

SAN BENITO COUNTY 4-H GUIDEPOST



Dates, Deadlines, and To Do's

Note: Please realize that State deadlines listed below require that you give yourself plenty of time to get local approvals on your application before sending it in to the state. Typically this means obtaining the signatures of your parents, your club leader, and 4-H Supervisor S. Hammond! Check with Renay at the 4-H office for local deadlines.

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May 14 – Range Camp application deadline (see "Announcements")

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May 17 – State Leadership Conference applications due in **LOCAL** 4-H Office (see "Announcements")

May 18 (date changed from last published) – **6:00 pm** – Informational meeting about Council Officer responsibilities, Vets. Bldg. – open to adult volunteers

May 18 – 7:00 pm – new Adult Volunteer Orientation, Vets. Bldg.

May 24 – Last date (at Council Meeting) to nominate, or self-nominate officers for 2010-11 4-H Council

May 29 – State 4-H Field Day, UC Davis, hotline: 530-752-4790, www.ca4h.org/projresource/fieldday/. Packets are also available at the 4-H office.

May 31 – Golden Clover Award nomination deadline (see "Scholarships and Awards")

May 31 – Statewide Advisory Committees application deadline (see "Announcements)

May 31 – 2010-2011 California 4-H Technology Leadership Team application deadline (see "Announcements")

June 1 – End of T-shirt promotion by Rixstine (see 4-H websites - supply resources below) Use promo code FRAPR10

July 29-Aug. 1 – State Leadership Conference at UC Davis

July 30 – 4-H Alumni reunion – UC Davis (see "Announcements")

July 1 – Workshop proposals due for State 4-H Leaders' Forum

August 5 – Club Leaders: deadline to submit club Record Books to the 4-H Office for county judging

August 9-13 (during week of) – Record Books reviewed by Record Book Committee

August 16-20 (during week of) - County Record Book Judging

Sept. 1 – Registration deadline for State 4-H Leaders' Forum at Asilomar Conference Center (Nov. 5-7 in Pacific Grove). Theme is "Upgrade! S.E.T. Your System! Go!" Portions of the Forum will focus on sharing ideas about the various ways that 4-H educates its members in the Science, Engineering and Technology initiative, facilitated by volunteers and staff. More information is available at: www.ca4h.org/confrerence/slf/.

May 7-14, 2011 - Western Regional 4-H Leaders' Forum - Departing Seattle on Holland America cruise ship ms Westerdam. Visiting five ports of call in Southern Alaska and Victoria. Tentative cost is: \$690 + registration fee (per individual based on double occupancy per room. Includes all meals. Must have approved travel documents – passport or enhanced drivers license. Website: http://4h.wsu.edu/conferences/2011wrlf/

San Benito County Fair Beef Tag-In

San Benito County Fair Beef Tag-In will be on Saturday May 22, 2010 from 8 - 10am at the San Benito County Fairgrounds - Beef Scale.

Pancake Breakfast

Congratulations to the following Top Ticket Sellers:

<u>Individuals</u> <u>Families</u>

1stHeather Pereira -Nino (Tracy) - Cienega2ndEmilie Sarringhaus -Schneider - Union3rdErica Leung -Pulido - Ausaymas

Sectional Presentation Day

Sectional Presentation Day was held at Salinas High School in Salinas on April 24th. San Benito County 4-H was well represented. The 4-H youth who participated were:

Gold

Audrey Liddle, Linnae Rodriguez, Alyssa Sockol, Annie Tobias, Emily & Kelly Whiteley

Blue

Madison Andrade, Delani Gross, Erica Leung, Jeanette Schneider, Samantha Warren

Union Club: Share-the-Fun Skit -

Megan, Amy, & Christina Carvalho, Mary & Jessica Church, Erica Leung, Tristan & Ashlyn Russell, Charity Sando, Jeanette Schneider, Alyssa Sockol, Emily & Kelly Whiteley

A big thank-you goes to the judges and area monitors below for volunteering at this event:

Bruce Green, Stephanie Churchill-Gross, Susan, Kate, & Daniel Modic, Alexis & Miranda Sanchez, Charity Sando, Jay & Cindy Sockol, and Lisa & Grace Tobias.

2010 Junior Grand National

The Junior Grand National was held April 7-11 at the Cow Palace in San Francisco.

