4-H Spirit



Mariposa County 4-H Youth Development Newsletter

September 2019

4-H ENROLLMENT

Members who plan on re-enrolling for the 2019-20 4-H year can re-enroll with their paper enrollment form at the UCCE office or can re-enroll on-line at **ca.4honline.com** and can pay by credit card at https://ucanr.edu/survey/ survey.cfm?surveynumber=27813 Re-enrollments need to be in the office by November 1 for 2020 fairs or for New members by December 15th. Members must add or change projects by December 31 for 2020 fairs.

> 2019-20 enrollment fees are \$65.00 for ALL members \$25.00 for ALL volunteer leaders.

Remember to make checks payable to "UC Regents".

Enrollment information for new or returning leaders please go online at http://cemariposa.ucanr.edu/4-H Program/ http 4hucanredu 4Hvolunteer Coun ty volunter template/ New and returning leaders must complete online trainings before approved by county director.

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National 4-H Week

October 6-12 is National 4-H Week. Theme is "Inspire Kids To **Do".** We are asking clubs and projects to promote Mariposa County 4-H Youth Development Program by making and displaying posters throughout our town, doing presentations (in your 4-H uniform or 4-H t-shirt) at local schools or at Back to School Night or service clubs, having displays in local businesses, inviting a friend to a 4-H meeting, wearing your uniform to church or have a community service day during this week. If you would like to attend the Board of Supervisor's meeting on October 8, please contact Donna at 966-4829 or be there at 9am in your 4-H uniform.

National 4-H Week Club Window Display Contest

Once again during 4-H Week there will be a contest for the best window display. The display should promote 4-H and your club. They must be set-up by October 5.

Please let Donna know where your club's display will be by October 2 with viewing hours. 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.

Reminder to Members!!

Record books are due to Community Club leader at September club meetings or no later than September 13 to club Leader.



Records! Records! Records!

The end of the 2018-19 4-H year is just around the corner. Many members may think of this as end-of-the-year party time, but it also means that your 4-H Record Books will soon be due. Record keeping is an important part of the 4-H experience— *One that all members need to undertake*.

Completion of the 4-H Record Book signifies the completion of a year in 4-H. Members should be proud of their Record Book and enjoy the sense of accomplishment gained by finishing their projects. Remember that only one page of photos (one side only) can be included for each project. Remember that the Personal Development Form needs to be completed also and placed in your record book if going for a Star Rank. Those members that do not complete an Annual Project Form do not earn a year stripe and pin for their hats. All record books are due to the Community Club leader by Friday, September 13. Then the Community Club Leaders, with their committee, will review each book. Books receiving a gold seal will go on to County Record book judging. Members wishing to go for a county project award needs to complete '4-H member project county award request' stating which project they want to go for. Awards offered are one gold County winner, and three silver medalist in each project, as deserving.

Remember that the 4-H Record Books and PDRs are designed to reflect your thoughts, experiences, disappointments, and accomplishments achieved during your 4-H year. Your work can be handwritten in ink, typed, or printed from a computer. Your books will be judged on completeness, learning experiences, personal growth, and accomplishments. Remember to have all leaders', parent/guardian, and you, the member signatures. The 4-H member should complete their record book to the best of their ability. If someone else wrote or typed your record book, you must explain why in a cover letter. Your record book not only represents the completion of a 4-H year, but also represents a major part of your life and achievements. Your 4-H Record Book is your responsibility and will prove to be a very valuable experience that will benefit you, the member, throughout your 4-H years and your life. *All Senior 4-H members need to add Section 7 a* "Resume" page.

For those going for County Project Awards, there is an interview process. All members will have an interview in front of judges who will ask questions about your project and your 4-H experience. Be prepared to answer any questions pertaining to your project such as breed names, gestation period, rate of gain, type of stitching, yarns, process used for canning, etc.

Achievement Award is an award for 4-H members who have shown growth in particular project(s). The member fills out the application which includes an essay and more. These applications are reviewed by the record book judges, and a Junior, Intermediate, and Senior member can be selected.

