

Santa Cruz County

4-H Newsletter

March 6, 2019



Adult 4-H Input Survey

We are looking for parents/leaders' feedback on how to best engage adults in the 4-H Youth Development Program. In the past several years, we have seen a decline in the number of adult volunteers in the 4-H program. As a volunteer-based youth development program, the use of volunteers is essential to ensure its continued success. To better understand the reasons adults are not becoming certified 4-H volunteers, a former 4-H All Star presently enrolled at the California Polytechnic State University and 4-H Staff are seeing your input on *Adult Participation Barriers* and *Communication Effectiveness*.

Data from this survey will help inform how volunteers are recruited, trained, supported and situated in the program, as well as how to best communicate with volunteers. The survey is anonymous and will not be linked to you or your children, nor will your answers prohibit you from becoming a volunteer in the future. Thank you in advance for participating in this survey. Your comments will help to improve the 4-H volunteer experience and allow us to continue providing life skill development, guidance and amazing experiences to all children in the 4-H program.

We need your responses by March 15th.

Survey Link: <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=26807>

Cloverbud Project

We are excited offer a 4-H Cloverbud project for the younger members ages 5 – 11 years old. The curriculum designed to for younger 4-H members. They will receive a 4-H pear and leaf pins for the 1st year member upon the completion of this project for their 4-H hat. This is a great introduction to 4-H projects for the younger members.

Project Dates:

- March 9th from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm at Ag History area at Fairgrounds
 - Cloverbuds will be making bird feeders
 - They will take their project home after the meeting
- April 7th from 4:30 pm – 5:30pm at Zayante Fire Station
- Cloverbuds will be making gardening project to take home

Lego Project

Aptos 4-H club is hosting a countywide Lego Project for all ages on Sunday, March 10th, 1 pm at the 4-H county office, 1430 Freedom Blvd, Ste E, Watsonville. The project is working on creating a Lego project to enter in Spring Fair on May 11th. Members will need to supply their own Lego's for this project. Contact Diane Sampson at 831-206-1411.

Gardening Project

Soquel 4-H club is offering a countywide gardening project. 4-H members interested in learning how to plant berries and vines are welcome to join the project. Please email Ann Bair for direction to her home in Soquel area. Contact email: farmorganic@comcast.net.

Horse Project

Ag History 4-H club leader will be offering a county wide horse project. We are excited to bring you this new project. Email the 4-H office if you are interested in this project. We will send your information to the new leader. Contact email jkatawicz@ucanr.edu.

JOANN Clovers for Kids March 1 to April 30, 2019

Go to your local JOANN store from March 1 to April 30, 2019 to purchase Clovers for Kids at the register. A \$1 clover is a donation for 4-H – or give \$4 and receive a coupon for \$4 off your next purchase of \$10 or more. *Win-win!*

Encourage friends and families to buy a Clover for Kids to support 4-H. Proceeds from these clover sales will support State Field Day and State Fashion Revue.

JOANN



Also: Download the JOANN app on your smartphone and **sign up for the 4-H Rewards card**. It gives you 15% off your purchase and a percentage comes back to 4-H. *Win-win!* See joann.com/4-H for more details.

County Presentation Day

This is an amazing way for 4-H youth to develop public speaking and demonstration skills. 4-H member between the ages of 9-19 may compete in up to two categories. Primary members 5 through 8 years of age, by December 31, 2018, may enter a presentation, but will not be evaluated. If you have any question or interested in helping at the event contact Kat or Rebecca at 4hincorralitos@gmail.com

- March 16, 2019
- Corralitos Community Church
- **For more information, registration, and presentation day manual go to:**
http://cesantacruz.ucanr.edu/Youth_Development/Events/

New- Broadcom Code Building Project

Computer History Museum is hosting a FREE training for 4-H members interested in learning introductory concepts of computer programming with hands on learning with Raspberry Pi. They will be offering two classes. We have scheduled level 1 on June 8th and level 2 on June 15th. The hands-on learning computer coding classes are for 4-H members in 6th to 8th grade. You will need to register by May 2nd at <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=26992>.

