

# 4-H Spirit



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Mariposa County 4-H Youth Development Newsletter

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## Fair Time!

That's right, it is fair time once again in Mariposa County. Fair rides, corn dogs, cotton candy, live-stock animals, and lots more of what everybody is looking forward to seeing and doing.



The 4-H livestock youth are preparing their animals for show, while the rest are finishing their 4-H projects from sewing to vegetables in hopes of earning a blue ribbon.

Just a reminder while you are at the fair, show the community your 4-H spirit, and cooperation. Share your knowledge from your 4-H projects by use of posters, brochures, or pictures in the barn areas. There are display boards available at the 4-H Office. Let others learn as well!

### Fair rules -

**Fair requirements- As of July 15 members needed to have-**

- Up-to-date Annual Project Form (APR)
- 80% attendance of project meetings
- Review of APR by CCL and project leaders before signing fair entry
- Member in good standing following 4-H code of conduct
- YQCA training for livestock members

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## Project Leaders Needed for 2019-20

Parents, grandparents, or friends, would you like to be a mentor to our 4-H youth in a particular project? We are looking for project volunteer leaders for the upcoming 4-H program year which begins October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020.

We are looking for leaders in the projects areas of biking, art, small engines, woodworking, fishing, automotive, or any other specialty project. 4-H Staff has curriculum for most project leaders to use. All new leaders and returning leaders must do online trainings. New leaders must be fingerprinted, and be approved by UCCE staff before having project meetings.

If you are interested, please contact the UCCE Office at (209) 966-4829 or visit the 4-H Fair Booth at the Mariposa County Fair.

## Senior 4-H Member State Record Book Competition

Any Senior member (ages 14-19) that would like to submit their record book for state competition the **intent to compete** is due in September 2, 2019 by 11:59 pm.



This link is to the State Record book Competition page,

[http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Member\\_Resources/RecordBook/RBCompetition/StateCompetition/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Member_Resources/RecordBook/RBCompetition/StateCompetition/)



## **SUNDAY, September 1 MARIPOSA COUNTY FAIR 9 AM**

**DIVISIONS:** Junior-9 to 10 years old ~ Intermediate-11 to 13 years old ~ Advanced—14 & up  
Open to 4-H, FFA and Independents

**Medals Awarded in each division . . . PLUS OVERALL MEDALS & AWARDS  
FOR MEMBERS WANTING TO LEARN MORE ABOUT SELECTING AND JUDGING  
LARGE AND SMALL ANIMALS FOR BREEDING AND SHOW**

**Judges will tell you what they look for when  
selecting breeding and market animals.**

**You do not need to own or show livestock in order to judge in contest!**

### **Attention 4-H Livestock Members**

**Remember to have your “Thank You” notes to send to your buyer or bump persons when you receive your auction check. Also send a thank you to sponsors of trophies, ribbons, and buckles. This is very important so we do not lose buyers and sponsors.**



### **New and Returning Adult Volunteers** **News**

New and Returning Adult Volunteer Online Courses. 2019-20 California 4-H has improved the process for becoming an Adult 4-H Volunteer. Completing these short interactive courses are a requirement for new and returning Adult Volunteers at <https://campus.extension.org/> . If you have any questions about the enrollment process, please check out the Volunteer Opportunities Page or Enrollment Page  
<http://4h.ucanr.edu/4Hvolunteer/>.



## Attention Club Treasurers and Community Club Leaders!!!

It is time to get your club treasurer's book in order. **Club peer review audits must take place before club treasurer does the online financial and turns in treasurer's book.** Please review the 4-H Treasurer's Book for all required information. **Treasurer or CCL need to input all treasurer's information on the financial 4-H website <http://www.ca4h.org/Administration/Financial/> as soon as possible or no later than September 15 and treasurer's book forwarded to the 4-H Coordinator by September 30.** Review the Treasurer's Manual to see what is needed.



## Parent & Exhibitor Mandatory Meeting With Junior Livestock Auction Committee & Fair Staff

On August 13 at 6:00p at the Strathern Pavilion, there will be an important meeting for all livestock members, their parents and project leaders especially for first year members. This meeting will cover rules & procedures for exhibiting and participating in the auction. This will be the time to ask questions and clear-up any problems BEFORE the entry deadline.

This meeting is held for YOUR benefit to help you be a successful exhibitor. Members and parents will need to sign-in. **YOUR ATTENDANCE IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED!**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

### Attention 4-H Members

Members may apply for project county awards, and the Junior, Intermediate or Senior Achievement award. *A member can possibly win two awards;* example, one project and Senior Achievement awards, or two project awards.

