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October

- 6 Hi 4-H Meeting 5:30 4-H Office
- 18 Achievement Night
- 26 Spooktacular Horse Show

November

- 1 Officers Training, 10am
- 11 Leader's Council Mtg, 7pm, 4-H Office

Personal Development Form (Hints)

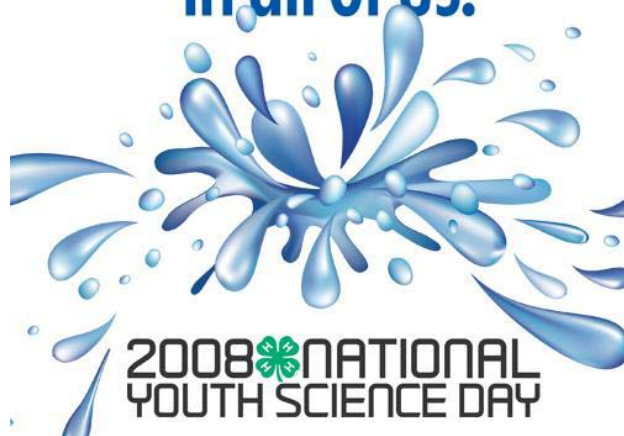
Helpful suggestions of events and activities that should be added to your 4-H record book on a monthly basis.

<u>Event/Skill/Award</u>	<u>Number on PDR</u>
Volleyball, Football, Cheerleading	8
4-H Horse Show	2

National 4-H Week, October 5th-11th

This is a great chance for your club to recruit new members and inform the public about 4-H opportunities. Be creative; the opportunities are limitless. Create window displays for local businesses, hang posters at your schools, have members create radio public service announcements, or visit classrooms for individual presentations. Don't forget to have signs showing locations, times and contact information for 4-H meetings in your area. Each club must show that they have an open enrollment for everyone in the community. Please use this opportunity to reach out to all youth in your area.

There's a little scientist
in all of us.



On October 8, 2008 the 4-H Youth Development Program is launching the first annual 4-H National Youth Science Day to help build America's future science, engineering, and technology workforce. The National Science Experiment, the designated science activity of 4-H National Youth Science Day, will focus on the environment and will use science principles to teach youth across the country about the importance of water conservation. Visit www.4-h.org to download the National Science Experiment for use in your classroom, club, organization, or home. Please note: all experiments should be conducted with adult supervision and are open for all youth organizations or classrooms to participate in.

Officers Training

Officers Training will be held on November 1st at 9:30am. The location is still to be determined. Please call the 4-H Office during the first week of October to check on the location of the event. Training will be available for club officer advisors, presidents, vice presidents, secretaries, treasurers, historians, reporters, song and game leaders and sergeant-at- arms. Information will be presented and available for the officers to take home. Attendance at this event is for the benefit of your club. Please make arrangements to attend and receive information to improve your role as a club officer.

4-H Achievement Night

The Siskiyou County 4-H Leader's Council would like to invite you to attend the 4-H Achievement Night on **October 18th** at **5:30pm** at the Big Springs School Gymnasium. This is a community event that highlights the honors received by members and leaders throughout Siskiyou County. In addition, families are encouraged to bring desserts for a live and silent auction. (Please cover all desserts, place them on a dish that you do not need returned and label them with the ingredients that were used.) All proceeds will go towards awards and events for the 2008-2009 4-H year. A Spaghetti Dinner will be served starting a 5:30pm followed by the dessert auction and the annual awards & honors. Dinner cost is \$5.00 per person or \$20 per family. Remember this event is open to the community. Invite a few guests.

Halloween "Spooktacular"

Horse Show

Make arrangements now to attend the annual 4-H Halloween "Spooktacular" Horse Show on **October 26th**, at the Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds. There will be Jumping, English, Western, Gymkhana, and fun game classes. Don't forget to plan for the costume contest. (Non-violent costumes please!) Entry forms will be available in the next week and will be mailed to all horse project members.

Holiday Parade

Dave Athens has once again offered to help organize a Siskiyou County 4-H parade float for the Yreka Holiday Parade on **November 29th**. Dave would like to have members from all clubs participate in the parade. If you would like to help design the float or participate in the parade please contact the 4-H office as soon as possible. Please don't let this opportunity pass without Siskiyou County 4-H being represented.

