NEW PROGRAM FEES AND THE COUNCIL BUDGET

With the start of the new program year just around the corner, many people have been wondering if there will be an increase in the annual program fees. Although we were fortunate enough not to experience an increase last year and recent years have seen a generous subsidy provided through an endowment fund held by the University of California, costs will be increasing for the upcoming year. For the 2015-2016 Program Year, the cost of registration will be set at $63.00 for youth members and $39.00 for adult volunteers. Admittedly this represents a significant increase over last year’s fee; however, it is important to understand that this increase was necessary in order to achieve a balanced budget and preserve the endowment for future generations of 4-H members. As you may already know, a portion of this money is paid directly to the State 4-H Office and helps to cover the cost of the program’s accident and sickness insurance coverage for all of our members and volunteers. Any funds that are not sent to the State 4-H Office remain with the local 4-H Council and are used to fund program costs like awards, facility use fees, scholarships, and more. A copy of the approved budget has been included in the editing of T’NT for anyone who is interested in reviewing the numbers. It is also important to understand that council did not come to this decision lightly, and is confident that clubs have many opportunities to fundraise on behalf of members. The 4-H/FFA Community BBQ represents an opportunity that is unsurpassed when it comes to raising funds for clubs. Additionally, support of our local Tractor Supply Company’s Paper Clover Campaign would go a long way in providing additional funds that could be used to cover council costs. Although this may represent an increase that is more than we were expecting, this will enable the Council to continue providing the program that we all know and love, as well as offer new and exciting opportunities for our youth.

To all beef exhibitors,

Our brand inspector is requesting you to have the original change of ownership yellow slip made out to the child and signed by original owner plus the yellow transportation slip signed by the exhibitor dated for June 16 (or when you brought them in).

Thank you for you consideration.

Teresa Albaugh
SDF Livestock Manager

MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING

Valley 4-H Council Meeting
Wednesday, May 13, 2015 at 6:00p.m. at 4-H Office, Redding, CA

Inter-Mountain 4-H Council Meeting
Wednesday, July 22, 2015 at 7:00pm at Inter-mountain Fairgrounds, McArthur

As outlined in the 4-H Club Program Planning Guide, each club must have regular representation at Council meetings in order to be considered a “Club in Good Standing”

Can’t physically be at the Valley meeting? Call! You can call 1-866-740-1260. Enter access code 2244900. You can listen to the meeting wherever you are!!!!

Please remember to mute your phone: *6 to mute and *7 to unmute.
**Save the Date – Field Days are Coming Fast**

- **Inter-Mountain Record Book Review**
  Saturday, July 20, 2015 at the Inter-Mountain Fairgrounds 6PM

- **Inter-Mountain Summer Field Day**
  Saturday, July 25, 2015 at Inter-Mountain Fairgrounds 9AM

- **Tehama County Youth Camp**
  Camp will take place from July 11-15, 2015 at Camp Tehama in Mill Creek.
  Our Camper Registrations are now available online if any members wish to attend our summer camp program. All information and forms are at [http://cetehama.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Youth_Camp/](http://cetehama.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Youth_Camp/)
  Questions? Contact Keith Skelton, kasmcz@hotmail.com, (530) 209-5177

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**A Message from Nate**

Things have certainly been busy here at the 4-H Office and it seems as though everyone is getting excited for fair season and summer vacation. As we start to wrap up another program year, here are a few things to remember amidst the hectic schedules. Please note that the May Valley 4-H Council Meeting date has been moved to Wednesday, May 13, 2015. Same time and place, but we needed to accommodate the SDF Buyers’ Dinner on the 20th. Since we’re on the subject of the Buyers’ Dinner, don’t forget to send me the names of any members who are willing to help serve. Older members are best and we need about 10. Charlie Little has also asked me to send out a plea for smaller sized whites, so please dig through those closets and drawers to see if you have any uniform pieces that can be recycled. Finally, I wanted to touch upon the subject of the 2015-2016 Program Fees, as there will be an increase. I have provided a few more details on this in a separate article, as well as included a copy of the 2015-2016 Council Budget, which was approved on April 15th. Thank you very much and have a great month!

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**All Star Support Team**

The 2015-16 All Star Support Team Application has been updated and is available for print online. The All Star Support position offers youth the perfect opportunity to further their leadership skills and prepare for advancement to All Star. Applications are due to the 4-H Office no later than Friday, May 22, 2015. Please review the application for requirements to apply. [http://ceshasta.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Shasta_County_4-H_Information/4-H_All_Star/](http://ceshasta.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Shasta_County_4-H_Information/4-H_All_Star/)

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**Quality Assurance & Ethics Awareness Training for Jr. Livestock Exhibitors**

Junior Livestock Exhibitors, regarding showing livestock at the 2015 Shasta District Fair: Quality Assurance and Awareness Training **is strongly recommended for all junior livestock exhibitors**. While this is only a recommendation for 2015, please bear in mind that this is slated to become a requirement in 2016. This is the same training that is required for members wishing to enter the California State Fair.

We encourage junior livestock project members to attend a training if they missed our training. The certification is good for 5 years!

**SDF has schedule two (2) trainings:**

- May 17, 2015 @2PM @SDF Fusaro Hall
- June 6, 2015 @2PM @SDF Fusaro Hall

Upcoming training dates are also available on the California State Fair website: [http://www.castatefair.org/2015-junior-livestock/](http://www.castatefair.org/2015-junior-livestock/)

Please contact the 4-H Office at (530) 224-4900 with any questions.
**COUNTY NEWS - CLUB LEADERS CORNER**

**UPCOMING ADMINISTRATIVE DEADLINES**

- **May 18th**
  Valley 4-H Agreement Contract Due

- **May 22nd**
  All Star Support Team Applications Due

- **June 1st**
  Enrollment System Locks

- **June 30th**
  Program Year Ends

**SHASTA DISTRICT FAIR PASSES**

Each club needs to call the 4-H Office as soon as possible to designate ONE club leader who will pick up the fair passes for the entire club. If only one leader per club comes in to pick up the passes it will help us eliminate confusion and reduce the work for our front office staff. If we do not hear from your club we will designate one leader as the one to pick up the fair passes for the club. Thank you for your help with this. Please note: The fair will not be giving out complimentary parking passes this year.