The Achievement form and project form are on-line at <http://cemariposa.ucanr.edu> under forms will be available at club meetings and at the office. The member must complete these forms and place them into the record book before turning their book into the community club leader at the September club meeting or by September 13th.

If you are a Jr. or Teen Leader and want credit for this project, complete the Leadership Plan Form with leader's signature and place behind that project record form.

Achievement Night will be held October 20.

**Good Luck!!**

**Important for livestock members-**  
**Remember that the complete 4-H uniform including 4-H hat MUST be worn in the auction ring NOT in back jean pocket or you can't sell.**

**Uniform— dark blue jeans, white button or snapped shirt, tie or scarf and 4-H hat.**



*To Make the Best*  
**BETTER**



Mariposa County 4-H was represented at the California 4-H State Leadership Conference this year for the first time in several years. The State 4-H Leadership Conference is three day conference at UC Davis and is open to all youth ages 13-19 years old at the time of conference. This year the conference theme was “Planting the Seeds of Change.” The theme was chosen by the State 4-H Ambassadors and the conference follows their platform for their ambassador year. The 4-H State Ambassadors are between 16-20 years old.

The mission of the conference is to give youth the tools to create change in their communities. Our goal is to inspire and facilitate the ability of youth to create impact in their communities on issues they care about.

Members that attended had memorable learning experiences:

- Improving your personal leadership skills to benefit your county 4-H program.
- Advancing your college and career readiness.

Expanding your network with 4-H members, volunteers, and staff outside of your county.

Members attend educational tours, workshops, assemblies, a pool party, a dance, and an ice cream social with a trinket trade. This year the keynote speaker on Saturday was **Chris Temple**, Co-Founder of Living on One and Award-Winning Documentary Film Maker. He was able to show how something small can change and touch so many lives. His current film “Living on One Dollar” is available on Netflix and Amazon.

Bootjack 49ers 4-H Club members Levi Goodman and Emma Nielsen had a great time at this conference and are already talking about attending next year. Both members have heard for years from their club leader what opportunities are available for youth as they get older in 4-H. Opportunities such as helping organize the conference, leading workshops, working as a program assistant with the members, or a State 4-H Ambassador. Both members are excited for next year and will be planning fund raisers to pay for their conference and trinkets for next year.

The State 4-H Sponsors for this year’s conference were Tractor Supply Company, Dean Memorial Legacy Endowment, California Cotton Alliance, Bank of the Sierra, and Ironstone Concour’s Foundation.

If you would like to learn more about what 4-H has to offer contact the Mariposa County 4-H office or check out one of the clubs in Mariposa County.



# Most Dedicated Leaders Award Nominations



The 2018-19 4-H year is slowly coming to an end and time once again to nominate leaders for the Most Dedicated Leader and Outstanding New Leader.

The criteria for these awards are:

- ◆ Most Dedicated Leader must have been a volunteer leader for two or more years.
- ◆ Outstanding New Leader must have completed one year of leadership.

Please use the enclosed nomination form, or forms are available at the UCCE office.

Nominations are due in the UCCE office by September 13th by 5:00p.m. Winners will be announced at Achievement Night.

## *National 4-H Week Club Window Display Contest*

**Clubs, start thinking about your display window for National 4-H Week slated for October 6-12 2019. During 4-H Week there will be a contest for the best window display. The display should promote 4-H, projects, activities, and your club. They must be set-up by October 5th. Theme "Inspire Kids To Do".**

**Please let Donna know where your club's display will be by October 2. Judging will be based on creativity, informational/educational value, and accessibility to general public and overall look of the display. Winner will be announced at Achievement Night, October 20, 2019.**



## **2019-20 4-H Enrollments– Paper or On-line Enrollment**

4-H re-enrollment forms for youth will be mailed out after fair and need to be returned by November 1. **Or another option** is on-line enrollment at [ca.4honline.com](http://ca.4honline.com) and follow directions.

**How to pay 4-H Enrollment fees online with credit card:** you may pay 4-H Enrollment fees with your credit card online. This payment option is available regardless of how you register for the 2019-2020 Program year. Once your credit card payment is submitted, an email is sent to the Mariposa 4-H office with payment confirmation and staff will complete the registration process. This is link for credit card payment: <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=27813>. Fees are \$65 for youth and \$25 for leaders.



