Butte County 4-H Cloverleaf Newsletter Pandemic Update II

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Staff Notes

Hello Butte County 4-H,

This newsletter is presented without images, or its typical format. It is meant to convey the most critical information, so it's easy for people to find what's important to them. Most items will have links to more information, if it is needed.

Just today (Monday 4/13), the Governors of California, Washington, and Oregon released an announcement about reopening economies along the West Coast. You can find the full statement on Governor Newsom's website here.

For official guidelines and news, linked here are resources from the CDC and the Butte County Office of Public Health.

If you have further questions, please feel free to reach out to me. My remote "office hours", when I will be available by phone and email. are Monday-Friday from 12-5pm. I will use the remaining hours of my part-time to take calls and emails during evenings and weekends.

Stay well,

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2020 4-H Camp

4-H Camp at Camp Rockin' U

- Adult 4-H Camp Director, Bill Anderson, and his team of teen counselors always put on a spectacular camp. This year, they need to know if people will attend in light of the pandemic.

- They need to know this information AS SOON AS POSSIBLE so they can suspend their planning efforts and not conduct them in vain.

- Assuming camp is allowed to take place per state and federal guidelines, please complete this interest survey as soon as possible.

- Camp Rockin' U has guaranteed a full refund to anyone should they, or 4-H, need to cancel the event for pandemic related reasons. This includes the scenario that not enough people sign up, so do not be afraid your camp fee will not be returned if the event does not take place.

New Updates

4-H Programming

- Glenda Humiston and UCANR have **extended program suspensions through May 3rd.** Any meetings held must be conducted virtually. Please reach out if you need assistance in creating virtual meetings.

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Silver Dollar Fair

- The letter published on April 3rd by Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty, the California 4-H Director, is still the most recent communication from the State 4-H Office regarding fairs.
  - The Silver Dollar Fair will hold its monthly board**meeting Tuesday, April 14th at 7pm** in a virtual format. The fair and the Junior Livestock Auction are on the agenda, along with call-in information, which can be found here.
  - The April Bulletin from the end of March was emailed to a county-wide email list.
  - There is a dedicated group of 4-H volunteers exploring contingency plans should the fair be cancelled or postponed.

Butte County 4-H Council

- The Butte County 4-H Council has scheduled a**virtual meeting for Wednesday, April 15th at 7:00pm.** The agenda will be sent soon, but

the Silver Dollar Fair, Fair Requirements, and 4-H Camp will be the most substantive items.

- Here is the link for the Zoom virtual meeting. This will be sent via regular email on Wednesday and posted in Club Facebook groups. If you have never used Zoom, it is recommended that you get on about twenty before to allow your computer time to download the necessary software.

- Scholarship and County Ambassador applications will be sent in their own email as soon as possible. In light of the pandemic, I am reworking both documents to a virtual format with the assumption that interviews will also be conducted virtually. Further, the County Ambassador application requires significant changes to comply with State Policy. I appreciate your patience.

- Camp registration will open once a decision is made about it taking place. If you planned for your child to attend camp before the pandemic, please complete the Camp Interest Survey as soon as possible.

Previous Updates

- All Area Presentation Days are moving to a virtual format; be on the lookout for more information next week.

- The Spring Tractor Supply Paper Clover campaign (4/29-5/10) is currently "suspended", however their webpage does not have information about rescheduling the campaign.

- If your club had planned a fundraiser and was forced to cancel because of the pandemic, please reach out to me directly. The University of California is generating a report about lost income and/or fundraising opportunities which may allow insurance claims and eventually money for these lost opportunities.

- Staff in Santa Clara created a survey for 4-H leaders to report what resources they need to operate remotely. (the meetings listed in the survey are for 4-H members in Santa Clara, so you can disregard that section)

- If you or someone you know is struggling to find reliable internet access during this time, you can find resources here.

- State Leadership Conference and Cal Focus are currently still planned to occur as scheduled.

- Online Record Book Sunsetting
  - ORB will officially close on June 30, 2020. This means that members will not be able to use ORB to create their record books for the 2020-2021 program year.
  - Current ORB users will have access to complete their 2019-2020

record books through December 31, 2020.

- Previous year's record books must be downloaded and saved to their personal computers prior to June 30, 2020 and 2019-2020 record books must be done no later than December 31, 2020.
- ORB will completely shutdown with ability to retrieve any data beginning January 1, 2021.

- State Field Day is going to be virtual. You can find more information about different competitions at this address

- State Fashion Revue is "cancelled" but is considering a virtual option
  - For more information, contact Sue Moore at 2moores.sue@gmail.com or 209-743-2020.

Wash Your Hands!