

4-H Spirit



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Mariposa County 4-H Youth Development Newsletter

April 2017



Come Join the Fun at 4-H Camp Tweety

July 1-3, 2017 will be 4-H Camp Tweety. This camp is for 4th-8th grade 4-H members and non-members in Mariposa and surrounding counties. Camp will be held at Camp Oakhurst in Coarsegold. **Limited space so get your registration in now.** Activities will be climbing wall, giant swing and water slide. Swimming, crafts, BB guns and archery will also take place. Bring a friend!

**Cost– Early bird by April 28 is \$125 for 4-Hers & \$163 for non-4-Hers
After April 28 -fee will be \$150 for 4-Hers and \$188 for non-members
(must be postmarked by May 26)**

Registration forms are available at UCCE office, and on-line at http://cemariposa.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Camp_Tweety/ For non-4-Hers call the office to have a form mailed. Payment arrangements can be arranged but fee must be paid by May 26 or sooner.

Registration fee includes (2) nights lodging, (7) meals, materials, & souvenir. For more details, call Donna at 966-4829.

4-H Teen Night Slated for May 6

Saturday, May 6 will be 4-H Teen Night for members 7th-12th grades. Registrations now available on-line and at the office. Registrations are due into office by Monday, May 3. This event will be held at the Mariposa County Park. Members will meet at the park at 6p for dinner, games, and lots of fun. Bring a friend but their parents need to sign a waiver form.

Registration form included in this Spirit and on-line at <http://cemariposa.ucanr.edu/?calitem=365970&g=37458>.

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Junior Livestock Auction Committee Meeting

Date: April 18
Time: 5:30p.m.

Where: Fairgrounds Boardroom

2016-17 4-H representatives will be MarLee Beaudoin, Debbie Lester along with Donna Wice, 4-H Coordinator.

6th Annual

Multiple Sclerosis MS Bike Ten Miles

Sunday April 23, 2017



Walkers and runners welcome! Register with your pledges at 8:30 am at the corner of Indian Gulch Road and HWY 140 in Cathey's Valley. The ride begins at 10:00 am and travels down Indian Gulch Road to the finish line at the Hornitos Park where a barbeque and awards await.

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO THE MS SOCIETY

**FOR MORE INFORMATION OR A PLEDGE FORM CALL
209.376.2320**

Sponsored by the 4-H Citizenship Project

4-H and Jackpot Livestock Shows

In 1997, the California 4-H Program adopted a policy regarding official 4-H participation in shows defined as “jackpot” shows.

A jackpot show is defined as one in which entry fees are charged and cash prizes or premiums are awarded from the accumulated entry fees or other matching funds.

4-H youth may participate as individuals in jackpot shows with their 4-H project animals. However, youth may not participate as 4-H members nor will their participation be recognized as a 4-H experience. (i.e. cannot be counted in the 4-H record book except as an “other than 4-H activity”.) Coverage under the 4-H accident insurance program and protection under the University’s liability program will not be in effect during participation in a jackpot show.

The reason for this decision was a growing concern that the project participation and entry requirements of some “jackpot” shows were not consistent with the California 4-H Youth Development Program’s emphasis on learning and practicing animal project lessons.

Members, leaders, and parents should take care in reviewing the rules of a show to determine if it meets the definition of a jackpot show. Some shows that members have traditionally participated in do meet that definition and will not be considered as a 4-H experience.

All Applications will be Available May 1

2017-18 4-H Leadership Team App

Members 13 years & up, have their bronze star and have been a junior or teen leader for at least one year can apply for the 2017-18 Leadership Team. **Please review the criteria for some is new.** Applications will be available on-line by May 1 or at the office. Applications due into the office by June 30.

All-Star & Emerald Star Applications



For interested 4-H members 9th grade & up with their gold star, and three years of 4-H experience and working towards their platinum star. **All-Star applications** will be available at the office or on-line by May 1. Applications are due into the UCCE Office by June 30.

Emerald Star applications will also be available to 7th grade & up members who have their Bronze star and have been Junior/Teen Leaders. Start thinking about your great Emerald Star project. Talk with your leaders, parents, or contact Donna at the UCCE office to get some project ideas. These are also due June 30.

All applications have criteria so please review. Applications will be on-line at http://cemariposa.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Mariposa_County_Project_Forms_and_more/ by May 1 or at the office.

All applications due by June 30, 2017 by 5:00p.m.



