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Spring Greetings!

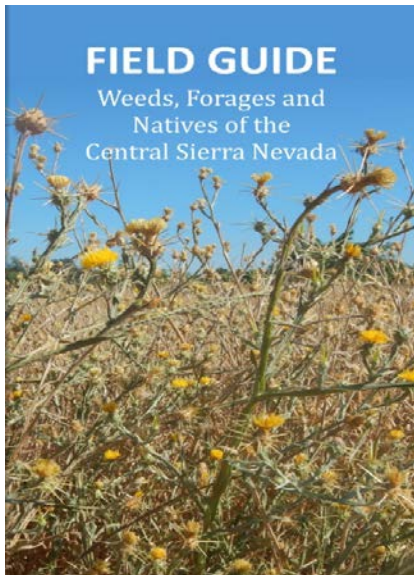
May is National Salad and Salsa month. Celebrate by taking advantage of our many educational volunteer programs by learning gardening tips from a Master Gardener or taking the upcoming Master Food Preserver class, Fiesta Sauces & Salsas! With warmer weather and longer days upon us, we are offering many classes, workshops and events happening right now, see below for more details!

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New Field Guide

Weeds, Forages, and Natives of the Central Sierra Nevada

Free copies will be available starting May. Check back for details. Or Click image for eBook.

Amador Office - Monday - Thursday, 9am - 1pm:
209-223-6482

Calaveras Office - Monday - Friday, 8am -
4:30pm: 209-754-6477

El Dorado Office - Monday - Friday, 8am - 5pm:
530-621-5502

Tuolumne Office - Monday - Friday, 9am - 5pm:
209-533-5695

Scholarships to study agriculture offered by UC ANR

Three scholarships are being offered by the University of California's Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources for college students majoring in agriculture. The scholarships will be awarded for the 2019-20 academic year. The deadline to apply or nominate for the scholarships is May 6, 2019. [Continue reading...](#)

Small Producer Egg Safety & Quality Management Workshop

Tuolumne County Department of Ag and CDFA, Egg Safety and Quality Management Program invites you to join us for an outreach and educational workshop!

Who Can Attend: Anyone producing eggs or anyone interested in producing eggs that resides in Tuolumne, Calaveras, Mariposa, Merced, Sacramento, San Joaquin and Stanislaus counties.

What: Info for Egg Producers, Intro to Chickens, Biosecurity, Hands on Candling Exercise, Poultry Disease, and Egg Quality

Date & Time: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 at 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Location: Tuolumne County Emergency Operations Center, 18440 Striker Ct, Sonora, CA

[Register online.](#)



UC Ag Expert Talks: Snails and Slugs - May 22, 2019 - Webinar

One hour webinar will cover overview of snail and slug biology, damage and management with emphasis on brown snail and Italian white snail, and current research on slug biocontrol using nematodes.

[Registration information.](#)



GRAPEVINE WATER MANAGEMENT SHORT COURSE

MAY 22 – 23 2019
SAVE THE DATE!

SPRINGHILL SUITES by MARIOTT – NAPA, CA
-Classroom Programs and Wine Tastings

UC DAVIS EXPERIMENTAL VINEYARD – OAKVILLE, CA
-Hands-on Demos and Technical Visits

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The graphic features a blue background with white text. It includes several small images: a person working in a vineyard, a 3D topographic map of a vineyard, a person sitting on a tractor, a person working in a field, and a circular diagram with three colored segments (red, blue, orange).

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The Business of Targeted Grazing

1-Day Workshop – Auburn, California

Thursday, May 23, 2019 ★ 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Cost is \$40/person Includes lunch - RSVP below

[Business of Targeted Grazing registration](#)

Considering starting a Targeted Grazing Business but don't know where to start?

Interested in adding grazing services to your livestock business?

Join UCCE for this full-day workshop focused on business practices!



This one-day workshop will focus on the business practices and logistics planning essential to managing an effective and profitable targeted grazing business. UCCE Livestock and Natural Resources Advisor Dan Macon has managed medium- and large-scale targeted grazing projects in the Sierra Foothills and Sacramento Valley. Other speakers will include current contractors and grazing experts.

Topics will include:

- Principles of Targeted Grazing and Estimating Grazing Periods
- Technology (fencing, portable water systems, grazing tracking and mapping, predator protection, etc.)
- Picking the Right Animal for the Job
- Business Management (including enterprise analysis, logistics and planning, bidding for contracts, public relations, managing cash flow, etc.)
- Grazer/Client Panel

For more information:

Dan Macon, Livestock and Natural Resources Advisor

UCCE – Placer/Nevada/Sutter/Yuba

(530) 889-7385 ★ dmacon@ucanr.edu

<http://ucanr.edu/sites/Livestock>

Calaveras Big Trees State Park UC California Naturalist Certification Course May-June 2019

Course Schedule:

Thursdays May 23 & 30, June 13 & 20 from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM
Fridays May 24 & 31, June 14 & 21 from 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

Meeting Place: Ralston Classroom at Calaveras Big Trees State Park

Course Fee: \$300 Students must purchase *The California Naturalist Handbook* (2013, UC Press) and bring a field notebook. Registration is limited to 24. **Please expect the commitment of a collegiate level class, including reading and required projects in addition to weekly class meetings.** A limited number of need-based, partial scholarships will be available.

