2014
MERCED COUNTY SPRING FAIR
LOS BANOS

NEW FOR 2014:

Special Contests……	Small Barn Quilts
	Home Brew Contest
Sr Department……...	Machine Embroidery
	DIY Yard/Garden Décor
	Embellished Quilts
	Burlap Crafts
	Decorated Hat Contest
	Christmas in May
	Beer Label Contest
	Altered Art
Jr Department……	Milk Jug Planter
	Fairy Gardens
Sr Fine Art…….	Quilts on Canvas
4-H Department…….	Quilts of Valor
Livestock……...	Boer goat premiums
	Valley Lamb Show

LOCAL RULES

1. The Merced County Spring Fair, Los Banos, commences Wednesday, April 30, 2014 at 10 a.m. and closes at midnight, Sunday, May 4, 2014.
2. The Fair Administration Building is located at the corner of 4th and F Streets, Los Banos.
3. CLOSING DATE for all entries, except Cut Flowers, Special Contests, Market Animals and Replacement Heifers is April 1. The closing date for Cut Flowers is April 29. See Livestock Department for livestock closing dates. However, the Management reserves the right to close a class entry before closing dates in the event that all available space has been allotted.
4. All entries (except floral walk-ins and special contests), for the 2014 Merced County Spring Fair must be made online by accessing our web site at www.co.merced.ca.us/springfair by April 1, 2014 11:59 p.m.
5. Entry fees are non-refundable.
6. All entries are at the exhibitor's risk. The Fair Management will in no case be responsible for any loss or damage that may occur.
7. Checks will be made payable to "Owner" listed on entry. All premium checks not cashed within 90 days of date issued will be revoked.
8. No passenger vehicles will be allowed to park in other than designated areas at any time. Vehicles parked in other areas may be towed away at the expense of the owner.
9. Exhibitors are urged to become familiar with all Local and State Rules, which will be strictly enforced.
10. NOTE TO EXHIBITORS: All rules contained in "State Rules for California Fairs" as established by the Division of Fairs & Expositions apply to the Spring Fair. A copy may be obtained from the Division of Fairs and Expositions (send a self-addressed, stamped envelope, 1010 Hurley Way, Sacramento, CA 95825) or maybe viewed from their web site at www.cdfa.ca.gov/fe.
11. a. Protests will be considered only if there has been a violation of State or Local Rules. Decisions of Judges, Veterinarians, Weighmasters, Livestock Superintendent and Timers cannot be protested and are final.
    b. All protests must be presented to the Management of the Fair in writing within 24 hours of the alleged violation, or 24 hours after the results are available to the public of exhibits judged pre-fair.
    c. Protest must be accompanied by a $100 deposit (cash, money order, or certified check) which will be returned only if the protest is determined valid.
    d. Protest and appropriate action are decided by the Fair's Board of Directors or designees in a timely manner.
    e. Violations of State Rules may be appealed to Fairs and Expositions.
12. Exhibitors in the Senior Departments will be limited to residents of Merced County. Exhibitors in the Junior Departments are open only to children who reside in Merced County and/or attend a Merced County School. Directors, Fair Managers, and/or their spouses are not eligible to exhibit at their own county fair.
13. Complimentary entries will be welcome if space permits. No entry will be required for such exhibits.
14. Exhibitors who engage in foods or baking confections as a profession (including catering and teaching) are **not eligible** to enter in any foods or baking divisions.

JUDGING SYSTEMS

DANISH JUDGING: based upon established standards of quality for each type of product. In this system, each exhibit is judged according to how well it meets those standards, rather than how it compares with other exhibits.

Placing	*Description*	*Score*	*Ribbon*
Group 1	Superior	92-100	Blue
Group 2	Good	84-91	Red
Group 3	Average	70-83	White
Group 4	Poor	69-0	No ribbon

AMERICAN JUDGING: judging process to rank exhibits against one another and award one first placing, one second, one third, etc.

