

# Going to the 4-H Buyers' Dinner?

~~Please Read! ~~

**We would like this event to be successful and to run smoothly for everyone's benefit. Please save this sheet and refer to it again before the dinner.**

The 4-H Buyers' Dinner will be held on Thursday, May 29<sup>th</sup> and will begin at 6 pm. The dinner is given in honor of the generous people and businesses that support the 4-H'ers by buying their livestock at the Fair. It will be held in the Mark Twain Hall at the Calaveras Fairgrounds.

Twenty-two dollars will be taken out of each 4-H'ers check to cover the cost of their dinner and their buyer's dinner. Additional dinner tickets can be purchased at the door for \$11.00 each or in advance at the 4-H office.

The 4-H members will be receiving their dinner ticket, along with their buyer's dinner ticket at the Jr. Livestock Auction. You are to give your buyer his/her ticket immediately after you leave the auction ring, but save yours!!!

## ***At the dinner...***

No signs or banners are to be hung on the walls. They may be hung from the wire that runs along the walls. No banners or signs can be hung after 5 pm on May 29<sup>th</sup>. No exceptions.

## **Can't find your buyer at the dinner?**

**IMPORTANT** - You will need to know your buyer's name! This year, we will **not** allow 4-H members to come on stage to find their buyers. However, during the program, the name of the buyers will be announced. They will be asked to raise their hand at that time. If your buyer is in attendance they will have their hand raised, so that you may locate them. It is important that you pay attention during the announcement of the buyers.

If you don't know your buyer's name, contact the 4-H office, 754-6477 or the Calaveras Fairgrounds, 736-2561 **BEFORE** the date of the dinner. We cannot stress this enough.

## ***Clean Up***

Clean up will begin once the program is over. The buyers will be excused from the building. Parents, please if you want to stand and chat, we respectfully ask that you do so outside. If you instead can help supervise with clean up, it would be greatly appreciated!

4-H members will be expected to help clean up the hall. There will be brooms and dustpans in the storage rooms. One room is next to the bathrooms in the rear of the building and the other room is off of the men's bathroom, near the stage.

We will also hand out clean, wet towels from the stage, for 4-H members to use to "spot mop" the floors. If you see a spill on the floor, please clean it up. Then return the towels to the stage.

The carts for the tables and chairs will be outside. They will need to be wheeled into the building, the tables and chairs stacked neatly, and then moved to the rear of the building. Tables need to be stacked upside down onto the carts.

Once all clean up is completed, we will announce where the 4-H members may pick up their checks. Each member is to sign for his or her own check. If a member is not present they will need to pick up their check from the Fairgrounds office or have it mailed to them after the dinner.

**IMPORTANT** – if your check is for the wrong amount or if there are any errors with it, you must contact the Fairgrounds staff directly. Please call the Fair office as soon as possible after the event at 736-2561 with any questions you may have. Also, please cash your check as soon as possible!

### ***Do's and Don'ts***

#### **DO:**

Wear your whites to the dinner. You will look much nicer to the buyers in attendance, if you are in uniform. All 4-H'ers attending the Buyers' Dinner should be neatly dressed and preferably in a 4-H-style uniform.

Know your livestock buyer's name BEFORE coming to the dinner. If you didn't get their name at the livestock auction, you can call the Fairgrounds or the 4-H office to find out. Do this prior to the dinner.

#### **DON'T:**

Parents, please don't let young children run through the building at any time. Remind them they are to be quiet during the ceremony so that your neighbors can hear what is being said.

#### **Club Assignments:**

Set up/decorations – Murphys & Angelus Ranus 4-H will set up at 6 pm SHARP on Wednesday night, May 28<sup>th</sup>.

# Clover Country 2008

This newsletter is online along with Record Book forms, scholarship applications, event registration forms and more! Visit <http://cecalaveras.ucdavis.edu> for information.

## 4-H Council Meeting

The next 4-H Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, **June 18th** at the CCWD Board Room in San Andreas. It begins at 7 pm. All 4-H families are welcome to attend! You do not need to be a 4-H leader to attend. Parents and 4-H members may also represent your club.



## Programs of Distinction

Programs of Distinction is a collection of programs that reflect the high quality of 4-H youth development programs occurring in communities across the United States. It is supported by the 4-H system partners and coordinated through National 4-H Headquarters and the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES). There is no entry deadline. For more information, visit

<http://www.national4-headquarters.gov/about/pod.htm>

## 4-H Home Arts Expo Results

The 4-H Home Arts Expo was held on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at Mark Twain Elementary in Angels Camp. 4-H members from Amador and Calaveras counties entered 4-H projects such as their favorite food, arts and crafts, decorated cakes, sewn garments and still exhibits. Four adults entered the "Adult Chili Cook-Off" with Patty Reed as the winner. Runner-ups were Liz Mullally, Denise Ding, and Peter Melenchek.