## **WASHING HANDS AT FAIR**

**For your safety, we are asking all livestock exhibitors to wash hands before eating or drinking to prevent E.coli or other illnesses. The wash basins will be located near Building E, picnic area, and of course, in the restrooms. Please use soap and scrub through your fingers, on your palms, and wrist areas for a minimum of 20 seconds.**

**Also no food or drink will be allowed in the livestock areas for your safety.**

If you register online, you will need to print off the medical treatment and drop off at the office or mail along with check payable to UC Regents. If you choose to use your credit card, please follow the above directions.

**Both payment and forms must be in the office by November 1 for 4-H re-enrollments and for new enrollments by December 15. You can add or change projects by December 31 for fair. If any questions, contact 4-H Staff at 966-4829.**

**Leaders' re-enrollment forms were mailed out in early July and are due by August 16 so a list of projects are available for fair. This year on-line trainings will have to take place for new and re-enrolling leaders. More information will be sent to all leaders.**

**Let Us Make Dinner for You**



**Bootjack 49ers 4-H Club**



**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Luau Drive Thru Dinner**

**Wednesday, August 14, 2019**

**4:00 PM- 6:30 PM**

**Drive Thru at Mariposa County**

**Fairgrounds**

**Red Bud Room**

**Dinner is: Chicken, Rice, Beans,  
Fruit Salad & Roll**

**Donation is \$10 per meal or  
\$35 for 4 meals**

**Sweet Shop will be open for your dessert needs**

For your tickets contact us  
Email. [Bootjack49ers4h@gmail.com](mailto:Bootjack49ers4h@gmail.com)

## 4-H Public Image at Fair

While you are at the fair, you are representing 4-H to the public. Please show the community your cooperation, responsibility, and the many things you have learned in your projects. If you are asked questions about your animal or other projects, please share the information which you have been taught. Others like to learn also. Remember 4-H is not about making money at the fair, but is about learning, leadership, and citizenship.

Members, remember to be careful with your appearance as well as your animal's. ***The uniform is dark blue jeans, buttoned or snap white shirt or blouse tucked in, scarf or tie, and hat.*** Long hair should be pulled back so the judge can see your face. Do not chew gum in the ring, or during the auction. For your safety, please no bare feet or sandals in the barn areas.

## Important Fair Dates

**Still & 4-H Horse entries due- August 3**

**Livestock & Horse Showmanship entries due-  
August 17**

**Floriculture/Horticulture- August 23**

**Livestock Meetings-  
August 13th- 6:00p.m. Strathern Pavilion  
August 30th-9:00a.m. in Strathern Pavilion**

## Cooperation and Ethics for Fair

All members, leaders, and parents are encouraged to bring the spirit of cooperation with you each morning when you arrive at the fair. Keep it close by, even when the hour is late and the weather is hot.

The fair can be a wonderful learning experience if each person is allowed to find their own success. Life has many lessons for all of us. What you bring home from the fair this year is up to each individual. A successful person is not measured by the number of trophies or awards on their pen, hat or wall, but the knowledge and skills they have learned and the attitude they display.

**Parents:** Practice ahead of time with your children, then watch them do their best without making distracting comments from outside the ring. Allow your children to earn their awards by themselves. If they make a mistake, do not make a fuss, for this is how they will grow. Your job is to cheer their best efforts, whatever place or ribbon that might bring.

**Rules for Competition:** Rules for competition are written to keep them fair. Read and understand the rules and ask questions if you need clarification. Thank your leader and the judge for helping you learn and keep your experience positive, whatever place or ribbon you receive. Receive it with a happy heart. Remember, 4-H is a program to "learn by doing".

## Information About Being in Both 4-H & FFA at the Same Time

### Can a high school youth be in 4-H and FFA at the same time?

Yes, but can not be in the same animal project: exception is the member can be in 4-H as a Teen leader in an animal project and have the animal as a FFA project. Youth can be in 4-H projects that FFA does not offer.

