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Youth in 4-H programming learn many things. They learn about a certain project area. They learn to be part of a team. Our youth learn life skills and professionalism. Perhaps most importantly, our youth learn to love learning. 4-H teaches that through experience, we learn. 4-H teaches that life is a learning experience. Our youth become comfortable with challenges and opportunities to learn. Our youth are preparing for a lifetime of learning.

The process of educating and retraining people throughout their working careers, and even beyond, is commonly called “lifelong learning.” Education is viewed not as a single phase of life from which we “graduate”, but as a way of life. This permanent temperament of opening up to learning goes even beyond the needs of our working lives. Just as we strive to protect our health from infancy to old age, education should be viewed as some-

thing to acquire at every step of life.

Effective education should not be viewed as simply attending a good high school or college, but as a lifelong endeavor that combines the teaching of basic knowledge with training in the skills needed to grow and prosper in a fast-changing, knowledge-based society. Sound familiar? Sound like 4-H?

4-H lays a solid foundation for lifelong learning. Youth are given opportunities to stretch, to experience and to learn from failure. 4-H youth find out that learning takes place anywhere. 4-H confirms that life is simply learning. The recipe that a child tries in a cooking club takes math and literacy skills to complete, but it also requires a curious young person and a caring adult who nurtures and encourages. Because of that success, or even failure, that young cook now has the confidence to continue learning. Lifelong learning

not only requires learners, but also teachers. Both of these can be found in 4-H programming.

American society and its labor market have experienced profound changes over the last few decades. Our society is marked by increasing technological change, globalization and new forms of work organization. Employees will need to be flexible, able to adjust to new learning methods, and comfortable with new experiences. With its experiential learning model and a commitment to a lifetime of learning, we can be confident that 4-H is preparing our youth for a future of learning and succeeding.



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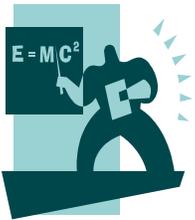


4-H Dog Agility Workshop & Rally/ Obedience Show and Go

The Washoe County 4-H Dog Agility Workshop & Rally/Obedience Show and Go will be held March 17, at the Reno Livestock Events Center Pavilion. This event is open to the first thirty youth who RSVP to Cindy Smullen by March 14. The cost is \$3 at the door with RSVP. The cost without RSVP will be \$5, if there is space available.

A hands-on workshop on agility equipment will be offered by Quick Silver in the morning. The first half of the agility workshop will be for youth with 2 or more years experience, the second half will be for 1st year members only.

In the afternoon there will be a Show and Go to practice skills in the Rally and Obedience rings. Bring water, crate, bait for your dog, and bring a folding chair and lunch for yourself. If you have any questions please call Cindy Smullen at the Washoe office, 784-4848.



New After School Science Club

Young scientists are meeting weekdays for the new 4-H AfterSchool Science Club through June 15 (during Parks and Recreation AfterSchool programs). Members will explore the renewable energy concepts of heat, light and energy through hands-on experimentation and fun activities. At the end of each consecutive ten-week program, members will enjoy a graduation ceremony with their families and 4-H AfterSchool Science Club Instructors! You must be enrolled in the Parks and Recreation AfterSchool Program to participate in this 4-H activity. Contact Shannon Montana, 782-9960 for information. This program is offered in cooperation with The National Department of Energy.



For seven days this June (17 - 23), youths 14 -18 years of age from Nevada and eastern California are invited to attend Nevada Youth Range Camp. Big Creek Campground, in the Toiyabe National Forest, is camp headquarters. Activities will include swimming, fishing, hiking, volleyball, horseshoes, campfires and the opportunity to take beautiful photographs.

Range Camp focuses on relationships between people and rangeland. Campers will learn about traditional uses of rangelands by Native Americans and European settlers, about plants, wildlife, water, and soil. Information learned is used to make good decisions about rangeland management and use.

Professionals from state and federal agencies will teach campers about basic field surveying and map reading, identification. The importance of rangeland plants, sagebrush and woodland ecosystems. Evaluation of stream health, wildlife surveying techniques, and many other topics related to rangelands.

The deadline for applications is April 30. Contact James Gatzke, Youth Activities Chairman for the Nevada Society for Range Management, <http://www.ag.unr.edu/nsrm/camp.html>.



