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# 2011 Fair Guide

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## Fair Dedicated to the Rolleri Family

Many families in this area have been part of the Frog Jump Jubilee in the years since its creation. As an involved family, the Romie Rolleri Family is one of them. While the Jubilee was still on Main Street, Romie Rolleri rode in the Pony Express contests from Sacramento to Angels carrying a mail pouch and changing mounts each ten miles. He won at least once. He lost once when his horse broke a leg and he had to carry his saddle and the mail pouch to the next relay station.

Romie's young son Dick and a cousin (Jim Tarbat), were used as the county "pin ups" in their normal overalls for the Frog Jump. Each year the contestants for the Jubilee grew and in the 30's, a permanent home was needed. Angels was chosen after Romie offered to sign a deed granting an easement. It wasn't until later that it was determined that he had not owned the property but by then a prescriptive right had been established. That is today's north entrance.

In 1944, a young telephone operator happened to

"bump" into Angels Camp. She "fell in love with the town, and the people; they were wonderful people. It was a blessed area". That young operator is now a golden senior who has donated generation after generation of service to the Fair: Rusty Rolleri. This year, the 2011 Fair is dedicated to the Rolleri Family for their generous contributions over the years.

On behalf of the entire Rolleri Family, Rusty said they were deeply honored to receive this recognition. She also made sure to mention it wasn't her specifically that the Fair was honoring, but the Rolleri Family itself. Rusty stated "It's not my family, it's the Rolleri Family. I hatched the two that are roaming around, but the family was already big before I joined it." Rusty's dedication to the Fair since 1944, almost 70 years ago, she modestly casts aside, attributing her service instead, to a "civic duty" to the town and people she loves.

Rusty Rolleri was born in Ohio and reared during the

depression. She was living in Phoenix, Arizona, working as a telephone operator and knew she wanted to relocate to California. She had a friend living in Angels Camp, whom she decided to visit, and that is how she "bumped" into and "fell in love with the town". She met her husband, Richard Rolleri, after he came home from the war. They were married in 1946. Her memories of the town and county were that "it was a very casual life, much more intimate a coexistence with all the other people in town than it is now. Richard and Rusty had two sons, Romie Jr. (named after his grandfather) and Dick Jr. (named after his father). They are both still local and live on the family ranch. Dick's children are Monica Rolleri, (married to Matt Parker) and they have two children, Bailey and Olivia (named after Grandma Rolleri, owner of the Calaveras Hotel); Micah Rolleri (married to Kim Terry) has two daughters Morgan, and Kady; and Bryan Rolleri

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## MotoX & Bullriding - Friday Night

For the first time in the history of the fair, the arena will make room for two extreme events. Together, Bull Riders and Freestyle Motocross riders will share the dirt as they perform acts of danger!

Jeff Griffin and Garrett Ahls, both sponsored Freestyle riders will perform sky-high acts from a

dirt bike ramp set up in the arena, while famous Bull Riders face off against red-eyed, angry, stomping, 2,000 pound bulls.

Sound impossible? It's not, and these professionals have worked together before to assure an event like you've never seen.

Be sure to make it down to the arena by 7:30 on

Friday night to catch this exciting new event. Bring a blanket and your favorite "food-row" treat and cuddle up to watch the Friday Night Excitement, Bull Riding and Freestyle MotoX.



**Bull Riders & MotoX**



## Bucky Covington - Saturday Night

On the Main Stage Saturday Night, will be Country Music sensation and American Idol finalist, Bucky Covington.

Bucky Covington is the most remarkable of entertainers—a man known and loved as much

for his engaging personality as for his formidable talent. His three hit singles have helped push his debut album toward gold status. The long-haired North Carolinian has a rocker's charisma and country boy charm that thrills old and new fans alike. As with all

Stage and Arena Entertainment at the Fair, the concert is included with the price of admission.



## Destruction Derby - Sunday Night

Every year, it seems the most highly anticipated and attended Fair event is the Destruction Derby and Powder Puff. Last year was deemed the most successful year ever, with over

10,000 people in attendance taking up every single blade of grass on our hillside.

Entries for the Derby and Powder Puff are accepted up until the day of the Derby, (Sunday). So, if you feel the urge to crash into something, this is the

perfect opportunity. The Destruction Derby begins at 5:30 in the Arena. Grab a blanket, a corn dog, mile high French Fries and your friends and watch the "Calaveras-Famous" Destruction Derby.

*See you there!*



**Destruction**

# Western Horse Show



**Last year's competitors saddling' up.**

The NEW Generation of Cowboys and Cowgirls are coming to fair each year and participating in our Western Horse Show. However, not only are they participating, they are WINNING! These young riders

are the children of locals who themselves rode in the Western Horse Show as youth. The Western Horse Show seems to grow in size and loyalty each year.

There are several events in our Western Horse Show including: barrel racing, calf branding, ranch roping, 2-person cattle penning, stick horse races (for our littlest buckaroos), junior 2-person cattle penning, 3-person cattle penning, cattle sorting and real ranch cattle penning. Events begin at 8:00am on Saturday morning of Fair,

and continue throughout the day.

Entries are accepted for all of these events up until the beginning of Fair, or until they are full. There is no better way to support your local cowpoke than by watching them or by participating yourself in one of the events!

For more information, or to enter, stop by the Fairground Office, or download the application from our website:  
[www.frogtown.org](http://www.frogtown.org)

## International Frog Jump



The one thing that makes the Calaveras County Fair different from any other state or county fair is our frog jumping competition. The Calaveras County Frog Jump is internationally known and draws crowds from all over the entire United States. Famous visitors, include Larry the

Cable Guy, Huell Howser of "Golden Fairs," and the Disney Movie Surfer's for promotion of their Movie, "The Princess and the Frog."

Frog teams from the West Coast to the East Coast catch their own frogs and make their way to Calaveras for a chance at becoming the next World

Champion Frog Jumper. Last year, the champion frog was 4 Peat, jockeyed by Michael Wright of the Bozo's Frog Jumping Team from Sacramento. Bozo's will be returning to defend their title this year. For your shot at the title come jump a frog. See the Fair Schedule for times.

*"The most outrageous lies that can be invented will find believers if a man only tells them with all his might."*  
- Mark Twain

## Calaveras Idol

What's the best part of American Idol? The Stars! Yes, the stars in the eyes of hopeful contestants, but mostly the real stars that the contestants get to meet and be judged by! That's the most exciting part of being an idol.

**Calaveras Idol.... Meet American Idol. Literally!** Those

Calaveras residents who vie for the title of 2011 Calaveras Idol actually get the opportunity to meet, not only a famous Country singer, but also a past American Idol contestant, Bucky Covington. Calaveras Idol contestants who make it to the finals will perform on our Main Stage Saturday night as the openers for

Bucky's evening concert. Come watch the semi-finals at 10am and 12pm Thursday and Friday and the finals at 6:00pm Saturday with Bucky.



