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The 4-H Record Book Corner

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Nick Bertagna, 4-H YD Program Representative

The Butte 4-H County Council is your organization made up of 4-H leaders and older 4-H'ers. The council sets many county 4-H policies. It also helps organize, present and evaluate the many events of Butte County 4-H. All leaders and 4-H'ers 14 years or older are invited to attend scheduled council meetings.

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Reminder: Butte County 4-H will have Scott Mautte from the State 4-H office come and do an online Record Book Training on Saturday January 16, 2016 at the Oroville Butte County Library from 9:00 am to noon.

ORB INTERNET CAFÉ REGISTRATION INFORMATION

WHEN: SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 2016

TIME: 9:00 AM-NOON

LOCATION: BUTTE COUNTY LIBRARY 1820 Mitchell Ave, Oroville, CA 95966

COUNTY CONTACT: NICK BERTAGNA, nabertagna@ucanr.edu

REGISTER: <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=16544>

The ORB Internet Café is provided to give members and volunteers both individualized and group instruction on using California 4-H's Online Record Book System. The café is designed as a 3 hour workshop that combines presentation, hands-on practice and group discussion. Participants will need to bring a laptop or tablet with them to the café. The following topics will be covered:

- Overview of the Features & Functions in the Online Record Book (Record Book, Social Media, Evaluation)
- Navigating the forms in the Online Record Book (PDR, APR, 4-H Story)
- Project & Club Leader Functions and Approving Forms
- Maximizing your ORB experience—How to use ORB to be efficient and save time.

Register NOW as there is limited space available!

Upcoming Events

2016 Fun Night

"Story Time with 4-H" is the theme of this year's Fun Night Event scheduled from 4:00pm to 8:00pm on Saturday, February 6, 2015, in the Commercial Building at the Silver Dollar Fair Grounds. We would like to invite **all** the 4-H clubs to get involved and create a booth! We are hoping to have a great event for everyone to enjoy. **Please be creative in your choice of a topic and in the uniqueness of a game that would be fun for kids of all ages!**

We are excited about the enthusiasm many clubs are sharing about their planned participation! If you have not yet sent in a description of your booth, now is the time! Send your information to the 4-H office or email me at daleynotary@digitalpath.net. In these challenging economic times, it is more important than ever that clubs work very hard at gathering items for the silent auction. Admission is two dollars per individual at the door. Individual clubs are encouraged to get involved with a commitment to the shared responsibilities that annually culminate in a successful event. Tickets for an entire family are a wonderful gift from each club to families that might not be able to attend without a little help. Our "safe," family oriented event is unique, comfortable and reasonably priced for a family night out! The food is always excellent and fairly priced so **PLAN TO STAY FOR DINNER!**

Please keep in mind that 4-H Fun Night is the single annual fundraiser sponsored by the Butte 4-H County Council. The money raised is used to support your 4-H experience. Profits pay for Field Days, Scholarships, Conferences, Award Stripes, Pins and much more. Participation in and support of Fun Night comes back to each of you in the form of a more dynamic 4-H experience. The All Stars will need donations for their cake walk, and Lone Pine 4-H Club is looking for donations for the silent auction. Please help us make Fun Night a success! For more information, contact Marjorie Daley at daleynotary@digitalpath.net, or 679-2112.

Fun Night Silent Auction

The silent auction is part of Fun Night and is a big fundraiser for 4-H. Every club is asked to contribute to the Silent Auction. It is suggested that your club ask businesses for donations of gift certificates, or actual items that can be displayed on the silent auction tables. Look for clearance items each time you shop and buy items to donate. Go through your cabinets for unused items that someone may want to bid on. If every member brings in at least 5 items, we will have a wide variety and more items to bring in revenue. There are donation forms available through the 4-H office. Please start reminding your members about the silent auction and to start collecting donations now. **Please, no live animals as a silent auction item!**

Items can be dropped off during the same hours that the commercial building at the Silver Dollar Fair Grounds is open for the event (Friday evening and all day Saturday). **Please drop items off before the actual event.**