COUNTY OFFICIALS

Merced County Board of Supervisors:
Hubert "Hub" Walsh, Diedre Kelsey, Linn E. Davis, Jerry O'Banion, and John Pedrozo

MERCED COUNTY SPRING FAIR STAFF

Ron Brandt, CEO/ Fair Manager
Patti Toscano, Fair Coordinator

4-H AND FFA DEPARTMENT

LOCAL RULES

The Merced County Spring Fair is limited to members of chapters or clubs residing in Merced and Madera Counties. The Junior Department is for young people who want to enter exhibits at Fairs. There are a number of organizations that want competition among members of the organizations. The Fair can do this by establishing divisions and classes for groups such as FFA and 4-H Clubs and others. The Fair will provide the opportunity for young people to exhibit who are not members of an organization. The Fair can do this in several ways. It can let the young person compete in the appropriate class in direct competition with an organization member if there are very few "independent juniors". It can form separate classes for these independent juniors if there are enough to form a class. In livestock classes, the independent must meet the age and grade requirements if they are in direct competition with members of an organization.

ELIGIBILITY AND AGE REQUIREMENTS

1. FFA members may participate in classes when they enroll in High School Vocational Agricultural classes, and may exhibit as members to the end of the calendar year following graduation.
2. 4-H members may enroll when entering the fourth grade and can exhibit as members until the end of the calendar year in which the member becomes 19.
3. Independent junior exhibitors not affiliated with any organization can enter appropriate FFA or 4-H classes if they meet the age or grade level requirements.
4. Home Economics Related Occupations (FHA, HERO) is for secondary school students, grades 6 – 12, who have been or are currently enrolled in a consumer and homemaking education or home economics related occupational program.
5. Fairs may offer divisions and classes restricted to children, 19 years of age and under, who are not under the FFA, 4-H youth programs or other recognized junior farm organization program.
6. County, District and State Fairs cannot legally carry liability insurance covering junior exhibitors and/or their exhibits. Liability insurance is the responsibility and is at the discretion of the junior exhibitor. Therefore, it is suggested that junior exhibitors consider taking out a liability policy covering themselves and their exhibits.

FFA DEPARTMENT

AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS DEPARTMENT

LOCAL RULES

1. Students entering exhibits in Agricultural Mechanics must be regularly enrolled in a high school that is following the California State plan for Vocational Agriculture.
2. Although the exhibits need not be owned by the exhibitor, all must be the products of students as a regular part of their instruction in Agricultural Mechanics for the past year. The student exhibitor must have been at least the major contributor to the building or repairing of the exhibit.
3. No entry may be shown for more than one calendar year.
4. An article may not be entered in more than one class from the same pattern.
5. Display cards must be attached to each exhibit in this department, correctly labeling the exhibit.
6. Exhibits with gas engines <u>MUST NOT</u> have gasoline in tanks, but must have oil and water if required for workable engine.
7. Building plans will be judged separate from entry, but score will be counted towards accumulated points for Outstanding Project. Building plans must accompany exhibit upon delivery to Fair.
8. Exhibitors will be responsible for unloading and loading their exhibits.
9. The DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING is used in this Department. State Rule IV 6 does not apply.

<u>Ag Mechanics Premiums Sponsored by:</u>
Borelli Farms, Inc.
Sweetwater Meats/Andrews Farm
HCL Machine Shop
Heppner Precision Machine Shop
Laird Manufacturing
McElvany Construction
A.L. Neves & Son
Ranchers Tractors Company

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: APRIL 1, 2014 11:59 p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 23-25, 12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Exhibit Building
(Appointments will be scheduled)

JUDGING: April 27
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 5 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Exhibitor must note on online entry in 'project description' area if project is Ag or Recreational.

Outstanding Type II or III Farm Equipment Project $1,000 sponsored by **McElvany Construction**. Set of plans including building materials & cost of project to be turned in with entry. Top five (5) exhibitors to be interviewed by sponsor.