**2010 Idol Marissa Swift**

# THURSDAY, May 19

## Heritage Day/ KIDS DAY

• 1st 100 kids receive a pirate hat •

**Free Child Admission &  
Reduced Adult Admission**



### Saddle Queen & Miss Calaveras Competitions

8:00am..... **Grounds/Gates Open**  
Swine Show—Swine Show Ring  
Sheep Show—Tower Pavilion

10:00am..... **Kiddie Parade—Downtown Angels Camp**  
**Buildings & Booths Open**  
Daily Baked Goods Judging—Home Arts Building  
Free Kids Craft Project by Lowe's (all day) - Tom Sawyer Hall  
Free Kids Sewing Project (all day) - Home Arts Building  
Free Kids Craft Project (all day) - Floriculture Building  
Free Kids Treasure Hunt—pick up at the Main Gate  
Children's Poetry Writing Workshop—Pro Arts Building  
**Mitchell's Marionettes—Kidzone**

11:00am..... Calaveras Idol Showcase  
**The Cutest Show on Earth—Kidzone**  
**Hot Dog booth opens (ends at 2pm)**  
Frog Jump Entry Booth Opens

12:00pm..... **PAUL MAURER CARNIVAL OPENS**  
**Safari Sadie Kids Balloon Show—Lawn Stage**  
**Mitchell's Marionettes—Kidzone**  
Fun Jump Frog Jumping Open—Luly Pad Stage

12:30pm..... Frog Spa open for tours—underneath the Main Stage

1:00pm..... Cavy Show—Barns  
Bonsai Demonstration by Don Balsley—Floriculture Building  
Calaveras Idol Showcase—Lawn Stage  
Wood Working w/Bob Petithome & Jack Johnson in Tom Sawyer Hall  
**The Cutest Show on Earth—Kidzone**

2:00pm..... **Saddle Queen Competition—Arena**  
Winemaker of the Day—Wine & Floral Pavilion  
San Andreas Community Covenant Knitting Group Demo—Home Arts  
Cindy Witt Concert—Lawn Stage  
Competitive Frog Jumping Team Challenge (until 4pm) - Main Stage  
**Mitchell's Marionettes—Kidzone**

3:00pm..... Singing Steve Johnson & Danny Elzig Concert—Lawn Stage  
**The Cutest Show on Earth—Kidzone**

3:30pm..... Frog Jump Entry Booth Closes

4:00pm..... Wood Working w/Bob Petithome & Jack Johnson in Tom Sawyer Hall  
**Safari Sadie Kids Balloon Show—Lawn Stage**  
**Mitchell's Marionettes—Kidzone**  
Fun Jump Frog Jumping Closes

5:00pm..... Cindy Witt Concert—Lawn Stage  
**The Cutest Show on Earth—Kidzone**

6:00pm..... Singing Steve Johnson & Danny Elzig Concert—Lawn Stage  
Crystal Image Concert—The Grove

7:00pm..... Cindy Witt Concert—Lawn Stage

7:00pm..... Top Hat School of Dance Performance—Main Stage

7:30pm..... **Fair Dedication, Roller Family — Main Stage**

8:00pm..... **Friends of the Fair \$1000 Drawing—Main Stage**  
**Miss Calaveras Scholarship Pageant—Main Stage**

11:00pm..... **Grounds Close**

# FRIDAY, May 20

## Heritage Day/ KIDS DAY

• 1st 100 kids receive a cowboy hat •

**Free Child Admission,  
& Reduced Adult Admission**



### Freestyle MotoX & Bull Riding—same arena

8:00am..... **Gates Open**  
Market Goat Show—Swine Show Ring  
Calaveras Junior Horse Show & Gymkhana—Arena

9:00am..... Beef Show—Tower Pavilion  
Rabbit Show—Barns

9:30am..... Frog Jump Entry Booth Open

10:00am..... **Buildings and Booths Open**  
Daily Baked Goods Judging—Home Arts Building  
Cupcake Wars for Kids—Tom Sawyer Hall  
**Mitchell's Marionettes—Kidzone**  
Scholastic Frog Jump (until 12:00pm)—Luly Pad Stage  
Teams Challenge Frog Jumping (until 12:00pm) - Main Stage  
Free Kids Craft Project (all day) - Floriculture Building  
Free Kids Treasure Hunt—pick up at the Main Gate

10:30am..... Frog Spa open for tours—underneath Main Stage

11:00am..... **Hot Dog booth opens (ends at 2pm)**  
Calaveras Idol Showcase  
**The Cutest Show on Earth—Kidzone**

12:00pm..... **PAUL MAURER CARNIVAL OPEN**  
**Safari Sadie Kids Balloon Show—Lawn Stage**  
**Mitchell's Marionettes—Kidzone**  
Fun Jump Frog Jumping (until 3:00pm)—Luly Pad Stage  
Open Frog Jumping (until 2:00pm) - Main Stage

1:00pm..... Wood Working w/Bob Petithome & Jack Johnson at Timber Town  
Calaveras Idol Showcase  
**The Cutest Show on Earth—Kidzone**

2:00pm..... Winemaker of the Day—Wine & Floral Pavilion  
San Andreas Community Covenant Knitting Group—Home Arts  
Cindy Witt Concert—Lawn Stage  
**Mitchell's Marionettes—Kidzone**  
Teams Challenge Frog Jumping (until 4:00pm)—Main Stage

3:00pm..... Mark Twain & Smokey the Bear—Lawn Stage  
**The Cutest Show on Earth—Kidzone**  
Special Jumps Frog Jumping (until 4:00pm)—Luly Pad Stage

4:00pm..... **Safari Sadie Kids Balloon Show—Lawn Stage**  
**Mitchell's Marionettes—Kidzone**  
Open Frog Jumping (until 5:00pm) - Main Stage  
Wood Working w/Bob Petithome & Jack Johnson in Tom Sawyer Hall

4:30pm..... Frog Jump Entry Booth Closes

5:00pm..... Cindy Witt Concert—Lawn Stage  
**The Cutest Show on Earth—Kidzone**

6:00pm..... **Grand Entry featuring the Calaveras County Saddle Queen including games for the Kids**  
Mark Twain & Smokey the Bear—Lawn Stage  
Copper Holdings Concert—The Grove

7:00pm..... **Friends of the Fair \$1000 Drawing—Arena**  
Cindy Witt Concert—Lawn Stage

7:30pm..... **WGAS Freestyle MotoX & Humpz & Hornz Bull Riding—Arena**

8:00pm..... Singing Steve Johnson & Danny Elzig Concert—The Ranch House

12:00am..... **Grounds Close**

# SATURDAY, May 21

## Pirates of the Caribbean Day

• *Special gate prize for 1st Fairgoers* •

Featuring an evening concert by:

**BUCKY COVINGTON**



### Bucky Covington Concert & Western Horse Show

- 8:00am.....**Gates Open**  
**Ranglin' and Ropin' Events**—Arena (Grand Entry featuring the Saddle Queen), National Anthem, Calf Branding, Ranch Roping, 2-Person Cattle Penning, Stick Horse Races, Junior 2-Person Cattle Penning, 3-Person Cattle Penning, Cattle Sorting, Real Ranch Cattle Penning & Barrel Racing)
- 9:30am.....Frog Jump Entry Booth Open
- 10:00am.....**Buildings & Booths Open**  
 Small Animal Round Robin—Barns  
 Daily Baked Goods Judging—Home Arts Building  
 Youth Talent Show—Lawn Stage  
 Free Kids Craft Project (all day)—Tom Sawyer Hall  
**Mitchell's Marionettes**—Kidzone  
 Fun Jump Frog Jumping (until 4:00pm) - Luly Pad Stage  
 Open Frog Jumping (until 11:00am) - Main Stage  
 Quilts of Honor Show — Home Arts Building
- 10:30am.....Frog Spa open for tours—underneath the Main Stage
- 11:00am.....**The Cutest Show on Earth**—Kidzone  
 Kids & Junior Qualifying Frog Jumping (until 12:00pm) - Main Stage
- 12:00pm.....**PAUL MAURER CARNIVAL OPENS**  
**Arm Wrestling**—Lawn Stage  
**Mitchell's Marionettes**—Kidzone  
 Teams Challenge Frog Jumping (until 3:00pm) - Main Stage
- 1:00pm.....Wood Working w/Bob Petithome & Jack Johnson in Tom Sawyer Hall  
**The Cutest Show on Earth**—Kidzone  
 On-site Flower Arranging Judging—Wine & Floral Pavilion  
 Large Animal Round Robin—Barns
- 2:00pm.....Winemaker of the Day—Wine & Floral Pavilion  
**Mitchell's Marionettes**—Kidzone
- 3:00pm.....**The Cutest Show on Earth**—Kidzone  
 Cooper Holdings Concert—The Grove  
 Open Frog Jumping (until 4:00pm) - Main Stage
- 4:00pm.....**Ag. Mechanics**—Industrial Arts Auction —Tom Sawyer Hall  
 Wood Working w/Bob Petithome & Jack Johnson in Tom Sawyer Hall  
**Mitchell's Marionettes**—Kidzone
- 5:00pm.....**Safari Sadie Kids Balloon Show**—Lawn Stage  
**The Cutest Show on Earth**—Kidzone
- 6:00pm.....Calaveras Idol Judging—Lawn Stage  
 Plan B Concert—The Grove
- 7:00pm.....**Calaveras Idol Finals**—Main Stage  
**Friends of the Fair \$1000 Drawing**—Main Stage  
**Safari Sadie Kids Balloon Show**—Lawn Stage
- 8:00pm.....**Bucky Covington Concert**—Main Stage
- 10:00pm.....**California Outlaws Concert**—The Ranch House
- 12:00pm.....**Grounds Close**

# SUNDAY, May 22

## International Frog Jump Day



### Frog Jump Finals & the Destruction Derby

- 7:00am.....**Gates Open**
- 7:30am.....Buyers Breakfast
- 9:00am.....**Junior Livestock Auction**—Tower Pavilion & Swine Ring  
 Frog Jump Entry Booth Open  
 Cattle Dog Trials—Arena
- 10:00am.....**Buildings and Booths Open**  
 Daily Baked Good Judging—Home Arts Building  
 Wild West Law Dogs—Lawn Stage  
 Fun Jump Frog Jumping (until 12:00pm) - Luly Pad Stage  
 Teams Challenge Frog Jumping (until 12:00pm) - Main Stage  
 Quilts of Honor Show — Home Arts Building
- 10:30am.....Frog Spa open for tours—underneath the Main Stage
- 11:00am.....Cindy Witt—Lawn stage  
**Safari Sadie Kids Balloon Show**—Lawn Stage
- 12:00pm.....**PAUL MAURER CARNIVAL OPENS**  
 Arm Wrestling Competition—Lawn Stage  
 Invitational Frog Jumping (until 1:30pm) - Luly Pad Stage  
 Open Frog Jumping (until 1:30pm) - Main Stage
- 1:00pm.....Wood Working w/Bob Petithome & Jack Johnson in Tom Sawyer Hall  
 Wild West Law Dogs—Lawn Stage
- 2:00pm.....Mounted Shooting Competition, Old Buckaroo and Friends—Arena  
**International Frog Jump Finals**—Main Stage  
 Winemaker of the Day—Wine & Floral Pavilion  
 Mark Twain and Smokey the Bear—Lawn Stage
- 3:00pm.....**Safari Sadie Kids Balloon Show**—Lawn Stage
- 4:00pm.....Wood Working w/Bob Petithome & Jack Johnson in Tom Sawyer Hall  
 Mark Twain and Smokey the Bear—Lawn Stage
- 5:00pm.....Wild West Law Dogs—Lawn Stage
- 5:30pm.....**Destruction Derby**—Arena, Friends of the Fair  
**\$10,000 Drawing**
- 6:00pm.....Plan B Concert—The Grove  
 Cindy Witt Concert—Lawn Stage
- 11:00pm.....**Grounds Close**

## EVERYDAY

### IN THE KIDZONE

Mitchell's Marionettes Pirate Ship and Puppet Show, The Cutest Show on Earth

### IN TIMBER TOWN

Small Engine displays, a real saw mill, natural resource display and demos

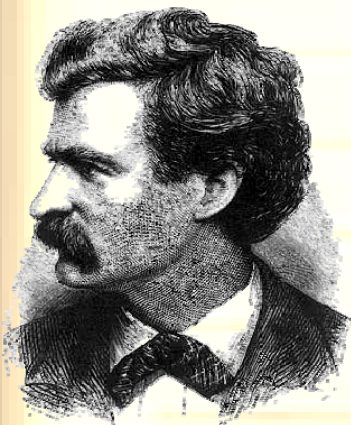
### IN THE PRO ARTS BUILDING - Art in Action

### IN THE GARDEN

Tour our new Community Garden Daily

# The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County

By Mark Twain  
(Samuel Langhorne Clemens)  
1835-1910



In compliance with the request of a friend of mine, who wrote me from the East, I called on good-natured, garrulous old Simon Wheeler, and inquired after my friend's friend, Leonidas W. Smiley, as requested to do, and I hereunto append the result.

I have a lurking suspicion that Leonidas W. Smiley is a myth; that my friend never knew such a personage; and that he only conjectured that if I asked old Wheeler about him, it would remind him of his infamous Jim Smiley, and he would go to work and bore me to death with some exasperating reminiscence of him as long and as tedious as it should be useless to me. If that was the design, it succeeded.

I found Simon Wheeler dozing comfortably by the bar-room stove of the dilapidated tavern in the decayed mining camp of Angel's, and I noticed that he was fat and bald headed, and had an expression of winning gentleness and simplicity upon his tranquil countenance. He roused up, and gave me good day. I told him that a friend of mine had commissioned me to make some inquiries about a cherished companion of his boyhood named Leonidas W. Smiley -- Rev. Leonidas W. Smiley, a young minister of the Gospel, who he had heard was at one time a resident of Angel's Camp. I added that if Mr. Wheeler could tell me anything about this Rev. Leonidas W.

Smiley, I would feel under many obligations to him.

Simon Wheeler backed me into a corner and blockaded me there with his chair, and then sat down and reeled of the monotonous narrative which follows this paragraph. He never smiled, he never frowned, he never changed his voice from the gentle-flowing key to which he tuned his initial sentence, he never betrayed the slightest suspicion of enthusiasm; but all through the interminable narrative there ran a vein of impressive earnestness and sincerity, which showed me plainly that, so far from his imagining that there was anything ridiculous or funny about his story, he regarded it as a really important matter, and admired its two heroes as men of transcendent genius in finesse. I let him go on in his own way, and never interrupted him once.