**County Record Book Judges Orientation Webinars**

The State Incentives and Recognition Committee will be hosting professional development webinars for County Record Book judges. Each webinar will cover the goals and purpose of Record Book judging, the judging process, practice judging calibration and writing comments. Webinar dates and registration information are posted on the State Website at [http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Members/RecordBook/RBResources/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Members/RecordBook/RBResources/).

**Important Reminders:**

- **Curriculum Check-out:** Curriculum can **ONLY** be checked out to currently enrolled **ADULT** volunteers during regular office hours by UCCE office staff or librarian.

- **UCCE copier use:** Clubs may run 100 copies per month. Any printing needs that are expected to exceed this amount must be taken to a print shop. Clubs need to have funds budgeted for this purpose.

- **Enrollment Fees:** Invoices for the 1st installment were mailed on 1/7/15. Clubs have 45 days from the receipt of invoice to pay. To date there are 4 clubs with outstanding invoices. Please remit any balances to 4-H office ASAP.

**4-H / FFA COMMUNITY BBQ FUNDRAISER**

**LAST MEETING DATE:**

**MAY 14 @ 6PM**

**ROUND TABLE PIZZA - ANDERSON**

- Tickets are being held/disbursed through the 4-H Office.
- Each club must sign a contract in order to receive tickets.
- Only a Community Club Leader may sign on behalf of their club.
- Tickets are only released to the Community Club Leader who has signed the contract.
- All proceeds and/or unsold tickets must be returned to the 4-H Office.
- Clubs that fail to return money and/or tickets equal to the value of all tickets issued to the club will be invoiced for the difference.
- Please contact Nate with any questions: (530) 224-4900

**4-H UNIFORM SUPPLIES**

If your club or family members need to order hats, scarves, or ties please go online and order these directly from ‘Leslie Carman’ at [www.4hsupplies.com](http://www.4hsupplies.com).

**my 4-H**

Visit [www.my4-h.org](http://www.my4-h.org)

Leaders, looking for resources to enhance your project? Enroll at this website and review the resources available to you.
On April 11, 2015 I went to the Meat Goat 101 and Fuzzy Goat Show at Anderson High School. We listened to two speakers. The first speaker, Kelly, the owner of Palo Cedro Feed spoke about fair buyer letters. It was great to hear what should be included in these letters. We learned the do’s and don’ts to writing a great buyers letter. The second speaker, Donna, from “Very Little Ranch” is a goat breeder who talked about keeping your goat healthy and keeping an eye out for signs of sickness.

In the afternoon many 4-Hers brought their goats to the Anderson Future Farmers of America Agricultural Barn where we showed goats in many levels of classes. They had showmanship, market goat, and breeding classes. It was my first show and wow I have a lot to learn, I didn’t realize showing a wether is so different from showing a breeding doe. For instance, the showman has to position the goat to show off their features for their purpose. I had so much fun that day I hope to do it again next year.

2015 Far North Sectional Presentation Day Dorris, CA

Congratulations to our members who represented Shasta County at the Far North Sectional Presentation Day hosted by the Siskiyou County 4-H Program in Dorris, CA on March 28, 2015. The Gold Medal winners are eligible to register for the State Presentation Day on May 30, 2015 in Davis, CA.

Gold  Cade Harner/Francie Ferguson - Evergreen
Gold  Emalee Hiscock – Twin Palms
Gold  Harold Eastman – Pine Grove
Gold  Isabella Sanchez – Twin Palms
Gold  Kandyce Bradley – Twin Palms
Gold  Madeline Evans – Golden Acres
Gold  Reese Whitehead – Happy Valley
Gold  Sage Harner – Evergreen

Blue  Jose Sanchez – Pine Grove
Blue  Langston Tate - Burney
Blue  Melissa Eastman/Nicole Taylor – Pine Grove
Blue  Owen von Schalscha – Burney

Red  Adrian Sanchez – Pine Grove
Red  Cesar Alvarez – Pine Grove
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**2015 INTER-MOUNTAIN SPRING FIELD DAY RESULTS**

**SHEEP**

**JUNIOR**
1st Adria Sanchez - Pine Grove
2nd Harold Eastman - Pine Grove
2nd Jaycee Norris - Evergreen
3rd Owen von Schalscha - Burney

**INTERMEDIATE**
1st Katlyn Lakey - Evergreen
2nd Taylor Woolery - Hat Creek
3rd Colton Oilar - Evergreen

**SENIOR**
1st John Dombroski - Evergreen
2nd Mary Hebert - Pine Grove

**BEEF**

**JUNIOR**
1st Dylan White - Burney
2nd Cesar Alvarez - Pine Grove
3rd Jaycee Norris - Evergreen

**INTERMEDIATE**
1st Katlyn Lakey - Evergreen
2nd Taylor Woolery - Hat Creek
3rd Derek Rainwater - Evergreen

**SENIOR**
1st John Dombroski - Evergreen
2nd Mary Hebert - Pine Grove

**SWINE**

**JUNIOR**
1st Joshua Kroschel - Evergreen
2nd Risa Reynier - Evergreen
3rd Jaycee Norris - Evergreen

**INTERMEDIATE**
1st Nathan Dougherty - Burney
2nd Taylor Woolery - Hat Creek
3rd Ashley Davies - Burney

**SENIOR**
1st John Dombroski - Evergreen
2nd Mary Hebert - Pine Grove

**HORSE**

**JUNIOR**
1st Evan Peterson - Evergreen
2nd Cesar Alvarez - Pine Grove
3rd Joshua Kroschel - Evergreen

**INTERMEDIATE**
1st Nathan Dougherty - Burney
2nd Emma Meeker - Evergreen
3rd Wyatt Keys - Evergreen

**SENIOR**
1st John Dombroski - Evergreen
2nd Mary Hebert Pine Grove

**REASONS**

**JUNIOR**
1st Jaycee Norris - Evergreen
2nd Harold Eastman - Pine Grove
2nd Risa Reynier - Evergreen
3rd Cesar Alvarez - Pine Grove

