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July

11 Pre-Fair, Siskiyou Golden Fair

August

12-16 Siskiyou Golden Fair

September

10-13 Tulelake Butte Valley Fair

11-13 WHY Conference

Personal Development Form (Hints)

Helpful suggestions of events and activities that should be added to your 4-H record book on a monthly basis.

| <u>Event/Skill/Award</u> | <u>Number on PDR</u> |
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| Summer Sports Camp | 8 |
| 4-H Camp | 3 |
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Grenada 4-H Citizenship

Project –Flag
Retirement Ceremony



Siskiyou County Farm Bureau Families

If you are a Siskiyou County Farm Bureau member and have a child participating in 4-H and entered into the Siskiyou Golden Fair please contact Jodi Burch, Executive Director of the Siskiyou County Farm Bureau. We have a special gift for your child.

Siskiyou Golden Fair, Junior Livestock Entry Info

Entry deadlines are rapidly approaching and the Siskiyou Golden Fair wants to remind all junior livestock exhibitors about a few new requirements for this year's fair.

Each junior exhibitor with a terminal animal eligible to go through the auction must fill out a "Country of Origin Labeling" (COOL) affidavit. COOL affidavits must be turned in with the official Siskiyou Golden Fair entry form by Friday, July 17. Affidavits can be found in the fair office, online at www.sisqfair.com or on page 102 of the 2009 Exhibitor Handbook.

In accordance with the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA), all **dairy cattle** exhibitors must provide proof of tuberculosis testing for all dairy breeding cattle over six (6) months of age with one of the following documents:

- a. Signed documentation from a licensed accredited veterinarian of a negative TB test obtained within 60 days prior to exhibition of all cattle to be sold, or
- b. Signed documentation from a licensed accredited veterinarian of a negative TB test obtained within six months prior to exhibition of all cattle for exhibition only, or
- c. Signed documentation from a licensed accredited veterinarian of a negative whole herd test for the animal's herd of origin (i.e., the herd where the animal has resided for minimum 4-month period of time immediately prior to the exhibition) obtained within the twelve (12) months prior to the exhibition, or
- d. A letter from CDFA verifying the completion date of a negative whole herd test for tuberculosis and specifying the official identification of exhibition animals from the herd.

Verification of TB testing documentation should be turned in with the official Siskiyou Golden Fair entry form.

Very important to remember this year is that the fair will not accept any junior livestock entry form without **leader and parent signatures**. Do not wait until the last minute to turn in your form or to have your leader sign it. We can no longer accommodate leaders coming into the fair office after the entry deadline to sign forms. We literally have thousands of forms that are not in any order and it takes a great deal of staff time to dig out the forms to have leaders sign.

If you are mailing your entry form and you wait until the last day, the post office may not date stamp it until the following day. Make sure you walk the envelope into the post office and get it postmarked the on the deadline day. The fair will not accept any late entry forms. No exceptions regardless of the circumstances.

Also, no faxed entry forms will be accepted. They are too difficult to read.

Siskiyou Golden Fair, Junior Livestock Auction Info

It's that time of year when the Junior Livestock Auction Committee needs help from the 4-H clubs and FFA chapters for the annual auction. Please remember that the committee is a private, nonprofit organization separate from the fair and depends completely on volunteers to operate the auction on behalf of all the junior livestock exhibitors who sell animals. It is not enough for the sellers to be runners during the auction, there is a lot to do prior to and during the auction to make it a successful event.

First and foremost, a member of each club that has animals to sell must attend Junior Livestock Auction Committee meetings. The committee meets the third Thursday of every month (except December and January) at 7 p.m. at the Cal Fire meeting room in Yreka.

Second, the committee needs parents and sellers to help set up the auction on Saturday afternoon of the fair. Check with Dena Rizzardo at the livestock office when you check in on Wednesday of the fair to get an exact time.

Prior to the fair, the committee needs parents and leaders to please sign up for the following duties: Exhibitor photo set up on Wednesday; barn coordinators for each species on Sunday; coordinator for runners on Sunday; coordinator for serving lunch and bottled water during auction.