Introducing Mariposa County’s All-Star 2016-17

Raegan is from the Triangle 4-H Club. She has been in 4-H for 9 years. Various projects she has been in are Hi 4-H, rocketry, archery, cloverbuds, cake decorating, Guide Dogs, jewelry, & vegetable gardening. Raegan is also a Camp Tweety counselor, President of her club and Teen Leader.

If you would like her to speak at your club meetings give her a call.

Collage of Photos



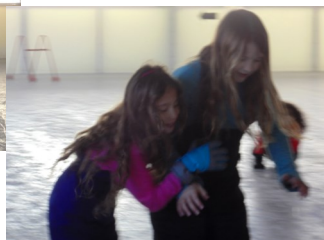
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Pancake Breakfast



Winter Fun Day & Junior/Teen Leader Training



NATIONAL VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK

APRIL 23-29, 2017



4-H Volunteers

Somewhere between the sternness of a parent and the comradeship of a pal is that mysterious creature we call a 4-H Leader.

These leaders come in all shapes and sizes, and may be male or female. But they all have one thing in common—a glorious twinkle in their eyes!

4-H Leaders are found everywhere— at judging contest, fairs, square dances, and talent shows. They always are preparing for, sitting through, participating in, or recuperating from a meeting of some kind.

They are tireless consumers of muffins, expert at taking knots out of thread, peerless coaches, and spend hours on the telephone.

A 4-H Leader is many things— an artist making a float for the Fourth of July, a doctor prescribing for an underfed calf, a counselor at camp, a lawyer filling out reports, and a shoulder to cry on when that dress just won't fit. Nobody else is so early to rise and so late to get home at night. Nobody else has so much fun with so many boys and girls.

We sometimes forget them, but we can't do without them. They receive no salary, but we can never repay them.

They are angels in aprons, saints in straw hats. Their only reward is the love of the kids and the respect of the community. But when they look around them at the skills they've taught, and the youth they've built, there's an inner voice from somewhere that says, "Well done."

Author Unknown

Mariposa County 4-H YDP has 59 volunteer leaders in our program. Members, please thank your project leaders for their generosity, for we wouldn't have a 4-H program without them!!

4-H



Make a World of Difference





MAY 6TH
6PM TO 10PM
FOR 4-HERS IN 7TH TO 12TH

MARIPOSA COUNTY PARK, 4998 COUNTY PARK ROAD

**TEEN
NIGHT**

**MUSIC
KARAOKE
GOLF FRISBEE**

**TACO BAR
PHOTO SCAVENGER
HUNT**

**REGISTER BY MAY 3RD AT
THE 4-H OFFICE**

Members Name

Club

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Signature

Date

Yes No

Friend's Name

Waiver Signed/Received



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33rd ANNUAL CALIFORNIA RANGE AND NATURAL RESOURCES
CAMP

JUNE 18-23, 2017

ELKUS YOUTH RANCH - HALF MOON BAY, CA



Where students 15-18 years old can discover the science and management of natural resources from experienced professionals and university faculty.

Sessions and Activities include:

- Riparian Habitats
- Rangeland Ecology
- Wildlife Management
- Soils
- Forestry
- Plant Identification



- Recreation
- Private & Public Lands
- Watershed Hydrology
- Land Navigation & Mapping
- Tour of Working Ranch
- Team Project Planning Competition



Cost: \$450

“Top Camper” Contest: Plant ID & knowledge test, plus staff evaluation

Top three placing students* given opportunity to represent California-Pacific Section, SRM at the Society for Range Management's High School Youth Forum, in Reno, NV Jan 28 – Feb 1, 2018 (all expenses paid for top two students) and belt buckles. All participants receive t-shirts and camp completion certificates. *Must be a current high school student in Feb '17 to be eligible

More Information & Applications

[http://www.rangelands.org/casrm/
HTML/rangecamps.html](http://www.rangelands.org/casrm/HTML/rangecamps.html)



APPLICATIONS DUE APRIL 28, 2017

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Application for the above Range Camp are at the office or on-line at <http://www.rangelands.org/casrm/HTML/rangecamps.html>

Applications are due April 28, 2017



PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY, APRIL 2ND AT 9AM TO 1PM

AT STAG HALL, HORNITOS

HELP MARIPOSA CITIZENSHIP

FOCUS DELEGATES

PRE-SALE TICKETS \$6

AT THE DOOR TICKETS \$8

YOU CAN GET YOUR PRESALE

TICKETS AT THE 4-H OFFICE

PANCAKES, SAUSAGE, AND DRINKS

4-H Fashion Revue/Style Show Scheduled for April 22

Mariposa County 4-H Fashion Revue and Style Show is slated for Saturday, April 22 at the Coulterville County Park .