The results were:

Alyse Keller, 1 gold  
Amy Reed, 2 golds  
Bevann Burns, 1 gold  
Caitlin Melenchek, 1 gold  
Charity Goldsmith-Ding, 2 golds  
Codi Mills, 1 gold  
Colby Fouch, 1 gold  
Conor Ding, 1 gold

Faith Armstrong, 2 golds  
Gracie Goldsmith-Ding, 2 golds  
James Mullally, 1 gold  
Jennay Hellyer, 2 golds  
Justin Fouch, 2 golds  
Kate Courtney, 1 gold  
Leah Callahan, 1 gold  
Lea-Marie C. Paar, 1 gold  
Leslie Gorski, 2 golds  
Logan Millar, 1 gold  
Mason Fouch, 2 golds  
Megan Wright, 1 gold  
Michelle Van Heiningen, 1 gold  
Paul Hellyer, 2 golds  
Reece Jackson, 1 gold  
Riley Barney, 2 golds  
Samantha Smith, 1 gold  
Sara Wright, 1 gold  
Shannon Tower, 1 gold

Judges for the event were Lois Baldwin, Anne Anderson, Mary Taylor, Liz Mullally, Elizabeth Byrns and Supervisor Merita Callaway. Angelus Ranus 4-H Club hosted the Expo and Kristy Jordan was chairperson.

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## Frequently Asked Questions: Games of Chance and the 4- H Program

Q. What is a raffle?

Answer: A raffle is an activity that requires no skill in order to win a prize. Prizes are awarded through the purchase of chances.

Q. Can 4-H youth, volunteers, clubs/units or Councils conduct raffles?

Answer: No. 4-H participants cannot conduct raffles. Proposition 17 sets forth rules that govern lotteries and charitable raffles in California. It states that private non-profit organizations can use these methods of fundraising.

Public non-profit agencies, such as the University of California 4-H Program are not legally permitted to conduct lotteries, raffles, bingo or other games of chance (*4-H YDP Policy Handbook Section 703.2B 3b*). The 4-H Program receives funds from both state and federal sources and is a public non-profit.

Q. Can 4-H members sell raffle tickets as a fundraiser for their club or for other organizations?

Answer: No. 4-H members cannot sell raffle tickets to fundraise for their club or other organizations, as a 4-H member or representative.

Q. If another organization runs a raffle and donates the money to a 4-H club, can the 4-H club accept these funds?

Answer: Yes. A 4-H club can accept funds raised by another organization through a raffle if they are to be used to further the educational mission of the 4-H Youth Development Program. However, the use of the 4-H emblem and clover are protected under the law and cannot be used to promote raffles (*section 703.2B ; .703.2B 3a,b*).

Q. Can raffles occur at 4-H sponsored events?

Answer: No. Raffles cannot take place during 4-H sponsored events; it implies an endorsement of activities that are against our policies.

Q. What is the difference between a raffle and a drawing?

Answer: In a drawing everyone has an equal chance to win a prize and there is usually no money involved to be included in the drawing. A raffle is a lottery where an individual's chances of winning are increased by the number of chances that they purchase.

Q. Can a 4-H event offer door prizes?

Answer: Yes. If everyone is given an equal chance then this activity is considered a door prize or drawing. There should be no purchase required to participate in the door prize.

## State 4-H Leadership Conference

Registration information for the 2008 State 4-H Leadership Conference, being held July 31 – August 3 at UC Davis is now available. This four-day leadership conference will give 4-H high-school members an opportunity to meet fellow members from across the state. The conference will feature keynote speakers, educational tracks and workshops, and lots of fun! Low income families may apply for financial assistance no later than May 16<sup>th</sup>. Please note that some of the conference registration can be done online by the participants. Registration is due to the Calaveras County 4-H office by June 13<sup>th</sup>. For more information, visit the conference website at:

<http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc/>

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## Livestock News

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### A Request From the Tower Family

The Tower Family, Caltel and Calaveras Telephone have requested that, in the event they purchase your animal at the Junior Livestock Auction, please do not give them a gift. In lieu of a gift, please make a donation to a scholarship of your choice.

