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### Supervisors Recognize Coarsegold Rodeo on its 56<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

MADERA, Calif. — The first weekend of May marks the 56<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Coarsegold Rodeo, and the Madera County Board of Supervisors recognized the milestone with a plaque presentation at the board meeting held Tuesday, April 22, 2008.

“The Coarsegold Rodeo may be the longest-running event in Eastern Madera County,” said Supervisor Tom Wheeler, whose 5<sup>th</sup> District includes Coarsegold. “It is a fantastic, family-oriented event that only improves with each passing year.”

The supervisors presented the plaque to the nonprofit Eastern Madera County Junior Livestock Committee, which has hosted the event for the past four years. All money raised by the committee will support the livestock projects of the 4-H and FFA members of eastern Madera County.

The theme of this year’s rodeo is the Gold Rush Era and it begins with Heritage Days, where more than 1,000 students from schools throughout Madera County attend for a lesson in history that includes gold panning, soapstone carving and goat milking.

For more information on the Coarsegold Rodeo, please visit

<http://www.thecoarsegoldrodeo.com/>.

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