The Junior Livestock Auction Committee is hosting a Buyer's Barbecue on Friday, July 31 at the Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds. Buyers from the 2007 and 2008 auction are being sent tickets. Any seller who wishes to attend or who wishes to purchase tickets for a new, prospective buyer can do so by contacting Jim Sweet at 842-6033 or Dena Rizzardo at 842-5701, ext. 236. Tickets are \$3 for children and \$5 for adults. There will also be a Buyer's Breakfast, sponsored by Raley's, the morning of the auction at the fairgrounds. Previous buyers will receive tickets in the mail. Sellers and their families may attend the breakfast but they must pay \$3 per person. Tickets will be available at the breakfast.

California State 4-H Updates/Info



2009 State 4-H Leaders' Forum, November 6-8, 2009 at Asilomar Conference Center. You'll come home loaded with ideas and activities and the enthusiasm to implement new ideas. **4-H SET sessions will include teaching process concepts on experiential and inquiry learning and on specific curricula (TBA; may include alternative energy, veterinary science, robotics, etc.)** Registrations range from \$250.00 to \$310.00 and are due September 1, 2009. More information is available at <http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slf/>

Are you planning a service-learning project for next year? Each year the California State 4-H Office provides funds to members and volunteer leaders for service-learning projects through the **California 4-H Service Learning RFP**. Groups can request up to \$5,000 to fund activities that address significant environmental, economic and/or social issues affecting California's youth, families, and communities. The Service Learning RFP application and information is available on the web at: <http://www.ca4h.org/citizenship/funding/index.asp>. Examples of past projects are also listed. The application is due **September 15, 2009**.

4-H club support funding is available through the **Bob and Pat Dean Memorial Legacy Fund** for California 4-H members or volunteers. Funding is intended for activities that meet the following criteria: 1) enable youth to develop citizenship, leadership, or life skills; 2) support the development of new and innovative 4-H projects benefiting 4-H members; 3) increase public awareness of the 4-H Youth Development Program; 4) expand the reach of the 4-H Youth Development Program (new youth, new audiences); 5) provide continuing benefits to the applicant's local 4-H Club or project. Application information is available at:

<http://www.ca4h.org/citizenship/funding/>. Applications are due **September 15, 2009**.

Can you design an air-powered rocket that can hit a distant target? Build a rubber band-powered car that can scramble across the room? Ready to get creative? Try out your own design skills with these **21 Design Squad challenges**. You can build all of these projects using materials you can usually find around the house. Engineers have led a technological revolution that has improved the quality of our lives, yet many youth do not understand how the technology they use in their daily lives works. They are also unclear about the engineer's role in society or even what an engineer does. PBS's Design Squad is one of the places on TV where kids can learn about engineering.

<http://pbskids.org/designsquad/project/index.html>

Help Staff 4-H Booth at California State Fair

Once again The California 4-H Foundation is recruiting 4-H members and leaders to help staff the 4-H booth at the California State Fair (**August 21 - September 7**). This is a great opportunity for 4-H members and volunteers to share with the public their 4-H experiences, as well as, the wide range of projects and leadership opportunities that are available to youth through participation in the California 4-H Youth Development Program. Small 4-H projects are welcome to accompany you (robots, rabbits, arts/crafts, service dogs, etc.) to give the public a "feel" for what types of projects are available. Examples of service projects also make for good stories to share with the public. Please feel free to bring photo albums or record books with you to show anyone who may be interested in learning even more about your 4-H project.

Parking passes and fair admission tickets will be provided to 4-H members and adults who sign up for a 2-hour shift. A maximum of 4 youth and 2 adults per shift will be allowed. Further, each shift must have an adult or older teen in the booth at all times. To sign-up, please visit

<http://www.ca4h.org/wrp/statefair/>.

4-H Stories from 4-H Record Books submitted to the State Office on or before **July 31, 2009** will be entered for a chance to win a \$25 certificate. Click [here](#) for more information on submission guidelines and to upload and submit your story on-line. Please contact the State 4-H Office, 530-754-8518 for questions.

White Pants and Shirts Available

Do you need whites for the show ring? We have several sizes available including a large selection of women's sizes. Come and see if we can help you. There is no cost for the whites but if you have some you have outgrown please help make them available to someone else. We could use many more youth size whites to add to our collection.

Siskiyou Golden Fair- Prefair event

Would you like to learn about the newest showmanship and fitting techniques? This one day event held July 11 from 9am to 2pm will focus on getting you ready for the fair with hands on showmanship competitions for both large and small animals. Fitting demonstrations will be provided for most animal species. The last Quality Assurance training for the 2009 year will also be offered. Don't miss this event. For more information please contact the fairgrounds at 842-2711.

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