### 4-H Volunteer Help Needed

We are in need of adult volunteer help at the Junior Livestock Auction on Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>. We need 4-H leaders or parents who can hand out dinner tickets for the 4-H Buyers' Dinner. Please call Jennifer at 754-6474 if you would like to help.

### No 4-H Pizza Booth at Fair

Please note that there will **not** be a 4-H pizza booth at the Calaveras Fair this year. Please make sure to remind the 4-H families in your clubs and projects.



## Winning – At What Cost?

The following two articles are printed annually in this newsletter.

As fair time and various competitions

approach we often hear parents and leader concerns about the ethics of some participants in the 4-H program. The following short story fits very well in the discussion of WINNING IN 4-H.

We hear, "We just know that member did not do the work on the outfit entered in the 4-H Home Arts Expo -- her mother did it!" "You know that kid who was County Winner -- his parents did the record book!" "Did you see those parents grooming that animal at the fair...and then the kid wins the showmanship contest!" "I just know that member has not had that animal for 60 days before the fair. This is obvious favoritism".

Sometimes, there is little or nothing that can be done about personal ethics as it affects the way people behave when they are involved in a competitive situation, or any situation for that matter. 4-H is not set up with a system of policing and it shouldn't be. The infractions that help youth WIN AT ANY COST are few. People will violate the rules, whether it be ignoring the speed limit, cheating just a bit on income tax or littering along the highway. Because 4-H involves people it is unlikely that those who have such values and standards will be eliminated.

But there is an opportunity to open lines of communication with the young members of the program about what is right and wrong and that right and wrong are personal decisions. We can help them when they are young, but that will be THEIR decision to make as they grow older and become more independent members of the great American society. Those who must WIN AT ALL COST are the losers in life's game. A WHALE OF A PRICE TO PAY TO WIN.

♦ Adapted from *Humboldt County Gram*,  
Charles Hilgerman

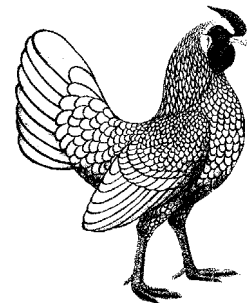
## THE TEN COMMANDMENTS OF SHOWING LIVESTOCK

As the Calaveras County Fair nears, read these "Ten Commandments for Parents of Youngsters Showing Livestock" by Clyde Lane, Jr., Extension Specialist from the University of Tennessee.

1. Thou shalt not feed, train, and care for thy animal for thou art trying to teach the child responsibility.
2. Thou shalt forgive a child for making mistakes in the show ring for thou hath made mistakes, too.
3. Thou shalt not get mad when thy child forgets items in the show box, for one day thou may forget the show box.
4. Thou shalt help the show management for they are doing a job that thou would not want to do.
5. Thou shalt see that thy child is on time for all show activities for thou would not want to wait on another.
6. Thou shalt be sure that thy child has the animals entered and the registration papers in order by the designated time.
7. Thou shalt teach the child that winning a blue ribbon is a desirable goal, but making friends along the way is a more worthy goal.
8. Thou shalt not complain about the judge, for it is his opinion that has been sought.
9. Thou shalt remember that livestock projects are teaching projects, not necessarily money-making projects.
10. Thou shalt remember that the livestock project is a family project that shall be enjoyed and supported by the entire family.

## Avian Science Notes

If you are in a poultry project, you may want to be put on the mailing list to receive the Avian Science Notes newsletter. The newsletter is written by Dr. Francine Bradley, from UC Davis. It contains lots of information about upcoming shows, disease alerts and State Fair information. To be put on the mailing list, call Dr. Bradley at 530/752-6316.



# 4-H Plaque Sponsors

Thank you to all of the following individuals and businesses that donated 4-H plaques and hat pins for the Calaveras Fair!

## **Boer Goats**

Novice 4-H Boer Goat Showmanship, Tri-Dam Boosters  
Intermediate 4-H Boer Goat Showmanship, Ken Churches Farm Advisor  
Advanced 4-H Boer Goat Showmanship, Chris "Doc" Iwata, O.D.  
Champion 4-H Boer Goat, The Hanan Family, Six Mile Farms Boer Goats  
Reserve Champion 4-H Boer Goat, Mario & Tawnya Hernandez

## **Pygmy Goats**

Novice 4-H Pygmy Goat Showmanship, Karen & Dale Weathers, Cobblestone Ridge  
Intermediate 4-H Pygmy Goat Showmanship, Timothy Magnuson, DDS  
Advanced 4-H Pygmy Goat Showmanship, Karen & Dale Weathers, Cobblestone Ridge

