

Clover Country 2009

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Returning Member & Leaders!

The close of the 4-H year is upon us. In late July, all registered 4-H members and leaders will be receiving re-enrollment packets for the next 4-H year. There will be a self-addressed envelope included with the enrollment forms. Early birds save money! If you do not receive your re-enrollment packet by the end of July, please call Jennifer at the 4-H office, 754-6474.



- Returning member enrollments will be mailed out in July.
- They should be returned by September **15th**.
- Those returned after September **15th** will need to pay an additional \$5.00 fee.
- Those returned after September **30th** will need to pay an additional \$5.00 fee and go through the appeals process which will include filing a written appeal AND attending the October or November Calaveras 4-H Council meeting.
- No returning members or appeals will be accepted after the November 4-H Council meeting.
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July 4-H Council Meeting

The next 4-H Council meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 15th at the CCWD Board Room in San Andreas. It begins at 7 pm. Council elections will be held and Record Books are due for County judging. 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.

4-H Council Officer Nominations

The current nominations for 4-H Council officers are:

President: Liane Roberts
Vice-President: Elizabeth Byrns
Secretary: no nominations received
Treasurer: Tawnya Hernandez

If you would like to be nominated for one of the above offices, please contact the 4-H office. The election will take place at the July 4-H Council meeting.

Club Achievement Night

Each 4-H club will be hosting their own Achievement Night. Achievement Night is an evening where the 4-H members receive their year pins and medals as well as their stars and club awards. It is suggested that the clubs hold the awards meeting during a Dime or Quarter Dip meal, where family and friends can attend and enjoy a nice meal together.

Reminder: County Record Book Judging Volunteers Needed

Each club **MUST** send one judge for every ten books submitted for County level judging. It is perfectly fine for those of you who have never judged to come and learn. Please do not depend on your community club leader to ask you. Call them instead or volunteer at your next community club meeting. **Books submitted with no club representation will not be judged.** Please help!

County Record Book Judging Day will be held on Saturday, July 18th beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the 4-H Office in San Andreas. Lunch will be served free of charge. **REMEMBER** you do not need previous record book judging experience to judge at the county level.

ATTENTION CLUB TREASURERS!!!

It's Club Audit Time! The following auditing guidelines are to be used by each community club:



For each 4-H Community Club in Calaveras County, the guidelines set forth in the 4-H Treasurer's Manual are to be used. Each club is to keep documentation of income, expenses, and equipment using the Treasurer's Manual forms. Audit Committee shall follow procedures set for in the Treasurer's Manual.

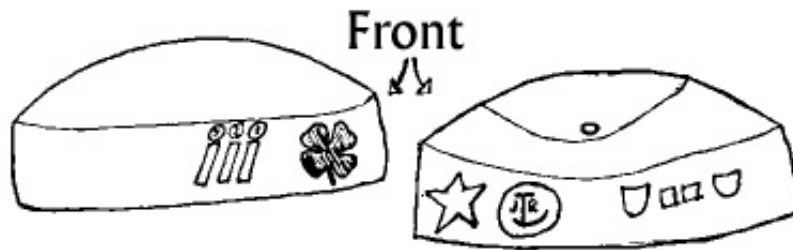
Copies of the following documentation are to be turned over to the 4-H office by **September 15th**:

1. Annual Financial Report
2. Annual Inventory Report

Each community club leader has been sent a copy of the required forms. Please contact your community club leader to help you organize your club's audit.

THE 4-H FELT HAT EXPLAINED

Green hat - through 8th grade
White hat - 9th grade and above



Service Stripes for 4-H Hat:

White bar on green - worn on green hat, one bar for each year of 4-H completed.

Gold bar on green - worn on green hat, one bar for each year of junior leadership completed (7th and 8th grade only).

Green bar on white - worn on white hat, one bar for each year of 4-H completed.

Gold bar on white - worn on white hat, one bar for each year of junior or teen leadership completed (9th grade on).

When a member reaches 9th grade and begins wearing a white hat he/she will receive new service stripes at Achievement Night to put on the 4-H hat. The service stripes from the green 4-H hat should not be transferred to the white hat as the member will receive stripes to represent past years for the new hat.