Outstanding Type II or III Recreational Project (i.e. BBQ trailer) $1,000 sponsored by **Sweetwater Meats**. Set of plans including building materials & cost of project to be turned in with entry. Top five (5) project exhibitors to be interviewed by sponsor.

Awards:
Outstanding Small Project
Outstanding Medium Project
Outstanding Large Project
Outstanding Overall Project
Most Innovative/Original Exhibit
Outstanding Arc Welded Project
Outstanding Chapter
Outstanding Exhibitor (exhibitor must build at least one medium or large project to qualify)

SCORECARD FOR DETERMINING OUTSTANDING CHAPTER AND EXHIBITOR

Award	Sm. Project	Med. Project	Large Project
1st	3 Points	5 Points	20 Points
2nd	2 Points	3 Points	15 Points
3rd	1 Point	2 Points	10 points

Note: A Chapter will receive an additional 10 points for each individual award won.

DIVISION 200: FARM EQUIPMENT CONSTRUCTED – SMALL PROJECTS

Six entries will be accepted per exhibitor per class, to be named on entry. Cost of materials not to exceed $25.

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND	3RD
$2	$1	$1

Class:
1. Woodwork
2. Sheet metal
3. Welding and forging
4. Cold metal
5. Rope work, minimum of 5 knots or 3 splices, or one working project required to constitute one entry.
6. Electrical, minimum of 5 splices required to constitute one entry.
7. Any other

DIVISION 201: FARM EQUIPMENT CONSTRUCTED – MEDIUM PROJECTS

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND	3RD
$5	$2	$1

Class:
1. Woodwork
2. Sheet metal
3. Combination
4. Welding

DIVISION 202: FARM EQUIPMENT CONSTRUCTED – LARGE PROJECTS

Three entries will be accepted per exhibitor per class, to be named on entry form. Equipment must be clean and presentable or entry will not be accepted.

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND	3RD
$14	$6	$4

Class: 1. Type I (simple)
(Cost of materials should be between $150 and $499)

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND	3RD
$23	$10	$5

Class: 2. Type II (complex)
(Cost of materials should be between $500 and $999)

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND	3RD
$38	$13	$8

Class: 3. Type III (complex)
(Cost of materials should exceed $1,000)

DIVISION 203: REPAIRED FARM EQUIPMENT

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND
$3	$1

Class: 1. Type I (Simple)
(Six entries will be accepted per exhibitor per class, to be named on the entry form. Cost of repairs $499 or less.)

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND
$5	$3

Class: 2. Type II (Complex)
(Three entries will be accepted per exhibitor per class, to be named on entry form. Cost of repairs $500 or more.)

DIVISION 204: CHAPTER PROJECT

Cash Award of $25

Class: 1. Any FFA Chapter Ag Mechanic group project which has been constructed during the past year.

FFA HORTICULTURE DEPARTMENT

1. Exhibits in the Horticulture Department must have been grown by the exhibitors as an integral part of their Vocational Agriculture supervised program.
2. Plant(s) must have been in possession of and cared for by the exhibitor for not less than 45 days prior to April 30, 2014.
3. Watering instructions must accompany plants; if not included the exhibitor will be responsible for watering their entries.
4. Two entries per exhibitor per class.
5. SAUCER MUST ACCOMPANY POTTED PLANTS.
6. DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING.