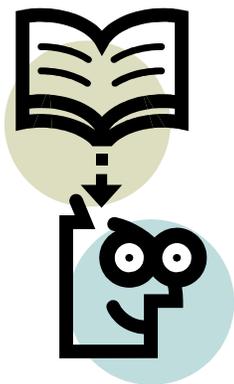
Ride & Learn



Washoe County 4-H Horse leaders are hosting a mounted horse clinic on March 31 at the Reno Livestock Events Center Pavilion. This clinic will be divided and clubs will be assigned. The morning session will begin with sign-in at 8 a.m. and ride from 9 a.m. - 12 noon. The afternoon session will have sign-in at 12 noon and ride from 1p.m. – 4 p.m. There will be a jumping demonstration at noon during the lunch break. A snack bar will be available and is coordinated by Diamonds in the Hooves 4-H club.

Stations will include; Understanding those pattern classes, learn to read and ride properly, Equitation, Rules Jeopardy. Clubs are assigned as follows:

Morning	Washoe Valley Desert Riders Silver Knolls Spurs High Sierra Riders
Afternoon	Diamonds in the Hooves Horse Feathers Spanish Spring Trail Blazers Mountain Mustangs All other clubs/counties



Portfolio Record Book Workshop (part II)

Part two of a three-part Portfolio Record Book Workshop will be presented by Teen Institute members March 12 at the Community Club meeting, 6:30 - 8 p.m., Carson Valley Methodist Church, 1375 Centerville Lane, Gardnerville (located next to the Catholic Church). You will learn how to complete a high quality Portfolio Record Book (essential to receiving a year-end

Project Medal) during this series of workshops. Demonstrations will be presented by the Happy Heelers Dog Club. There will also be games, giveaways and fun!

Please bring \$1 donation per family to help pay for Community Club Snacks.

No Community Club in April due to Spring Break.



Douglas County 4-H Happy Heelers are sponsoring a Dog Fun Match on March 31, at the Douglas County Fairgrounds Pavilion. This all-breed event is open to the public.

Check- in will be 8 - 9 a.m. and judging will begin at 9:30 a.m. Classes in obedience, conformation, fun classes, a trick contest and a costume contest will be offered. Win great prizes from the raffle! An all day snack bar and a pizza concession will be available. The pre-entry fee will be \$5 for the first class and \$3 for each additional class, obedience is pre-entry only. The day of entry fee will be \$1 more per class. Contact the Douglas County Cooperative Extension office, 782-9960, for more information.



SPRING STATE 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS LEADER CERTIFICATION

Adults and teens (ages 14 – 19) are invited to apply for the Spring State 4-H Shooting Sports Leader Training and Certification by contacting their local UNCE office. Training takes place in Tonapah, April 20, 21, & 22, and will include air pistol, air rifle/.22 rifle, shotgun, muzzleloader and archery. Participants can only sign up for training in one discipline for this workshop. Minimum age for adult leaders in this project area is 21. Adults who want to lead a shooting sports club are required to be certified in their discipline.

The Nevada 4-H Shooting Sports Program utilizes shooting sports as a vehicle for developing important life skills in youth participating in the program through extensive safety training in all disciplines, hands on range practice shoots and county and state competitions. 4-H Shooting Sports clubs are led by volunteers trained and supported by University of Nevada Cooperative Extension.

Be a part of this exciting project area in Nevada! Call your local University of Nevada Cooperative Extension office for answers to questions and applications for this training.

Storey County/Carson City Shooting Sports Safety Trainings

- Rich Knight is holding 4-H Shooting Sports Safety Training March 4 & 10 at the Virginia City Senior Center, off 6 Mile Canyon across from Miners Park. The March 4 training will cover air rifle, .22 rifle, and air pistol. The March 10 training will cover muzzleloader and repeat archery and shotgun training if needed.
- Participants need to bring water and sunscreen. Range shoots will follow classroom safety training, if weather allows. Trainings begin at 9 a.m. with classroom sessions throughout the morning. Range shoots will take place following lunch and run until 4 p.m.
- All Storey County/Carson City youth who want to attend range shoots must be safety trained in the discipline of their choice prior to participating in a range shoot. A parent or legal guardian must attend the training with their 4-H'er. New participants can contact Rich Knight through the Carson City Cooperative Extension office, 887-2252.