Fashion Revue is an event for our 4-H members in the sewing project. They model their garments in front of judges and are interviewed. The top winner(s) have the opportunity to attend the State 4-H Fashion Revue (pre-registration due by May 14, 2017 by 5p).

The Style Show portion of this event is where all of our 4-H members, both boys & girls, can model a purchased, borrowed from a store, or home-sewn selection. They are also judged but not interviewed. We would like to see many of our 4-Hers enter this event.

Categories for Fashion Revue are:

Traditional - features garments the participant has constructed, showcasing sewing skills and the ability to coordinate an outfit. The entry must be sewn by the member as part of the 4-H Clothing and Textiles project, and worn by the member (not constructed for someone else). The outfit must contain at least one constructed garment; participants are encouraged to construct additional garments to complete the outfit. (No change from 2015)

Consumer Science Purchased - \$40.00 limit for the entire outfit, includes shoes but not sales tax. Receipts from the current 4-H year are required for any item that is visible. Gifts, prior purchases, and items without receipts are not eligible for this category. Receipts from yard sales, etc. may be hand written. **There is no 4-H project requirement, which means that any 4-H member may enter this category.** (No change from 2015)

Upcycled– take one or more existing garments and turn them into a new, different, and wearable garment. Additional fabrics, trim and supplies may be used during the construction process. The upcycled garment must be sewn by the member as part of the 4-H Clothing & Textiles project. Additional upcycled and/or sewn garments are encouraged to complete the outfit. A “before” photograph showing the original garment(s) is required. This is not an alteration - such as a large dress taken in to fit a smaller person that still retains the same lines. It is where the garment has been cut apart and remade into a new garment that looks different. The emphasis is on the transition of the garment. The outfit entered in the Upcycled category must include an accessory of your choice, handmade by the participant.

Stripe/Print/Plaid Challenge – Choose any two of the three fabric designs (stripe, print, and plaid) and incorporate them into one or more sewn garments. If one garment is sewn, it must include 2 of the 3 choices (ex: a shirt containing print and plaid). If multiple garments are sewn, the 2 choices can be in one garment (ex: print and plaid shirt), more than one garment (ex: print and plaid shirt and skirt), or one garment each (ex: print shirt and striped pants). The addition of other fabric is allowed (ex: solids, other prints/stripes/plaids, etc.). For this category, polka dots are considered a print even if the dots appear to be in straight lines. A plaid has a pattern of multi-color horizontal stripes intersecting with multi-color vertical stripes. Checked fabrics like gingham and buffalo checks as well as houndstooth designs are considered plaids. Besides the construction techniques for stripes and plaids, consider the placement of prints, harmonious combination of fabrics in design of the outfit and current style trends. Include handmade or purchased garments and items to complete the outfit. The entry must be created by the member as part of the 4-H Clothing & Textiles project. (New for 2017)

Knit Challenge – Construct an entire wearable garment out of knit fabric. Any fabric content is allowed (cotton, polyester, wool, rayon, blend, etc.) and any type of knit (single knit, double knit, rib knit). This is not a garment that is hand-knit; it is a garment that is sewn, serged, or otherwise constructed using fabric. In designing and constructing the garment, consider how the stretch of knit fabric affects the fit and the opportunity to learn new techniques for seaming, hemming and edge finishes. Include handmade or purchased garments and items to complete the outfit. Open to all 4-H members with no project requirement. (New for 2017)

Age divisions (As of 12/31/2016)

- Junior age 9-10
- Intermediate age 11-13
- Senior age 14-18

Entries for both events, the Fashion Revue and Style Show, are available at the office and on-line in the calendar section at <http://cemariposa.ucanr.edu/?calitem=361259&g=37458> and are due into office by April 14, 2017.

**Attention Livestock/Poultry Members
Per 4-H Council Policy:**

Members may not be away from their ongoing livestock project for more than a continuous 14 day period prior to fair; ownership days are 120 days for beef & horses, 60 days for sheep & swine, and 30 days for rabbits & poultry so as to have adequate management time with the project.

ARE YOU A JUNIOR OR TEEN LEADER?