**INTERMEDIATE**
1st Nathan Dougherty - Burney
2nd Katlyn Lakey - Evergreen
3rd Taylor Woolery - Hat Creek

**SENIOR**
1st John Dombroski - Evergreen
2nd Mary Hebert - Pine Grove

**OVERALL**

**JUNIOR**
1st Jaycee Norris - Evergreen
2nd Cesar Alvarez - Pine Grove
3rd Giselle Rodriguez - Evergreen

**INTERMEDIATE**
1st Nathan Dougherty - Burney
2nd Karlyn Lakey - Evergreen
3rd Taylor Woolery - Hat Creek

**SENIOR**
1st John Dombroski - Evergreen
2nd Mary Hebert - Pine Grove

**JUNIOR TEAM**

**EVERGREEN** - Jaycee Norris, Giselle Rodriguez, Annalise Oilar - 3rd Sheep, 1st Beef, 3rd Swine, 3rd Horse, 3rd Overall

**BURNEY** - Brad Santos, Harper Tate, Peyton Estes - 2nd Sheep, 3rd Beef, 2nd Swine, 2nd Horse, 2nd Overall

**PINEGROVE** - Cesar Alvarez, Carlos Garcia, Jedidiah Pendleton - 3rd Sheep, 1st Beef, 3rd Swine, 3rd Horse, 3rd Overall

**INTERMEDIATE TEAM**

**BURNEY** - Nathan Dougherty, Francie Ferguson, Kaitlin Estes - 3rd Sheep, 3rd Beef, 1st Swine, 1st Horse, 1st Overall

**EVERGREEN** - Katlyn Lakey, Paul Horta, Wyatt Keys - 1st Sheep, 2nd Beef, 3rd Swine, 2nd Horse, 2nd Overall

**HATCREEK** - Taylor Woolery, Chloe Laughlin, Clemente Madrigal - 2nd Sheep, 1st Beef, 2nd Swine, 3rd Horse, 3rd Overall

**PINEGROVE** - Nicole Taylor, Melissa Eastman, Jose Sanchez - 4th Sheep, 4th Beef, 4th Swine, 4th Horse, 4th Overall
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2015 INTER-MOUNTAIN SPRING FIELD DAY RESULTS-CONT.
SHASTA DISTRICT FAIR - JUNE 17-20, 2015
“HOMEGROWN & HOMEMADE”

FAIR THEME: 4-H members are encouraged to use the theme when decorating the barns.

LIVESTOCK OFFICE HOURS: The Livestock Office will open June 13, 2015; from 9 AM to 5PM. Starting June 15th the hours will be 7 AM-7 PM through the end of Fair.

All market swine, sheep & Meat Goats will be tagged at weigh-in, please review the receiving and release schedules. Swine exhibitors will be allowed to leave herd identification tags in animal’s ear until official Shasta District Fair ear tag is in place.

PREMIUM BOOK ONLINE: The Shasta District Fair Premium Book and all other entry information are available at www.shastadistrictfair.com. Premium books are no longer mailed to exhibitors. To access the book from the Fairgrounds Home Page, click on “Annual Fair” and then click on Exhibitor Guide. Complete the appropriate entry form(s), print and mail or deliver to the Shasta District Fairgrounds, 1890 Briggs Street, Anderson, CA 96007. If you do not have access to the Internet or have questions, please call 530-378-6789.

ENTRY/REGISTRATION FORMS: All entry forms (except Agriculture, Horticulture, and Floriculture due June 10th) are due in the fair office by 6 p.m., May 15th. Registration papers on all registered livestock must be checked in the Livestock Office before 7pm, Tuesday, June 16, 2015.

PASSES & PARKING: Junior livestock exhibitors will be issued (1) one wrist band when their animal is weighed, Tuesday, June 16th. The wristband will serve as your pass into the Fair. Replacement of a lost wristband will cost $25. Parent Courtesy Tickets & Parking passes may be purchased by parents (only) of Junior Livestock Exhibitors at a reduced rate of $15 each; parents are limited to 2 books of 4 admission credentials per family and must be ordered and paid for by June 12th. No parking passes will be provided to livestock exhibitors. Junior and senior livestock exhibitors may purchase up to two (2) Parking Passes for $15 each. These passes are only valid in Lots 2, 3, & 4. Parking passes must be pre-ordered on the parent pass form and can be picked up from the Livestock office on June 16th.

BUYER’S GIFTS: Please do not include alcohol in the buyer’s baskets. The children cannot pack or distribute alcohol. Glass containers are not allowed on the fairgrounds. Gifts may be taken to buyer after the fair.

BEDDING: Shasta District Fair will NOT provide any bedding. Exhibitors must provide their own bedding. See livestock office for bedding requirements. Straw shall be for breeding animals only. Please notify the Livestock office prior to fair if you intend to use straw for the safety of market animals that be near your pens. All pens and stalls must be cleaned before 8am each day. Clean Stall Awards will be judged randomly throughout the day.

LIVESTOCK RELEASE: Conditions permitting, the livestock barns will release in the following schedule on June 21, 2015:
BARN A – Jr. Breeding Beef on Sunday at 8am until 12 NOON.
BARN C – Breeding Sheep on Sunday at 8am until 12 NOON
BARN D – All tack items may be carried out starting on Sunday at 8am until 12 NOON
BARN E – Jr/Sr Goats/Cattle and Poultry starting on Sunday at 8am until 12 NOON

POULTRY & RABBIT MEAT PENs: The disposition of the Rabbit and Poultry Meat pens will be at the discretion of the buyer. The market ready meat pens will sell at the Junior Livestock Auction.