Below are our county's 4-H members and their results:

John Bianchi won 1st and 2nd places in certain classes of the Open Breeding Sheep & Beef Shows

Cody Rogers won 1st and 2nd places in certain classes of the Open Breeding Beef Show

Club Year-End Reporting

Please remember that all clubs have to:

- 1. Turn in Secretary and Treasurer Books.
- 2. Complete the "Outreach" information.
- 3. Input their Treasurer's summary page and inventory into the 4-H financial system (more information to follow this is just a head's up)

Clubs will NOT have to go into the IRS website for this year only. Council will need to fill out a 990N and turn it in to Sonya (4-H Supervisor), NOT the IRS.

Fashion Revue

A big thank-you goes to the following people who volunteered to judge our county's Fashion Revue this year:

Debbie Schatmeier, DeLisa Russell, Angela Merrell, Laurie Nichols, Michelle Dietrich

Eye-Glass Collection

by Matthew Peters

Congratulations to the Santa Ana Club for donating the most eye-glasses. Now get ready to feast on some "serious" ice cream! Thank you to everyone who participated to help out the needy. A big thank-you goes to Judy and Tim McCord for their generous donation.

University of California Statement of Ethical Values

We are all familiar with youth and adult 4-H Codes of Conduct. Did you know that the University of California, the parent organization of California 4-H, has its own type of Code of Conduct? These are the University's values. We can all benefit by following them as they apply to our personal, community, and 4-H lives.

We are committed to:

Integrity

We will conduct ourselves with integrity in our dealings with and on behalf of the University.

Excellence

We will conscientiously strive for excellence in our work.

Accountability

We will be accountable as individuals and as members of this community for our ethical conduct and for compliance with applicable laws and University policies and directives.

Respect

We will respect the rights and dignity of others.

Telling the 4-H Story

San Benito County youth who are in 4-H have many opportunities to experience, learn and grow. There are many more youth who could benefit by being in 4-H, so we all need to tell the 4-H story as often as possible. Every chance that youth and adults have to communicate how great 4-H is, they should take it. Remember the four-part story. Tell:

Who We Are: Youth ages 9 - 19, and "Clover Buds" 5 - 9

What We Do: Give youth a fun and safe environment in which to learn citizenship, leadership and life skills.

Why We Do It: Youth are our future.

Why Should Anyone Care: 4-H is a proven, research-based youth development that has a track record of success.

Outreaching to and recruiting new members and adult volunteers is everyone's responsibility!

South Central Section 4-H Council Meeting

by Ashley & Darren Coates (2009-10 State Ambassadors)

Save the date – The South Central Section 4-H Council meeting will be held on Thursday, May 13 at 6 pm. This will be an online meeting. All senior high school members and adult volunteers are welcome to sign in. We have arranged to use the 4-H Office to participate as a group. However, space is limited so please RSVP at the 4-H Office (637-5346). You may also participate from home. This is our section's chance to become more involved. The access numbers will be posted by email.

Recruiting for 4-H Statewide Committees

Statewide 4-H YDP Committees offer insight, review and input for the operation and management of the Statewide 4-H YDP to the State 4-H YDP Director. Committees meet face-to-face various times of the year, and may schedule conference calls, and utilize email to conduct committee business. Travel to meetings may be reimbursed through the State 4-H YDP Office.

Open recruitment for committee membership takes place every spring. 4-H members, recent alumni, 4-H adult volunteers, 4-H YDP program partners and collaborators, and County 4-H YDP staff are invited to apply. Applications are due to the State 4-H YDP Office postmarked by May 31, 2010. Applications may be picked up at the 4-H Office or you may call/ask the 4-H Office to mail them to you.

Co	Committees						
1.	Policy Advisory Committee	5.	Equine Education Advisory Committee				
2.	Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee	6.	Animal Science Education Advisory Committee				
		7.	Camping Advisory Committee				
3.	Citizenship/Service Learning Council	8.	CA 4-H Technology Leadership Team				
4.	International Exchange Support Advisory						
	Committee	9.	Healthy Living Advisory Committee				

Policy Reminders

San Benito Travel policy – members are fortunate to have a Council that affords members the opportunity have their attendance at 4-H events paid for. However, there is service component to having your trip covered. "**After the first trip, 4-H members** are required to share their new knowledge, ideas, or skills gained at the conference/workshop with other 4-H members." It is also expected that members will acknowledge Council with a thank you note.

