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Successful 4-H Meetings Prepare Members for Democracy

4-H prides itself on the life skills and preparation it provides our youth. One of the simplest and routine methods of life preparation is teaching our youth how to organize and run a meeting. 4-H club meetings can be built around a project activity or simply be a business meeting. For many club members these meetings are also their first introduction to the democratic process. Clubs decide for themselves what kind of meeting needs to be held, how often the club needs to meet and where to hold the meeting. All these meeting decisions are made by the entire club: general members, elected youth officers and the junior and adult leaders.

If the meeting planned will include a business and a project activity, leaders and officers should divide the meeting into timed sections to ensure business and project activity is completed in a timely manner. Don't forget to schedule time for recreation and refreshments; for a lot of members this is the best part of the meeting. General business meetings with no project activity scheduled, should last about an hour to 90 minutes. If your club is heavy on younger members, try to ensure the meeting does not last longer than an hour. Younger members simply cannot keep their focus if the meeting is much longer. If the club meeting will entail business plus project and recreation activities, a suggested format might look like this:

business meeting--- 10 to 20 minutes
project activity---40 to 80 minutes
recreation--- 10 to 20 minutes

To honor our 4-H families and their time commitment, try to ensure that all types of meetings begin and end on time.

The club's business meeting has an organized procedure. This format is "basic parliamentary procedure." Nothing to be afraid of, this simply refers to a meeting method that will help maintain order and ensure fairness in the meeting. These meeting rules or methods ensure

everyone has a chance to participate, be heard and help the club reach decisions. Remember, in a successful meeting, only one person speaks at a time.

The meeting will be successful because the club has elected officers who will run the meeting and recognize the person who wishes to speak. The club's president or vice-president oversees the club meeting and follows the parliamentary procedure suggested below:

1. Call to order and the pledges

The presiding officer calls the meeting to order and states that the meeting will start with the pledges. This calms the crowd and sets the serious tone of a good meeting.

2. Roll call

The elected secretary of the club calls the roll after the presiding officer asks her/him to do so.

3. Reading and approval of minutes

The presiding officer asks the secretary to read the minutes from the last meeting and asks the club to approve them as correct. Minutes are simply the notes taken at the last meeting.

4. Officer reports

If an officer has information to share, such as where the horse workout will be or how many members have a livestock buyer, the officer would report at this time

5. Committee reports

If a group has been tasked with a certain chore, now is when they report on their findings.

6. Announcements

The presiding officers ask if any members have an announcement.

7. Unfinished business

The presiding officer asks if there is any old or unfinished business to discuss.

8. New business

Presiding officer calls for any new business and each item



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The First-EVER White House Student Film Festival

Something big is happening, and you don't have to be a kid to be excited about it: The White House is launching its first-ever White House Student Film Festival -- and inviting K-12 students from around the country to create and submit one- to three-minute short web videos.

Finalists could have their videos screened at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave, and posted on the White House website. It might just be cooler than having your homework up on the fridge.

The topic: Highlighting the importance of technology in the classroom -- and imagining how technology will change the educational experience for kids in the future.

Interested, or know someone who would be?

Check out the official web page at WH.gov/filmfestival, where you can learn more, read the official rules, learn how to submit your video, and hear from Bill Nye (the Science Guy). And if you're a parent, guardian, or teacher, make sure you spread the word to kids with big ideas.

Here are more important details you should know: every student entry has to have a parent/guardian or teacher sponsor, films can be submitted now through January 29th, 2014, if your video is selected as an official selection, you could have a chance to attend the mid-February screening at the White House.



Meetings

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is handled one at a time.

9. Plans for the next meeting

The presiding officer will ask for the date, place and time for the next business meeting.

10. Adjournment

The presiding officer will call for a motion to adjourn the meeting; to end the meeting. Another club member will make a motion to end the meeting, and another club member will "second" the motion. The presiding officer will tell the group the motion has been made and seconded and the business meeting is over.

The meeting format might seem overly formal to youngsters, but members learn that a meeting is serious business and what each member has to say is important. Club members learn that everyone has a voice and that democracy actually takes place during the meeting. Members learn to debate an issue, speak up for their position, listen to others' opinions, the importance of "one person, one vote" and that sometimes your position or your idea does not win the day. That is how a seemingly ordinary 4-H meeting can in reality be a civics instruction in democracy.

Small Animal Show in February

Rabbits, Cavy and Poultry, oh my! The annual Washoe County 4-H Youth Rabbit, Cavy and Poultry Show is coming February 8 to the Reno Livestock Events Center Exhibit Hall. Here is an opportunity to see many breeds of small animals.

Besides the rabbit, cavy and poultry judging, many fun activities have been planned including a raffle (with proceeds going to the Washoe County 4-H Small Animals Program), small animal photo contest and animal costume contest. A snack bar will be provided.