Welcome to 4-H & Movie Night

We are inviting all 4-H families or families interested in 4-H to the “Welcome to 4-H meet and greet” on March 29th at 6:30 pm followed by Movie night. The Teen leadership team is hosting this event. We will be serving pizza and introducing families to different things 4-H has to offer and answer questions. After the dinner social, we will be hosting Movie Night with light snacks. We will be playing a movie and serving popcorn. The kids will need to bring a blanket to sit on or a pillow. We are encouraging 4-H members to bring a friend to this event to share the 4-H experience.

Event Details:

- Welcome to 4-H Met & Greet Social
 - Time: 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm
 - Movie & Pop Corn
- Time: 7:30 pm to about 9:00 pm
- Location: Live Oak Grange, 1900 17th Ave, Santa Cruz
- For More Information email: Julie Katawicz at jkatawicz@ucanr.edu

Tractor Supply & Raise your Hand Fundraising events

SAVE THE DATE



Tractor Supply Paper Clover
March 27 - April 7, 2019



Raise Your Hand campaign
April 1 - May 15, 2019

We are inviting 4-H club to host a booth in front of the Watsonville Tractor Supply store.

The money raised from the paper clover donation goes toward Summer Camp, Snow Camp and Leadership Scholarships. We have many members that benefit from these scholarships. Let's do our part and host a 4-H booth at our local Tractor Supply. Please contact Tractor Supply staff to schedule your hosting booth event. You may also contact the 4-H office to schedule this event at jkatawicz@ucanr.edu.

State Leadership Conference (SLC)

Planet 4-H: Planting the Seeds of Change
Thursday-Sunday, July 18-21
UC Davis Campus
Teens 13-19-years-old!

Are you interested in a memorable learning experience that will?

- Improve your personal leadership skills to benefit your county 4-H program.
 - Advance your college and career readiness.
- Expand your network with 4-H members, volunteers, and staff outside of your county.
- Plan to join the fun at the annual California 4-H State Leadership Conference and meet youth from across California for leadership training, and networking!
 - **Early Bird Registration until April 1st save \$24 on your registration**
 - **Early Bird Registration for Thursday – Sunday \$375**
 - **Early Bird Registration for Friday – Sunday \$275**
- Registration link: <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=26653>.
 - For more information: <https://ucanr.edu/sites/4hstateleadership/>.



Disneyland Physics Project

We are excited to offer a New 4-H project!! The Santa Cruz County 4-H teen Leadership team is hosting a Disneyland trip and project. The Disneyland cast members will teach our kids from 3rd to 12th grade, ages 8 to 19 years old about physics throughout the park.

Disneyland cast member are offering physics classes for:

3rd to 6th Grade: Energy and Waves Physics Lab 101 | Disney Youth Education Series

Program Overview: Students in grades 3-5 discover light and sound as forms of energy and how to use them in practical application. In this 2.5-hour academic adventure, students see first-hand how these elements are a vital part of creating world-class attractions and how Disney uses these physical properties to entertain and amaze guests from all over the world.

6th to 12th Grade: Properties of Motion Physics Lab | Disney Youth Education Series

Program Overview: During this 3-hour interactive learning experience, students in grades 6- 12 will learn the role of mechanical physics at Disney California Adventure Park. Students will study Newton's laws of motion and use the scientific method to explore the practical uses of magnetism, friction, gravity and different forms of energy. With the park as their learning lab, students will perform hands-on experiments to see and test the relationship between physics and their favorite Disney attractions.

Cost: Physics Lab is included with ticket purchase for 4-H Members. Family members may also purchase tickets at these prices: \$210 for 2-Day Park Hopper, or \$270 for 3-Day Park Hopper.

Transportation & Lodging: You provide your own transportation to Anaheim and arrange/pay for your own accommodations. We will have a block of hotel rooms available at Desert Inn & Suites Hotel for families to book. You may use the booking code “4-H” for group rate of \$159- \$169 at (714) 772-5050.

Payments: Families give the payment to Julie Katawicz, 4-H program Rep. at the council

meeting or 4-H office by April 5th.

Registration: <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=26778>.

We must give a head count to the Disney cast members by the following day. We have not met our number of minimums for both age groups do not delay register today!