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: APRIL 1, 2014 11:59 p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR April 28, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Exhibit Building
JUDGING: April 29
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 5 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Awards:
Outstanding Exhibit
Outstanding Exhibitor
Outstanding Chapter

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND
$2	$1

DIVISION 205: ORNAMENTAL PLANTS

Class:
1. African violet
2. Begonia
3. Caladium
4. Coleus
5. Croton
6. Dieffenbachia
7. Fern
8. Ficus Elastica
9. Geranium
10. Ivy
11. Peperomia
12. Philodendron
13. Pothos
14. Prayer plant
15. Sanserveriaed
16. Spider plant
17. Sweedish ivy/creeping charlie
18. Velvet plant
19. Wandering jew
20. Hanging plant, any kind
21. Terrarium
22. Any other plant
23. Any annual
24. Any biennial

DIVISION 206: CACTI AND SUCCULENTS

Class:
1. Cactus
2. Succulent

DIVISION 207: FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS

Class:
1. School Spirit
2. Holidays
3. Special Occasions

FFA FOODS DEPARTMENT

FFA PRESERVED FOOD DIVISIONS

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: April 1, 2014 11:59 p.m.
DELIEVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 29, 8:00 to 10:00 a.m., Exhibit Building
JUDGING: April 29, Danish System of Judging
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 5 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND	3RD
$3	$2	$1

The Exhibitor must have home produced all entries in these divisions within the last year.

Two entries will be accepted per exhibitor per class, provided a different recipe is used for each entry. Two identical containers will be required for each entry. One container will be opened for judging and the other will remain on display. Exhibitors may pick-up their opened containers April 30th, between 4:00

and 5:00 p.m. at the demonstration stage in the Exhibit Building.

STANDARD JAR: A container specifically or specially desgined for canning purposes. No paraffin seals. All canning must be in sealed jars.
FRUITS AND VEGETABLES: Clear glass, wide or narrow mouth jar with sealed lids.
JELLIES: Clear glass, standard or sculptures, 7 or 8 oz. jelly jars with sealed lids.
JAMS: Clear glass pints or half-pints, fruit jars only with sealed lids. Tomatoes and fruits, not including their juices must be processed in a boiling water bath.

DIVISION 208: CANNED FRUIT
Class:
1. Apricots
2. Peaches
3. Pears
4. Tomatoes
5. Any other fruit, identify on entry form

DIVISION 209: PICKLES AND RELISHES
Class:
1. Cucumber, sweet pickles
2. Dill Pickles
3. Vegetables, mixed, pickled
4. Relish, identify on entry form
5. Any other, identify on entry form

DIVISION 210: JAMS AND JELLIES
Class:
1. Apricot, plain jam
2. Apricot, pineapple jam
3. Strawberry jam
4. Any other jam, identify on entry form
5. Any jelly, identify on entry form

4-H DEPARTMENT

DANISH SYSTEM OF JUDGING
State Rule IV, 6 does not apply.

SPECIAL COTTON CONTEST

Sponsored by:
Dos Palos Cooperative Gin

Available to all 4-H Projects made with cotton. Prizes will be awarded to the exhibitor for entries made with COTTON or cotton blend (65% minimum). Fabrics or materials must be identified by hang tabs, labels, end of selvage, or sales slip, signed at store of purchase stating content. Exhibitor enters contest by noting "COTTON" on entry. COTTON labels will be furnished to exhibitors when entries are received. The judge will select winners.

PRIZE

1ST	2ND	3RD
$25	$15	$10

4-H HOME ECONOMICS DEPARTMENT

4-H MEDALS ARE TO BE AWARDED TO OUTSTANDING PROJECTS
Donated by Helen & Frank Gallichio

Exhibitor classification definitions:
Beginning: 1st and 2nd year in project
Intermediate: 3rd and 4th year in project
Advanced: 5th year and over in project
(unless otherwise defined)

4-H MINI MEMBER PROJECTS

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: APRIL 1, 2014 11:59 p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO EXHIBIT BUILDING:
Non-food April 7, 12 noon to 7:00 p.m. Exhibit Building.
Food April 29, 8:00 to 10:00 a.m., Exhibit Building.
JUDGING: April 9 – Non food items
April 29 – Food Items
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 5 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Five entries per exhibitor per class, each to be named on entry. NO ENTRY FEES, NO PREMIUMS PAID, RIBBON ONLY.