"Rev. Leonidas W. H'm, Reverend Le -- well, there was a feller here once by the name of Jim Smiley, in the winter of '49 -- or maybe it was the spring of '50 -- I don't recollect exactly, somehow, though what makes me think it was one or the other is because I remember the big flume warn't finished when he first came to the camp; but anyway, he was the curiousest man about always betting on anything that turned up you ever see, if he could get anybody to bet on the other side; and if he couldn't he'd change sides. Any way that suited the other man would suit him -- any way just so's he got a bet, he was satisfied. But still he was lucky, uncommon lucky; he most always come out winner. He was always ready and laying for a chance; there couldn't be no solit'ry thing mentioned but that feller'd offer to bet on it, and take any side you please, as I was just telling you. If there was a horse-race, you'd find him flush or you'd find him busted at the end of it; if there was a dog-fight, he'd bet on it; if there was a cat-fight, he'd bet on it; if there was a chicken-fight, he'd bet on it; why, if there was two birds setting on a fence, he would bet

you which one would fly first; or if there was a camp-meeting, he would be there reg'lar to bet on Parson Walker, which he judged to be the best exhorter about here, and so he was too, and a good man. If he even see a straddle-bug start to go anywheres, he would bet you how long it would take him to get to -- to wherever he was going to, and if you took him up, he would foller that straddle-



bug to Mexico but what he would find outwhere he was bound for how long e was on the road. Lots of the boys here has seen that Smiley, and can tell you about him. Why, it never made no difference to him -- he'd bet on any thing -- the dangdest feller. Parson Walker's wife laid very sick once, for a good while, and it seemed as if they warn't going to save her; but one morning he came in, and Smiley up and asked him how she was, and he said she was considerable better -- thank the Lord for his inf'nite mercy -- and coming on so smart that with the blessing of Prov'dence she'd get well yet; and Smiley before he thought, says, 'Well, I'll resk two-and-a-half she don't anyway.'" Thish-yer Smiley had a mare -- the boys called her the fifteen-minute nag, but that was only in fun, you know, because of course she was faster than that -- and he used to win money on that horse, for all she was so slow and always had the asthma, or the distemper, or the consumption, or something of that kind. They used to give her two or three hundred yards' fag end of the race she'd get excited

and desperate like, and come cavorting and straddling up, and scattering her legs around limber, sometimes in the air, and sometimes out on one side among the fences, and kicking up m-o-r-e dust and raising m-o-r-e racket with her coughing and sneezing and blowing her nose -- and always fetch up at the stand just about a neck ahead, as near as you could cipher it down.

"And he had a little small bull-pup, that to look at him you'd think he warn't worth a cent but to set around and look ornery and lay for a chance to steal something. But as soon as money was up on him he was a different dog; his under-jaw'd begin to stick out like the fo'castle of a steamboat, and his teeth would uncover and shine like the furnaces. And a dog might tackle him and bully-rag him, and bite him, and throw him over his shoulder two or three times, and Andrew Jackson -- which was the name of the pup -- Andrew Jackson would never let on but what he was satisfied, and hadn't expected nothing else -- and the bets being doubled and doubled on the other side all the time, till the money was all up; and then all of a sudden he would grab that other dog jest by the j'int of his hind leg and freeze to it -- not chaw, you understand, but only just grip and hang on till they throwed up the sponge, if it was a year. Smiley always come out winner on that pup, till he harnessed a dog once that din't have no hind legs, because they'd been sawed off in a circular saw, and when the thing

had gone along far enough, and the money was all up, and he come to make a snatch for his pet holt, he see in a minute how he'd been imposed on, and how the other dog had him in the door, so to speak, and he'peared surprised, and then he looked sorter discouraged-like, and didn't try no more to win the fight, and so he got shucked out bad. He give Smiley a look, as much as to say his heart was broke, and it was his fault, for putting up a dog that hadn't no hind legs for him to take holt of, which was his main dependence in a fight, and then he limped off a piece and laid down and died. It was a good pup, was that Andrew Jackson, and would have made a name for hisself if he'd lived, for the stuff was in him and he had genius -- I could make such a fight as he could under them circumstances if he hadn't no talent. It always makes me feel sorry when I think of the last fight of his'n, and the way it turned out."

Well, thish-yer Smiley had rat-tarriers, and chicken-cocks, and tomcats and all them kind of things, till you couldn't rest, and you couldn't fetch nothing for him to bet on but he'd match you. He ketched a frog one day, and took him home, and said he calc'lated to educate him; and so he never done nothing for three months but set in his back yard and learn that frog to jump. And you bet you he did learn him, too. He'd give him a little punch behind, and the next minute you'd see that frog whirling in the air like a doughnut -- see him turn one summerset, or maybe a couple, if he got a good start, and come down flat-footed and all right, like a cat. He got him up so in the matter of ketching flies, and kep' him in practice so constant, that he'd nail a fly every time as fur as he could see him. Smiley said all a frog wanted was education, and he could do 'most anything -- and I believe him. Why, I've seen him set Dan'l

Webster down here on this floor -- Dan'l Webster was the name of the frog -- and sing out, 'Flies, Dan'l, flies!' and quicker'n you could wink he'd spring straight up and snake a fly off'n the counter there, and flop down on the floor ag'in as solid as a gob of mud, and fall to scratching the side of his head with his hind foot as indifferent as if he hadn't no idea he'd been doin' any more'n any frog might do. You never see a frog so modest and straight-for'ard as he was, for all he was so gifted. And when it come to fair and square jumping on a dead level, he could get over more ground at one straddle than any animal of his breed you ever see. Jumping on a dead level was his strong suit, you understand; and when it came to that, Smiley would ante up money on him as long as he had a red. Smiley was monstrous proud of his frog, as well as he might be, for fellers that had traveled and been everywhere all said he laid over any frog that ever they see." Well, Smiley kep' the beast in a little lattice box, and he used to fetch him down-town sometimes and lay for a bet. One day a feller -- a stranger in the camp, he was -- came acrost him with his box, and says, 'What might it be that you've got in the box?'

And Smiley says, sorter indifferent-like, 'It might be a parrot, or it might be a canary, maybe, but it ain't -- it's only just a frog.'

And the feller took it, and looked at it careful, and turned it round this way and that, and says, 'H'm -- so 'tis. Well, what's he good for?'

'Well,' Smiley says, easy and careless, 'he's good enough for



one thing, I should judge -- he can out jump any frog in Calaveras County.'

The feller took the box again, and took another long, particular look, and give it back to Smiley, and says, very deliberate, 'Well,' he says, 'I don't see no p'int about that frog that's better'n any other frog.'

" 'Maybe you don't,' Smiley says. 'Maybe you understand frogs and maybe you don't understand 'em; maybe you've had experience, and maybe you ain't only a amature, as it were. Anyways, I've got my opinion, and I'll resk forty dollars that he can out jump any frog in Calaveras County.'

" And the feller studied a minute, and then says, kider sad-like, 'Well, I'm only a stranger here, and I ain't got no frog; but if I had a frog, I'd bet you.'