### Transferring projects-

Students desiring to transfer projects to FFA must notify both the FFA Advisor and the 4-H or Grange project leader of their intent to transfer and drop/add their project of time not less than the period required for ownership and supervision of that project. To be eligible to be a member of FFA and exhibit a project under FFA a student must: 1) be pre-enrolled in an agriculture education course, 2) be affiliated with the State FFA organization, 3) be legal owner of the project and be supervised by the FFA Advisor for the period of time required by agreement for this project production classification, 4) keep records of conduct of the project, and 5) received promotion from eighth to ninth grade. Under this agreement students can transfer projects for FFA and drop them from 4-H or Grange prior to completion of the eighth grade. Under no circumstances however, may a student exhibit as an FFA member prior to official completion of the eighth grade. **Member needs to complete the Livestock Project Transfer Form within 60 days of fair and turn into the 4-H Office. This form is on <http://cemariposa.ucanr.edu>.**



## **4-H COUNCIL, CLUB & PROJECT NEWS**

### **4-H Projects Available as of July 26 for 2019-20 Program Year are;**

**County-wide projects**– junior master gardeners (grades 2-12), rabbits.

**Bootjack 49ers**– beef, swine, clothing, outdoor adventure, foods, rocketry, scrapbooking, Marine Biology, sheep

**Don Pedro**– rabbits, swine, goats, food & nutrition, sewing, arts/crafts, photography

**If you know of an adult that would like to become a project leader please have them contact me ASAP so they can enroll and go through the new online leader trainings.**

### **September Local 4-H Activities**

**August 30-Sept. 2-** Mariposa County Fair

**Sept. 1–** 4-H Livestock Judging at the fair

**September 28-** Ironstone Concours d'Elegance– Murphys- a fundraiser-see registration form in this newsletter– due by September 6. If you want to do a demonstration, have a display or help in any way, complete form, and return to office. Or complete survey <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=21509> by **September 11.**

### **Statewide Event-**

**Mindfulness Conference**– November 1-3 at Camp Ocean Pines in Cambria. More details to follow.

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### **Tips for Animal Showmanship**

Look eager and ready to show:

- ♦ Wear a clean, complete uniform (**dark** blue jeans, white button or snapshirt, tie or scarf, and hat)
- ♦ Tie long hair back into braids or ponytail
- ♦ Wear a belt, boots, or tennis shoes (**no sandals**)
- ♦ Secure your hat, but don't worry if it drops off in the ring
- ♦ Use a tie tack to pin down the ends of your tie; use a ring for the scarf
- ♦ NO GUM CHEWING

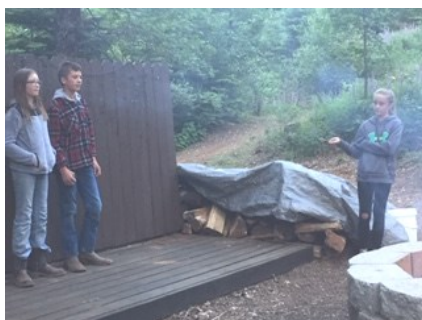
Remember these basic rules of showmanship:

- ♦ Show from the minute you enter the ring until the judge dismisses the class
- ♦ Look as if you are enjoying showing your animal
- ♦ Keep your animal between you and the judge
- ♦ Keep your animal set up at all times
- ♦ Don't crowd; give yourself and others room to show
- ♦ Watch the judge or animal; ignore the audience
- ♦ Don't panic if your animal gets away. *Just do your best!*
- ♦ Know the sex, breed, and age of your animal
- ♦ The judge may ask questions, so know parts of your animal, where the breed came from, or any pertinent information about your animal





## Photos of 2019 4-H Camp Tweety



**THANK YOU TO OUR CHAPERONES-**  
*Brandon Bertram, Danny Brown,*  
*Jennifer Metcalf, Reannon Broomfield,*  
*Donna Wice*  
**TEEN COUNSELORS-** *Raegan Broom-*  
*field, Emily Metcalf, Addyson McCaig,*  
*Shelby Graziose, Jack Bertram and*  
*Ziah Acosta.*  
**CAMP DIRECTOR and CHAPERONE-**  
*Beth Broomfield*  
**CAMP NURSE-** *Cathie Kirk!!!*

# MOST DEDICATED AND OUTSTANDING NEW LEADER AWARD NOMINATIONS

At the end of each 4-H program year, two special volunteer leaders get selected for Most Dedicated Leader and Most Outstanding New Leader. These awards are given out at the annual Achievement Night. Please take a few minutes to nominate your favorite volunteer project leader. **Nominations are due into the UCCE Office by September 13th.**

Why do you think this volunteer leader should be considered for this award:

- Special things the project leader did with the project.
- Helpful attitude (helped with record books, PDR, assisted you with project).
- A friend that you could talk with.
- Knowledge of the subject matter and willingness to train.
- Enthusiasm, patience, and understanding.
- A commitment to the 4-H Youth Development Program and core values.

Please write in the space below why you are nominating this project leader.