DIVISION 211: MINI MEMBER PROJECTS
Class:
1. Mini member – Non-food item
2. Mini member – Food item

4-H BEGINNING PROJECTS

Five entries per exhibitor, each to be named on entry. Recipes using alcohol not allowed. NO ENTRY FEES, NO PREMIUMS PAID, RIBBONS ONLY.

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: APRIL 1, 2014 11:59 p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR:
Non-food April 7, 12 noon to 7:00 p.m., Exhibit Building.
Food April 29, 8:00 to 10:00 a.m., Exhibit Building.
JUDGING: April 9- for non-food
April 29- for food entries.
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 5 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

DIVISION 212: BEGINNING PROJECTS

Class:
1. Off to a good start – non-food
2. Exploring 4-H – non-food
3. Off to a good start – food item
4. Exploring 4-H – food item

4-H CLOTHING AND TEXTILES DIVISIONS

Six different entries will be accepted per exhibitor, each to be named on entry. Different means unlike in fabric used, pattern or style. A coordinated exhibit consists of three to five items not judged elsewhere. Exhibitors are limited to entries in one division.

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DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 7, 12 noon to 7 p.m., Exhibit Building
JUDGING: April 9
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 5 between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Irene Borelli Memorial Award for Outstanding Beginning Sewing Project
Outstanding Clothing Exhibit Award

PREMIUMS OFFERED

	1ST	2ND	3RD
Single Item:	$3	$2	$1
Two Piece Outfit	$3	$2	$1
Coordinated Exhibit	$4	$3	$2

DIVISION 213: BEGINNING

Class:
1. Single item
2. Two piece item
3. Coordinated exhibit

DIVISION 214: INTERMEDIATE

Class:
1. Single item
2. Two piece item
3. Coordinated exhibit

DIVISION 215: ADVANCED

Class:
1. Single item
2. Two piece item
3. Coordinated exhibit

4-H WEARABLE ART

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND	3RD
$3	$2	$1

DIVISION 216: 4-H WEARABLE ART-EMBELLISHED

Entry must start with a purchased garment (any clothing item, purse or scarf) and embellished by the exhibitor.

Class:
1. Beginning (1st year)
2. Intermediate (2nd year)
3. Advanced (3rd year and over)

4-H HOME FURNISHINGS DIVISIONS

Five different entries will be accepted per exhibitor, each to be named on entry. Different means unlike in fabric used, pattern or design. A coordinated exhibit consists of from three to five items not judged elsewhere. Emphasis to be on the coordination of colors, texture, patterns and shapes. Exhibitors are limited to entries in one division.

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DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 7, 12 noon to 7:00 p.m., Exhibit Building
JUDGING: April 9
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 5 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Outstanding Home Furnishing Exhibit Award

PREMIUMS OFFERED

	1ST	2ND	3RD
Single Item:	$3	$2	$1
Coordinated Exhibit	$3	$2	$1

DIVISION 217: BEGINNING

Class:
1. Single item
2. Coordinated exhibit

DIVISION 218: INTERMEDIATE

Class:
1. Single item
2. Coordinated exhibit

DIVISION 219: ADVANCED

Class:
1. Single item
2. Coordinated exhibit

4-H FOODS AND NUTRITION DIVISIONS

Twelve entries will be accepted per exhibitor, one entry of a particular type (bar cookie, drop cookie, etc) to be named on entry. Exhibitor is limited to entries in one class per division. Recipes using alcohol not allowed.

Minimum quantities:

Muffins, biscuits, rolls, cookies and Candies: ½ dozen
Cake: ¼ cake plus one slice
Bread: ¼ loaf (crust end) plus one slice
Pie: ¼ pie plus one slice

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DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 29, 8:00 to 10:00 a.m., Exhibit Building
JUDGING: April 29
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 5 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Outstanding Foods & Nutrition Exhibit Award
Outstanding Cake Decorating Exhibit Award

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND	3RD
$3	$2	$1

DIVISION 220: FOODS AND NUTRITION

Class:
1. Beginning
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced

Four entries will be accepted per exhibitor, to be named on entry.