" And then Smiley says, 'That's all right -- that's all right -- if you'll hold my box a minute, I'll go and get you a frog.' And so the feller took the box, and put up his forty dollars along with Smiley's, and set down to wait. " So he set there a good while thinking and thinking to himself, and then he got the frog out and prized his mouth open and took a teaspoon and filled him full of quail-shot -- filled him pretty near up to his chin -- and set him on the floor. Smiley he went to the swamp and slopped around in the mud for a long time, and finally he ketched a frog, and fetched him in, and give him to this feller, and says:

" 'Now, if you're ready, set him alongside of Dan'l, with his fore paws just even with Dan'l's and I'll give the word.' Then he says, 'One -- two -- three -- git!' and him and the feller touched up the frogs from behind, and the new frog hopped off lively, but Dan'l give a heave, and hysted up his shoulders -- so -- like a Frenchman, but it warn't no use -- he couldn't budge; he was planted solid as a church, and he couldn't no more stir than if he was anchored out. Smiley was a good deal surprized, and

he was disgusted too, but he didn't have no idea what the matter was, of course.

" The feller took the money and started away; and when he was going out at the door, he sorter jerked his thumb over his shoulder -- so -- at Dan'l, and says again, very deliberate, 'Well,' he says, 'I don't see no p'int about that frog that's any better'n any other frog.'

" Smiley he stood scratching his head and looking down at Dan'l a long time, and at last he says, 'I do wonder what in the nation that frog throwed off for -- I wonder what if there ain't something the matter with him -- he 'pears to look mighty baggy, somehow.' And he ketched Dan'l by the nap of the neck, and hefted him, and says, 'Why blame my cats if he don't weigh five pound!' and turned him upside down and he belched out a couble handful of shot. And then he see how it was, and he was the maddest man -- he set the frog down and took out after the feller, but he never ketched him. And -- " (Here Simon Wheeler heard his name called from the front yard, and got up to see what was wanted.) And turning to me as he moved away, he said; "Just set where you are, stranger, and rest easy -- I aint going to be gone a second."

But, by your leave, I did not think that a continuation of the history of the enterprising vagabond Jim Smiley would be likely to afford me much information concerning the Rev. Leonidas W. Smiley, and so I started away.

At the door I met the sociable Wheeler, returning, and he buttonholed me and recommenced:

" Well, thish-yer Smiley had a yaller one-eyed cow that didn't have no tail, only just a short stump like a bannanner, and --" However, lacking both time and inclination, I did not wait to hear about the afflicted cow, but took my leave.

# 2011 Miss Calaveras Contestants

Seven contestants will compete for the title of 2011 Miss Calaveras. They will compete in the areas of interview, health & fitness, talent and evening gown. There are also offered the opportunity to win several other scholarships. The competition begins at 8:00pm on the Main Stage. This year, Charleton Churchill Photography graciously donated it's services to the pageant contestants and took professional photographs of them, which you can view below, as you read more about each of our lovely contestants.



## Rachel Geiszler

Rachel Geiszler is an 18-year-old senior at Calaveras High School. She currently resides in Valley Springs, California with her parents Antoinette and Clark Geiszler, and her younger sister Michelle Geiszler. Her sponsors, Antoinette Geiszler CPA, Crivello's Body Shop, Young's Payless IGA, Al's Tires, Mr. and Mrs. Millsaps, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnson, deserve an immense amount of gratitude for supporting her throughout this pageant. Rachel is participating in the Miss Calaveras Pageant because helping the community plays a big role in her life and she hopes to help others throughout the community. Following her graduation from Calaveras, she plans to attend Stanislaus State University where she will pursue her Bachelors of Science in nursing, following her work toward her Masters Degree to become a Nurse Practitioner.



## Sarah Kraemer

Sarah Kraemer is a 17-year-old senior currently attending Bret Harte High School. She is a resident of Copperopolis and the daughter of Mark and Renee Kraemer. She is an avid participant in theatrical productions, especially musicals. She also has a great interest in playwriting and soccer. Sarah has been accepted into CSU Sacramento and plans to attend in the fall to pursue a major in Music. For her talent, Sarah intends to perform a vocal piece. Sarah would like to thank her sponsors, including but not limited to: Larry and Susan Hoffman of the Town Hall Arts Gallery in Copper, Century 21 Central Sierra Realty, Shirley Collins, Leslie and Jon Watkins of Fancy Pans, and Mark and Renee Kraemer, Caltel Internet, Melissa Pansby and Le-anne Minehart of Shirley's Beauty Salon.



## Emalie McGee

Emalie McGee is a 17-year-old senior at Calaveras High School and currently lives in Mountain Ranch. Emalie hopes to attend Utah Valley University after graduating to study International Relationships. She is running for Miss Calaveras because she feels it is a fantastic way to give back to the community. She would like to thank her mom, Dianna McGee, and the rest of her family for their undying support. She would also like to thank her generous sponsors, Mary Anne Meeks, Melody's Music, Latshaw Masonry, House of Flowers, Melissa Pansby of Allen Arnold Hair Design and Spa, the talented hands of Adelle at Allen Arnold Hair Design and Spa, Sender's Market, Brawner Automotive, Kelly's Drug Store, Walker Communication and Funding, and Crossriver's Pet Boarding and Grooming. Without the generosity of her supportive sponsors she would not be able to participate in this fun and amazing experience.



## Katie Tanner

My name is Katie Tanner and I am a 17-year-old senior attending Calaveras High School. For her talent she will be performing *Marimba Flamenca*, a four mallet marimba solo written by Alice Gomez. She would like to thank her wonderful sponsors for all of their support: Bill and Melissa Burdick of Impact Promotions, Teachers for Tanner, Tracy Morlan, her grandparents Harlan and Peggy Bimat and Jack and Beverly Tanner, her brother David Tanner and her parents Terri and Dave Tanner. Next year she will be attending the Conservatory of Music at the University of the Pacific majoring in Music Education. She hopes to someday be a High School band teacher.

## Rosie Giannini



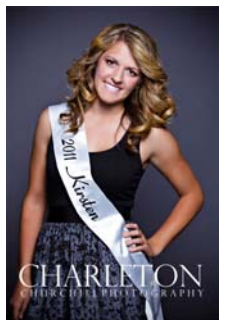
Rosie Giannini is a 18-year-old senior at Calaveras High School. She currently resides on her family ranch in San Andreas with her parents, Daryl and Laurie Giannini. Rosie plans to attend Modesto Junior College after high school to pursue an Associate's Degree in Agriscience. From there, she plans to attend a four year university to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Ag Communications and International Agriculture. Rosie would like to thank her sponsors Mr. and Mrs. Dave Mills of Angel's Sheet Metal, Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Johnson of Angel's Sewer and Drain and the Walraven Family for all their support. For her talent, Rosie will be singing "Anything Goes" written by Cole Porter.

## Rachel Caynak



Rachel Caynak is an 18-year-old senior at Calaveras High School. She lives in Valley Springs with her parents John and Cheryl Caynak, and her brother Ryan. She is currently being sponsored by Firefall Jewelers, Lt. Col. John P. Caynak, USMC Retired, the David Family and her grandparents, Jim and Trish. Rachel is interested in academics, student leadership, and volunteering. She will be attending UC Davis in the fall with a major in Applied Mathematics, working toward her teaching degree. Rachel would enjoy being Miss Calaveras because it would be a unique opportunity to be involved in the community. Rachel would love to represent Calaveras County, help with local events and be a role model for young girls.