Changes in Community Club Leader – if the club intends to change their Community Club Leader, they recommend the new person (or co-leaders) to the 4-H Staff CD (Sonya Hammond), and she will meet with the candidates and has the final appointment approval.

Honoraria – Reminder – Neither Clubs nor Council are allowed to pay an honorarium to a person. An honorarium is a payment for appreciation of distinguished achievement or educational or other special services such as judging a 4-H event or for giving an educational presentation at a 4-H event. If such an honorarium is in order, the Club or Council will need to submit a request to the 4-H staff. The University will issue the check in two to three weeks, and the Club or Council will reimburse the University.

Codes of Conduct – the Code of Conduct signed by both adults and youth are the foundation of all 4-H interactions. Civility, honesty, and personal responsibility are the basis for our youth development program. Civil conduct is needed for us to achieve the citizenship, leadership and life skills that make 4-H unique among all youth programs.

Out-of-County Requests – Remember, if you are not a San Benito County resident, you must **annually** request (it is not automatic) a county transfer from both your county of residence 4-H office and the San Benito County 4-H office.

Fairs - Be sure to "brush up" on Fair policy. (Fairs are not 4-H sponsored events, so they have their own policies.)

Announcements

- May 14th deadline to apply for Range Camp. Range Camp is a week-long program for high school students (14-18) which focuses on environmental science and natural resource management. This year's camp will run from Sunday, 6/20 to Friday, 6/25, at the Elkus Youth Ranch in Half Moon Bay. In addition to lectures and outdoor activities related to these topics, we'll be discussing professional careers and related fields of study at the college/university level. The camp brochure, announcement flyer, and application forms can all be downloaded from the bottom of http://www.rangelands.org/casrm/HTML/rangecamps.html.
- 2010 CA 4-H State Field Day on May 29th has added two new contests, the California 4-H Photography Contest and the California 4-H Film Festival to the event opportunities available. Online registration for the Photography contest is due by May 7th as well as the video submissions for the Film Festival. Films created need to address the topic, "What does 4-H mean to you?". Photo entries can be dropped off on the 29th. Please click here for photo contest rules and entry information and here for Film Festival rules and information.
- Are you interested in participating on a 4-H Statewide Advisory Committee? 4-H Youth, Adult Volunteers, County Staff and Administration are all encouraged to apply for this opportunity. The committees you may apply for are: Policy Advisory Committee, Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee, Citizenship/Service Learning Council, International Exchange Support Advisory Committee, Equine Education Advisory Committee, Animal Science Education Advisory Committee, Camping Advisory Committee, CA 4-H Technology Leadership Team, and Healthy Living Advisory Committee. Applications for the 2010-2011 Statewide Advisory Committees are due postmarked by May 31, 2010. Please click here to download an application today. You may contact the State 4-H Office for any questions, 530-754-8518.
- Are you a 4-H member or volunteer with experience and interest in technology? Apply to the 2010-2011 California 4-H Technology Leadership Team (CTLT)! The CTLT increases the use and awareness of technology in the 4-H program through workshops, providing IT support, assistance to 4-H Clubs, and at statewide events. Candidates must be at least 16 years of age or older. Membership is a fourteen-month commitment, July 2010 through August 2011. The deadline to apply is May 31, 2010. More information is available at http://www.ca4h.org/compcorps/.
- Are you looking for a service project? Check out http://www.allpeoplequilt.com/ and click on the links to the Million Pillowcase Project. The project lasts through December 2010. The basic pattern is the easiest and is suitable for beginning sewers. Look at the link for a store near you that is accepting the pillowcases. They are donated to the homeless, foster children, cancer patients and others so they can be designed for boys, girls, and adults. In Tuolumne County, 4-H leaders donated leftover fabric and members sewed the pillowcases at their "Everything but Animals" Field Day.
- The Championship 4-H Horse Show information and rules are posted at http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/horse/classic.asp. The dates are June 25-27, 2010 at Santa Cruz County Fair, Watsonville, CA. Entries are due June 1st with an Early Bird Special by May 15, 2010.
- The **State Leadership Conference 2010 "Operation 4-H"** is now online at http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc/. Applications are due **May 17** in the **local office.** Please direct questions to Quang "Hogan" Tong at 530-752-5644 or email him at qtong@ucdavis.edu.
- State 4-H Fashion Revue is accepting online registration from county winners through May 12 at http://ucanr.org/sfr2010. SFR will be held on May 29, 2010 in Olson Hall as part of State Field Day at UC Davis. The committee has planned a full morning of workshops and activities for SFR participants. Complete details are at http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/fashion/. Everyone is welcome to attend the Fashion Show at 2 pm outside Wellman Hall. Come cheer for your county's delegates! If you have made a hat for a cancer patient, you are invited to model it on stage for our Hats Off for Kindness service project. Check in at the Wellman Stage at 12:45 for the Hats Off show at 1:15. The Hats Off service project is open to all 4-H families. The SFR committee still needs adult judges who have experience in fashion, sewing, consumer education or related fields. Adults, parents of participants, or older teen volunteers may serve as door monitors. If you can help or have questions about State Fashion Revue, please contact Karli Draxler, SFR Registrar at chat2kd@unwiredbb.com or Sue Moore, staff liaison, at samoore@ucdavis.edu. We can't wait to see "What's in YOUR Closet?"
- State 4-H Field Day is looking to partner with a 4-H group willing to serve lunch at the 2010 State Field Day on May 29, 2010. Interested clubs should contact Quang "Hogan" Tong 530-752-5644 or qtong@ucdavis.edu.