DRESS: When in the show ring the wearing of the official 4-H uniform is required. Refer to page 61 of the premium book.

AWARDS: All exhibitors will be required to provide an appropriate Thank You note prior to receiving their awards. The Thank You note must be in an unsealed, addressed envelope with appropriate postage affixed. Every award has the sponsor information attached to it. All awards and premiums will be held until the thank you is received!

DECORATIONS, SUPPLIES & EDUCATIONAL DISPLAYS: May be taken down and removed from the grounds on Saturday, June 15 according to the release schedule. Items left behind are done so at your own risk.

STABLING & BARN CURFEW: All livestock must be stabled according to the space allocated by the Livestock Superintendent. Changing of livestock from one stall to another positively will not be permitted. All animals, feed, and equipment must be housed in the barn within their pen area. Barn curfew is 10 p.m. All exhibitors and patrons must be out of the barn area at that time. Barn curfews will be strictly enforced. No sleeping or camping will be allowed in the barn area. No BBQ’s on Fairgrounds.

CODE OF ETHICS: Under no conditions may any exhibitor use drugs or any artificial means to stimulate an animal so that it may be shown to a better advantage. This shall include, but not be limited to, injections, forced liquid intake, or any unethical or inhumane treatment of animals. Violators and/or animals in violation of any of the General Rules above will be required to leave the Fairgrounds immediately upon notice.

WEIGHT REQUIREMENTS: Fair weights for Market Animals for the 2012 Shasta District Fair are as follows:

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* Hours for Receiving entries 8 AM to 6 PM
** For more information please see beginning of each section

Any animal sifted for weight must leave prior to 8 PM
All Market Animals Must be in place prior to their species starting to weigh-in.
We will not wait for animals that are not on site.
ATTENTION ALL 4-H’ERS WITH MARKET ANIMALS
Each family is asked to donate 1 case of water for the buyers on Saturday (sale day) of the Shasta District Fair. If you have any questions, please contact the 4-H office at 224-4900.

BUYERS APPRECIATION DINNER
MAY 20, 2015
Each species project in each 4-H club provides a basket for the buyers dinner. The buyers present at this dinner will get their name drawn for a basket. Baskets are due to the fair office on May 20th by noon. Those members who have volunteered to help serve should arrive at 5:40pm. The social hour begins at 6:00pm and dinner will be at 7:00pm.

VALLEY CONTRACT AGREEMENT
The Valley Shasta District Fair 4-H Contract Agreement is due to the 4-H office by May 18, 2015. Please read it carefully including the new page on dress code. All signatures must be present.

SHASTA COUNTY RAISED STEER CONTEST
Sponsored by the Shasta County Cattlemen, the event will take place on Wednesday, June 17, 2015 at 5:30pm. The Cattlemen will provide judges for this contest. The Cattlemen’s Fitting & Showing Contest will immediately follow.

Carcass Contest Cash Awards
The Shasta County Cattlemen will be sponsoring cash awards for the carcass contest in conjunction with the Shasta County Cattlemen.

Super Steer Contest
The Super Steer Contest is designed to seek the fed steer that best combines live, carcass and gain attributes. Steers must qualify for the Shasta County Cattlemen’s Association Carcass Contest to compete in the Super Steer Competition.

4-H SWINE SHOWMANSHIP AWARD
2015 SHASTA DISTRICT FAIR
A $1,000 cash award will be presented to the top 4-H swine exhibitor at the 2015 Shasta District Fair. The intent of this award is to encourage 4-H swine exhibitors to excel in showmanship. This award will be presented ringside when the Showmanship winner is announced. Premium Book page 83.

4-H SHEEP BEST OF SHOW AWARD
2nd year at the SDF fair, there is an award for Best of Show for Sheep. This award is sponsored by Cassie Gyves, The Real Estate Group. Premium book page 77.

SDF Auction Requirements
Age Requirements/ graduation status for Shasta District Fair Auction; according to the 2015 Shasta District Fair Exhibitor Guide: “Sale Qualifications: The Shasta District Fair Junior Livestock Auction and Market Classes are open ONLY to those 4-H, FFA, and Independent Exhibitors that reside in the valley area of Shasta County who meet the minimum age requirements and those who graduated from high school in 2014. Each Junior Exhibitor, who meets the above qualifications, will be allowed to enter and sell one (1) market animal.” This means that youth must be at least 9 years old as of December 31, 2014. The upper age limit for selling at the auction at Shasta District Fair is determined by the year of graduation from high school. Youth may sell the year they graduate from high school only, and not in succeeding years. This applies equally to youth who attend public school, private school, or home school. The youth members have been historically relied upon for their honesty as to when they graduated from high school, or received their completion certificates from home school education. Please help us maintain the standard of honesty the public depends on when purchasing a 4-H project animal by complying with the Shasta District Fair Exhibitor Guide.

YOUTH SUPERVISION AT THE SHASTA DISTRICT FAIR
All 4-H Youth must be supervised by a parent, guardian, or other adult who has written parental permission, while participating at the Shasta District Fair. Do not leave your child unattended at the fair.

Youth: Please remember that you are representing 4-H to the public while at the fair whether you are in the show-ring or not. The highest standards of behavior, courtesy to others, and treatment of your animals is expected of you as a 4-H youth representative. Any problems that cannot be resolved by the 4-H leaders on site are to be reported to the Livestock Manager at the SDF.

Appropriate Parent Participation
At competitive 4-H events, parents are to respect youth ownership of projects and allow their child to complete his/her own project.

Parents are to provide encouragement and support, allowing their child to experience the process of 4-H, no matter the outcome. Parents are to encourage their child to do their best, not to be better than someone else.

Parents can be proactive in their child’s 4-H experience while being respectful of youth and adult volunteers, the project or event lesson, and the leadership.