## Kirsten Puccinelli



Kirsten Elizabeth Puccinelli is a 17-year-old senior at Bret Harte High School. She has five wonderful sponsors, Darrin Mills of Distinctive Metals, Terri Theim and Joanne Inks of Murphys Motorcycle Company, Mike Fullaway of Calaveras Lumber, Tim Bennett of Pioneer Electric, and Cathleen Bennett of Century 21 Sierra Properties. For her talent, she will be singing "Cowboy Take Me Away" by the Dixie Chicks. She is running for Miss Calaveras because she feels like it would be a great way to give back and represent a community that has given her so much. She feels like it would be an amazing opportunity to show what a great role model she can be for young girls and her peers.

# Think in Pink

A Bret Harte **FFA Beef Exhibitor**, **Shannon Tower** has decided to go pink for the Calaveras County Fair. Pink as in the spirit of the American Cancer Society. Shannon has chosen to donate **1/3 of the proceeds** earned by the sale of her steer to the **American Cancer Society** in the name of her buyer. Look for her sign at fair, it will be easy to find, just follow the PINK!



## BUS SCHEDULE

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# 2011 Junior Fairboard



Some members of the 2011 Junior Fairboard

Each year high school students throughout Calaveras County volunteer to be members of the Calaveras County Junior Fairboard. Their commitment to

the Fair is critical to the Fair's success. They help with all aspects of the Fair, including Frog Jump, arena events, Livestock Auction and

by acting as the Frog and Cow mascots. We are so proud of the young people who have dedicated their time to volunteer at the Fair.

We are pleased to announce the 2011 Junior Fairboard Members:

Adrienne Alberts  
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Aspyn Butzler  
Melayna Campbell  
Taylor Campbell  
Eli Thom  
Brittany Cox  
Jaclyn Cunningham  
Macayla Cunningham

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Alissa LeeAnn White

## ADVANCE TICKET PRICING

The following prices are good for purchases made from the Fairground Office BEFORE May 17 at 5:30 pm

Family Pass (4 daily tickets, one parking pass) - \$30  
4-Day Parking Pass - \$15  
Single Day Carnival - \$20  
Single Day Parking - \$5  
Single Day Weekend Adult Admission - \$8

## EXHIBITOR TICKET PRICING

Single Day Exhibitor Admission - \$6  
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# It's Hip to Be Local!



A Locavore by definition is someone who exclusively (or at least primarily) eats foods from their local or regional foodshed or a determined radius from their home (commonly either 100 or 250 miles, depending on location). Although trending now, the Locavore movement has been part of the Calaveras County Fair since its inception in 1893. A great example is the Cliff Lombardi Memorial Award, given to the champion beef that was bred by a Calaveras County producer.

Mrs. Pat Lombardi started the award in the late 1980's after the death of her husband Clifford. Clifford and Pat had only been married two years when Clifford passed away in 1985. "I was overwhelmed at the funeral. There were so many people there. I realized he had meant a great deal to the community," Pat reminisces.

Clifford Lombardi was a lifetime resident and a cattleman. Pat wanted to honor his memory. It was suggested by friends Loree Joses and Rosemary Faulkner that she sponsor a special award in his memory. She decided to approach the Fair officials about an award for the champion beef bred by a Calaveras County producer. At the time there was a class for Calaveras and Tuolumne Beef,

## This year's Cliff Lombardi Memorial Buckle!

but not Calaveras only.

The first year there were three animals in the county bred class. "Kids even from ranching families were purchasing their steers from out of the area to be competitive. I encouraged local ranchers to purchase better bulls and improve their stock," recalls Pat. "I really wanted a girl to win with a Hereford Steer and by the third year Allison Ramorini won with a Hereford Steer and I was so thrilled. Every year I thank the Lord for the opportunity to honor Cliff this way," continues Pat. Those first years Pat would present the award at the Junior Livestock Auction and often the winner's animal would sell for more than the Supreme Champion.

At the 2011 Fair, 24 of the 49 steers exhibiting have entered in the county bred class. Local herds are very competitive in today's market and more and more junior exhibitors are purchasing locally.

***Fairs have always been part of the Locavore culture, we just did not know it was hip!***



## NEW! The Grove

Remember the days when you could sit in the shade, sip on a nice cool beer and listen to music after a long ride in the sun? Well, if it's been too long, refresh your memory this year at The Grove.

Stop by The Grove to refresh your spirits, and drink some as well. The Grove will be serving beer, sponsored by Blue Moon Brewery, feature music and be a nice relaxing place to enjoy the Fair.



### Grove Concert Schedule:

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Saturday, 3:00pm  
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Saturday, 6:00pm  
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# Record-breaking Leaps



**Brent Bloom wins the International Frog Jumping Competition in 2007.**



**Hoss the frog jockeyed by Brent Bloom, founder of the Bozo's Frog Team of Sacramento, CA.**



**The Bozo's Frog Team of Sacramento, CA after their 2007 victory.**

The 2011 Jumping Frog Jubilee marks the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the current World's Record Jump and an unprecedented attempt to extend a team's winning streak to five-in-a-row. The Bozo Frog Team of Sacramento has won the event for the past four years. But for a quarter-century, no one has topped the World's Record of 21 feet 5 and ¾ inches set in 1986 by Lee Guidici of Santa Clara with his frog "Rosie the Ribiter."

The Bozo Team of family and friends has won Top Frog honors nine times since it was formed some 40 years ago. Bloom and two high school friends started the Bozo legacy at Frogtown in 1971. They drove up from the Bay Area to give it a try and they were hooked on the fun event.

By 1978 the team had grown to 20 members and

they claimed their first championship title. Bozo Frog Jockeys jumped the Top Frog again in 1980 and 1983, when they set a new World's Record at 20 feet, 3 and 3/8 inches. That record was broken the next year.

The Bozos kept competing, finishing near the top most years, taking top honors again in 1992 and 1996. Team member Brian Cummings wound up on the Jay Leno Show with his 1996 winner "3 Legs Are Better Than None," a three-legged amphibian he caught in the Sacramento area.

Over the years, Bloom and other team members moved to Sacramento and today their kids, who first competed as kindergarteners, are now young adults who return every year to defend the Bozo name at Frogtown. The current winning streak

started in 2007 when Bloom won first place with his frog "Lisa Can Do" jumping 21 feet, 4 and ¼ inches. Out of eight places awarded each year, the Bozos took five in 2007: first, second, fifth, seventh and eighth places. Jacob Smith took the Bozos to first place in 2008; Sean Hooley topped the field in 2009 and Michael Right won in 2010. Other Bozos scored in the top eight each year.

They all agree that Bloom is the force behind the team. He trains frog jockeys to win. In 2007, the winning Bozo team included four boys between the ages of 8 and 18 who had never jumped a frog before. Bloom showed them how to do it just days before the Jubilee.

- **Sandi Lema**, Frog Jump Committee



## Paul Maurer Shows Returns

Paul Maurer Shows will return this year with two carnivals. There will be a Kiddie Carnival located by the Frog Pond, and of course the stomach churning excitement of the adult carnival and midway. Get your fill of rides,

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## It's All About The Kids! And, It's Free

The Calaveras County Fair & Jumping Frog Jubilee is planning fun inter-active activities for children to participate in on Heritage Days: Thursday, May 19 and Friday, May 20. Children age twelve and under receive free admission. Heritage Days will host special Pirate Fun for all our Buccaneers.