DIVISION 221: CAKE DECORATING

Class:
1. Cake or cake form (beginning)
2. Cake or cake form (intermediate or advanced)
3. Sugar mold
4. Other decorative item

4-H TABLE SETTINGS

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: April 1, 2014 11:59 p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 28, 3:00 to 8:00 p.m., Germino Building
JUDGING: April 29
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May5 between 10:00a.m. and 6:00p.m.

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1st	2nd	3rd
$5	$4	$3

1. Exhibitors must be enrolled in 4-H Foods & Nutrition.
2. One entry per exhibitor or group.
3. Space allowed: Card table, exhibitor provides.
4. Perishable foods will not be permitted.
5. All tables are limited to four place settings.
6. Menu must be furnished on table for display.
7. You may show company name and pattern names of china, crystal and silver used and any other information which might be of interest to viewers. This information should be submitted on 5”x 8” card, neatly lettered or typed.
8. Centerpiece of flowers, fruit or plant material may be used.

DIVISION 222: 4-H TABLE SETTINGS

Class:
1. Individual, Exhibitors Choice
2. Group, Exhibitors Choice

4-H FOOD PRESERVATION DIVISIONS

Twelve total entries will be accepted per exhibitor. Each entry may be a different product or the same product preserved by a different method. Exhibitor is limited to entries in one class per division. Entry must list the type of product and the method or process used. Low acid foods must be canned under pressure. Jar labels should list the type of product and process used. Dried products should be wrapped in clear plastic or sealed jars. No parafin seals, only standard canning jars with lids will be accepted. Exhibitor must bring two jars per entry, one for tasting and one for display. To prevent waste, open jars may be picked up after judging.

Minimum quantities for drying:
Fruit leather: two rolls
Jerky: six strips
Dried fruit: six to eight sections
Dried vegetables: ¼ cup
Dried herbs: one tablespoon

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: APRIL 1, 2014 11:59 p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR April 29, 8:00 to 10:00 a.m., Exhibit Building
JUDGING: April 29
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 5 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Outstanding Food Preservation Exhibit Award

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND	3RD
$3	$2	$1

DIVISION 223: CANNING

Class: 1. Beginning
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced

DIVISION 224: DRYING

Class: 1. Beginning
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced

4-H ARTS AND CRAFTS DIVISIONS

Six entries will be accepted per exhibitor per class. If leathercraft items are pre-cut or pre-stamped, the exhibitor should attach a note stating which portion of the item they completed. Exhibitors should enter projects within their ability and will be judged on neatness and artistry of their exhibit. Photographs and posters must be ready for hanging, mounted on construction paper or mount board, NO GLASS, or they will be judged but not exhibited.

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: APRIL 1, 2014 11:59 p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 7, 12 noon to 7:00 p.m., Exhibit Building
JUDGING: April 9
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 5 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Outstanding Exhibit Award in each Division

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND	3RD
$3	$2	$1

DIVISION 225: LEATHERCRAFT

Class: 1. Beginning
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced

DIVISION 226: CRAFTS

Class: 1 Beginning Stitchery/Macrame
2. Intermediate Stitchery/Macrame
3. Advanced Stitchery/Macrame
4. Beginning/any Holiday craft
5. Intemediate/any Holiday craft
6. Advanced/any Holiday craft
7. Beginning any other craft
8. Intermediate any other craft
9. Advanced any other craft

DIVISION 227: QUILTING

Class: 1. Beginning
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced
4. Club entry – Ribbons only