If you are, then you should be experiencing the time of your life working with younger members, providing project materials for your members, doing presentations, and helping your project leader in many other ways.

As a Junior or Teen Leader you are never permitted to work with a project group without an adult project leader present. Teen Leaders are not covered by UC liability when driving during, to, or from any 4-H event or activity. There is no longer liability coverage for anyone under the age of 18. The University of California extends liability coverage to volunteers and the 4-H program defines volunteers as those being adults 18 years of age or older.

Remember, that you and your project leader must have filled out your goals and planned activities on the Leadership Plan and Report Form at the beginning of the project year. You should get together at mid-year to review the goals, and at the end-of-year to see if you attained them. The project leader must evaluate the junior or teen leader to see if the member will receive their junior or teen leader patch or pin.

**4-H Motto-
“To Make the Best Better”**

PDR CORNER

This is the way members earn Star Ranks. 4-H Events & Sections– If you have attended one or more of these events, enter on the New PDR.

Junior/Teen Leadership Training	
Attended	3
Presentation Day–	
attended in 4-H uniform	3
attended-participant	6
medalist– Gold	7
committee member	4
Judges’ Award	7
Room Monitor	4
Command Performance	6
Regional Presentation Day–	
Attended in 4-H uniform	3
Attended-participant	6
medalist– Gold	7
Room Monitor	4
Command Performance	6
Camp Tweety–	
Committee member/teen counselor	4
4-H Avian Science Day–	
Attended	3
Exhibited poultry showmanship	2
Kid’s Night–	
Chair/committee member	4
Attended	3
Decorated/clean-up	4
Poultry or Rabbit Shows–	
Attended	3
Exhibited animal	2
Showmanship	2
Demonstrated skills	6
Farm Bureau Rib Dinner–	
Served or clean-up	5
Winter Fun Day-Ice Skating	
Attended	3
Junior Livestock Day–	
Attended	3
Committee member	4

4-H Presentation/Favorite Food/4-H Creed Day Results

Presentation Day was held March 11 at the Mariposa UCCE Office. The Illustrated talk Gold Medal winner has the opportunity to attend the Sub-Regional Presentation Day, April 1st in San Joaquin County. At this event, 4-H members from Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus, & San Joaquin counties will present their gold medal presentations. Gold medal winners on this day will have the opportunity to attend State 4-H Presentation Day on May 27 at 4-H State Field Day at UC Davis.

We thank the following for judging— Karen Cutter, Nick Nasarow, Kathie Hollan, Cathi & Mitch Boze, and Holly Ericson. We also thank all the helpers, tally crew, and the room emcees.

Favorite Foods-

Addyson McCaig— Gold medal & judges award

Emily Tilton— Gold medal

Dulcie McGrath— Silver medal

Shelby Graziose— Gold medal

Illustrated talks

Laurel Wagner— Gold medal & Judges award



4-H Creed

Westley Takashashi— Bronze medal

Presentation Gold medal winners for Illustrated talk must register on-line by March 24 at <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=17218> if you want to go forth to Regionals.



State 4-H News

State 4-H Advisory Committees -[Applications](#) are open until May 31.

The State 4-H Advisory Committees provide leadership and offer insight, review and input to the Statewide 4-H Director for the operation and management of the 4-H Youth Development Program. Youth and adult volunteers are encouraged to apply! Learn more on the [State Advisory Committee page](#). *Please note that the Positive Youth Development, Healthy Living, and the Multicultural & Community Engagement Advisory Committees are not recruiting.

The State Management Board is recruiting for three open director positions. The Marketing and Public Relations Director, Bay/Coast Area Director and Central Area Director positions are open for applications. Both youth members and adult volunteers are eligible to apply. Youth serve one-year terms and adults serve two-year terms. Applications are due April 17th. Here is a link to the application <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=20176>.



Saturday, May 27, 2017

8:00am - 6:00pm

University of California, Davis - West Quad

Event Coordinator- Alyssa Sankey at ajsankey@ucanr.edu or (530) 750-1340.

