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THE 4-H WAY

November-December 2015

Siskiyou County 4-H

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Upcoming Events

November

15 Enrollment deadline for all new members wishing to be eligible to sell at the 2016 Siskiyou Golden Fair or Tulelake Butte Valley Fair.

January

5 Mandatory-Club Treasurer Mid Year Review Meeting. 4-H Office 6:30pm
12 Leaders Council Mtg 7pm—4-H Office

March

5 County Presentation Day/Home Ec. Field Day
8 Leaders Council Mtg 7pm-4-H Office
19 Sectional Presentation Day/Modoc County

April

1 Siskiyou County 4-H Scholarship Deadline
9 Youth Arts Festival/Fashion Revue

Family Fun Day and County Awards Program

Thank you to all of the clubs and members who attended family fun night. Butte Valley 4-H club received the Big E Award, Greenhorn and Big Springs shared the Community Service club of the year award and Big Springs was awarded the Outstanding Club of the Year Award. Thank you Greenhorn for barbecuing, Big Springs and Fort Jones for the drinks and Gazelle for the watermelon.



Siskiyou Golden Fair Theme

The 10th District Agricultural Association Board of Directors selected "SADDLE UP SOME MEMORIES" as the theme for the 2016 Siskiyou Golden Fair.

For more information, contact the fair office at 842-2767. The 2016 Siskiyou Golden Fair "Saddle Up Some Memories" will run August 10-14, 2016 in Yreka.



State 4-H Updates

CALIFORNIA FOCUS



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June 17-21, 2016
Sacramento CA

A unique
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experience
for youth
ages 14-19.



CALIFORNIA

Witness California's government in action by participating in the legislative, political, and judicial processes.

As a conference delegate you will:

- Register to vote, conduct a primary election, and develop a political campaign through a two party system.
- Elect constitutional offices.
- Analyze the needs and issues of your district and enact legislation with the goal of securing the governor's signature to make your bill a law.
- Create a service plan of action for your community
- Meet California law makers
- Tour the State Capitol, Governor's office and 3rd Court of Appeal
- Participate in fun recreational activities, tours and cultural events
- Make new friends

California Focus can be the beginning of a life of public participation that leaves you with a strong determination to become involved in your community. Don't miss being a part of this stimulating, fun-filled learning adventure in Sacramento with opportunities to gain new ideas, experiences, and perspectives.

For more information visit http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/CF/.
For questions, contact Jenna Colburn at jcolburn@ucanr.edu.



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State Leadership Conference

July 28th - 31st, 2016 at Humboldt State University

For High School Youth (Ages 13-19)



The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. The conference provides advanced leadership training and is an opportunity for 4-H members to network and share ideas with other 4-Hers from across the state. The conference focuses on providing high school youth with experiential education on leadership development, civic engagement, college admissions and other 4-H project areas.

Youth delegates gain exposure to the campus by living in the residence halls, eating in the dining commons, and participating in educational sessions, many of which are taught by UC faculty and staff.

State 4-H Updates

New Presentation Manual

The NEW Presentation Manual is here! The 4-H Presentation Manual (2015) is the consistent and standard guide for all 4-H presentations and will be adopted by all County, Sectional/Regional, and State 4-H Presentation Days. To view the new manual visit: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/220608.pdf>. In addition, example films for almost every category have been posted at <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLmPu2m62SYPOC--sIOjud51n7aNqyVBmh>

If you have any questions regarding the new manual please contact Alyssa Sankey, State 4-H Program Representative, at ajsankey@ucanr.edu.



2015-16 Record Book Manuals

The new edition of the 2015-16 Record Book Manuals are now available online and include several changes. Be sure to use current forms, which can be found at: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Members/RecordBook/About_4-H_Record_Books/

The new manuals now are in two versions. One shorter, easier to read edition for members and another, longer edition for adults who may want more background information for leading Record Book projects or for their own knowledge. The forms have been separated out of the manual for ease of use—they don't have to extract the forms from the manual anymore. The forms and the manual are intended to work together so please be sure to download both a manual and the forms.

The State Incentives and Recognition Committee will be offering a series of webinars to guide youth and adults through the Record Book changes. Look for more information about these webinars on the website at

<http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Members/RecordBook/RBResources/>



State Fashion Revue News

Announcing **State Fashion Revue 2016, "Hoe Down, Sew Down."** SFR is May 28, 2016, as part of State Field Day at UC Davis. Members qualify in their home counties to enter SFR. Participant categories returning for 2016 are Traditional, Upcycled, and Consumer Science Purchased \$40 limit. The rules for Upcycled have been modified to place more emphasis on the transition. There are two new challenge categories. In the Western Wear Challenge, sewing project members make a western shirt and add

other sewn or purchased garments to complete an outfit. For the Muslin Challenge, members create a garment out of at least 2 but not more than 3 yards of cotton muslin fabric. It must be made as part of a member's project work but the Clothing & Textiles/Sewing project isn't required. Members are encouraged to decorate or embellish the garment. Additional garments may be handmade or purchased. The first service project announced is reusable tote bags made of feed bags, leftover sturdy fabric, canvas or even denim. The second service project will be announced next month. Please see the SFR website for more details on joining the committee, the categories and service projects or the event itself at http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SFD/SFR/.



4-H youth are **17 times** as likely to plan to take courses or pursue a career in science, engineering or technology.

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Spark Score Surveys are open again until January 31st, 2016! Be sure to log in and tell us about you!

We want to tell your story! You are constantly growing and changing. By doing the surveys, we can see how youth in 4-H are developing and changing. These surveys are our way to find out about you and how the California 4-H Youth Development Program is doing overall!

Hi 4-H Happenings– by Julie Zenkus

Teaching youth in urban areas about agriculture is important to Siskiyou County Hi 4-H, because it is the number one industry in California. Three years ago we joined efforts with the Siskiyou County Cattlewomen and Gordon J. Lau Elementary School in San Francisco to provide an annual Farm Day for the youth attending the school. Often-times urban youth don't have an opportunity to learn about agriculture commodities and how those products affect their lives.

This year I chose to take on the planning and workshop portion of the event as my senior project. I chose "Farm Day" because I'm very passionate about teaching about agriculture and making everyday connections to why animal production is important to everyone. In today's society agriculture is often presented in the worst case scenario. I wanted to help create workshops that gave factual hands-on information about animals and what products come from each species.

On October 14, 2015 we were able to provide "Farm Day" for approximately 700 youth at Gordon J. Lau Elementary. Together with the Siskiyou County Cattlewomen we provided workshops about beef nutrition, cattle, dairy cattle milking station, rabbits, pigs, poultry, goats, sheep and the ever popular roping activity. For the 4-H presenters this activity provided a great chance to sharpen their leadership and communication skills as they share their knowledge with the elementary students.

As a follow-up to the event several of the 3rd-5th grade students write letters to the workshop presenters. Often the letters include additional questions that the students have about what they have learned. Siskiyou County Cattlewomen and the Hi 4-H members write follow up letters in correspondence with the youth at Gordon J. Lau. This has become a way to continue the agricultural learning process after the event has happened.

Together these groups are making a difference in agriculture education.



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