- 4-H Healthy Living Advisory Committee
 - A 4-H Healthy Living Advisory Committee is being established to guide the development of the 4-H Healthy Living Initiative. Marcel Horowitz, 4-H YD Advisor in Yolo County will chair the committee. Please see the <u>4-H Advisory Committee application</u> process for details. Applications are due **May 31, 2010**.
- The 4-H Foundation is sponsoring a **4-H Alumni Reunion** as an opportunity for alumni to re-engage, learn about 4-H today, share stories and meet up with old friends. The Alumni Reunion will be hosted by the 2010 State Ambassadors (formerly known as Diamond Stars) in conjunction with the 4-H State Leadership Conference. The Reunion will take place **July 30**, **2010**, **on the UC Davis campus**. We are inviting local 4-H organizations to encourage participation by their former members and to forward lists of alumni (including contact information when you have it) so we can invite as many guests as possible to this event. For more information, to be added to the mailing list for this event or to share your 4-H story, please contact Annette Leeland at aleeland@ucdavis.edu.
- May 7-14, 2011 Western Regional 4-H Leaders' Forum Departing Seattle on Holland America cruise ship ms
 Westerdam. Visiting five ports of call in Southern Alaska and Victoria. Tentative cost is: \$690 + registration fee (per
 individual based on double occupancy per room. Includes all meals. Must have approved travel documents passport or
 enhanced drivers license. Website: http://4h.wsu.edu/conferences/2011wrlf/

Scholarships and Awards

- The **Golden Clover Awards** recognize outstanding achievement of 4-H members, volunteers, 4-H program staff, and groups within the 4-H YDP. Applications are due postmarked by **May 31, 2010**. The 2010 applications are now available on the state website at: http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/goldenclover. Please nominate a worthy candidate that you believe is deserving of this great honor. Please direct questions to Quang "Hogan" Tong at 530-752-5644 or email at qtong@ucdavis.edu.
- The EPA has announced the **4th Annual Rachel Carson Contest** and is seeking entries for creative projects in the areas of poetry, photography, essays and dance. Entries need to be from a team of two or more. Entry deadline is **June 16, 2010**. For more information, visit: http://www.epa.gov/aging/resources/thesenseofwonder/index.htm.

