, are not acceptable and will not be planned, supported, or approved for 4-H member participation.

Fairs, shows, exhibitions and similar events involving 4-H members and their animals shall be conducted according the humane animal care standards. Special attention is needed for transportation, safe housing, adequate feed and water, ample space, humane handling, facility design, and proper management and showmanship.

The University of California Cooperative Extension does not provide liability coverage for injury or damage caused by animals. 4-H YDP staff should refer individuals or families desiring this type of insurance to their insurance agents. Insurance agents can also advise the policyholder about coverage that may already be provided through their existing tenant or homeowner insurance policy.

EQUESTRIAN HELMETS

All youth and volunteers, regardless of riding seat, shall wear a properly fitted equestrian helmet which meets ASTM/SEI standards, which secured chin harness properly fastened at all times when mounted on a horse or in a vehicle being pulled by one or more horses as part of any 4-H equestrian activity.

It is recommended that helmets be worn at all times when handling any horse (i.e., grooming, clipping, and lunging).

It is the responsibility of the rider or the parent or guardian of the minor rider, to see to it that the headgear worn complies with such approval standards and carries the proper seals, and is properly fitted and in good condition. 4-H YDP staff and volunteers are not responsible for checking headgear for compliance. The University of California makes no representation or warranty, expressed or implied, about such

headgear and cautions riders that serious injury may result despite wearing headgear, as no helmet can protect against all unforeseeable injuries in equestrian sports.

At any time during a 4-H equestrian activity, the 4-H activity volunteer (e.g., horse show manager, clinic organizer, club volunteer) may check a participant's equestrian helmet for proper standards. Individuals found to be wearing an unapproved or defective helmet will not be permitted to participate in any mounted or driving activity until a proper helmet is acquired.

DRIVING

4-H YDP staff is responsible for notifying volunteers that they must comply with vehicular laws and regulations. This can be accomplished through newsletters, orientation meetings, and workshops.

Any 4-H YDP staff or volunteer acting in an official capacity with 4-H must follow California driving regulations and comply with the following standards.

1. Have a valid California driver's license for vehicles to be driven,
2. Have car insurance as required by the state of California,
3. Use a safe operating vehicle, and
4. Have seat belts for each passenger.

Youth Drivers

University policy does not allow 4-H members under the age of 18 to transport other 4-H members to official functions.

Field Trips

Drivers who are transporting 4-H members on field trips or long distances to official functions are encouraged to carry a first aid kit, medical treatment forms, and emergency accessories. Emergency accessories include reflectors, fire extinguishers, or other supplies, such as shovels and blankets, necessary for adverse weather conditions.

Riding in Back of Pickup Trucks

Passengers riding in the back of a pickup or flatbed motor truck must be secured with a restraint system, which meets or exceeds motor vehicle safety requirements.

What do you get if you cross a dog and a frog?
- A croaker spaniel!!

How do you start a flea race?
- Flea-two-one-GO!!

4-H SMALL ANIMAL WORKSHOP

November 18, 2006

9:00a.m.

Imperial County Fairgrounds
Sperber Arena

Hosted by McCabe & Magnolia 4-H Clubs

There will be lots of rabbits and cavies for sale.

KW Cages will be there.

There will be presentations of rabbit care, breeds, and other valuable
information.

We will be having a raffle of live animals and other items for your rabbit or
cavy project.

No raffle tickets will be sold. In order to get a ticket for the raffle the
child must come and listen to the presentations.

Carpet squares will be on sale for \$1.00 each by Magnolia 4-H.