On Thursday, the first 100 Lads and Lassies will receive a pirate hat and the next 400 will receive a pirate eye patch. On

Friday the Wild West is in town and the first 100 buckaroos receive cowboy hats and then the next 400 receive a sheriff badge.

Treasure Maps will be available at Guest Relations. Children are led on an adventure throughout the Fair and at the end of their journey they find a treasure.

In addition, on Thursday, May 19 in Home Arts there will be a "make-and-take" project. Lowe's has provided a building project

for kids. Tom Sawyer Hall will host the Lowe's project. Children will be able to make potpourri in the Vines and Petals Building. A poetry project will be featured in the Pro Arts Building.

The exhibit buildings will be hosting hands-on activities every day during the Fair. All of the shows and craft projects featured this year are free for the kids! For more information see the tentative schedule of events.



**Steve  
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**Talibah  
Al Rafiq**

# Made In America

Calaveras County Fair & Jumping Frog Jubilee celebrates the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Modern Agricultural Fair through a new exhibit, *Made in America: The Story of a Modern Fair*. This exhibit unveils the history of the first modern fair and shares the traditions of our farms and ranchers from the past to present.

Fairgoers will enjoy stories and images dating back to 1811 from across the country and experience how the modern agricultural fair evolved and spread during the last 200 years into what it is today. *Made in America* offers a chance for patrons to discover the history of unique fair foods, the expansion of entertainment and livestock and what it takes

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*Made in America: The Story of the Modern Fair*, will be in Tom Sawyer Hall, which is located near the Carnival Entrance for the duration of the Fair.

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## Calaveras Frog Go On Tour

The Celebrated Frogs of Calaveras County will soon launch a promotional tour to build excitement for the 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Calaveras County Fair and Jumping Frog Jubilee.

Accompanying the frogs on their promotional tour are the Calaveras Frog Wranglers, a group of volunteers dedicated

to the history and community pride reflected in the Jumping Frog Jubilee.

First stop is at the State Capitol in Sacramento on May 4. At noon near the north steps of the Capitol, lawmakers and media personalities will test their frog jumping skills. The event

is hosted by Senator Ted Gaines, who represents Calaveras County.

Next stop is the annual Miners' Picnic at the Angels Camp Museum on May 7, beginning at noon. Each participant will receive a Frog Jump ribbon.

Calaveras County

employees will gather at noon on May 10 for the traditional Frog Jump competition at the Government Center in San Andreas. County Departments vie in a spirited competition at this event.

Jackson Rancheria Casino and Hotel in neighboring Amador County will host a Frog Jump on May 15 for members of its Dreamcatcher's Club. The jump is at the casino entrance from 1 to 3 p.m.

Winners of each of these sanctioned frog jumps will appear in the Grand Finals of the Jumping Frog Jubilee at 2pm on May 22 at Frogtown.

During Frog Jump the public can meet the celebrated frogs at the backstage retreat where they relax between appearances. Visitors are encouraged to enter at the rear of the Main Stage for an insight into the competitors' training regimen.



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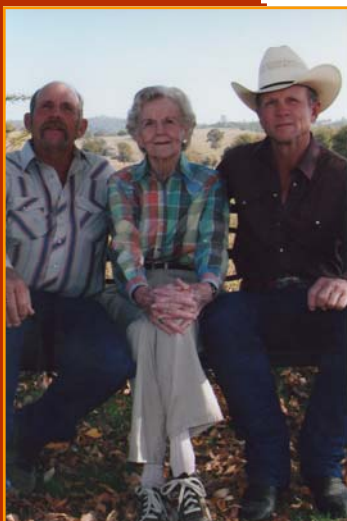
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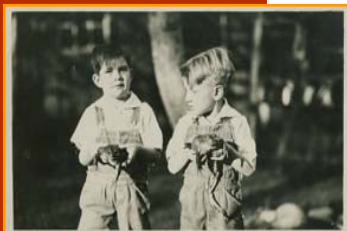
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# The Rolleri Family, Cont.



Rusty with her two sons,  
G. Romie (left) & Dick (right).



Dick Rolleri's cousin, Jim  
Tarbat (left) & Dick (right) -  
Calaveras County  
"pin-ups" of the 1930's.



Rusty with her three  
grandchildren and six  
great-grandchildren

(married to Teonna Kawcak) has two sons, Kyler and Trace. Rusty calls her other son, Romie "an official uncle". As luck of the draw would have it, Rusty has six beautiful great grandchildren, "3 boys, 3 girls, 3 brown eyes, 3 blue."

Rusty started her participation with the Fair by entering floriculture exhibits, where she still plays an active role. In fact, she sent someone out to the Fairgrounds just a few weeks ago to pick up an exhibit guide book so that they could enter for the first time. Rusty has helped with flowers since the 1950's and has been a member of the Calaveras County Garden Club for 50 years. She continues to donate her garden skills to the Fair. With Judy Dean, she planted the Historical Rose Garden, advise the Fairgrounds yearly on what flowers to plant and has guided her grandchildren and greats on entering flowers.

Rusty's husband Dick was involved in horse races and horse shows many years at the fair as were both his sons. When son Dick married and had children, he was active in the Pony Express and won trophy buckles for each of his children. The family's tradition of donation and service continues. Micah Rolleri, just last year poured the

concrete work for the new Ranch House and put in the railing at the Cattlemen's Park. Rusty's children, Romie and Dick were both in 4H, her grandchildren were in 4H and FFA and she believes her great-grandchildren will be (Morgan already is).

We are greatly thankful to the Rolleri Family for all they have done over the years for the Fair, and we are pleased that they allowed us this opportunity to honor them. One piece of advice from

Rusty we would like to pass along is that the Fair "really needs people to take interest in it and bring their ideas to the Fair. So many ideas that people have are wonderful." Also, she thinks the "Frog Jump competition is fun for people to just go and watch; you don't have to jump." Thank you Rusty for staying interested in our Fair and for creating a family tradition to be proud of.



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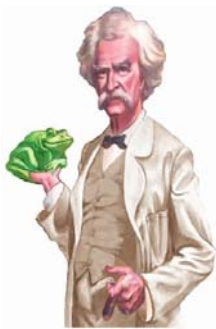


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## State Capital Jump

Frog pros will shift attention from budget woes to frog pros at the State Capitol on May 4. Elected officials and their staff members will welcome the Celebrated Jumping Frogs of Calaveras County for a spirited competition beginning at noon. Winners of the State Capitol Jump will participate in the Grand Finals at the 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Calaveras County Fair and Jumping Frog Jubilee.

This event began in the 1970's when Congressman John Garamendi, a Calaveras native, was serving in the State

Assembly. This tradition has been carried out over the years by other elected representatives. State Senator Ted Gaines is hosting this year's Jump. Trophies are presented in three categories – longest jump, shortest jump and media winner.

Accompanying the frogs on their trip from Frogtown to the State Capitol are the Frog Wranglers, a volunteer group dedicated to the history and community pride reflected in the Jumping Frog Jubilee.

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# 2011 Saddle Queen Contestants



## Ashley Gilmore

My name is Ashley Gilmore. I am a 16-year-old junior at Calaveras High School. Outside of school I'm a cheerleader, I ride horses and I am strongly involved in the FFA. I will be riding Foxy in the competition and I am very excited. I chose to

compete in Saddle Queen because I really enjoy riding horses and I want other young girls to be able to look up to me. I have only been riding for about 4 years, but in the last year I have learned much more than I expected about riding.