4-H Supplies

Hat (new green embroidered)	\$24.00
Hat (old green or white) if available	\$15.50
Tie	\$14.50
Scarf	\$16.50
Scarf Kit	\$ 9.00
Chevron	\$ 2.00
Binder	\$ 5.00
Gate Sign	\$10.00

As of 3/1/2017

State Leadership Conference

July 20-23, 2017

University of California, Davis



Theme- **DRIVE: Find Your Place on the Map**

For youth ages 13-19

On-line registration-

<http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=20335>

Deadline and Fees (depends on when arriving)

Early Bird	\$549	\$475	On or before April 18
Regular	\$574	\$500	On or before May 18
Late	\$599	\$525	On or before June 18

Record Books - Purpose

The California 4-H Youth Development Program has a long history of record-keeping for 4-H members. In early 4-H history, Record Books focused on project profit and loss and other necessities for agricultural work. As 4-H moved from a primarily agricultural focus to encompassing suburban and urban clubs, the Record Book format changed. In the late 80's, the state level Record Book was reformatted to conform to national achievement (which was then eliminated in the early 90's) and the core values of the 4-H Youth Development Program. However, this left the California 4-H YDP with two different Record Book formats - local and state.

The Statewide 4-H Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee has combined the local Record Book format (Personal Development Report) and the state level Project Competition format into an integrated California 4-H Record Book system. In the 21st century, practices must transform to meet the needs of a changing society: industrial agricultural practices have moved to computerized systems, and record-keeping has become streamlined. In order for the 4-H Record Book process to pilot youth into prepared and engaged partners within their communities, it needs to become modernized, streamlined, and relevant.

The Purpose of Record Books:

4-H Record Books serve a variety of purposes in the California 4-H Youth Development Program. While society has changed, so have the goals of 4-H record-keeping. 4-H Record Books allow 4-H members to reflect on their yearly work completed as well as maintain records of project and club work. 4-H members demonstrate growth and measure achievements across their years in 4-H.

In record-keeping, 4-H members develop the following life skills:

- Maintaining records of 4-H project and club work and school and community activities
- Keeping personal and business records
- Improving communication with other people
- Learning time management and organizational skills
- Learning responsibility and developing goal setting skills

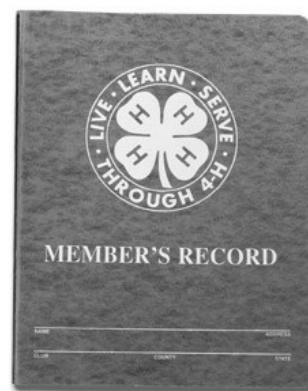
4-H Record Books are an educational component of the 4-H Youth Development Program.

In Mariposa County 4-H YDP -

4-H Annual project form or required market animal project form are required to complete each project and to receive the year stripe and pin. Each project report must be current by July 15 to attend fair and to receive participation awards such as star ranking. In many clubs, counties and at state, 4-H members receive medals or pins for 4-H Record Book achievements.

Members must turn in their Record Books at the September club meetings or by the date specified by the 4-H Staff. The Community Club leader and committee review the books and the members receiving a Gold Seal will receive a medal. Members with gold seal books who want to go on for County Record Book Judging will be turned in by club leader by a certain date. Members wanting to go for a County Project Award needs to complete the **“4-H RECORD BOOK PROJECTS TO BE CONSIDERED FOR COUNTY PROJECT AWARDS”** form and place in book. These members will go through the interview process on each of their project. The winners of this county judging are then recognized at the annual Achievement Night.

If you have questions on the Record Books, please contact the 4-H Office at 966-4829 or ask your club leader.



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<http://cemariposa.ucdavis.edu>

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www.ca4h.org

Donna Wice
4-H Coordinator



April Important Dates

- 1 Sub-Regional Presentation Day
- 1 Sock Hop at McCay Hall-5p
- 2 Bootjack 49ers 4-H meeting-4p
- 5 4-H Council Scholarships due
- 9 Hornitos 4-H Club meeting-4p
- 10 Catheys Valley 4-H Club meeting–6:00p
- 10 Don Pedro Rattlers 4-H meeting– 6:30
- 13 Triangle 4-H Club meeting– 6:00p
- 14 Fashion Revue/Style Show entries due
- 17 4-H Council meeting-6p-Don Pedro fire house
- 20 Clover Pioneers 4-H meeting– 6p
- 22 Fashion Revue & Style Show
- 23 MS Bike-a-thon
- 28 Early bird registrations due for Camp

May

- 6 Teen Night-Mariposa Park
- 13/14 Pow Wow-fairgrounds
- 15 4-H Council– 6p
- 26 Camp Tweety registrations due
- 27 State 4-H Field Day-UC Davis
- 29 Office closed-Memorial Day



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