Current Steps of Success guidelines for fair and project completion—to view please go to http://cemariposa.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Mariposa_County_Project_Forms_and_more/

Project forms and 4-H member project county award request form are at the office or on-line at http://cemariposa.ucanr.edu/4-H Program/Mariposa County Project Forms and more/

<u>Achievement Night</u> is scheduled for Saturday, November 16 at the New Life Christian Fellowship. **Theme is** "**Zoo"**. Remember clubs can have a table with their National 4-H Window Display.

WORD FOR THE DAY

A problem is a chance for you to
do your best.

DUKE ELLINGTON

National 4-H Conference 2020 March 28 – April 2, 2020 National 4-H Conference Center,

Chevy Chase, MD

Eligibility Requirements and application will be available in early November or if any questions contact

Staff Coordinator: Jenna Colburn, <u>jcolburn@ucanr.edu</u>

4-H is a community of young people young across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.

CENTRAL YOUTH SUMMIT SAVE THE DATE!

Date- January 24-26, 2020 Where-Wonder Valley Ranch

Central Youth Summit is a leadership conference for youth ages 11-13 as of 12/31/2019.

- Delegate registration will be expanded to counties in the Central Area and throughout California depending on available space.
- Costs for all participants will be approximately \$167 each.
- Registrations for youth summit is available at http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/Summits/. Deadline to register is November 30.

Members should ask their clubs if they will help with registration fee for most clubs have put this in their club's budget. Don't miss out on this great experience!

Motto"To Make the Best Better"

4-H Chaperone Information for State 4-H Overnight Events

The overnight trips through 4-H provide valuable life and educational experiences for 4-H members. While primarily educational, the trips are fun and filled with many memory-making opportunities.

Adult volunteers are key to making this a safe and memorable activity. Having dedicated adult chaperones who commit themselves to the safety and well-being of the youth participants during the entire trip (24 hours a day!) is a HUGE commitment. Thank you for considering serving in this capacity.

Adult Chaperones:

- 1. Are part of the California 4-H delegation.
- 2. Experience all of the special sites and activities with the youth.
- 3. Practice positive youth-adult partnerships with the youth as they chaperone them through the activities.

For details on how to apply go to: http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/

Homemade Cookies Due by Friday, September 27 by 10am.



20 dozen home-made cookies are needed for Ironstone Concours d'Elegance from Mariposa County 4-H. Each club should bring into the office at least 6 or more dozen homemade cookies on Thursday, September 26 or no later than Friday, September 27 by 10a.m. Have 3 to 4 cookies (depending on size) in plastic wrap or sandwich bags. If you want to add bows or ribbon this adds a nice touch.

PLEASE NO STORE BOUGHT COOKIES, CUPCAKES, BROWNIES OR FROSTING ON COOKIES!

The National 4-H Western Heritage Conference and Invitational Match

Submitted by: Thomas Aquino, Texas A & M Intern and Santa Clara County 4-H Alum

The National 4-H Western Heritage Conference and Invitational Match was held for the first time ever in California July 30 – August 1, 2019. California hosted about 100 4-H youth, parents, and volunteers from seven states at River Oaks Range in Winton, CA. The Western Heritage project is aimed at educating youth not only in firearms safety, but also engaging them in living history and public speaking. Participation in the project requires members to learn the safe handling of firearms through shooting a variety of cowboy action style stages for time, as well as learning about U.S. history from 1860-1900. They must also develop and present a 3-5 minute "Persona" where they dress in period appropriated clothing and demonstrate their historical knowledge to a panel of judges.

Event attendees were also able to attend a variety of "historical demonstrations" in which they learned about the lifestyle and work of those who lived on the frontier through a hands-on approach. Some of these demonstrations included: leather working, lead casting, historical clothing and a frontier style sutler's tent, where participants could purchase a variety of frontier goods. Shooting demonstrations were also included, where members had the opportunity to shoot original firearms. Some of these guns included the "Quigley" Sharps, an 1873 Springfield trapdoor as well as a variety of muzzle-loading revolvers and even a civil war era cannon!

In addition to historical events, participants ate a variety of foods that highlighted California's rich agriculture industry and some even went to Yosemite and Monterey. Of all of the activities however, the biggest crowd pleaser was the Tuesday night concert with cowboy entertainer Dave Stamey. The success of this event would not have been possible without the help of our 4-H volunteers, sponsors, and participants.

If you would like to see some of the activities that took place at the 2019 National 4-H Western Heritage conference, visit:

https://www.facebook.com/California-4-H-Shooting-Sports-359716147438695/

If you would like to learn more about the Western Heritage project, visit:

http://www.4-hwesternheritageproject.org/

4-H Shooting Sports Workshop Rifle Discipline Bakersfield, CA



Saturday, November 2, 2019 – 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Sunday, November 3, 2019 – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at the UC Cooperative Extension Office, 1031 S. Mt. Vernon Avenue in Bakersfield. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a rifle trainer and can lead a rifle project at the club level or serve as county trainer to certify other leaders. There is no cost for the course. To register for the course or receive more information, contact John Borba at: jaborba@ucanr.edu



<u>Dinner News</u>—The 4-H Conference Room will be transformed into the "Kid Cave" for 4-H members during the event so parents can attend the dinner/fundraiser. Kids can bring their pillows, blankets, sleeping bags, etc., hang out and watch movies, play games, and enjoy pizza and snacks. All of this is free and under adult supervision.

We will need your help with the following:

- -Youth and parents to help with setting up Building A on Friday, November 1.
- -Parents to help at event on November 2.
- -Youth and Parents to promote event to friends and family.
- -Other opportunities to be announced later.

More details to follow. If any questions, please call Donna Wice (209-966-4829) or Karen Cutter (209-742-6985).

4-H News for the 2019-2020 Year!

- All New volunteer leaders must do the online trainings before they are enrolled as 4-H leaders.
 Returning leaders must do the online trainings to be approved.
- Minimum requirements to maintain charter status all 4-H clubs must hold at least 8 regular scheduled club meetings. Members must attend at least 7 meetings for fair purposes.
- **ALL** newly elected club officer's names and office held needs to be submitted to the UCCE 4-H Office by **November 1.**
- Club budgets and program planning forms for the new year must be submitted to the 4-H Coordinator NO LATER than November 15 for approval before club's vote on them.
- Club by-laws and constitutions must be reviewed by the club membership to make any changes. Must be turned into office for 4-H Staff to review by Nov. 15 before club membership votes on them.
- 4-H State and local UCCE Offices will have required Community Club and Project Leader trainings during the program year.
- All **fundraising forms** must be submitted to the UCCE 4-H Office for the County Director's approval **at least a month prior** to the fundraiser.
- All clubs must be chartered to use the 4-H Emblem, and is a prerequisite for receiving funds from fund-raising enterprises, contributions from local members, or donations and requests from other sources (per State 4-H policy). Must use the Branding Tool Kit for t-shirts, etc. at http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Branding_Toolkit/
- To be eligible for fairs the last day to re-enroll in Mariposa County 4-H is November 1 or for new members December 15. Members MUST add or change projects no later than December 31 for 2020 fairs. Youth may enroll after these dates during the 4-H year, but may not be eligible to participate in the fair or receive credit for the program year.
- Community Club Leaders' 'All-Reasonable Effort' forms are due into the office by <u>SEPTEMBER</u>
 30, 2019. Have flyers, news articles, etc. attached to form.
- NOTE: To qualify for UC's secondary auto coverage 4-H volunteer leaders must maintain \$50,000 personal/property and \$100,000 injury or death insurance coverage. If less, the volunteer leader is liable for the difference.

Please keep in mind that these items are very important. **4-H Council** and **Club communication is the 'key element'** as club charters and council will be continued only if the above information throughout the year are received complete and on time.

The UCCE 4-H Staff and 4-H Council will be observing all State 4-H and UC policies and procedures from the State 4-H Policy Handbook and county procedures. Any changes will be announced in the 4-H Spirit Newsletters or the Weekly Updates.

List of 4-H Projects Available for the 2019-20 Program Year as of August 23rd

For regular members County-Wide- Junior Master Gardeners, Poultry, Shooting Sports-Rifle & Shot Gun, Goats (meat, dairy, pygmy), Swine, Rabbits

For primary members County-Wide (ages 5-8) - Junior Master Gardeners, Poultry, Rabbits, Pygmy goats, Cloverbuds.

Bootjack 49ers– Beef, Swine, Clothing, Outdoor adventure, Foods, Rocketry, Scrapbooking, Marine Biology, Sheep

Catheys Valley Club-Beef, Sheep, Swine, Horse, Arts and Crafts

Don Pedro Club- Rabbits/Cavies, Food & Nutrition, Sewing, Swine, Sheep, Goats, photography, arts/crafts, Shooting Sports both Rifle and Shotgun will be county-wide.

Looking for leaders for various clubs, if interested, contact Donna at 966-4829 as soon as possible. Also looking for a Cloverbuds leader (ages 5-8 and a county-wide project), & arts/crafts.

4-H is always looking for new leaders so if you are interested in mentoring our youth in areas as small engines, hiking, automotive, fishing or other specialty areas contact the 4-H Staff at 209 966-4829.

PDR CORNER

COUNTY FAIR COUNTS AS ONLY ONE EXHIBIT PER YEAR.

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Project Leaders

Your completed project roster needs to be to the OFFICE by September 13th.

Community Club Leaders

Completed club rosters, achievement night list, record book list, Gold Seal books along with club scrapbooks need to be into the UCCE Office by September 23rd.

New and returning leaders must complete online trainings before approved by county director.

4-H Local News

Photos needed for Achievement Night Slide Show!

If you have photos from 2018-19 4-H events, projects, camp or more, please send them to 4-H Staff at dswice@ucanr.edu by September 18. It is always enjoyable to watch a flashback of our yearly events. Thank you.



Recycle Your Blue Jeans and White Shirts

Does your 4-Her have dark blue jeans and white shirts that they have out grown and in good condition that you would like to donate to 4-H? If so, just bring them clean to the 4-H office and we will put them in storage for future 4-Hers use.

Club and 4-H Council On-line Financial Report

The **4-H Unit Annual Financial Reporting system** was opened for 4-H club, councils, and county staff on July 1 to begin finalizing and entering the 2018-2019 financial reports. Clubs and staff can login at http://4h.ucanr.edu/Administration/Financial. Clubs have a unique password the system has assigned for each club use in entering their financial reports which 4-H Staff has, so please contact the office.

Before completing the on-line financial, clubs and council need to have a peer review done by the Community Club leader along with a committee. For council, a committee of 4-H leaders are to review books. All books are due into the office no later than September 30 for 4-H Staff to review.

The state deadline for clubs/council to submit all financial reports is September 15th, 2019. <u>After 9/15/19</u>, clubs/council will no longer have login access for 2018-2019.

2020 State 4-H Fashion Revue

Theme: 20/20 Fashion ... What's your vision?

Date: To be announced. Location: Olson Hall, UC Davis

Youth Chairs: Abby Milanesa (Monterey County) and Sheyla Jacobs (Orange County)

More details at http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SFD/SFR/

2020 Categories:

Traditional

Consumer Science Purchased \$40 limit

The Box Challenge (new version for 2020)

Vintage Challenge (new version for 2020)

Cosplay Challenge (new category)

2020 Service Projects

Adult bibs, for nursing home patients (instructions coming)
 Personal Care Kits sewn from small towels, for homeless shelters and displaced persons



Mindfulness Retreat

4-H Healthy Living Program for youth age 13-19 and adults

November 1-3, 2019

Camp Ocean Pines, Cambria, CA

** Fees \$275 plus chaperone fees

Chaperone fees are estimated to be \$25-\$30 per youth attending the retreat. Fees will be billed after the close of registration. Contact you county 4-H office for available funds to cover your fees to attend.

**Price includes conference registration fees, lodging and conference meals.

More information will be available soon.

2019 National Youth Science Day

The National Youth Science Day (NYSD) celebration kicks off October 1st and takes place through the month of October

Game Changers is a collection of three activities that teaches kids computer science (CS) skills through game play, puzzles and animation. Developed by Google, 4-H, and West Virginia University Extension Service, it includes a computer-based activity on Google's CS First platform and two unplugged activities that can be done all at once or individually.

- **Pitch Your Passion** is an online activity that teaches kids to use CS and animation to advocate for a cause or issue they care about using CS First and Scratch.
- **Program Your Playground** is an unplugged activity where kids use CS skills like decomposition and conditional logic to design their own versions of tag and invent new sports and games.
- **Hack Your Harvest** is an unplugged activity where kids will use CS concepts like automation optimal efficiency to solve and create logic puzzles related to agriculture—or any topic kids can think of.



2020 REGISTRATION TO OPEN ON OCTOBER 15, 2019

For youth ages 15-19

National 4-H Conference Center, Chevy Chase, MD



2020 REGISTRATION TO OPEN ON OCTOBER 15, 2019

For youth ages 12-14.

IRONSTONE CONCOURS d'ELEGANCE

Saturday, September 28

Ironstone Concours d'Elegance is a classic car show on the grounds of Ironstone Winery in Murphys. It is a fund raiser for 4-H in the foothill counties, FFA, and State Fair scholarships. 4-H members and families volunteer to help with the event and in return, the Ironstone Concours Foundation helps support our program.



How can you help? We need members of all ages to give presentations, bring project displays, bake cookies, and work in the different venues at the event.

Presentations can be individual or team and are given from 10:15-11:15a. The impromptu speaking contest is 11:45a-12:45p. Displays are set up from 8:30-2:30p. Members stay with their displays to talk to the general public about 4-H. We recommend members with displays have partners so each person can take breaks to see the car show. Presentations and displays can be about any 4-H project or activity. Small live animals are always an attraction. Members bringing animals must supply their own cages or pens.

Each of the 5 foothill counties (El Dorado, Amador, Calaveras, Tuolumne, and Mariposa) is responsible to supply **20 dozen home-made cookies** for the award bags given to the sponsors and car show winners. They should be packaged 3-4 per ziplok bag and must be delivered that day by 8:30a. in the Heritage Room.



4-H members of all ages and adults to supervise are needed to take tickets, hand out programs, assemble the award bags, and assist in the merchandise booth. Teen members assist with the buffet lunch in the Music Room and hand out welcome baskets to the car show entries. All Stars/Leadership Teams help with the Patron's Tent, and the Awards Ceremony.

Admission and lunch are free for 4-H members volunteering and/or presenting. Admission is free for supervising 4-H adults. Adults signing up to work at the various venues will receive lunch tickets. Lunch is also available for purchase. Tickets cost \$25 per adult or \$45 per couple or a family (a family is considered two adults and two children). Children under 14 admitted free.

4-H registration closes September 11. **First come, first serve.** For more information and to sign up to present or volunteer, please go to: https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=21509.

4-H members are required to wear a white shirt, 4-H tie or scarf, long pants (no shorts), and closed-toe shoes (no flip flops). A 4-H hat is recommended. A club t-shirt is acceptable. All-Stars and Leadership Teams must be in the approved uniform for their county. This is by request of the Ironstone Concours Foundation so our members are easily recognizable. Adults, please dress appropriately for an upscale car show.

NOTE- 20 dozen home-made cookies are needed for Ironstone Concours d'Elegance from

Mariposa County. Each club should bring into the office at least 6 or more dozen homemade cookies by

September 27 by 10a.m.. Have 3-4 cookies (depending on size) in plastic wrap or sandwich bags. If you
want to add bows or ribbon this adds a nice touch. PLEASE NO STORE BOUGHT COOKIES, CUPCAKES OR

BROWNIES OR FROSTING ON COOKIES.

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)

Use other side if needed.

University of California Cooperative Extension

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

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http://cemariposa.ucdavis.edu

State 4-H website: www.ca4h.org



Donna Wice 4-H Coordinator



September Dates

August 30	Office closed due to fair
Aug. 30-Sept.	2 Mariposa Fair
2	Labor Day- Office Closed
8	Hornitos 4-H Club meeting-4p
9	Catheys Valley Club meeting- 6p
	Don Pedro Club meeting-6:30p
10	Bootjack 4-H club meeting- 6:30p
12	Triangle Club meeting- 6:00p
13	RECORD BOOKS DUE TO CCL by
	5:00p.m.
19	Clover Pioneer Club meeting – 6p
23	CCLs club rosters due to UCCE Office
	Gold Seal records due to UCCE Office
	Club Achievement Night report,
	scrapbooks due to office
28	Ironstone Concours d'Elegance-
	Murphys
	ICES Children's' Fair

October Dates New 4-H Year Begins October 1

7	4-H Council meeting-6p
8	Board of Supervisors meeting-9a
6-12	National 4-H Week
14	Office Closed-Columbus Day

November 1 is the last day for 2019-20 re-enrollments for current members and new member enrollment deadline is December 15.

Must change or add projects for the 2020 fairs by December 31.

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