Hi-4-H Meeting

Are you a 4-H member that is in the 8th grade or high school? Do you want an opportunity to participate in fun activities with youth your own age? Hi-4-H could be just what you're looking for. Join us for our project meeting on October, 6th at 5:30pm at the 4-H Office

Siskiyou Golden Fair-Holiday Craft Fair, Nov. 22nd

Siskiyou Golden Fair is offering low cost booth spaces to 4-H clubs that would like to showcase and sale arts and crafts that they made as well as provide the club a fundraiser activity. Booth spaces are \$25.00 each and will be located outside for the event. Additional information and booth space requests can be received by contacting the fair office at 842-2767.

California State 4-H Updates/Info

2008 State 4-H Leaders' Forum will be hosted by the South Central Section at the Asilomar Conference Center, November 7-9, 2008. Please consider attending. Information is available at: <http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slf/index.asp>. A hard copy of the materials will be mailed to each County Council/Management Board President. Registrations are due by **September 5, 2008**.

Submit a **4-H Record Book** in the state competition! Senior 4-H members are eligible to enter their 4-H Record Book for state judging. Books are due to County 4-H Offices by **October 24**. More information on the proper format and evaluation forms are available at <http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/recordbook/competition.asp>

For 4-H Clubs: The **Dean Memorial Legacy fund** allows 4-H Clubs to request funding up to \$2,500 to conduct local 4-H activities and projects. Funding is intended for activities that support new and innovative 4-H projects, increase public awareness of 4-H, and expand the reach of 4-H. Requests for funding are due **October 31, 2008**. More information is available at <http://www.ca4h.org/citizenship/funding/index.asp>

The California **4-H International Exchange Program** is looking for host families who are able to host teens from Costa Rica, Finland, and Japan for one month during the summer of 2009. Yes, Costa Rica is now included in our offering - are you ready to brush up on your Spanish? 4-H will also offer an outbound program to Australia in 2009. Information about the international exchange opportunities is available at: <http://www.ca4h.org/exchange/index.asp>.

The **volunteer leader website** is a new interactive and growing site that can be seen at <http://ucanr.org/4-hvolunteers/>. There are sections that will change monthly, 4-H Volunteer Voices, and updates in the program. We hope you'll enjoy seeing all the resources you need in one centralized location. In order to build this new section of the website, please send any recent stories of 4-H in the news in your community that you would like to share. You can email these stories to: fourhstateofc@ucdavis.edu

4-H Million Trees-Challenge

The 4-H Million Trees Project (4HMT) began last year as a seedling in the minds of Belmont, California 4-Her Laura Webber and her dad as they considered what they could do personally to combat global climate change. Over the next few months the idea developed, like a fast growing sapling, to become the 4-H Million Trees Project (www.4hmilliontrees.org.)

The main goal of 4HMT is to have 4-H youth across the country team together to plant one million trees. The plan is to build a network of clubs by working through the 4-H organization in each state. Youth involved in the 4-H Afterschool programs and Military 4-H are also invited to participate.

“The goal of this service-learning project is not only to plant one million trees to combat global warming,” said Project Founder and Teen Leader Laura Webber, “but to teach 4-H youth that by working together they can make a big impact on their world.” There will be numerous benefits to the project. Along with addressing the climate crisis and teaching a valuable life lessons to 4-H

youth, the leaders and members of this project will learn to write grant proposals, prepare and give presentations to clubs, schools, foundations, companies, etc., develop a network with 4-H clubs across the nation, coordinate and maintain the website, manage communications and the project database, form partnerships with non-4-H organizations, write or encourage others to write articles about the project, get publicity on television, learn to interview and be interviewed, and learn to be better leaders.

Trees are at the heart of this project. Members of the project figure that if each club plants and cares for twelve native trees per year over the next four years, they can reach their goal. One million is a big number, so this will be a challenge, but these 4-Hers are dedicated to the project and want to do their part to help resolve the climate crisis.

Since the project started in March, 2008, over 20,000 trees have been registered on the project website, planted by 6,600 4-H youth in 26 states. All 4-H clubs and units are invited to participate, and they just need to register their trees by filling out the convenient online form using the Registration page of www.4hmilliontrees.org.

If anyone is interested to help with, become a member of, has any ideas for, or support 4HMT, they are urged to contact the project at 4hmilliontrees@gmail.com, or visit the website.



What can your club do to help the Million Tree Project?

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