Western Area
March Dates to Remember



Web Resource Corner

- March 4-6* **Capital Days**
 Carson City

- March 18* **Horse Judging**
 Fuji Park Exhibit Hall
 Carson City

- March 17* **Washoe County Dog Affair**
 Reno Livestock Events Center

- March 23-24* **Paws Fun Match**
 Fuji Exhibit Hall
 Carson City

- March 31* **Horse Clinic**
 Reno Livestock Events Center

4HUSA.org

4HUSA.org is an interactive 4-H online community and a resource for 4-H information. Here you can connect with others to share stories and get new ideas. This website is a window into the planet's largest and most exciting adventure for young people - 4-H!

We hope you will take advantage of the opportunities on this site to add to your 4-H experience. We encourage you to join this community of youth like yourself, who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills through the wonderful and exciting 4-H programs.

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4-H Events Calendar

March 2007



DATE	WESTERN AREA	CARSON CITY/STOREY COUNTY	DOUGLAS COUNTY	WASHOE COUNTY
1			Swine/Sheep weigh-in 4:30 - 6 p.m. Douglas County Fairgrounds Pole Barn	
2				
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4	Capital Days Carson City	Shooting Sports safety training Virginia City Senior Center 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.		
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10		Dairy Cow Judging Carson Prison Dairy Farm 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Shooting Sports safety training Virginia City Senior Center 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.		
11				
12		4-H Council Mtg. 6:30 - 8 p.m.	Teen Institute 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. Community Club 6:30 - 8 p.m. Carson Valley Methodist Church Gardnerville	
13				Horse Leaders' Mtg. 6 p.m.
14				
15				
16				
17				Washoe County Dog Affair Reno Livestock Events Center 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
18				
19			Teen Institute 2:30 - 4:30 p.m.	
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21				Livestock Leaders' Mtg. 6:30 p.m. Small Animal Leaders' Mtg. 7 p.m. Dog Leaders' Mtg. 8 p.m.
22				
23		Paws Fun Match Fuji Park Exhibit Hall Friday Evening & All Day Saturday		
24				
25				
26			Teen Institute 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. Leaders' Council 7 p.m.	
27				
28				
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31			Dog Fun Match Douglas County Fairgrounds 8 a.m.	Horse Clinic Reno Livestock Events Center 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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Upcoming 4-H Events 2 - Month Calendar April 2007



DATE	WESTERN AREA	CARSON CITY/STOREY COUNTY	DOUGLAS COUNTY	WASHOE COUNTY
1	Deadline for Youth Advisory, NJLS office			
9		4-H Council Mtg. 6 - 8:30 p.m.	NO Community Club Due to Spring Break	NJLS entries and NJLS contest books due to Washoe office Sponsor names for program and record books being judged for NJLS contest due to Washoe office
10				Horse Leaders' Mtg. 6 p.m.
11	NJLS entries due to NJLS office			
13				
14	Area Livestock Show Carson City	Arrowhead Livestock Qualifier Silver Saddle Ranch	Area Livestock Show Carson City	
18				Livestock Leaders' Mtg. 6 p.m. Small Animal Leaders' Mtg. 7 p.m. Leaders' Council 8 p.m.
19		Capital City Farm Days Fuji Park & Exhibit Hall 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Daily	Dutch Bulb Fundraiser packets due 4 p.m.	Livestock Record Book Interviews Washoe office 4 - 7 p.m.
20	State Shooting Sports Training & Certification Tonopah		Scholarship applications due for Kiwanis and Norm Sharkey 4 p.m.	
21				
22				
23			Leaders' Council 7 p.m.	
28				Set Up of County Livestock Show
29				Washoe County Livestock Show Reno Livestock Events Center 7 a.m. - 4 p.m.
30			Dutch Garden Bulbs orders available for pick up this week	

May 2007

3	Nevada Junior Livestock Show & Auction Reno Livestock Events Center Pavilion			
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8				Horse Leaders' Mtg. 6 p.m.
12			Teen Institute Fun Run for Breast Cancer Awareness	
14		4-H Council Mtg. 6 - 8:30 p.m.	Community Club 6:30 - 8 p.m.	
16				Livestock Leaders' Mtg. 6:30 p.m. Small Animals Leaders' Mtg. 7 p.m.
25		4 Paws Good Citizens Test Fuji Park & Exhibit Hall		
26		4-H Council Rummage Sale Fund Raiser Fuji Park		
28	Memorial Day - Offices Closed			