## **Dairy Goats**

Novice 4-H Dairy Goat Showmanship, Karen & Dale Weathers, Cobblestone Ridge  
Intermediate 4-H Dairy Goat Showmanship, Murphys 4-H Meat Goat Project  
Advanced 4-H Dairy Goat Showmanship, Murphys 4-H Meat Goat Project

## **Cavies**

Novice 4-H Cavy Showmanship, Tri-Dam Boosters  
Intermediate 4-H Cavy Showmanship, Calaveras 4-H Council  
Advanced 4-H Cavy Showmanship, Calaveras 4-H Council  
4-H Best Of Show Cavy, Calaveras 4-H Council  
4-H Reserve Of Show Cavy, Calaveras 4-H Council

## **Junior Exhibits**

Food & Nutrition, Tri-Dam Boosters  
Aerospace & Rocketry, Calaveras 4-H Council  
Clothing & Textiles, Tri-Dam Boosters  
Crafts & Hobbies, Calaveras County Farm Bureau  
Fine Arts, Calaveras 4-H Council  
Home Arts & Furnishings, Calaveras 4-H Council  
Photography, Tri-Dam Boosters  
Record Book, Angelus Ranus 4-H Club  
Table Setting, Toni Middleton  
Primary Crafts & Hobbies, Mr. & Mrs. Warren Caires  
Natural Science & Wildlife, Jeff Jones Farrier Service  
Computer Projects, Mick & Gretchen Sullivan  
Preserved Foods, Mick & Gretchen Sullivan  
Woodworking, William Hutchinson  
High Point Exhibitor, Calaveras County Farm Bureau

## **Dogs**

Sub-Novice 4-H Dog Obedience, Calaveras 4-H Council  
Novice 4-H Dog Obedience, Karen & Art Kaua, Aloha Boarding & Training  
Graduate 4-H Dog Obedience, Angels Camp Veterinary Hospital  
Novice 4-H Dog Showmanship, Gary & Carol Hinman  
Intermediate 4-H Dog Showmanship, Calaveras 4-H Council  
Advanced 4-H Dog Showmanship, Patty Johnston, Swingstar Canines

## **Poultry**

Novice 4-H Poultry Showmanship, Kaliseia Haas  
Intermediate 4-H Poultry Showmanship, George, Debra & Mira Santillanes  
Advanced 4-H Poultry Showmanship, Sheaniece Haas  
4-H Best Of Show Poultry, Chris "Doc" Iwata, O.D.  
4-H Reserve Of Show Poultry, Billie Bumpus, Calaveras Cleaning Company  
Champion 4-H Poultry Meat Pen, Calaveras 4-H Council  
Reserve Champion 4-H Poultry Meat Pen, Chris "Doc" Iwata, O.D.

## **Turkeys**

Novice 4-H Turkey Showmanship, Calaveras 4-H Council  
Intermediate 4-H Turkey Showmanship, Tri-Dam Boosters  
Advanced 4-H Turkey Showmanship, Mr. & Mrs. Warren Caires  
Champion 4-H Turkey, George, Debra & Mira Santillanes  
Reserve Champion 4-H Turkey, Melenchek Professional Billing Service

## **Rabbits**

Novice 4-H Rabbit Showmanship, Deb Segale  
Intermediate 4-H Rabbit Showmanship, Murphys 4-H Club  
Advanced 4-H Rabbit Showmanship, Hook & Ladder Ranch  
4-H Best Of Show Rabbit, Virginia Steele  
4-H Reserve Of Show Rabbit, Tom Hutchinson & Ken Vossler  
Champion 4-H Rabbit Meat Pen, Chris "Doc" Iwata, O.D.  
Reserve Champion 4-H Rabbit Meat Pen, San Andreas 4-H Club

## **Sheep**

Novice 4-H Sheep Showmanship, Calaveras 4-H Council  
Intermediate 4-H Sheep Showmanship, Cheryl & Elliott Joses  
Advanced 4-H Sheep Showmanship, Peter & Sharon Connell  
Champion 4-H Lamb, Gary & Carol Hinman  
Reserve Champion 4-H Lamb, Stammerjohan Family

## **Beef**

Novice 4-H Beef Showmanship, Don & Kristy Jordan, Jordan Rock Shooter  
Intermediate 4-H Beef Showmanship, Turner's Wild West  
Advanced 4-H Beef Showmanship, Gary & Carol Hinman  
Champion 4-H Beef, Colette Busi  
Reserve Champion 4-H Beef, Mendoza Red Angus