I plan on attending U.C. Davis Medical School to become a doctor. When I am done with school, I plan to be close to my hometown.

I want to thank my sponsors: Al's Tire, Country Feed & More, Brawner Automotive, Roark Weber, Mary Kay-Gold Nugget, and Airola & Airola Attorney. I also want to thank Rayma Castro for donating her time and horses to me. Most of all I want to thank my parents and my brother for their support!



## Jessica Conley

My name is Jessica Ann Conley. I am a seventeen-year-old senior at Calaveras High School. I live in Valley Springs with my parents Randy and Lori Conley. I have one younger sister Rebecca Conley. After I graduate I plan to

attend Delta College and transfer to the University of Stanislaus to receive a degree in teaching.

My hobbies include riding and showing my horses. I have had horses all my life and have showed in: barrel racing, western pleasure, trail, and reining. I have raced micro sprint cars with my family for eleven years where I was taught sportsmanship.

I am running for the Miss Calaveras Saddle Queen because of my passion for horses, to challenge myself as an all-around rider, and to be a more confident public speaker. I hope to be able to represent my county at various events this year.



## Melayna Campbell

My name is Melayna Campbell. I am a 17-year-old junior at Calaveras High School and my sponsors are JM Land & Cattle Co. and Country Cafe. My background has involved horses all my life from show horses

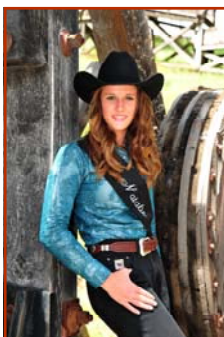
to rope horses and rodeo. I have taken large part in my father's horse breeding program as well as shown paint horses on the APHA circuit for several years now and in the past year I have become a part of the District 3 high school rodeo team. After graduating high school, I will most likely be attending Sierra Community College for my general education and continuing on to medical school to become an eye surgeon. The horse I will be riding in the Calaveras Saddle Queen competition is my reining horse Look Who's Shining aka Sammy. I look forward to competing and wish to see you all at the Calaveras County Frog Jump. God bless!



## Holly Zeller

My name is Holley Zeller. I am a 17-year-old senior at Calaveras High School. I currently reside in Valley Springs with my parents Muriel and Rand Zeller. I've had a true passion for horses as long as I can remember. I love animals in general and

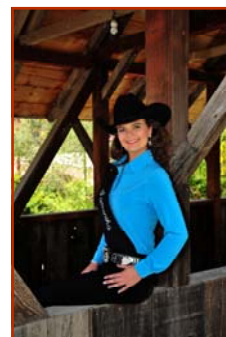
plan to be a small animal veterinarian. I am an active member of the California Gymkhana Association and show monthly on my horse Sabrus Keepsake. I'm also a skilled artist.



## Natalie Harp

My name is Natalie Harp. I am 17 years old. This year I'm a junior attending Calaveras High School. I have been riding horses for almost seven years now and have loved every minute of it. My hobbies are riding horses swimming, art,

and photography. I hope to go to UC Davis after I graduate high school to become a veterinarian someday. My sponsors are Harp Learning Institute, Tunquist Farms, and Tony Marin.



## Samantha Cobb

Hello! My name is Samantha Cobb. I'm 15 years old and the daughter of Vicki Cobb. I am a freshman at Bret Harte High School and involved in CSF. I have played volleyball for four years and I love outdoor sports. I was

born in Walnut Creek, and now a current resident of Arnold, California. I currently work at Horse and Barrel and Big Trees Market. After high school I plan to apply to Fresno State University and study animal sciences. I also hope to compete on the Varsity Equestrian team at Fresno. I found my horse-crazy passion at the age of 3. I never was the little girl who wanted to be a princess, I always wanted to be a jockey. When I first heard of Calaveras Saddle Queen it became a new dream of mine, one I knew I could make reality and hopefully it will be. I want to thank everybody who has helped me get this far, especially my hero Ryan VanCleave. And a special thanks to my sponsors: Horse And Barrel, Big Trees Market, Envy Salon, and The Lumber Mill.

## Ag Mechanics Auction - Saturday 4pm

High school students involved in Ag Mechanics and Industrial Arts will be able to sell their craft at the 2011 Calaveras County Fair. Just like the pirates of old honed their skills at sea; students are learning trades at our local high schools.

Students are manufacturing wood furniture and agricultural gates, BBQ barrels, chutes and much more at Calaveras and Bret Harte high schools. "The industrial arts auction offers kids an opportunity they've never had before—it also gives the community a chance to encourage young craftsmen. I'm excited that we're able to add an auction element to this program" commented Board Member, Darrin Mills who owns a metal and steel manufacturing company.

# Junior Livestock Auction: Sunday, May 22 9:00AM

4-H, FFA and Grange livestock projects provide opportunities for young people to develop solid values that will serve their community wherever they live. The Junior Livestock Auction provides the community an opportunity to invest in our youth and their future. Proceeds from the sale of projects often fund college educations, enhancing the ability of these young people to contribute to their

communities.

As a Buyer, your participation in the sale recognizes youth for the time, expense and effort that has gone into raising an animal for market. You may also obtain advertising value that accrues through the purchase of these animals.

## **TWO WAYS TO PARTICIPATE**

1. Attend the sale in person. The excitement of the event and the drama of the

auctioneer's cry create an unforgettable scene. Auction officials will gladly assist you.

2. If you are unable to attend but wish to participate you can do so by proxy. Just fill out the bid slip or contact a member of the Livestock Committee.

Interested in participating? Contact Melissa Walraven at the Fairground Office now at 209.736.2561 or [melissa@frogtown.org](mailto:melissa@frogtown.org).

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## Friends of the Fair & The New Ranch House

In 2010 the Friends wanted to make improvements to the Cattlemen's Park. At the time, no one could have guessed how that idea would take shape. In 31 days, an old storage building and adjacent storage area was transformed into a beautiful rustic club house with a top quality stage and entertainment area. This facility now dubbed as the "Ranch House" is not only an asset to the Annual Fair, but is also an area that can be rented during the year. Be sure to stop by during Fair for cold beer, CAMPS food, great music and historical pictures of the Fair and our community members! And, why not join Friends of the Fair while you're there?



## Wintercreek Foundation

Wintercreek Foundation found its start in Calaveras County in 2004. As a long time resident, Wintercreek's Founder Patricia Higgins has grown with this community since 1969. It has been important to Patricia Higgins and Wintercreek that there is community outreach and support for our many deserving residents. Their support has come in the form of Educational Resources, Community Resources and Special Interest Projects.

Working closely with the local Calaveras Schools, Wintercreek has worked on a number of projects all in an effort to provide state of the art educational resources. remodeling of Science Labs, Libraries, Technology,

Music, Art & Theater. Many of these programs have been cut statewide, which ultimately impacts and limits our children. Wintercreek Foundation is proud to assist our young community and has been grateful to the children who prosper from these tools.

Community Resources from Wintercreek have been provided to those who protect, care and support our community, such as our City Officials, Hospitals, Animal Services and the Calaveras County Fair. We are proud to assist those who make our community great and very proud to be a major sponsor for a piece of Calaveras County History.



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