4-H WHITES … A 2ND TIME AROUND
Charlie Little is still handing out whites for fair.
She now has ties, scarves, hats and Record Book covers for sale.

Contact Charlie at 530-547-4195
The following Dress Code has been developed by the Shasta County 4-H Council for participation at all 4-H events and fairs, at all levels. Parents, leaders, and members are asked to encourage others to follow the dress code and exhibit pride in one’s appearance. Volunteer leaders are also asked to set the example by following the dress code themselves and have the authority to enforce the code at events when needed. This dress code can be used as a tool to assist in setting a minimum standard for members who represent the program. Clubs are encouraged to offer incentives, which can be given at the club’s discretion. These incentives and recognitions are based at the club level and each club is free to devise their own incentive system, i.e. certificates, prizes, pins, etc.

1. Club t-shirts, or club logo displayed on clothing, is acceptable for events.
2. The 4-H uniform, while not required, is encouraged for events, especially at countywide, sectional, and statewide events.
3. Articles of clothing that display profanity, products, or slogans that promote tobacco, alcohol, drugs, sex, or are in any way distracting are prohibited.
4. Excessively baggy or tight clothing and clothing that advertises gang symbols or affiliations is prohibited.
5. Items of clothing that expose bare midriffs, bare chests, undergarments, or that are transparent (see-through), are prohibited. Tops that display visible cleavage, backless shirts, tube tops, and visible undergarments are also prohibited.
6. Shorts, cut-offs, skirts, etc. should reach to mid-thigh with a minimum inseam of 3 to 4 inches.
7. FOR LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS: Open toed shoes may not be worn while working with animals or in the barns at any time. Rubber boots, boots, or close-toed shoes must be worn at all times when washing animals (no flip flops or sandals).
California State Fair
http://www.castatefair.org
July 10-26, 2015

Deadlines -
Junior Livestock: June 5
Youth Canning & Baking: June 19

4-H Throwdown and Cooking Matters 101, 201, 301
California 4-H members are invited to participate in the Third Annual 4-H Cooking ThrowDown at the State Fair. Teams will consist of three youth that will have 1 hour to prepare a 3-course meal using a surprise secret ingredient. A judge will taste all courses prepared and the winners of each Qualifying Round will then compete to determine the daily 4-H ThrowDown Champion! Registration for the event is not yet open.
To help prepare teams to compete, the Healthy Living Leadership Team recommends Project Leaders to use the Cooking Matters 101 Curriculum. Cooking Matters can be found at http://web.extension.illinois.edu/state4h/projects/new/.

Tips ‘n Topics

STATE NEWS

Judges Sought for State Field Day

**Orientation:** May 30, 8:30am - 10:00am in Wellman Hall 2

Judges are vital to the functioning of 4-H presentation days. They give presenters feedback on their performance using a standard evaluation rubric. Judges may be youth and adults (older than 16 years of age) from 4-H or other organizations with experience in public speaking. The duties include:

- Check-In between 7:30am-8:30am
- Attend the Orientation from 8:30 – 10:00am, Wellman Hall 2
- Evaluate 10-15 presentations during the event using the standard evaluation rubric for that category.
- Provide written positive and constructive feedback to help each presenter improve.

For every 5 members that are registered, counties must provide 1 evaluator. In past years it has been difficult to gather enough evaluators.
State Field Day coordinators will be holding counties accountable for sending evaluators.

http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=13510

State Field Day Updates

California 4-H State Field Day
May 30, 2015 – 8 AM to 6 PM
UC Davis Campus – Wellman Hall

This event is open to all 4-H members, volunteers, staff, and parents. Between 1,000 and 1,400 people attend the event. The event has a “picnic” feel as people bring chairs and socialize for the day on the Quad. Highlights include:
- State Presentation Day
- State Fashion Revue
- State 4-H Interview Contest
- State 4-H Film Festival
- State 4-H Plant Science Contest
- MyPlate Challenge
- Photography Contest State Field Day Logo Contest
- And More!

More info: [http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SFD/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SFD/)

2015 State Record Book Competition

**New for 2015:** Intent to Submit Form is Due June 30th. This is a new form. Also, the deadline to complete the Record Book Quick Start Course has been moved up to June 30th.

Members who intend to submit a Record Book to State Competition 2015, should start making plans now. It is important to review all of the requirements, process, guidelines and, forms to enter the 2015 Record Book Competition posted at [http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Members/RecordBook/RBCompetition/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Members/RecordBook/RBCompetition/)

2015 State 4-H Presentation Day Special Recognition
Awarded to 4-H members who relate their presentations (all categories are eligible) to one of the following four focus areas:
- Science, Engineering and Technology (SET): Aerospace Engineering: Flying Into the Future!
- Citizenship: Civic Engagement
- Healthy Living: Sleep and Stress
- Thrive: The Path to Thriving

http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SFD/
Tractor Supply Fundraiser Opportunity!

Tractor Supply has a standing invitation for any 4-H clubs interested in holding a BBQ fundraiser at the Redding store each Saturday throughout the year. Please call three to four weeks in advance to schedule your weekend. Tractor Supply will furnish the barbeque and propane; your club brings the hot dogs, condiments, etc. Car washes or bake sales are also possibilities. Please call Tom or Carol to schedule your fundraiser or to learn more about how your club can help during the fall campaign. Leaders, please make sure you have your Food Safety Certification.