All entries are due by February 3. Forms will be available soon on the Washoe 4-H Facebook page (www.facebook.com/WashoeCounty4H), Washoe County 4-H Calendar (www.unce.unr.edu/cgi-bin/calendar.pl?calendar=Reno) and at the UNCE office, 4955 Energy Way in Reno. For more information, contact Sam Mitchell at 775-336-0259 or mitchells@unce.unr.edu.

Calling All Goat People

The Nevada Goat Producers Association is having their Annual Meeting and Educational Workshop on January 11, 2014. You don't need to be a NGPA member to attend; all those interested in goats are welcome. Workshops include demonstrations by the Goat Crew 4-H Club from Fallon on hoof trimming, castration, market kid selection, halter making, teaching your goat to lead, packing with goats, soap making, and milking goats.

There are eight UNCE offices scheduled for the event. If you are planning to attend, it is very important that you RSVP. At many of these locations, UNCE staff have offered their time to make their facility available for our meeting, and the association would like to know in advance which sites are needed. Tentative sites are: Fallon, Yerington, Lovelock, Winnemucca, Ely, Yerington, Reno and Pahrump. If you prefer you can also attend the meeting via Skype or Any Meeting.

Please RSVP by January 4, to Membership Chairperson Debra Hoffmann at 775-217-3272 or email debrah286@gmail.com.



Clean Out Your Storage Spaces

Time to get your garage, attic, basement or closets cleaned out and drop off unwanted, but clean and usable items for the Carson City/Storey County Annual Fabric and Rummage Sale Fund Raiser. Drop off dates are January 18 and 25, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. and February 7, Fuji Exhibit Hall 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Funds made from this event are used for Carson City/Storey County 4-H youth scholarships for national 4-H events and continuing education. Donations are tax deductible. Contact Jim Barcellos or Sandy Wallin at the Carson City/Storey County UNCE office, 775-887-2252, for more information.

Community Service Opportunity

Carson City Silver Sage 4-H Community Club extends an invitation to all area 4-H clubs to join them in collecting items for the Veterans Guest House in Reno.

Items on their current Wish List include: Coffee (ground, caffeinated), canned goods – soups, meats (Spam, Vienna sausage, tuna, salmon), toilet paper, Lysol spray, pump hand soap and single packet snacks (chips, granola bars, nuts, crackers).



Silver Sage members will collect items through February, 2014, assemble the donations and get them to Veterans Guest House. Contact Nora Streng, 775-883-5010, or Sandy Hawkins, 775-882-4724, about donations.

Call Jim Barcellos or Sandy Wallin for more information 775-887-2252.

NJLS Dairy Goat Show Approved

The Nevada Goat Producers Association (NGPA) is very excited to announce that their recent proposal to hold a Dairy Goat Show during NJLS next year was approved by the Show Board. Introduction of a Dairy Program at NJLS will provide an additional opportunity for Nevada youth to show dairy goats. Although the next NJLS show is scheduled for May 15-18, 2014, NGPA wants to get the word out now to 4-H members and parents so that they will have time to prepare for the Dairy Goat Show.

NGPA would like to thank everyone who helped to make the proposal become a reality for 2014; with

special thanks to all the donors whose contributions helped raise the \$1000 needed to sponsor the show.

Special thanks also goes out to Linda Miller who graciously agreed to be the superintendent of the show, Anne Bartley

(alternate superintendent) and Steve Shore who has volunteered to judge at the show, at no cost, to help the dairy show get established.

A list of classes and rules for the show are available on the Washoe 4-H Facebook page (www.facebook.com/WashoeCounty4H), Washoe County 4-H Calendar (www.unce.unr.edu/cgi-bin/calendar.pl?calendar=Reno), and on the NJLS website as an addendum to the NJLS rules (pp40-41)

If you have any questions please call Gloria Montero, 775-427-8210 or Debra Hoffmann, 775-217-3272.

Speaking With Confidence

4-H has a history of turning out outstanding public speakers. This is a skill that individuals find very useful throughout their lives. “Speaking with Confidence”, an 8-week project, teaches youth to speak to an audience with confidence.

The project meets Mondays 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. each week January 27 through March 31 (holidays and breaks excluded), at the Douglas Extension Office 1325 Waterloo Lane, in Gardnerville.

The Project covers topics such as: controlling nervousness, body language, interview tips and using audio-visuals. Youth learn the importance of practicing and setting goals. This program is free of charge and is suited for ages 9 and up. Please R.S.V.P. by January 22 to (775) 782-9960.

Start Horseless this New Year

The first horse clinic of the season is January 25, at Reno Livestock Event Center Pavilion at 8 a.m. Please leave your horse at home for this one! This clinic is open to all area 4-H Horse members.

