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Sept-Oct 2019

Siskiyou County 4-H

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## Upcoming Events

### September

- 1 New Year enrollment is open
- 3 Treasurer's Record books Due to 4-H Office
- 5-8 Tulelake Butte Valley Fair
- 10 Leaders Council Mtg 7pm 4-H Office
- 20 County Record Book Submission Deadline (This includes all officer books other than Treasurer, Individual member books and club awards packets)

### October

- 4 Registration Deadline for Northern Area Youth Summit
- 6-12 National 4-H Week
- 15 Registration Open for Citizenship Washington Focus Conference and Leadership Washington Focus

### November

- 15-17 Northern Area Youth Summit for ages 11-13

## Northern Area Youth Summit

The California 4-H Youth Summits are three-day leadership development conferences hosted in four locations across the state. Youth summit programs are designed to grow the leadership abilities of intermediate 4-H members (ages 11-13). The Northern Conference will be held November 15-17, 2019. For more information visit [http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H\\_Events/Summits/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/Summits/)



## National 4-H Week 2019

Join over 6 million young people, 500,000 volunteers and 3,500 4-H professionals to celebrate America's largest youth organization during National 4-H Week! The theme of this year's National 4-H Week, which takes place from October 6 – 12, is *Inspire Kids to Do!*

This theme highlights how 4-H encourages kids to take part in hands-on learning experiences in areas such as health, science, agriculture and civic engagement. The positive environment provided by 4-H mentors ensures that kids in every county in the country, from urban neighborhoods to suburban schoolyards to rural farming communities, are encouraged to take on proactive leadership roles and are empowered with the skills to lead in life and career.

## Citizenship Washington Focus & Leadership Washington Focus

Citizenship Washington Focus is an educational conference for youth ages 15 to 19. Delegates must be at least 15 years of age by time of travel to participate. Hosted at the National 4-H Center near Washington, D.C, it gives youth the opportunity to explore, develop, and refine the civic engagement skills they need in order to become outstanding leaders.



Through tours in the living classroom of Washington, D.C. and hands-on educational workshops, youth will learn about the history of our nation, the leaders who have shaped it, and how they can apply their enhanced leadership and citizenship skills to issues in their own community.

[http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H\\_Events/WF/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/WF/)

Leadership Washington Focus (LWF) is a National 4-H leadership conference



for **youth ages 12-14**. Youth can exchange ideas, practice respect, and form friendships with other 4-H'ers from across the nation. This 5-day trip is packed with educational adventure as participants tour our nation's Capital and learn life-changing leadership skills in a conference setting. The program will take place at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, just one mile from the Washington, D.C. border .

[http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H\\_Events/LWF/](http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/LWF/)

## Wilderness Experience

Thank you to the many youth and adults who made this wilderness experience a great summer opportunity for the everyone.



The Wilderness Experience camp is made possible with a partnership with the Back Country Horseman.



## Club Treasurer's

It's that time again to be completing your club treasurer's records for the year. All Club Treasurer books are due to the 4-H office on Tuesday, September 3rd by 5pm.

Please be aware that this accounting requires the annual financial report, club inventory report, the end of the year peer review and clubs should be submitting their proposed budgets for the 2019-20 program year.

Please contact your club leaders if you need assistance completing this process. You can also reach out to the 4-H office if you need assistance beyond the club level.

## Club/County/State Record Book Competitions

All members are encouraged to complete a record book and submit it to the club for evaluation and recognition for Star Ranks and achievement awards. If you sold an animal at the fair and wish to remain eligible to sell for the next program year you are required to at least submit your annual project report. Clubs have different due dates based on meeting dates. However, members generally should be prepared to turn in their books at the September meetings.

### What to expect from a club record book review:

4-H Record Books are first reviewed at the local level by 4-H Community Club/Unit Leaders and Project Leaders. Club level evaluation is based on the Danish system where 4-H Record Books are judged against a standard. Seals are awarded based on the member's 4-H project work, personal growth and the book's organization. Through their personal achievements and 4-H participation, members may earn Star Rank recognition.

County record book competition is not required of a member. However all members are encouraged and eligible to submit their record books for competition. County record book submission deadline is **September 20, 2019** by 5pm.

### What to expect from County Competition:

Members may submit their 4-H Record Books for county competition. Books are evaluated on the member's 4-H work, leadership and citizenship development, and personal growth. County level evaluation should be based on the Danish system with all books judged against a standard. Evaluators provide a critique and suggestions for future growth and involvement.

The State Record Book competition is focused on selecting senior 4-H members who have demonstrated a well-rounded 4-H experience. Books are judged against standard criteria. Those books recording the most outstanding 4-H work, goal management skills, and leadership and citizenship development are selected as state medalists and/or state winners. To be eligible for the State Record Book Competition you must have been between 14 and 18 as of January 1st of 2019. All State Record books must be submitted to the County office by **October 25th** at 5pm. You must submit an intent to submit a book by **September 2, 2019**. <https://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=18363>



## New Year Enrollment

Welcome to a new year of 4-H. September officially kicks off the new enrollment process for members joining 4-H for the 2019-2020 program year. Clubs are actively recruiting new volunteer leaders. Perhaps you have a skill or talent you would like to provide for 4-H members. Contact your community leaders and find out how to become a leader today.

2019-20 Program Fees:

Youth Members: \$58.00

Adult Volunteers: \$24.00

Please remember that enrollment should be completed online at <https://california.4honline.com>. If you do need a paper copy of the enrollment form please contact the 4-H office at (530)842-2711.

All fees are paid to Siskiyou County 4-H by sending or delivering payments to the Cooperative Extension office, 1655 S. Main Street, Yreka, CA 96097.

Returning members should make every effort to be re-enrolled by **October 15, 2019**.

New members wishing to sell an animal at the Siskiyou Golden Fair or Tulelake Butte Valley Fair must be enrolled by **November 15, 2019** to be eligible to sell a market animal. Any one is eligible to join 4-H any time during the year. However, if it is past the November 15th deadline they will not be eligible to market their animal through the fair as a 4-H member.



## State Fashion Revue

The State Fashion Revue committee congratulates all 2019 participants in county and state fashion revues.

Thank you for making hundreds and hundreds of the braided pet toys for dogs and cats in your local animal shelters.

The contributions of handmade Fidget Mats for Alzheimer's patients were labors of love and will be much appreciated by their caretakers and families.

After reviewing all the suggestions, we are excited to announce the 2020 Fashion Revue categories and service projects!

The returning categories with no changes are:

- Traditional (open to sewing project members)
- Consumer Science Purchased \$40 limit (open to all 4-H members)
- The Retro/Historical has been renamed the Vintage Challenge, open to sewing project members. Did you know there was recently a huge release online of free vintage patterns?
- The Box Challenge returns with different fabric and items in the Box, open to sewing project members.
- The fifth category is a nod to all those who wanted a costume category, The Cosplay Challenge. It is open to all 4-H members.



The 2020 service projects are:

- Adult bibs for care home patients
- A simple-to-sew pouch for personal care items made from a small towel, to distribute to homeless shelters.

These were selected from all the suggestions based on cost of materials, construction suitable for beginning sewers, and meeting local needs.

# Happy Sewing!

**Want more opportunities for 4-H events beyond the County?**

Please visit the California 4-H Youth Development Program website at: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/index.cfm> You might just find an event for you.



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