FSA Loans

The U.S. Department for Agriculture’s Farm Service Agency makes operating loans of up to $5000 to eligible individual rural youths age 10 through 20 to finance income-producing, agriculture-related projects. The project must be of modest size, educational, and initiated, developed and carried out by rural youths participating in 4-H clubs, FFA, or similar organization. If you have questions please contact Sandy Davidson, Farm Loan Officer at 530-226-2566 or sandy.davison@ca.usda.gov

Karma for Cara Foundation Micro-Grants

Deadline: Rolling

The Karma for Cara Foundation is encouraging kids 18 and under to apply for funds between $250 and $1,000 to complete service projects in their communities. Whether it is turning a vacant lot into a community garden, rebuilding a school playground or helping senior citizens get their homes ready for winter, they want to hear what project you’re passionate about. Learn how you can get involved - including applying for a microgrant - at: http://www.karmaforcara.org/get-involved

California 4-H Scholarships for Higher Education

Deadline: June 1

The California 4-H Youth Development Program is committed to promoting higher education, in part through offering financial assistance in the form of scholarships. With help from donors, statewide scholarships are available for graduating high school seniors and college-attending students. Candidates were 4-H members in high school and may now apply for funds to cover educational expenses such as tuition, books, and room and board.

Who can apply for 4-H scholarships?

Candidates must be:
Currently enrolled or plan to be enrolled in an institute of higher education. This includes high school seniors, high school graduates, and those already enrolled in higher education. Between the ages of 16 and 25 as of April 30. Enrolled in the California 4-H Youth Development Program at the time of their high school graduation. Full-time students at an accredited vocational school, college or university in the United States (as defined by the applicant’s institution).

Applicants may apply for multiple scholarships but are only eligible to receive one scholarship per year. Previous scholarship recipients may reapply.

What types of scholarships are available?

The available scholarships vary each year. Visit the scholarships categories page to get a complete list and description of this year’s 4-H scholarships. Find additional scholarship opportunities here. Applications must be submitted no later than June 1, 2015, 11:59 p.m. All required information must be included with the application to be considered.

Maker Fair Bay Area

May 16th & 17, 2015

Maker Faire is the Greatest Show (and Tell) on Earth—a family-friendly festival of invention, creativity and resourcefulness, and a celebration of the Maker movement. Part science fair, part county fair, and part something entirely new, Maker Faire is an all-ages gathering of tech enthusiasts, crafters, educators, tinkerers, hobbyists, engineers, science clubs, authors, artists, students, and commercial exhibitors. All of these “makers” come to Maker Faire to show what they have made and to share what they have learned. More info: http://makerfaire.com/

Western Region Leaders’ Forum

Consider an adventure in the far north, sharing your knowledge and skills... The Western Region 4-H Volunteer Leaders Forum (WRLF) 2016 Education Committee is now accepting proposals for the 2016 conference, in the golden heart city of Fairbanks, Alaska, March 2-4. Submissions are accepted through June 1. For more information and to submit your proposal, visit: http://www.alaska2016.com. Like us on FB for one stop information on what’s happening, airfare deals, and much more. https://www.facebook.com/alaskawrf2016

Feedback Sought on the Revised 4-H Presentation Manual

Respond by June 10, 2015 at http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=15252. This fourth edition 4-H Presentation Manual was adapted by a Task Force of staff, volunteers, and youth. The Task Force requests your feedback on the newly revised manual. They will meet in June to review your feedback and make additional modifications to the manual before being released live on July 1, 2015.
Regional, State, National News

The 4-H Animal Science Symposium is a professional development opportunity for 4-H staff and key volunteers on key topics and skills relating to bio-security and animal health. Central to this symposium will be a foundational training on the "Bio-Security Proficiencies for Beginning Producers," which participants will implement back home with 4-H volunteers and junior/teen leaders. Registration will open in January 2015. See informational flyer at http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/198164.pdf for more details.

California Focus
June 19-23, 2015
A unique citizenship educational experience for youth 14-19. Located at the Holiday Inn Capital Plaza- Sacramento

Leadership Washington Focus
July 14-18, 2015
Leadership Washington Focus (LWF) is a 4-H leadership program for youth entering grades 7 through 9.

Citizenship Washington Focus
June 28-July 4, 2015
Extended Travel days to: Gettysburg, Philadelphia, & Baltimore July 5-7, 2015

Click here to view the CA State 4-H website for these events.

2015 State 4-H Horse Classic –Save the Date
June 24-28, 2015—Brookside Show park
Early Bird Registration Due: May 26, 2015
Regular Registration Due: June 8, 2015

Hosting a Qualifying Horse Show?
Register your show here: http://ucanr.edu/qualifying-shows for it to be considered a qualifying show for the 2014 California Horse Classic.

Looking for a Qualifying Horse show for the 2015 California 4-H Horse Classic?
Visit http://ucanr.edu/classic-qualifiers to find a Horse Show near you!

State Leaders’ Forum 2015
Hey California Leaders! Who are you not to be renewed? You, with the uniquely prepared mind of a brilliant leader and the powers of the 4-H clover? That’s right, that you – we need to be “Keepin’ It Fresh!” Come enjoy and experience the awesome weekend the South Section 2015 Forum Committee has been working hard to create! It will be fun, it will be stimulating and it’s an educational event designed to keep you engaged! Enjoy a weekend at the beautiful Crowne Plaza – Mission Valley in San Diego.

Save the date! SLF – 2015 – Nov. 6-8, 2015. Start making your plans NOW! Keep an eye on http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SLF/ for more info and updates.

2015 State Fashion Revue
"Through the Looking Glass"
Announcing State Fashion Revue 2015 categories, service projects.
Participant categories returning for SFR 2015 are Traditional, Upcycled, and Consumer Science Purchased $40 limit. The two new categories are Jacket Challenge and Costume Challenge. The service projects this year are pillowcases (sewn) and hats (sewn, knitted or crocheted). Please see the SFR website for more details.

If you are hosting or entering county Fashion Revue, please take a moment to check out the informational flyer on each category offered. The website is packed with information to get your county winners ready for the state contest, as well as the State Fashion Revue service projects and the Fab Mart sale table. All of this can be found at http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Events/SFD/SFR/.

National Geographic Engineering Exploration Challenge
http://movies.nationalgeographic.com/movies/robots/
Coming in Summer 2015, the second annual National Geographic Kids Engineering Exploration Challenge asks students worldwide to design, build, and test solutions to challenges that National Geographic explorers face in the field every day. This year’s set of Engineering Exploration (NGX) challenges are inspired by how our explorers use robots in the field to help complete work that is considered dull, dirty, or dangerous. This summer, participants ages 6-18 are invited to develop solutions to these real-world STEM challenges and submit a photo and/or video of their solution to National Geographic.