Do you enjoy

- Exploring and learning about our local ecology?
- Engaging in citizen science?
- Sharing your knowledge with others?

This is the program for you!

The Mission of the California Naturalist Program is to foster a diverse community of naturalists and promote stewardship of California's natural resources through education and service.



Course Benefits:

- Participate in this 40 hour course that combines UC science curriculum with guest lecturers, field trips and project - based learning to explore the fascinating natural history of the central Sierra Nevada.
- UC California Naturalist Certification awarded upon completion of course requirements.
- Opportunities for volunteering and advanced learning across the state with participating organizations.
- Opportunity to receive UC academic credit
- 1 year membership to Calaveras Big Trees Association

Register Online beginning January 1, 2019 @ bigtrees.org

Deadline is April 15, 2019.

Scholarship application deadline:

April 1, 2019 (see registration page for application)

Attendance Policy: Participants must attend all classes. One class session may be missed with prior approval of instructor.

Refund Policy: Full refunds, minus a \$50 processing fee, permitted until April 15. No refunds will be issued for any reason after April 15.



For more information:
209 795-1196 or cbta@bigtrees.org

CA Naturalist website: <http://calnat.ucanr.edu/>

UCCE 4-H Youth Development

Enrollment is open for 2018-19 program year. [Join Now](#)

Volunteer Training

Look for New Adult Volunteer Training beginning in July.

Amador

Check their [Calendar & Events webpage](#).

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**Master
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Classes & Events Offered by UCCE Master Food Preservers

Amador/Calaveras

5-11: Crazy Condiments - Amador

5-15: Freezing & Dehydrating Basics - Calaveras

El Dorado

5-4: Fiesta Sauces & Salsas

5-18: BBQ Sauces & Dips

5-23: Herbal Salts & Dried Herbs

Free Youth Workshop - Tuolumne County



Jr. Jams & Jellies

A FREE EVENT FOR YOUTH AGES 5 TO 18

- Kids learn to make low-sugar jelly and enter it in the fair that day!
- Pick the type of low-sugar jelly you want to make (apple, grape, pomegranate or orange); everything is provided.
- Pre-registration required, see link below.
- Sign up for one 45-minute session between 10am - 3pm; limit 5 kids per session, one session per child.

Presented by UC Master Food Preservers

DATE: Sunday, May 5, 2019

TIME: 10am – 3pm

LOCATION: Mother Lode Fairgrounds, Sierra Building, 220 Southgate Drive, Sonora, CA 95370

CLASS FEE: Free

REGISTER: <http://ucanr.edu/jjj-tuolumne>

MORE INFO: contact Robin at 530-621-5528 or rkcleveland@ucanr.edu

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Classes & Workshops Offered by UCCE Master Gardeners

Monthly Gardening Tips

Amador

5-4: Creative Composting

5-18: Planting for Change

6-1: Do It Yourself Irrigation System



Calaveras

5-11: [Kid's Day in the Garden](#)

5-25: [Open Day in the Garden - Plant Sale](#)

El Dorado

5-4: [Making Worms Work for You](#)

5-8: [Houseplants](#)

5-11: [2nd Saturdays Open Garden Day](#)

5-18: [Water Resilient Gardening](#)

Lake Tahoe

[Growing Food in Tahoe series](#)

Check their [Classes & Events webpage](#).

Tuolumne

5-4: [Open Garden Day - Plant Sale](#)

Harvest of the Month

While carrots are available year-round, they are especially delicious in the Spring and early Summer. A great source of vitamin A, carrots are a versatile ingredient in the kitchen. Use them in [salad](#), [soups](#), [spreads](#), or as a flavorful addition to [mashed potatoes](#). If the carrot tops are fresh and green, they can even be used to make [pesto](#). Learn more about carrots and view their nutrition facts at [Harvest of the Month](#).



Classes & Events Offered by [UC CalFresh](#)

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UC IPM and more...

[Plant problem diagnostic tool](#)

[Natural Enemies Gallery](#)

[Weed Identification and Photo Gallery](#)

[Seasonal IPM](#)

[Recent Updates at IPM](#)

[UCIPM Weather Models & Degree Days webpage](#)

Thank you for your continued interest in the UC Cooperative Extension Central Sierra's news, workshops, and events.

Sincerely,

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