## **Horse**

Novice 4-H Horse Showmanship, Calaveras 4-H Council  
Intermediate 4-H Horse Showmanship, Calaveras 4-H Council  
Advanced 4-H Horse Showmanship, Karin Mills, KAJ Design

## **Swine**

Novice 4-H Swine Showmanship, Murphys 4-H Swine Project  
Intermediate 4-H Swine Showmanship, Bob & Susan Middleton  
Advanced 4-H Swine Showmanship, Fred Artiaga, Freddie Electric  
Champion 4-H Swine, Tanko Well Drilling  
Reserve Champion 4-H Swine, Grant Herrick & Kary Griffith

## **Llama**

Junior 4-H Llama Showmanship, Murphys 4-H Club  
Intermediate 4-H Llama Showmanship, Karen & Dale Weathers, Cobblestone Ridge  
Advanced 4-H Llama Showmanship, Karen & Dale Weathers, Cobblestone Ridge

## 4-H Open House Policy

In the interest of teaching 4-H members about how other 4-H meetings take place, it is encouraged, yet optional, that members attend other 4-H club meetings in Calaveras County. This is especially helpful for club officers, as the knowledge that they can learn by attending other meetings can be useful to them in conducting their own meetings.

On a twice-a-year basis per 4-H year per 4-H year (July through June), a 4-H member may attend another in-county community club meeting in lieu of attending their own 4-H community club meeting during that same month. The meeting that the member attends will count as a community club meeting attended, and the member's community club attendance record will not be affected.

However, prior notification to the member's own community club leader and the community club leader of the other 4-H club must be established. This notification must be made at least one day before the member's regularly scheduled community club meeting.

This policy does not apply to 4-H project meetings.

The following must be completed:

I \_\_\_\_\_, of the  
(Your community club leader's name)

\_\_\_\_\_,  
(Your 4-H community club)

give permission to \_\_\_\_\_  
(4-H member's name)

to attend the \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H community club meeting  
(Name of other 4-H club)

scheduled for \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date of other 4-H club meeting)

Signed, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Your community club leader's signature)

I, \_\_\_\_\_, of the  
(Community Club Leader of other 4-H club)

\_\_\_\_\_, 4-H club  
(Name of other 4-H club)

verify that \_\_\_\_\_ attended our 4-H  
(4-H member's name)

community club meeting on \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Date)

Signed, \_\_\_\_\_  
(Community Club Leader signature of other 4-H club)

**IMPORTANT!** To receive credit, this form must be turned in to your 4-H community club leader by your 4-H club's following 4-H community club meeting.

**CALAVERAS COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL  
OFFICER NOMINATION FORM  
OFFICERS FOR THE 2008/2009 4-H YEAR**

This form is to be used for nominations only and must be returned to the 4-H office by **June 2, 2008**. Check with the person you are nominating to be sure they will accept the nomination. You may nominate yourself.

Qualifications are limited to active leaders only. This includes all volunteer men and women who are actively serving in administrative, assistant, project or activity capacities as leaders in the promotion and operation of the 4-H program.

The actual election of officers will be held at the July 4-H Council meeting.

PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_

VICE PRESIDENT \_\_\_\_\_

SECRETARY \_\_\_\_\_

TREASURER \_\_\_\_\_

<p>Please return this form to: Jennifer Goerlitz 4-H Office 891 Mountain Ranch Rd. San Andreas, CA 95249</p>
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**DUTIES OF ELECTED OFFICERS**

**PRESIDENT:** Presides over and conducts all regular and special meetings of the Calaveras 4-H Council; serves as an ex-officio member of all committees of the Calaveras 4-H Council; and appoints members of such committees; signs documents/correspondence when necessary; maintains order.

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Presides at all meetings of the Calaveras 4-H Council in the absence of the President; may serve as Chairman of the Program Committee and other important committees if so named by the President.

**SECRETARY:** Records the minutes of the meetings of the Council and carries on such correspondence as the Council and the president shall direct.

**TREASURER:** receives, deposits, disperses and keeps a complete and accurate accounting of all moneys received by the Council; signs Council issued checks; pays Council-related bills.

Calaveras 4-H Council meets monthly, typically on the third Wednesday of the month.  
Meeting dates are always listed in the 4-H Clover Country Newsletter.  
Become an active part of what 4-H is about!!!