Curriculum and Resources Available

- The new **ATV Safety online mini site** is now available! The ATV site is sponsored by the Specialty Vehicle Association of America (SVIA) and the ATV Safety Institute (ASI). The site promotes safe and responsible use of ATVs, thereby reducing accidents and injuries that may result from improper ATV operation by the rider. Great new interactive tools and resources are available, including e-Learning Courses, Safety Tips, and ATV Safety Videos. As a member, you can access various features, including the ATV Riding Game- "Tread-sylvania," GeoMapping, and a Calendar and Discussion Forum. We encourage you to visit the site at www.4-h.org/atvsafety and become a member.
- The **Spend Smart. Eat Smart. blog** focuses on sharing ideas, tips, resources and recipes to help feed your family for less. The blog is maintained by Iowa State University Extension staff members who are trained in food, nutrition, and health. Check out the website at http://blogs.extension.iastate.edu/foodsavings/ as blog contributors share their experiences and tips to help individuals eat healthy and stay within their budget.
- A new California 4-H SET curriculum is now available **Rabbits: From the Animal's Point of View**. Wild rabbits are found on every continent except Antarctica. Domesticated rabbits come in many breeds that vary in shape, size, and color. But what does it mean to be a rabbit? This curriculum introduces youth to rabbits, their behavior, nutritional and housing needs, and appropriate care through hands-on, inquiry-based activities that follow the experiential learning cycle. This download is available at http://anrcatalog.ucdavis.edu/Items/8389.aspx
- The **4-H2O Curriculum** targets youth between the ages of 9 to 11 in new and established 4-H venues. Utilizing adapted curriculum the project will train after-school leaders, teachers, and parents to deliver concepts focusing on general watershed science, including water quality pollution monitoring, water conservation, and mitigation of pollutants. Download the curriculum units at http://groups.ucanr.org/ 4HSETWaterQualityOC/4-H20 Curriculum/

- **The Butterfly WINGS program** was developed by the University of Florida. Targeted at 4th-8th graders, this curriculum helps kids explore scientific ideas through hands-on research with scientists investigating butterfly biodiversity, distribution, and host-plant preferences. Find more information at: www.4-H.org/curriculum/wings.
- **Grab and Go Activities,** created for 6th-12th graders, are single activities designed to further knowledge in a specific curriculum area. The activities are available on a variety of topics, including healthy living and decision making. Visit: www.4-hdirectory.org (search 'grab and go').
- From the **Understanding Science team**, and activity on **number patterns** In this activity for grades 6-16, students are challenged to discover the relationship among six numbers. In the process, they engage in observation, collaboration, questioning, formulating explanations, developing expectations/predictions, and testing and modifying their ideas. Students are then asked to reflect on whether they were doing science. Find it at: http://www.understandingscience.org/lessons/number-patterns.html
- The University of Nevada Cooperative Extension has released a new resource to assist everyone in working towards the ideas of Healthy Living. *All 4 Kids: Healthy, Happy, Active, Fit* videos can be accessed and viewed at http://www.unce.unr.edu/publications/files/hn/2009/av0902.asp.
- **Design Squad** is a high-energy reality TV show that faces college-age contestants with real-world engineering tasks and clients. Design Squad has extended the concept of their show by creating an outreach program. Their new online workshop features an experienced leader who guides kids through a science activity. Learn how to effectively lead hands-on activities by visiting: http://pbskids.org/designsquad/parentseducators/workshop/welcome.html.
- Visit **4-H2Online!** This new website focuses on water resources, and youth can engage in activities related to water quality and conservation. To date, youth have saved 2 billion gallons of water. Start discovering the wonder of water at: www.4-H.org/4-H2O.
- The National Science Foundation has funded a project called "Advanced Technology Education Television" (ATETV). This new online resource produces videos on different occupations and career categories using examples from community colleges, their students, recent graduates, and employers. You can even download these videos or imbed them in your website. Currently, there are many video episodes that deal with SET topics, such as "What is GIS" and "Environmental Engineering." View these videos and more at: www.ATETV.org.
- Science and Engineering Indicators (SEI) 2010, a biennial production by the National Science Foundation, provides information detailing the state of the United State's science and engineering enterprise. It includes statistical data that tells us the outlook for American science and technology in today's global economy. The report demonstrates that the state of U.S. science and engineering is still strong, but our nation's global primacy in science and engineering has significantly dropped in recent years. For more information, visit:

 http://www.nsf.gov/news/news_summ.jsp?cntn_id=116202&WT.mc_id=USNSF_51
- The Center for Ecoliteracy's **Smart by Nature: Schooling for Sustainability** (*Watershed Media/University of California Press*, 2009) portrays a growing movement of educators, parents, and students who are remaking K-12 education to prepare students for future environmental challenges. The book offers strategies for greening campuses, rethinking school food, and transforming schools into model sustainable communities. More information is available at http://www.ecoliteracy.org/books/smart-nature-schooling-sustainability
- **PlantingScience** is a learning and research resource, bringing together students, plant scientists, and teachers from across the nation. Students engage in hands-on plant investigations, working with peers and scientist mentors to build collaborations and to improve their understanding of science. The spring 2010 session runs from Feb 15 to April 30, 2010. More information is available at http://www.plantingscience.org/
- Youth health and fitness ideas: These lessons are well organized and include a variety of topics such as grocery shopping, recipe preparation, and healthy eating on the go. Find out more at http://snap.nal.usda.gov/foodstamp/resource_finder_details.php?id=558. See 4-H Deliveries Stories, http://www.ca4h.org/4HDelivers.asp on the California 4-H Website for exciting examples of youth providing leadership in enhancing healthy living. Instant Recess, is a DVD geared for children aged 7-12. The 15 minute DVD includes exercises that can be done anywhere, without any equipment and are done at a slow pace so anyone can participate. Find out more at http://snap.nal.usda.gov/foodstamp/resource_finder_details.php?id=499. Nutrition Detectives is a DVD geared towards elementary-aged school children. Find out more at http://snap.nal.usda.gov/foodstamp/resource_finder_details.php?id=498. Secrets of Feeding a Healthy Family: How to Eat, How to Raise Good Eaters, How to Cook This is a book written to bring back the joy of eating and cooking. The thirteen chapters address topics of cooking, attitudes about food, and eating

behaviors. The author also includes recipes. It is written in a gentle, positive and supportive tone, making it pleasurable to read. Find out more at http://snap.nal.usda.gov/foodstamp/resource_finder_details.php?id=559

4-H Websites

The name "National 4-H Headquarters" has been officially changed to 4-H National Headquarters lending more focus on the 4-H organization. You may visit: http://www.national4-hheadquarters.gov/ for more details. Another national 4-H website is http://4-h.org/

Anything and everything you could want to know about 4-H is here – events, scholarships and more. Take some time to check it out! http://www.ca4h.org

For policy questions and regulations, the website is http://www.ca4h.org/policy/

For helpful information geared specifically to volunteers: http://ucanr.org/4-hvolunteers/

Check the Statewide Updates at: http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/updates/

Supply orders: www.4-Hmall.org

http://lesliecarman.com www.rixstine.com

Club Reports

Union Club by Kelly Whiteley, Reporter

As April showers water the flowers planted at the Historical Park School House a couple of months ago, the Union 4-H members who are planning on attending regional Presentation Day polish their presentations in high hopes of glittering gold seals. Thank you to all of the members who participated in County Presentation Day this year and congratulations to all who are eligible for Sectional Presentation Day! At our last meeting, All-star candidate Kenneth Hastings requested volunteers for his All-star project of renovating the pig barns at our fairgrounds. On behalf of his sister, Katherine, also an All-star candidate, he requested donations of used children's story books. Mathew Peters also attended our meeting to collect the eyeglasses he requested at our last meeting. We honored the family who collected the most eyeglasses with movie passes. Several of our members are planning on attending the State Leadership Conference this year as well.

San Benito County 4-H Council Minutes

April 26, 2010 No Quorum

Meeting called to order by President Curt Nelson at 6:45 pm.

Secretary Dara Tobias was absent. Grace Tobias took notes to be used in the Minutes.

Flag Salute was led by Annie Tobias and 4-H Pledge was led by Glen Alameda.

Changes/Additions to the Agenda: "4-H Farm Report (item H)" under "Other Reports" was added.

There was no quorum to approve or correct the March meeting Minutes.

Correspondence:

Thank-you notes to Council from: Emily & Kelly Whiteley, Alicia & Audrey Liddle, Taylor Shaffer, Haydon Hoffman, Pauline Smoke (re: Council's donation to purchase supplies & snacks for LCORT).

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's report read by Kristy Urbina as follows:

Balances as of March 31, 2010 -

- \$ 5,744.55 checking account (doesn't include Pacheco Club "closure" funds)
- \$ 1,563.08 savings account
- \$ 1,849.04 Ricotti Memorial Fund
- \$1,658,608.36 Total Assets

Reports:

<u>Club Reports:</u> Any given will be included in the next Guidepost (if submitted in writing no later than the Wednesday following the Council meeting).

<u>State Ambassadors</u>: Helped out with Sectional Presentation Day, Pancake Breakfast, and State Ambassador Interviews. State Field Day will be held May 29 at UC Davis. All eligible 4-H members are encouraged to apply to go to State Leadership Conference (will be July 29 – Aug. 1) because our county will be leading this year's conference. South Central Ambassadors meeting will be on May 13.