4-H HAT ETIQUETTE

A 4-H member wears a green hat through the 8th grade and a white hat beginning with the 9th grade.

Service stripes (year stripes) are worn directly behind the clover on the right side of the hat. Achievement pins (year pins) are fastened to the hat just above the stripes for the corresponding year, starting with the first year pin next to the 4-H clover.

Star rank emblems are worn in front on the left side; only the highest star earned is worn. The all star replaces the gold star. The All Star pin should be fastened to the center of the all star emblem.

Medals are usually worn on the left side of the hat behind the emblems but may be worn on either side of the hat. The cap should reflect the dignity of the 4-H club work and should be kept clean. Only pins and emblems earned while representing 4-H should be worn on the hat.

The junior/teen leader emblem is placed behind the star 3/8 to 1/2 inch and is worn only while serving as a junior or teen leader. If you don't have a star rank emblem the jr./teen leader emblem is worn about 1/2 inch from the front fold of the cap on the left side. Only one jr./teen leader emblem should be on the hat. The Hi 4-H emblem is worn behind that.

Always write your name in your hat!!!

4-H Stories from 4-H Record Books

4-H Stories from 4-H Record Books submitted to the State Office on or before **July 31, 2009** will be entered for a chance to win a \$25 certificate. Click [here](#) for more information on submission guidelines and to upload and submit your story on-line. Please contact the State 4-H Office, 530-754-8518 for questions.

Bob and Pat Dean Memorial Legacy Fund

4-H club support funding is available through the Bob and Pat Dean Memorial Legacy Fund for California 4-H members or volunteers. Funding is intended for activities that meet the following criteria: 1) enable youth to develop citizenship, leadership, or life skills; 2) support the development of new and innovative 4-H projects benefiting 4-H members; 3) increase public awareness of the 4-H Youth Development Program; 4) expand the reach of the 4-H Youth Development Program (new youth, new audiences); 5) provide continuing benefits to the applicant's local 4-H Club or project. Application information is available at: <http://www.ca4h.org/citizenship/funding/>. Applications are due **September 15, 2009**.



Calaveras Fair Junior Livestock Auction Totals

2008 Auction Total : \$430,587.25

Average Beef Price/ Lb.	\$2.97
Average Hog Price/ Lb.	\$4.10
Average Lamb Price/ Lb.	\$7.25
Average Goat Price/ Lb.	\$9.12
Average Rabbit Pen Price/ Lb.	\$18.82
Average Poultry Pen Price/ Lb.	\$35.29
Average Turkey Price/Lb.	\$15.50
Total Lots Sold- 304	
Average Lot- \$1,418.12	
Auction Reserve- \$25,835.24	

2009 Auction Total : \$316,553.03

Average Beef Price/Lb.	\$2.52
Average Hog Price/Lb.	\$4.21
Average Lamb Price/Lb.	\$6.17
Average Goat Price/Lb.	\$6.50
Average Rabbit Pen Price/ Lb.	\$36.27
Average Poultry Pen Price/ Lb.	\$28.44
Average Turkey Price/ Lb.	\$10.87
Total Lots Sold- 297	
Average Lot- \$1,157.36	
Auction Reserve- \$18,993.18	

BUYERS

2008

Total Number of Buyers Participating in the Auction: 167

Total New Buyers: 65

2009

Total Number of Buyers Participating in the Auction: 176

Total New Buyers: 28

*Top 5 Buyers Represent 39.8 of the sales total.



Species Break-down

2008

Total Number of Steers in the Auction: 62

Total Number of Hogs in the Auction: 124

Total Number of Lambs in the Auction: 39

Total Number of Goats in the Auction: 21

Total Number of Rabbit Pens in the Auction: 11

Total Number of Poultry Pens in the Auction: 34

Total Number of Turkeys in the Auction: 14

2009

Total Number of Steers in the Auction: 50

Total Number of Hogs in the Auction: 124

Total Number of Lambs in the Auction: 32

Total Number of Goats in the Auction: 20

Total Number of Rabbit Pens in the Auction: 11

Total Number of Poultry Pens in the Auction: 51

Total Number of Turkeys in the Auction: 9



Give A Presentation At The Ironstone Concours!