FLOWER & PLANT SHOW

**Hosted by:
Magnolia 4-H & Star Route 4-H Clubs**

Plants need to be owned for 60 Days Deadline to plant or purchase: December 3, 2006
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**Entries Received: Friday – Feb. 2, 2007
4:00pm – 7:00pm
Imperial County Fairgrounds**

**Awards: Saturday – Feb. 3, 2007
11:30am**

Rules:

1. Entries Close: 7:00pm – Feb. 2, 2007
2. Limit: 5 per individual, 1 per class.
3. Must be enrolled in 4-H Plant Science Projects(s).
4. Primary members welcomed to participate with their plants at the *Show and Tell Clinic*. (Ribbons only)

Classes:

Class 1 – Bulbs (3-5 bulbs)
Class 2 – House Plants
Class 3 – Cut Flowers (3-6 flowers)
Class 4 – Flower Bowls
Class 5 – Herb Garden (3-5 herbs)
Class 6 – Vegetables
Class 7 – Trees and Shrubs
Class 8 – Cactus and Succulents
Class 9 – Dish Gardens & Terrariums

Judging Criteria:

Cultural Perfection

The plant exhibits those qualities of its species. Is a good representative of the species?

Foliage

The foliage is a rich green color, of the proper size and shape typical of the species.

Size

According to the variety and pot size.

Health

The plant is a vigorous and free from insect damage, disease, mechanical damage, sunburn, etc.

General Appearance

The plant has been groomed; clean leaves, removal of dead branches, damaged leaves and pot is clean.

Properly Labeled

Common name of plant, name of exhibitor and club.

**United Valley 4-H Club
Member Spotlight of the Month
Christina Dammarell**

Age: 12

Year in 4-H: 5

Office: 2006-2007 Vice President/Secretary

Projects include: Market Goats, Poultry, Photography, Dog Care, Plant Science, Leadership, Citizenship, Community Pride, Quilting, Home Arts, Creative Writing, and many more!

Christina is a great role model for other members in the 4-H Program and is respected and liked by both members and leaders alike. Christina is always willing to lend a helping hand and she is great at following through with any task. Just this month, she has attended all county and club events and chaired our club's year long community pride project to plant trees through out the Imperial County. As part of our kick off to our year long project, she worked hard to get coverage of our tree planting event during National 4-H Week. She has learned to be a great leader and is beginning to demonstrate her skills in every endeavor she pursues. Congratulations Christina. We are proud of you and everything you have accomplished.

--Your Community Leaders
Kristen Weekes
Matthew Smith

Honey Festival

Saturday, November 18, 2006

Lions Club Den, Westmorland

**FOOD CONTEST COOK-OFF
2006 RULES**

1. The Honey Festival Cook-Off is sponsored by the Westmorland Chamber of Commerce for the purpose of promoting the honey industry by featuring honey recipes by talented local cooks.
2. Entry Deadline: Received on or before Friday, November 17, 2006.
3. **Professional competition** – Persons with prior or current employment working in a professional capacity as a chef in the food service industry. This includes restaurants, catering, private clubs, or other food service establishments.

Open competition – Persons who cook strictly for personal consumption over the age of 18.

Junior competition – Contestants under Age 18.

Dishes must contain ½ cup of honey incorporated into the main recipe, preferably in each serving bite.

4. A printed or typed copy of the recipe must accompany each entry. No names or identification on the cards. The recipe must be specific. State the number of servings.

5. The honey dishes will be judged as follows:

	<u>Categories:</u>
A. Taste.....50 points	Meats
B. Presentation.....30 points	Side Dishes
C. Ease of preparation and practicality.....20 points	Bakery / Pastry

6. Presentation includes appearance of prepared entry and related display. Each entrant will be allowed a space of approximately 25 inches by 36 inches for display of food and accessories. Contestants are responsible for their dishes and serving pieces.

7. Judging of prepared entries will take place at the Lions Club Den, 200 West 2nd Street, Westmorland, on Saturday, November 18, 2006. Entries will be accepted between 12:30 and 1:00 PM the day of the contest. Judging will start promptly at 1:00 PM.

8. Prepared dishes and recipes become property of the Chamber upon entry. Upon completion of judging, dishes will be released to contestant on authority of the chairperson.

9. **Prizes for First, Second and Third Place in each division!!!!**

Name: _____ | Junior: _____ Open: _____ Pro: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Name of Recipe: _____

I have read, understand and agree to abide by all the rules and regulations governing the Honey Festival entries.

Signature of Contestant _____

Please fax to 344-5307 or mail to Honey Festival Cook-Off, P.O. Box 699, Westmorland CA 92281. Entries must be received by November 17, 2006.