DIVISION 228: PHOTOGRAPHY

Class: 1. Beginning Stills
2. Intermediate Stills
3. Advanced Stills
4. Beginning Animals
5. Intermediate Animals
6. Advanced Animals
7. Beginning People
8. Intermediate People
9. Advanced People
10. Beginning any other photo
11. Intermediate any other photo
12. Advanced any other photo
13. Beginning Nature
14. Intermediate Nature
15. Advance Nature

NEW! QUILTS OF VALOR

Three entries per class per exhibitor. Sew a quilt block with red, white and blue fabrics. Block must be a minimum of 6 ½" x 6 ½", and a maximum 16 ½" x 16 ½"with an unfinished edge. Quilt block must be new 100% cotton, quilting quality fabric. Each entry will become the property of the Merced County Spring Fair and will be donated to the Los Banos Arts Council Quilters Guild. The guild will assemble them into quilts and the quilts will be presented to service members and veterans who have served in war.

DIVISION 229: QUILT OF VALOR

Class: 1. Red, White and Blue quilt block, machine or hand pieced
2. Red, White and Blue quilt block using applique technique

4-H MECHANICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Three entries will be accepted per class per exhibitor, to be named on entry for Electric, Woodworking and Metal Work divisions. Small engines limited to one entry per exhibitor per class. Rocketry limit of four entrys. All rockets must be on a mount. Exhibits with engines must not have gasoline in tanks, but may have oil and water.

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JUDGING: April 9
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Outstanding Exhibit Award in each Division

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND	3RD
$3	$2	$1

DIVISION 230: ELECTRIC

Class:
1. Beginning
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced
4. Club entry – Ribbons only

DIVISION 231: WOODWORKING

Class:
1. Beginning
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced
4. Club entry – Ribbons only

DIVISION 232: SMALL ENGINES, TRACTORS AND AUTOMOTIVE

Class:
1. Any engine
2. Any other (educational display)
3. Club entry – ribbon only

DIVISION 233: ROCKETRY

Class:
1. Beginning
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced
4. Homemade rocket, original
5. Club entry – Ribbons only

DIVISION 234: METAL WORK – SMALL PROJECT

Cost of material should be between $1 and $199.

Class:
1. Beginning
2. Intermediate
3. Advanced
4. Club entry – Ribbons only

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND	3RD
$4	$3	$2

DIVISION 235: METAL WORK – LARGE PROJECT

Cost of materials should be over $200.

Class: 1. Large metal work project

4-H PLANT SCIENCE, MISCELLANEOUS, AND RECORD BOOKS

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: APRIL 1, 2014 11:59 p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR:
April 29, 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., Exhibit Building
JUDGING: April 29, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 5 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Outstanding Plant Exhibit Award

PREMIUMS OFFERED PER CLASS

1ST	2ND	3RD
$3	$2	$1

DIVISION 236: PLANT SCIENCE

Four entries will be accepted per exhibitor to be named on entry. Watering instructions must accompany plants or exhibitor will be responsible for watering own plants. Plants must have been cared for and in possession of the exhibitor for not less than 45 days prior to April 30, 2014.

Class:
1. Ornamental horticulture
2. Dish garden – terrarium
3. Forestry
4. Other plant science

ONLINE ENTRIES DUE: APRIL 1, 2014 11:59 p.m.
DELIVER EXHIBITS TO FAIR: April 7, 10:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., Exhibit Building
JUDGING: April 9
EXHIBIT CLAIMING: May 5 between 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

DIVISION 237: MISCELLANEOUS PROJECTS

Eight entries will be accepted per exhibitor, describe on entry. Appropriate exhibits might include posters or displays of your knowledge or method learned. Exhibit Department can not guarantee wall space for displays.

Class:
1. Projects emphasizing performance and learning
2. Group entry, performance (ribbon only)
3. Project emphasizing skills
4. Group entry, skill (ribbon only)

DIVISION 238: 4-H RECORD BOOK

Must be current year record book.

Class:
1. Beginning – 1st and 2nd year
2. Intermediate – 3rd and 4th year
3. Advanced – 5th year and over