



Ponderosa FFA Monday Memo 12/4/2017

Thank you!

Thank you Mr. Chris Patterson, Ponderosa FFA Alumni, for coming out to the school farm this past weekend and using his own equipment to help scrape out all of the cattle pens for our beef students. We very much appreciate all of your time and effort to help our program!

Thank you so much to Mrs. Susan Oliver and Jenny Oliver for bringing their truck and trailer and braving storms to drive down to Modesto this past Sunday to help us pick up over 500 poinsettia plants! Your help was vital to the success of this fundraiser!

Thank you to everyone that helped Ponderosa FFA by purchasing and selling Poinsettias! In addition to raising funds for Chapter activities, 4 of our students were able to earn their FFA Jackets and 10 students were able to raise money to help fund FFA Conferences and Conventions. Great Job everyone!

Upcoming Events

This Week **Adopt-a-children** Information goes out Monday, we request that donated gifts be turned in by Friday, December 8, unwrapped. Thank you!!

Monday 12/4 COLLAB DAY

Tuesday 12/5

***State FFA Degree Workshop**: 3pm-5pm in Rm L-14. This is time to get help working on your record books and applications for FFA State Degree.

***Vet Science Team Practice**: 3:10-4:30pm in Rm P-2

***FFA Parent Booster Board Mtg.** 6pm at Round Table Pizza in Cameron Park. All FFA Parents are invited to attend.

Wednesday 12/6

***Public Speaking Practice**: Rm S-2, 2:20-4:15pm. This practice is for all FFA Creed, Prepared, Extemp, Impromptu, and Job Interview students.

Thursday 12/7

***State Degree Workshop** 2:30pm-4:30pm in Rm L-14. This is time to get help working on your record books and applications for FFA State Degree.

Friday 12/8 Adopt a Children Gifts are Due Today!

***FFA Christmas Activities Night!** 4pm-8pm. Come participate in the Ugly Christmas Sweater contest, bring a White Elephant gift for the gift exchange, all followed by a Movie Night! Movie TBA. This activity counts as the December FFA meeting.

Future Events

*December 12 and 14, Tuesday and Thursday, State Degree and Proficiency Application Workshops after school/finals.

*State Degree Applications and Proficiency Applications due completed by Friday, Jan 12.

Supervised Agriculture Experience Updates! (continued on back)

***UC Davis Goat Day**: Saturday, January 20 2018. Goat owners, producers, veterinarians, students, and 4-H and FFA goat-project youths from throughout California will gather on Saturday, January 20, 2018, at the UC Davis Conference Center. The event, which will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., is sponsored by the UC Davis Department of Animal Science, UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine and the California Dairy Herd Improvement Association. For more information, contact Rachel Conway, Supervisor of the UC Davis Department of Animal Science Goat Teaching & Research Facility, at (530) 752-6792 or riconway@ucdavis.edu. Tickets are \$15 per adult, free for children 17 and under. Tickets are available to purchase through online pre-registration and on-site registration at the event. Credit cards are accepted for online registration, cash and checks only for on-site registration the day of the event. All proceeds go directly to supporting the

Goat Day event costs. Lunch we again be available on-site this year, details coming soon! Online event registration and lunch orders will also be available online this year through a vendor that does not charge additional fees, also coming soon! Online event registration and lunch orders end at 11:59 pm on Wednesday, 1/17/2018. There will also be onsite registration for adults and youth at the same price, but lunches will not be available to order onsite.

<http://animalscience.ucdavis.edu/events/goat-day/index.html>

***UC Davis Aggie Classic Sale:** Saturday, Feb 3rd 2018 at the UC Davis Cole Facility. We will have prospect lambs, pigs, and goats available. The morning will begin with educational clinics by Weaver Leather on sheep, goats, and swine from 9-11am. The sale lot preview will begin at 11am, and the sale will start at 12pm. Each buyer will receive a bag of Showmaster Feed and a \$10 gift certificate to Higby's Country Feed Store in Dixon, CA.

Coffee and donuts will be provided in the morning, Lunch will be available during the sale preview. If you have questions at this time please contact the Sheep Facility Manager, Kyle Wood, with any questions you may have.

Once our sale catalog is posted feel free to also contact the Swine Facility Manager, Aaron Prinz, or the Goat Facility Manager, Rachel Conway, with any questions you may have about the specific animals available

<http://animalscience.ucdavis.edu/events/aggie-classic-sale/index.html>

Leadership Opportunities

***Public Speaking Contests Practice:** Wednesdays after school in S-2. 2:30pm-4:30pm.

***State FFA Degree Applications Due completed by Friday, January 12**

Scholarship Opportunities

***EMBARCADERO LIONS STUDENT SPEAKER CONTEST**

A competitive public speaking contest focused on a topic of importance to the community and/or the country. The contest is intended to stimulate self expression and critical thinking.

A. Topic: "What Role Does Integrity and Civility Play in Today's Society?"

B. TIME LIMITS: NOT LESS THAN 5 OR MORE THAN 10 MINUTES.

C. OPEN TO HIGH SCHOOL AGE STUDENTS, MAY NOT HAVE COMPLETED 12TH GRADE.

D. FINANCIAL AWARDS. Club level winner \$100, participants \$25.

Zone level winner: \$150.

Region level winner: \$250

District level winners: 15 winners each receive a scholarship of \$4,500.

Area level winners: 4 winners each receive a scholarship of \$6,500.

Final M-D 4 winner: The overall winner receives a scholarship of \$10,000.

E. CONTEST DATES: ** EMBARCADERO CLUB CONTEST: Thurs. FEB 8th 2018

Zone, on or before March 15th 2018

Region, March 29th 2018

District, on or before May 1st.

Area, on or before May 22.

FINAL M-D 4 WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY JUNE TBA 2018

***The Dairy Herd Improvement Association** is offering scholarships for students in agriculture during their years in High School. Please visit our PHS FFA page for more information. Apps are due by Jan 15, 2018.

Thanks,
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Helped Needed!

***Donations of dimensional lumber or metal:** if anyone is aware of any potential donations available for our Ag mechanics program, please email Mr. Valencia at ivalencia@eduhd.k12.ca.us

FFA on the Web!

Check us out and stay up to date with Ponderosa FFA in the community!

<http://bruin.eduhsd.k12.ca.us/Students/-----FFA/index.html>

www.ponderosaffa.weebly.com

Facebook: PonderosaFFA and Bruin Blooms; Ponderosa High School

Instagram: Ponderosa_FFA

Ponderosa FFA Guide Dogs for the Blind Facebook and Instagram: Pondo_Pups