State Leadership Conference
2015 UC Irvine July 23-26
Deadline April 30 http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SLC/
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. Registration and additional info at: http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SLC/.

California 4-H Mindfulness Retreat
November 6-8, 2015
Camp Ocean Pines, Cambria, CA
Teens ages 14-19 are welcome to spend the weekend at beautiful Camp Ocean Pines developing their health and well-being. Teens will not only increase their personal skills in leading a healthy lifestyle, but will also gain skills needed to be a health advocate in their communities.
http://4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Projects/HealthyLiving/Mindfulness/

March 2015 National 4-H History Preservation Newsletter
http://4-hhistorypreservation.com/Newsletter/ PDF/4HHPP_Newsletter_v06_n02_2015-03.pdf

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Approved by Shasta County 4-H Council on 04.15.15
4-H YOUTH CAMP 2015
JULY 11-15, 2015
CAMP TEHAMA IN MILL CREEK

Save the Date!

Being a current 4-H member is not a requirement to attend camp – all youth are invited!

Youth 9 years old at the start of camp and 13 years old at the end of camp are invited as Campers

Completed Forms and Fees will be announced soon!

Camper Applications will be available soon from the Tehama County 4-H Office 1754 Walnut Street in Red Bluff http://cetehama.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Youth_Camp/ (530) 527-3101

Applications are accepted on a “first come, first serve” basis. A waiting list may be established before the due date as we can only accept a limited number of campers.

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11TH ANNUAL

4-H/FFA Community BBQ

TO: ________________________________________________

You are invited to participate in the 11th Annual 4-H/FFA Community BBQ

Friday, July 3, 2015 • 4:00 PM
Shasta District Fairgrounds

This event is being hosted by local 4-H and FFA Organizations. The event will be held at the Shasta District Fairgrounds on Friday, July 3rd. The clubs will be serving a barbecue dinner in conjunction with the Annual Anderson Explodes Fireworks, sponsored by the Anderson Chamber of Commerce. All meat provided for this dinner will be grain-fed and raised by our local 4-H & FFA members.

Tickets for the dinner are a $10.00 donation. All the proceeds from this event will be distributed to all the local 4-H and FFA clubs who participate.

The BBQ is created to benefit agricultural education programs offered through our local 4-H and FFA organizations. These programs offer kids more than just education and working knowledge, it also helps create solid community members.

For more information, contact
Sherry or Kathie at 530-241-2196 or the 4-H Office at 530-224-4900

Tickets can be purchased at the 4-H Office, Northern Lights Energy & Muse Trucking

Please join us in making this a successful event!

Thank you: ________________________________
Lassen County 4-H is proud to announce that we will be hosting the 2015 WHY Conference at Mountain Meadow Ranch in Lassen County. We are looking forward to great speakers and workshops. WHY Conference will be held October 2-4th, 2015. We are also bringing back the tradition of the t-shirt contest also. Attached you will find the information below and attached. Please pass on the flyer for the t-shirt contest. More WHY info to follow. WHY Conference is open to youth 6th grade to 12th grade. If you have any questions please Call Lisa Adler 530-249-1108
Healthy Drinks

Staying hydrated helps your body function at its best. Not having enough fluid in your body can cause headaches, fatigue, crankiness, and poor concentration. Make sure you choose your drink wisely and lower the amount of sugary drinks!

Healthy Drink Choices

- Water: 0 Calories
- Non-Fat or 1% Milk
- 100% Fruit Juice (limit to 1/2 cup daily)
- 100% Vegetable Juice (limit to 1/2 cup)
- Unsweetened Iced Tea
- Fruit Smoothies
- Flavored Waters

Remember to drink plenty of water on hot days or if you are exercising. Drinking water also helps rinse out your mouth and prevents tooth decay.

Recipe of the Month:

Flavored Water
Cucumber and Mint

Ingredients:
- 6 cups water
- 1/2 cucumber, sliced
- 3 sprigs of mint, washed and bruised.

Directions:
1. Combine all ingredients in a pitcher and put in the fridge for at least 1 hour. Serve over ice.

* Optional– Use any combination or variety of fruits or veggies. Try one of these: Watermelon and mint, apple and cinnamon stick, lemon and basil, strawberry orange, lemon-cucumber.

Fresh Herbs

Fresh herbs can add flavor without adding calories. Many herbs can be found in your own backyard. Try adding these herbs to some of your favorite foods: basil, rosemary, parsley, mint, cilantro, and oregano.

Garden Notes

Remove weeds in your garden while the soil is still damp and plants are easy to pull. Pull weeds before seed heads develop.

Food Safety Tip:

Divide large amounts of leftovers into shallow containers for quicker cooling in the refrigerator. Also, don’t forget to throw away old refrigerated food on a regular basis.
It is hard to believe that we are already thinking about 2015 fairs. We finished the pre-weigh for the steers for Shasta District Fair and that prompted us to think about the legalities associated with sale of market animals at our local fairs.

It is a requirement of the state of California that commercial scales be checked at least annually to assure consumers are getting what they are paying for. The Shasta County Sealer of Weights and Measures (Paul Kjos) is appointed by Shasta County to assure that this occurs in accordance to California Code. In order to even be considered for use, the scale must be a “type approved” device and be registered with the Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Specialized equipment is used to complete this task. Test weights that are constructed to extremely close tolerances are used to test scales for their accuracy. The scale is checked in accordance to a strict protocol. Tolerance that is allowed is dependent upon the scale being tested. The protocol for testing the scale used to weigh in the goats, sheep, swine and steers at Shasta District Fair is summarized below:

1. Scale indicator is verified to read Zero Balance.
2. 100 pounds of standards (weights) are placed at each corner of the scale and at each end to assure each load cell is operating and reading correctly.
3. Weights are removed to verify the scale returns to Zero Balance.
4. Weights are added to each break point of the various classes of livestock to be weighed.
   - for goats, known weights of 65 and 105 pounds are placed on the scale,
   - for sheep, known weights of 115 and 160 pounds are placed on the scale,
   - for swine, known weights of 220 and 285 pounds are placed on the scale,
   - for beef, known weights of 1,050 and 1,450 pounds are placed on the scale.
5. Scale indications are verified for each weight placement to assure accuracy.
6. All weights are removed and scale indicator is checked to assure it returns to Zero Balance.