Come prepared to learn about horse related topics. Please dress warm and wear your 4-H uniform. Bring a notebook for note taking and a positive attitude to start the new 4-H year off! There will be a snack bar provided. Horse Levels written testing will also be offered.

Fliers will be sent out to families soon. Please contact Sam Mitchell at 775-336-0259 or mitchells@unce.unr.edu for further information or questions. We look forward to seeing you!

Honoring Clubs, Members and Leaders

Carson City/Storey County 4-H'ers are reminded the 2012-2013 Awards will take place this year on Thursday, January 16, 7 – 9 p.m. at Fuji Exhibit Hall. Prior to the awards, Carson City/Storey County 4-H Council will host a pizza party beginning at 6 p.m. 4-H'ers are encouraged to wear 4-H dress, long sleeve white shirt, green tie and clean blue jeans or dark slacks, or something suitable for a job interview.

Come and help honor your club members, leaders and 4-H supporters in our counties. Invitations will be in the mail by January 3. Call Jim or Sandy for more information, 775-887-2252.

Get Community Service Hours

Carson City/Storey County 4-H Club members and parents can volunteer to assist with set up for the 2014 Fabulous 4-H Fabric and Rummage Sale Fund Raiser on Friday,

February 7, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Volunteers are also needed for the sale which takes place Saturday February 8, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Sunday, February 9, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Help is needed to price items, take in money, assist shoppers with selections, measuring fabric and general set up and clean up.

This is the major fund raiser for the year for the Carson City/Storey County 4-H Council scholarship fund. 4-H'ers who are graduating need to look at the requirements to apply for these funds. Carson City/Storey County 4-H Council requires youth to participate in this event in order to be eligible to receive a scholarship for college. For more information please contact Jim or Sandy at 775 887-2252.

Western Area January Dates to Remember

Jan. 1– New Year’s Day Holiday
(Offices Closed)

Jan. 9-12– Western Roundup– Denver, CO

Jan. 21– Martin Luther King Jr. Day
(Offices Closed)

Jan. 25– Washoe Horseless Clinic

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Your STEM* Minute

**4-H Science, Technology, Engineering and Math*

Forty years ago on Christmas Eve 1968, Apollo Astronauts orbiting the moon sent back photos of Earth. It was a momentous event in world history, but still several months before U.S. astronauts set foot on the moon on July 20, 1969. The U.S. went on to send people to the lunar surface five more times.

On December 14, 2013, the People’s Republic of China landed the Chang’e 3 module on the moon, becoming only the third country to do so (the former Soviet Union was the first). Using a Chinese-made rocket based on Russian and European technology, they performed the first soft landing on the moon since 1976.

India has joined the ranks of Mars explorers, with the launch of their Mangalyaan spacecraft which will reach Mars next September. The U.S., Russia, the European Space Agency and Japan are all part of a joint effort to explore the Red Planet.

Space programs capable of launching rockets into space are now operating in nine countries: Russia, the United States, France (ESA), Japan, China, India, Israel, Iran and North Korea. Add to that the handful of private companies that have launch capabilities, and you have a truly international space community.

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Unless stated differently, all meetings are held at your local Cooperative Extension office.

4-H Events Calendar January 2014



DATE	WESTERN AREA	CARSON CITY/STOREY COUNTY	DOUGLAS COUNTY	WASHOE COUNTY
1	NEW YEAR'S DAY HOLIDAY - OFFICES CLOSED			
2		4 Paws, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.		
6		Target Rippers, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m. Silver Sage, UNCE conf. rm., 6:00-7:30 p.m.		
7			Baking Portfolio Workshop, Kahle Center, 5 p.m. Happy Heelers, DC Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.	Please note: Due to the number of club meetings in Washoe Co., we cannot list them all here.
8			Clover S.T.E.M.s, 6 p.m.	
9	Camp Advisory Council, Interactive Video Mtg., 9 a.m.	4 Paws, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.	Please note: Douglas County currently has too many 4-H Project specific meeting dates to publish. Please refer to your Project Leader and Calendars for meeting dates.	
9-12	Western Roundup, Denver, CO			
10		Carson Hot Shots, Capitol City Gun Club, 6-9 p.m.		
11			Cloverbud Small Animal Day, CV Methodist, 10 a.m.	
13		S.C. Cook Lovers, VC Sr. Center, 4-6 p.m. 4-H Council, 6:30-8 p.m.		
14			Happy Heelers, DC Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.	Horse Leaders Mtg, 6 p.m.
15	NJLS Video Conference, 5:30 p.m. to 8 pm.	Carson Cluckers, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.		Livestock Leaders' Mtg., 6 p.m. Small Animal Leaders' Mtg., 7 p.m.
16		Carson City/Storey County Awards Night, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8:30 p.m.	Beyond Gardening, 4:30 p.m.	
18		Fabric and Rummage Sale drop off, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.		
20	MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY HOLIDAY - OFFICES CLOSED			
21			Happy Heelers, DC Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.	
22			Clover S.T.E.M.s, 6 p.m.	
24		Carson Hot Shots, Capitol City Gun Club, 6-9 p.m.		
25		Fabric and Rummage Sale drop off, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.		4-H Horse Clinic, RLEC Pavillion, 8 a.m.
27		Silver Sage, UNCE conf. rm., 6-7:30 p.m.	Speaking with Confidence begins, 4 p.m. Leaders' Council, 7:00 p.m.	
28			Happy Heelers, DC Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.	