**LEADER'S NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **PROJECT** \_\_\_\_\_

**YEARS IN 4-H** \_\_\_\_\_ **CLUB** \_\_\_\_\_

**MOST DEDICATED LEADER** \_\_\_\_\_ **(MUST HAVE BEEN A VOLUNTEER LEADER FOR TWO OR MORE YEARS)**

**OUTSTANDING NEW LEADER** \_\_\_\_\_ **(MUST HAVE COMPLETED ONE YEAR OF LEADERSHIP)**

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## Give A Presentation At The Ironstone Concours!



The Ironstone Concours Foundation has requested 4-H members come to the 4-H Concours d'Elegance to perform presentations and show their displays between 11 am – 2 pm. This is an excellent opportunity for 4-H members to talk about their projects, show off their animals and receive credit in their record books! The event will be held on **September 28** at Ironstone Vineyards in Murphys, and will include over 300 classic automobiles, vintage motorcycles and classic trailers.

Admission and lunch is free for 4-H members giving presentations or having displays or helping in other ways. Each participating **4-H member** will receive a free lunch ticket at the 4-H check-in tent. Siblings, parents, and other volunteers will be able to purchase lunch at different areas. No coolers, please (this is an Ironstone request). If you are bringing a display, large items for your demonstration, or large animal, please be set up & in place by **9:00 am**. Presentations will be held between 11 am – 2 pm. **One** parent or adult escort driver from each family will receive a free entry at the 4-H check-in tent. A 4-H leader or parent helping with event will also receive lunch and free admission. Admission is \$25 per adult or \$45 per couple or a family (a family is considered 2 adults and 2 children); children under 14 admitted free.

**If your child is bringing a display**, please bring a card table or appropriate set up as table space is not guaranteed and may be limited! You may also bring a chair. If you would like to give a presentation at the Concours, please fill out the form below and either drop by, fax or mail to the 4-H office by **September 6th**. **Or register online at <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=21509> by September 11.** **There are various jobs to select from for youth and leaders.**

Our address is:  
4-H Office  
5009 Fairgrounds Rd.  
Mariposa, CA 95338  
Fax: 966-5321

4-H Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parent or Guardian Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

### TYPE OF PRESENTATION

( ) Demonstration   ( ) Display   ( ) Illustrated Talk   ( ) Other \_\_\_\_\_

Give approximate length of non-display presentation: \_\_\_\_\_ minutes

Are you bringing a live animal? If so, what? \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred time of presentation (must be between the hours of 11 am and 2 pm):

\_\_\_\_\_ (please note that schedule may change or you may be asked to give your presentation more than once). We cannot guarantee the exact starting time of your presentation, but will do our best to schedule you at your preferred time.

**The Ironstone Foundation is requesting 4-H members to be in their county 4-H uniform. No shorts, flip flops! Please wear your 4-H hat, white shirt, scarf or tie, and dark blue jeans.**

**Due into the office by September 6th!**

## August Dates

### University of California Cooperative Extension

- 5 4-H Council meeting-6p
- 13 Mandatory livestock meeting- 6p at fairgrounds

**Check with club leader for club meetings!**

The 4-H Spirit is published monthly for the Mariposa County 4-H Youth Development Program. University of California Cooperative Extension, U.S. Department of Agriculture and Mariposa County cooperating.

**Articles or photographs for the 4-H Spirit are due into the UCCE Office by the 15th of each month.**

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<http://cemariposa.ucanr.edu>

#### State Website:

<http://ca4h.org>



**Donna Wice**  
4-H Coordinator



## September Dates

**NO 4-H Council meeting**

- 8 Hornitos club meeting
- 9 Catheys Valley Club meeting  
Don Pedro Club meeting
- 10 Bootjack 49ers Club meeting
- 12 Triangle club meeting
- 13 Record books due to Club Leader
- 19 Clover Pioneers club meeting
- 23 Gold Seal record books due to office

Check with CCL for club meetings

4-H Record Books with PDR due to CCLs at September club meeting or no later than Sept. 13

**4-H Re-enrollments due by November 1 or sooner for fair**

**New member enrollments due by**

**December 15**

**Change or add projects by December 31 for fair.**

### **4-H Project completion, as stated in the Current Steps-to-Success**

#### **Complete Annual Project Report**

**Attend at least 6 hours of instruction**

**Not required but encouraged- complete animal project form and project presentation**

**\*Project Leaders may require more hours but the minimum is 6 hours of project instruction or other requirements such as presentation.**

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