Staff Report: a) New Club Leaders should be interviewed and receive final approval from the 4-H Supervisor. b) Pancake Breakfast went well. c) Need South Central region representative for Regional Council meeting May 13 at 6pm. d) Policy changes: Clubs don't have to file IRS form on-line this coming year. The State 4-H Office will file for clubs. Council will have to fill out 990-N form to send to Sonya, then she will send form to State 4-H Office. "Honorarium" checks cannot come from 4-H Council or clubs. Working on complaint process because of regional changes. We are to try to resolve problems at the level they occur at. The complaint must be in writing within 30 days from incident date, then a response will be given within 30 days after receipt of complaint. The highest level a complaint will go to is to the County Director – further appeals. e) State Leadership Conference application deadline is May 17.

<u>Pancake Breakfast Committee:</u> Positive comments on the food selections. A big thank-you to everyone. Total tickets sold = 1132 (1132 presales, 200 at-the-door). Last year's total was 1216. Total sold = 2262. Last year's total sold was 2140. Top Individual Seller was Heather Pereira, who sold 133. Approx. \$400 will come out of Council's general budget, instead of Pancake Breakfast budget because the 4-H Trailer needs restocking of supplies for future use. Also the cookstove is not functioning correctly and needs repairing.

Recognition Committee: There will be a meeting next week to review All Stars and Emerald Star paperwork.

<u>Scholarship/Bank-on-Us Committee:</u> Christine Morrell reported that there are 8 "Bank-on-Us" applicants and 7 "Scholarship" applicants. She is working with the judges and coordinating the interviews.

<u>Record Book Committee:</u> The deadline for Club leaders to submit Record Books to the 4-H Office is August 5. The committee plans on reviewing the books the week of August 9-13 and County judging will be the week of August 16-20. The committee had updated all forms and information that was available online and those revisions were presented by Lisa Tobias for review. The updated forms and information will be voted on at the next Council meeting for approval.

<u>National 4-H Conference:</u> Kate Modic reported that she had a great time, learned a lot, and is finishing her service-learning project.

<u>4-H Farm:</u> Raylene Rogers reported the following: a safety audit was completed, some minor things were repaired, a tractor is available and needs repairing so the weeds can be mowed, the Livestock Scale is available for checkout if anyone needs it.

Unfinished Business:

<u>Council Officers Nominating Committee:</u> Susan Modic agreed to spearhead this new committee, along with assistance from the Club Leaders, who are automatically on the Nominating Committee per the By-Laws. She is preparing for the upcoming elections.

New Business:

<u>Activity Grant Request: 4-H Farm Barn Painting:</u> Jordan Mitzel presented his request for approx. \$370 Council funding for painting and repairs to the 4-H Farm barn. There will be a workday on May 15 at 10am. A consensus was taken from voting members in order to approve his request until the next meeting when the matter could be voted on (due to no quorum at this meeting).

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Next Council meeting will be May 24. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Statewide Calendar

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May 2010								
May 29	2010 State 4-H Field Day Primary Audience: EVERYONE!	UC Davis		Quang Tong 530-752- 5644				
June 2010								
June 1	State 4-H Horse Classic - Championship Horse Show ENTRIES <u>DUE</u> Primary Audience: 4-H horse members			<u>Jeanne</u> <u>George</u> 530-527- 3101				
June 25 to 27	State 4-H Horse Classic - Championship Horse Show Primary Audience: 4-H members		Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds, Watsonville, CA					
July 2010								
July 29 to Aug 1	2010 4-H State Leadership Conference Primary Audience: High school 4-H members	UC Davis		Hogan Tong 530-752- 5644				
October 2010								
October 3 to 9	2010 National 4-H Week Primary Audience: All 4-Hers	USA						
November 2010								
November 5 to 7	State 4-H Leaders' Forum Primary Audience: 4-H staff & volunteers	Asilomar Conferenc Center	Mary Ann Smith 760-554- 5120					

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Why: The barn at the 4-H Farm is in dire need of some upkeep. Please help us to keep this valuable asset in good condition for future 4-H members. We will be repairing and painting the barn, and doing some weed removal.

When: Saturday May 15th at 10am... "finish" time will depend upon # of volunteers who help

Where: 4-H Farm property on Nash Rd. (closest cross street is Riverside Rd.)

What to Bring: Painting supplies such as brushes, rollers, paint trays, paint scrapers, ladders, weed whackers, etc, to help me keep the cost of this event down.

Lunch will be served at about noon.

Questions: 207-7504