New Year's Day - January 1



Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - January 20

Upcoming 4-H Events Calendar



DATE	WESTERN AREA	CARSON CITY/STOREY COUNTY	DOUGLAS COUNTY	WASHOE COUNTY
February 2014				
3		Cook Lovers, VC Sr. Center, 4-6 p.m. Target Rippers, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m. Silver Sage, UNCE conf. rm., 6:00-7:30 p.m.	Speaking with Confidence, 4 p.m.	Please note: Due to the number of club meetings in Washoe Co., we cannot list them all here.
4			Happy Heelers, DC Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m. Small Animals, 6:30 p.m.	
5		Bouncing Bunnies, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.	Clover S.T.E.M.s, 6 p.m.	
6		4 Paws, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.		
7		Fabric and Rummage Sale set-up, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Carson Hot Shots, Cap. City Gun Club, 6-9 p.m.		
8			Cloverbud Wood Working Day, Home Depot, 10 a.m.	4-H Small Animal Show, RLEC Exhibit Hall
8-9		Fabric and Rummage Sale Fundraiser, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.		
9				Silver Knolls Spurs 4-H Tack Sale, RLEC Pavillion
10		4-H Leaders' Council, 6:30-8 p.m.	Speaking with Confidence, 4 p.m.	
11			Happy Heelers, DC Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.	Horse Leaders Mtg, 6 p.m.
12		Carson Cluckers, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.	Please note: Douglas County currently has too many 4-H Project specific meeting dates to publish. Please refer to your Project	
13		4 Paws, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.		
15				
17	PRESIDENTS' DAY HOLIDAY - OFFICES CLOSED			
18			Happy Heelers, DC Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.	
19			Clover S.T.E.M.s, 6 p.m.	Livestock Leaders' Mtg., 6 p.m. Small Animal Leaders' Mtg., 7 p.m.
20		4 Paws, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.	Beyond Gardening, 4:30 p.m.	
21		Carson Hot Shots, Cap. City Gun Club, 6-9 p.m.		
22			Clover S.T.E.M.s, 6 p.m.	
24		Cook Lovers, VC Sr. Center, 4-6 p.m. Silver Sage, UNCE conf. rm., 6:00-7:30 p.m.	Speaking with Confidence, 4 p.m.	
25			Happy Heelers, DC Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.	
Feb. 28- Mar. 1	4-H Leaders' Forum, Winnemucca			
March 2014				
1			Swine & Sheep Weigh-in, DC Fairgrounds, Swine 4 p.m., Sheep 4:30 p.m.	Sheep, swine and goat weigh-in and tagging, RLEC
3		Target Rippers, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.	Speaking with Confidence, 4 p.m.	
4			Happy Heelers, DC Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m. Small Animals, 6:30 p.m.	
5		Bouncing Bunnies, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.	Clover S.T.E.M.s, 6 p.m.	
6		4 Paws, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.		
7		Carson Hot Shots, Cap. City Gun Club, 6-9 p.m.		
10		4-H Council, 6:30-8 p.m.	Speaking with Confidence, 4 p.m.	
11				Horse Leaders Mtg, 6 p.m.
12		Carson Cluckers, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.		
13		4 Paws, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.	ALL Livestock member and Parents meeting for NJLS, 6 p.m.	
15			Small Animal Show FUN MATCH Cloverbud Science Day, CV Methodist, 10 a.m.	4-H Horse Clinic, RLEC Pavillion, 8 a.m.
17		Target Rippers, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.	Speaking with Confidence, 4 p.m.	
18			Happy Heelers, DC Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.	
19			Clover S.T.E.M.s, 6 p.m.	Livestock Leaders' Mtg., 6 p.m. Small Animal Leaders' Mtg., 7 p.m.
20		4 Paws, Fuji Exhibit Hall, 6:30-8 p.m.	Beyond Gardening, 4:30 p.m.	
24		S.C. Cook Lovers, V.C. Sr. Center, 4-6 p.m.	Speaking with Confidence, 4 p.m.	
25			Happy Heelers, DC Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m.	
27			ALL Livestock member and parents Quality Assurance Training & Test, 6 p.m.	
31			Speaking with Confidence FINAL, 4 p.m.	