For more information contact Julie Katawicz at jkatawicz@ucanr.edu or Elaine Spotswood at alittlegolddust@aol.com.

YQCA Livestock Training

Attention all livestock members showing livestock at fairs in California. The Western Fairs has made a new rule for all junior livestock members showing livestock in California and Arizona National. All livestock youth exhibitors will have to complete livestock training to be eligible to participate. Check the fair entry book for clarification for the livestock training that will be except. We have heard back from the following fairs on junior livestock exhibitor training.

- **Salinas Valley Fair (King City)** will except the online training provided by YQCA
- **Monterey County Fair** will **only** except the online YQCA training **not** in person training for YQCA.
- **Santa Cruz Fair** has submitted a request to the Western Fairs to have in person training for junior livestock exhibitors instead of YQCA online training. We will update you once we have a final ruling on this training.
- **San Benito Fair** will be only excepting the YQCA training. You will have to submit a certificate.
- **Junior California State Fair** will except the online training provided by YQCA.
- The good news is the YQCA is good for one year from the point you have completed the training. You will be issued a completion certificate after passing the test with at least 80%. I would strongly suggest printing the completed YQCA certificate and placing it in a safe place for reference when entering different livestock show that require this training.
- YQCA (Youth Quality Care of Animals) link: <http://yqca.org/4-h-ffa-and-other-youth-organizations/>
- They do have a fee for this test and certificate of \$12 online or \$3 in person. You can apply for a coupon to help with the cost of the training at <http://yqca.org/buy-coupons/>.
- This is not a 4-H requirement but a Western Fairs requirement for showing livestock at California fairs. Please make sure to read and met all deadlines when applying to show at county, state or national show.

4-H State Wide Events:

- **Area Presentation Days**
- Registration and list of locations & dates: http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/AreaPresentation/

- **California 4-H Equine Education Contest Day**
- April 27th 8 am -8 pm Fresno Ag Pavilion
- **State Field Day – June 1st**
- Including, State presentation day, State Fashion Revue and Livestock Knowledge bowl at the field day
- **2019 California State 4-H Horse Classic & Horse Bowl Contest**
- June 27th – 30th
- Brookside Equestrian Park, Elk Grove, CA
- **State Leadership Conference (SLC) Registration Open**
- July 18th – 21st at UC Davis
- Open to youth 13-19
- Early Bird registration is open until April 1st
- Register now to save money!!

Announcements and Deadlines:

- March 9th Cloverbuds Project
- March 10th Lego Project
- March 16th County Presentation Day
- March 21st County Council Meeting
- March 29th Welcome to 4-H & Movie Social
- April 1st SLC Registration – Early Bird ends today
- April 4th Disneyland registration deadline online
- April 7th Cloverbuds Project
- May 16th – 19th Salinas Valley Fair
- May 25th – 27th Disney Physics Event and class on May 26th
- June 1st State Field Day
- June 8th & 15th Broadcom Code Building Project

Submitting Updates:

If you have an announcement or opportunity you would like to promote in the 4-H community, please email me at jkatawicz@ucanr.edu or 831-763-8015. The newsletter comes out the following Monday after the 4-H county council meeting.

4-H Program Representative Contacts Information and Office Hours:

Julie Katawicz at 831-763-8015 or jkatawicz@ucanr.edu

Office Hours:

Monday: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Tuesday: 8:30 am to 5:00 pm

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Attachments:

Santa Cruz County website:

http://cesantacruz.ucanr.edu/Youth_Development/

State Newsletter:

[https://myemail.constantcontact.com/February-4-H-newsletter.html?
soid=1126432148776&aid=or5zOD4xZNE](https://myemail.constantcontact.com/February-4-H-newsletter.html?soid=1126432148776&aid=or5zOD4xZNE)

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CLOVERBUDS

Project

Calling all 4-H members

age 5 years old to 10 years old

The Clover Bud's project will be led by Julie Katawicz

The clover bud project is an exciting project that introduces young members to 4-H through activities and record keeping. This 4-H project is fun and creative way to build new 4-H friends and learning new skills.

- **Project dates:**
- March 9th from 2pm – 3 pm at Ag History, Day on the Farm in Watsonville
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