If the scale passes the “test,” it is “sealed.” If a measurement device is “sealed”, consumers can be assured that they are getting what they are paying for no more and no less. For the buyers of livestock projects at the fair, the same is true. They are buying animals by the pound—they need to be sure that the pounds that they are paying for is really what the animal weighs.

The single animal scale used at the Shasta District Fair is tested and sealed by the Shasta County Sealer approximately two weeks before Weigh Day. At Weigh Day, the Sealer is the licensed Weighmaster that verifies the weight of each and every animal. If an animal is under or over the listed weight class, the animal is removed from the scale, the scale is re-zeroed, and the animal is reweighed. The scale indication of the second weighing is used to determine whether the animal qualifies or is sifted. A Weighmaster Certificate is issued for each animal that meets the minimum or maximum weight for that class of animal. The Weighmaster Certificate is the legal document that is used to determine the weight of the animals that are sold during the auction following the fair activities.

Over the years we have heard a number of comments associated with animal weights at the fair. One of the most common is that the scale weighs “heavier” or “lighter” than the scales they typically weigh their animals on. This difference is probably associated with one (or both) of the following reasons:

1. The device used to weigh the animal is not a type approved device. The devices that are not type approved are designed to give a reasonable estimate of the animal’s weight—however the design of the unit is such that it cannot consistently meet accuracy requirements of the CA. Frequently, scales used by the project leader to weigh animals prior to fair are checked with a 50 lb salt block or sack of feed. This does provide some assurance that the scale is estimating weight closely but is not a perfect replacement for the test weights maintained by the Sealer of Weights and Measures.
2. Shrink and fill for livestock projects can effect weight significantly. Animals that have been loaded, hauled, and acclimating to an entirely new environment (the fair) may shrink more than expected.

The Shasta County Department of Weights and Measures is available on a limited basis to check the scales used by project leaders in the county. If a project leader located in the County would like to make arrangements to have their scale checked, please contact the Sealer at 224-4949.

Questions about Natural Resource Corner? Contact Larry Forero, Livestock/ Natural Resource Advisor, UCCE Shasta, at lcforero@ucanr.edu or 530-224-4900.
Garden Fun Facts: Hummingbirds

Have you seen the hummingbirds flitting around, sipping at our feeders, or maybe building tiny nests? We’re mostly likely seeing Anna’s and Rufous Hummingbirds in our area. Both are useful pollinators as they travel from flower to flower. Hummingbirds are attracted to scarlet, orange, red or white tubular flowers with no distinct odors. Try penstemon, salvia, scarlet monkey flower, columbine, bee balm honeysuckle or fuchsia. They also like native trees and shrubs like madrone, redbud, manzanita, toyon and gooseberry. Hummingbirds supplement their nectar diet by eating lots of tiny insects. Bugs are their main diet in winter when the flowers are gone.

The male Anna’s Hummingbird has a green back and deep red throat. The smaller, feisty male Rufous Hummingbird has a rusty back and orange-red throat. It’s hard to tell the females and young birds apart – they’re generally shades of green. Hummingbird nests are camouflaged and hard to find. They’re made of moss, lichens and spider webs.

You can attract Hummingbirds to your yard by hanging a feeder. Fill it with a mix of water and sugar. Start with ½ cup of sugar dissolved in 2 cups of water. There’s no need to add red food coloring. Be sure to thoroughly clean the feeder with a brush and hot water each time you refill it. But better yet, plant a flower garden and fill it with flowers that hummingbirds love!

Questions about Gardening with Shasta County Master Gardener? Contact Carol Fall, UC Master Gardener Program Representative, UCCE Shasta at cjfall@ucanr.edu. You can also visit the UC Shasta College Master Gardener website at http://ucanr.edu/sites/Shasta_College_Master_Gardener/

California’s Classroom in the Forest
Forestry Institute for Teachers - FIT
July 5-11, 2015
Camp McCumber, near Shingletown
Shasta County, CA

Do you know a teacher that might be interested? It is free of charge!

Go to www.forestryinstitute.org

Past participants can attend again if they pay the full cost of $800.
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*Last Day to take Record Book online course
*Last day to submit Record Book Intent form to 4-H office
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RECORD BOOK CORNER

Activity/Event/Award
List your projects, don’t forget the Leadership Project if your club has one. 1—4-H Project
Attend a Council Meeting 3—4-H Event Attended
Committee Member 4—Leadership
Committee Chair Person 4—Leadership
Junior or Teen Leader (once for each project) 4—Leadership
 Participated in a Community Service Event 5—Community Service
Represented 4-H at your school or other community group 5—Citizenship OR 6—Communication Skills
Led the American Flag Salute at a Council Meeting 5—Citizenship
Article Submitted to Cloverleaf or local newspaper about club activities 6—Communication
Led the 4-H Pledge at a Council Meeting 6—Communication
Received School Honor or Award 7—Honors & Recognition
School or Community Sports Team, Private Lessons, Organization Membership, After School Job, Music Group 8—Lifestyle Activities

COUNCIL

VALLEY COUNCIL
Next meeting will be May 13, 2015
6pm at 4-H Office

INTERMOUNTAIN COUNCIL
Next meeting will be July 22, 2015
7pm at Inter-mountain Fairgrounds

All leaders and youth 14 years and older have voting rights. Please come and take part!