Saturday, September 26th

The Ironstone Concours Foundation has again requested 4-H members come to the 4-H Concours d'Elegance to perform presentations and show their displays between 10 am – 2 pm. This is an excellent opportunity for 4-H members to talk about their projects, show off their animals and receive credit in their record books! The event will be held on **September 26th** at Ironstone Vineyards in Murphys, and will include over 300 classic automobiles, vintage motorcycles and classic trailers.

Admission and lunch is free for 4-H members giving presentations. Each participating 4-H **member** will receive a free lunch ticket at the 4-H check-in tent. Siblings, parents, and other volunteers will be able to purchase lunch at the event. No coolers, please (this is an Ironstone request). If you are bringing a display or large items for your demonstration, please be set up & in place by **9:30 am**. Please no large animals or aggressive dogs (leashed dogs in a 4-H dog obedience or guide dog project are okay).

Presentations will be held from **11 am – 12:30 pm**. Impromptu speeches will be held from **12:30 pm to 2 pm**. **One** parent or adult escort driver from each family will receive a free entry wristband at the 4-H check-in tent. All other adults can purchase a wristband at the main gate for \$20. Children 19 and under are free.

If your child is bringing a display, please bring a card table or appropriate set up as table space is not guaranteed and may be limited! You may also bring a chair.

If you would like to give a presentation, show off a display or give an impromptu speech at the Concours, please fill out the form below and either drop by, fax or mail to the 4-H office by **September 7th**.

Our address is:
4-H Office
891 Mtn. Ranch Rd.
San Andreas, CA 95249
Fax: 754-9616

4-H Member Name: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian Attending: _____

Mailing Address: _____

County: _____

Phone Number: _____

TYPE OF PRESENTATION

() Demonstration () Display () Impromptu Speech (1 – 2 minutes)

Give approximate length of non-display presentation: _____ minutes. Impromptu speakers will receive an unusual dictionary word to speak on and receive practice. Lots of fun!

Are you bringing a live animal? If so, what? _____

Preferred time of presentation or illustrated talk (must be between the hours listed above):

_____ (please note that schedule may change or you may be asked to give your presentation more than once). We cannot guarantee the exact starting time of your presentation, but will do our best to schedule you at your preferred time.

The Ironstone Foundation is requesting 4-H members to be in 4-H uniform. No shorts! Please wear your 4-H cap, white shirt or club t-shirt and jeans or white pants. If wearing a button-up shirt, please wear your 4-H tie or scarf.



Due by September 7th!

BALLOT
2009/10 4-H COUNCIL OFFICERS

This form is to be used for ballots only and must be returned to the 4-H office by July 15th, 2009. The office will be open from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. that day and the Council meeting will begin at 7 p.m. It will be held at the CCWD Board Room. Ballots must be received by the beginning of the July Council meeting and the new officers will be announced then. Mailed in ballots must be received by July 15th.

Voting is limited to active members only. This includes all volunteer men and women who are actively serving in administrative, assistant, project or activity capacity as leaders in the promotion and operation of the 4-H program, and 4-H members who are in 9th grade and up. A ballot cast by an ineligible voter will forfeit the ballot. Please submit only one ballot per voter. You may request additional ballots by calling the 4-H office at 754-6474 or by writing to the address listed below.

1. The voter is to mark an "X" next to the candidate's name that he/she is voting for and may choose one candidate per office. Space is available for a write-in candidate. Be sure the person you are voting for will accept the position if elected.
2. Once you have voted, the bottom portion needs to be filled out with each voter's name and address. This information is confidential and is used only for purposes of verification. Submit the completed ballot by the deadline. Late ballots will not be accepted.

Mail to:
4-H OFFICE
891 MOUNTAIN RANCH RD
SAN ANDREAS, CA 95249

PRESIDENT

_____ Liane Roberts

_____ WRITE IN _____

VICE PRESIDENT

_____ Elizabeth Byrns

_____ WRITE IN _____

SECRETARY

_____ WRITE IN _____

TREASURER

_____ Tawnya Hernandez

_____ WRITE IN _____

NAME OF VOTER: please print

ADDRESS:

