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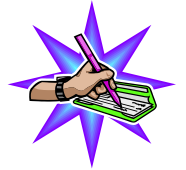
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Mariposa County 4-H Youth Development Newsletter

July 2018

ON-LINE FINANCIAL REPORTING BEGINS JULY 1ST

The On-line Financial Reporting System is available for 4-H club treasurers & 4-H Council to use. 4-H Clubs may use the system to report Form 6:3: **Annual Financial Report to county offices**. The system may be viewed and instructions downloaded at <http://ca4h.org/finances>. You must enter last year's (2016-17) ending balance.



***A reminder to club treasurers and community club leaders that all peer audit reviews and reports are due on-line any time after July 1 and treasurer's binder into the UCCE office by September 15, 2018 OR SOONER.**

ATTENTION LIVESTOCK MEMBERS

4-H 8TH GRADERS WHO HAVE JUST GRADUATED AND WANT TO TRANSFER TO FFA OR INDEPENDENT FOR THE 2018 FAIR, YOU MUST COMPLETE THE 'LIVESTOCK TRANSFER FORM' FOR SHEEP AND SWINE BY JULY 2. 4-H, FFA OR FAIR STAFF MUST SIGN FORM ALONG WITH MEMBER AND PARENTS.

IF THIS ISN'T DONE, YOU WILL HAVE TO SHOW AT THE 2018 FAIR AS A 4-H MEMBER.

FORMS ARE ON-LINE AT http://cemariposa.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Mariposa_County_Project_Forms_and_more/ OR IN THE OFFICE.

If any questions, please contact the 4-H Staff.

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Photos of NatureBridge Trip to Yosemite Valley



On June 12, 4-H members along with chaperones took a trip up to the NatureBridge Yosemite Valley sites. We met at Yosemite Lodge and hiked to the Merced River where the youth and Sophia, our guide, measured the temperature. Then hiked to the Swinging Bridge where they sat on the ground to learn the names of the surrounding granite rocks, drew them and played a game. The group continued to hike through the meadow trying to locate different birds, animals that make their home in the valley. They found a shady location to have lunch and then continued to the last two locations, The Spider Caves and Lower Yosemite Falls. We hiked around 5 miles and totally enjoyed ourselves. Hope to go again next year!

Study trees

Outdoors

ONE
DAY
4-H

What can you do in one day?

enjoy new friends

**— AS A 4-H VOLUNTEER —
YOU WILL...**

- Be part of the organization that has been making the best better for more than 100 years.
- Share your interests and skills with 4-H youth in a learning-by-doing environment.
- Have fun with youth and learn with them.
- Discover new friends and experiences while making a difference.



Project Leaders Needed for 2018-19

Parents, grandparents, or friends, would you like to be a mentor to our 4-H youth in a particular project? We are looking for 4-H project volunteer leaders for the upcoming 4-H program year which begins October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019.

We are looking for leaders in the project areas of small engines, chorus, fishing, biking, animal projects, poultry, photography, wildlife, welding, or any other specialty project. The UCCE Office has curriculum for project leaders to use, and will hold training workshops. All new leaders must do several on-line orientations, be fingerprinted, and be approved by UCCE staff before having meetings with youth.

CURRENT LEADERS AND CCL'S, PLEASE LET 4-H STAFF KNOW IF YOU ARE RETURNING FOR THE 2018-19 PROGRAM YEAR BY AUGUST 1 or SOONER SO A LIST OF PROJECTS CAN BE PREPARED FOR THE FAIR INFORMATION BOOTH, COUNTY ENROLLMENT DAY AND SEPTEMBER CLUB MEETINGS.

Also looking for community club leaders in areas of El Portal and Greeley Hill.

If you are interested, please contact the UCCE Office at (209) 966-4829 or visit the 4-H Fair Booth at the 2018 Mariposa County Fair over Labor Day weekend.



Junior Livestock Auction Committee Meeting

**Date: July 17
Time: 5:30P.M.**

**Where— Fairgrounds Boardroom
4-H Reps and 4-H Staff to attend**

PDR Corner

In the past few months there have been several 4-H events. If you have attended or participated in them, this is where you put it on your PDR.

4-H State Presentation Day-

Gold Medallist-	7
Attended	3

State Fashion Revue

Medallist	7
Attended	3

State Field Day Photo Contest

2

State Field Day Judging Contest

3

Horse Shows-

Attended	3
Gold Medal list	7

Memorial Day Activity-

Presentation	6
Attended in uniform	3

Primary Summer Day Camp

Attended	3
Committee	4

Pow Wow-

Attended in uniform	3
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Camp Tweety-

Committee	4
Attended	3

NatureBridge

Attended	3
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APPLICATION DEADLINE EXTENDED!

until July 30, 2018

Join the Planning Team for the
2019 CENTRAL YOUTH SUMMIT
Formerly known as LCORT

January 25-27, 2019
Wonder Valley Ranch in Sanger, CA



The Central Youth Summit Planning Team will work in collaboration with the California 4-H Management Board and the other area Youth Summit Planning Teams to plan and run the 2019 Youth Summits.

Planning Team applications have been *extended for the Central Area Youth Summit ONLY*. Applicants do not need to live in the Central Area in order to apply.

[Applications](#) will be accepted until July 30, 2018. Applicants will be notified of acceptance in August.

Planning team expectations:

- Must be a senior 4-H member (age 14-19), adult volunteer, or 4-H staff
- Flexible, friendly, and open-minded
- Committed to time needed to plan and implement the summit
- Attend all planning meetings (both face-to-face and conference call)
- Individual task completion (estimated at 4-5 hours per month)
- Self-motivated to complete assigned tasks in a timely manner
- Respond to emails and correspondence in timely manner

All eligible members, adult volunteers, and 4-H staff are encouraged to apply!

Application can be found online at
<https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=22652>

Applications are due by 11:59pm on July 30, 2018

YOU'RE INVITED TO A
Mariposa 4-H Program
**BBQ Tri-Tip
DINNER**

Hosted by the Hi-4H & Citizenship Project

MARIPOSA PARK

Sunday July 15TH 5-8:30PM

RSVP By July 9 209-966-2417

SWIMMING, GAMES, FOOD

Appreciation for our
volunteers, donors, buyers, leaders
sponsors, parents, & 4H'ers

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ucanr.edu/sites/anrstaff/files/2f5244.pdf



Project Record Books

Do you have the desire to go away from Achievement Night with a new medal on your hat? Then you should be working hard at completing your project record form (APR form) to complete the project year. If you are going for a star rank then the PDR needs to be completed. If you want credit for being a Junior or Teen leader, that form needs to be completed and put behind the project form you were a leader for.

Project Record Books are DUE at the September club meetings or NO LATER than Friday, September 14 to your community club leader. *If going towards county book award must complete PDR, 4-H Story along with your project records. Must have a gold seal from club level to go forward.*

If you plan to compete for a county project award, **the member MUST** complete the county award request Online at 4hmemberctyawardreq and 4-H Record Book Project forms your leader requested to complete.

Community Club Leaders- Plan your record book judging date now, *for all **GOLD SEAL** books and Club scrapbooks are due in the UCCE office by Thursday, September 20 by 5:00pm. NO EXCEPTIONS! Club leaders please use the Club Evaluation forms.*

County Record Book Judging dates tentatively September 28-29.

What Can Project Leaders Do?

A question was brought up concerning what a project leader can do with a project member who is not abiding by the 4-H Code of Conduct.

On the 4-H Code of Conduct form, which the member and parent have signed, are the penalties and/or disciplinary actions for infractions of the 4-H Code of Conduct:

- ♦ Sending a participant home
- ♦ Barring that participant from future 4-H events including fairs
- ♦ Assessing the participant the cost of damages and repairs in the event of damage/destruction of property
- ♦ Releasing the member to the nearest law enforcement agency or the proper authorities
- ♦ Termination of 4-H membership (youth or adult)

Parents and Community Club Leader will be notified of action taken.



4-H Achievement Night Slated for October 21 at New Life Christian Fellowship

Each year at Achievement Night we have a silent auction fundraiser. If you know of a business or friend that would like to donate something for this fundraiser please begin asking. We will need all items to the office by October 15 so we can make up bidding sheets. If a basket is donated, please make-up a card with contents and value.

If project groups would like to donate something that would be super!!!! Start making items now.



VFW Memorial Day Parade



In honor of our service men and women members from Mariposa County 4-H participated in the Mariposa Memorial Day Parade and presented wreaths. Clubs present were Bootjack 49ers, Clover Pioneers, and Triangle 4-H. All-Star, Laurel Wagner, presented the 4-H Council's wreath.



El Portal 4-H Afterschool SPIN Club News

By Niarja Marchand, 4-H leader

El Portal has a new SPIN Club. It began last fall and continued until the end of the school year. Approximately 28 children take part twice a month for an hour after classes finish. We meet in the high school room where there is a small kitchen.



In the spring they began planting seeds such as melons, pumpkins, beans and squashes. Then work began on the garden itself. The garden space has been there for many years and hadn't been worked for a few years so the first job was to clear the weeds from the beds. We found evidence of gophers so knew what we were up against. After clearing the weeds we bought materials and the junior high class built two new beds for us as the old beds were falling apart. Then the fun of planting began. Besides the seedlings we planted herbs, tomatoes, peppers and beans. We planted marigolds by the tomatoes and each bed got mint plants to help keep away insects. Before classes ended we were able to install a drip irrigation. The garden is being looked after by Laura, the after school teacher. It is coming up beautifully. No sign of insect damage but our resident gopher has been busy so traps were set out.



LOCAL 4-H NEWS

4-H INFORMATION BOOTH AT THE FAIR NEEDS YOUTH AND LEADERS!

Mariposa County Fair and Homecoming is the perfect place to share 4-H with the public and reconnect with past 4-H members, leaders, and supporters. YOUTH and leaders are needed to help create and man the booth to connect with alumni, supporters, and recruit new members and leaders. If you would be willing to assist with creating a display OR sharing at the fair, call the 4-H Office today!

Important Information for 2018-19 4-H Enrollment

Enrollment fee for the new program year will be \$54 for youth and \$21 for 4-H volunteer leaders. Dates for enrollment will be re-enrollments by November 1, new enrollments by December 15 and to change or add projects for fair last date will be December 31. We will continue doing the paper enrollments BUT encourage to enroll online. Youth enrollment forms will be mailed out in August and 4-H Leader's enrollment forms will be mailed July 9th and need back by August 17 or enroll online. New for upcoming year—ALL adult volunteer leaders need to do online trainings before they are certified 4-H leaders. Information will be shared as received.



4-Hers Come and Present at the Ironstone Concours d'Elegance September 22

The Ironstone Concours d'Elegance is an antique and classic car show that takes place each year at the Ironstone Vineyards, just outside Murphys CA. Some 300+ antique and classic cars participate in the Ironstone Concours d'Elegance. This classic car and automobile show also features vintage trailers, motorcycles and wooden boats. Honored vehicle marques vary each year.

Proceeds from the Ironstone Concours d'Elegance benefit Central and Northern California youth in agriculture, notably 4-H and FFA. Additionally, the non-profit Ironstone Foundation has helped fund the California State FFA headquarters in Galt, scholarships in partnership with the California State Fair, and the Calaveras County Fair Scholarship program. The Ironstone Concours Foundation has donated to the 5 foothill counties for campership and for general use for the 4-H programs.

Come and share your 4-H experience with the attendees while seeing some beautiful antique cars and more!! Complete form on next page and turn in by September 7th if you plan on having a display, do a presentation, or help in other ways or complete the registration at <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=21509>

NOTE- 20-25 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 21st by 10a.m. Have 4 to 6 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 and NO brownies.



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 22** 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 \$30 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 7th**. **Or register online at <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=21509> by September 12.** **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 7th!

To the Adults

**By Dr. Jeff Goodwin, 4-H & Youth Specialist,
University of Idaho**

The following poem was not written to be harmful to the youth livestock program but to simply do as the 4-H motto says, "To Make the Best Better".

Oh they moan and they groan
As the light is shone
On youth livestock shows grand.
They say, "Speak only of the positive never of negative,"
As they put their small heads in the sand.

They say it's for the kids
As they pray for high bids
To help pay the college bill.
The need for prestige
and adult egos in heave
are the root of most stock show ills.

The animals are fine-tuned
Like a ship to the moon;
Feed, water, and concoctions metered just right.
And when the thought of Average Daily Gain
Causes us such great pain,
Can't it be seen that we may have lost sight.

The fitter for hire
Should raise your ire
As 4-H and FFA members are robbed of their own
work.

And the thought of a rule
That puts in young hands the grooming tools
Makes some parents go plumb berserk.

If your sails are not set
You can sure bet
Your destination will be as the wind blows.
It's up to us,
Despite the loud fuss,
To give direction to where this good program will
go.

Do we aim
for lean gain,
Production, quality, efficiency, and other industry
standards?
Or go in the direction of unlawful injections,
While to tradition and local power we pander?

When we're off on a tangent,
And we think like bandits, the stock show just
might be off track.
If the true goal
Is to increase the good citizen roles,
then it's time to take the program back.

Don't get me wrong,
Stock shows are still strong
Builders of young men and young women,
But if we don't put up a fight and do what's right,
with the sharks we'll soon be swimming.

The things that we do
Must always be true
And on a sound, thinking basis.
Because all that's at stake
Are futures and fates;
And looking to us are all those young faces



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 14th.**

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.

Primary Summer Day Camp



On Saturday, June 23 at the Mariposa County Fairgrounds picnic area, the Primary Summer Day Camp took place. Activities included ice breakers, beeswax candle making, make own snack, corn husk dolls, obstacle course, and more. Snacks and lunch were provided.



Thank you to leaders, Niarja Marchand, Melissa Matheson, All-Stars– Raegan Broomfield, Laurel Wagner & our committee– Acelia Tilton, Westley Takahashi, Michael, Elizabeth, Emma Matheson, Melissa Takahashi, Raegan Broomfield, and Emma Nielsen. Job well done!

Senior 4-H Member State Record Book Competition

Any Senior member that would like to submit their record book for state competition the intent to compete is due by August 31, 2018.

This link is to the State Recordbook Competition page, some of the information has not been updated.

http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Member_Resources/RecordBook/RBCompetition/StateCompetition/



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JULY DATES

June 30-July 2 Camp Tweety
4 **Observance of Independence Day– office closed**
8 Hornitos club meeting– 4p
9 Don Pedro club meeting– 6:30p
9 Catheys Valley 4-H club meeting
10 Bootjack club meeting– 6:30p– church
12 Triangle club meeting- 6:00p
19 Clover Pioneers Club-6p
30 Program Planning/Finance meeting– 5:30p

No Council meeting this month

NOTE- Members check with your Club leader to make sure above dates are correct.

Donna on Vacation July 9-20

August

14 Mandatory Livestock Meeting-Strathern Pavilion-6p
20 4-H Council meeting-6p



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