Foods Fiesta

Grab your chef's hat and apron for the Food Fiesta Challenge on Saturday, February 27, 2016!!! **Anyone can enter an exhibit; you do not have to be in a cooking or foods/nutrition project! All entries are due on or before Monday, February 8, 2016, at 5:00 pm! There will be absolutely no late entries accepted!! No postmarks or faxes.**

Registration will begin at 8:30 am at Shasta Elementary School at 169 Leora Ct. in Chico. This is a great way to take care of the presentation requirement for the County Fairs and have some fun at the same time. The entry forms can be found on our web site http://cebutte.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Foods_Fiesta/.

Also, again this year, **recipes will be mandatory**, and **must** be submitted in a Word Document! Please check your entry to make sure the correct category is selected for your recipe.

Also, parents and leaders, **WE NEED JUDGES!** If you have any questions, please call Nick or Barbara at the 4-H office at 538-7201 or email nabertagna@ucanr.edu, or bbechtel@buttecounty.net. You can also contact Suzie Darden, with the Nord Cana 4-H, at 530-519-1166 or email susie1964@live.com.

Leader Information

January 2016 4-H Council Meeting

The Butte 4-H County Council January Meeting will be on Thursday, January 28, 2016, at the HR Training room, Suite G; (next door to the 4-H office in Oroville), at 7:00 pm. This is where all the decisions about your 4-H program are made and put into action. Your 4-H Club should have one adult 4-H leader and one youth 4-H member there to be your representatives at our Council Meetings. Every member, Jr. leader, and adult leader is invited. Come and let your voice be heard! This is a very important meeting as we would like all our clubs to start on the same page!

Office of Treasurer-Replacement

Hi all, I've asked Nick to pass on my message:

As many of you know I currently hold the Butte County 4-H Council Treasurer position. The new news is that my husband and I are expecting our first child sometime in early April! I would like to pass my position on to a new treasurer before our bundle of joy arrives; and hopefully get together with the new treasurer to explain some basics about the position, the QuickBooks program, etc. If you have any interest in this position or know someone who might please let me know at oawilson14@gmail.com, and I can give a few more details. It's about a 1-2 hour commitment every two weeks in addition to the monthly Council Officers' meetings and Council meetings. Thank you for your consideration!!

4-H Shooting Sports Rifle Discipline

A Rifle Trainer course will be held Saturday, January 23, 2016 and Sunday, January 24, 2016 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm in Lake County, CA, at the Konocti Rod and Gun Club. **To receive certification, you must attend both days!** Upon successful completion of the course, the participants will be certified as Rifle Trainers and will be able to conduct Rifle Leader Trainings as well as lead a rifle project. Cost for the course is \$35 and includes meals and class materials. Light morning refreshments and lunch will be provided Saturday and Sunday. You must be an appointed 4-H volunteer to attend. Teen Leaders are encouraged to attend with an adult volunteer. Space is limited and early registration is recommended. Please send the "Training Request and Registration Form" found at <http://celake.ucanr.edu/4-H Program/Forms and Information/>. Please make fees payable to "Lake County 4-H Council" and send to UCCE Lake County, 883 Lakeport Blvd, Lakeport CA 95453.

For additional registration information, contact Julie Frazell at (707) 263-6838 ex 119, or jfrazell@ucanr.edu. If you have any questions about the course, contact the instructor, Rick Walker at (707) 994-7531 or rwalkercell@gmail.com.

2016 Equine Field Day

The Equine Field Day will be held at Fresno State on February 20, 2016. Workshops will be presented on various equine related topics. We will have both youth and adult tracks with five 45 minute sessions throughout the day. Youth and adults both need to register, and can register today at [http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=16766!](http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=16766)

Early Bird Registration: \$10 fee for 4-H Members and active 4-H Volunteers, \$15 fee for non 4-H Members and Adults, *Early bird registration ends February 12, 2016. **Late Registration/Walk-ins:** \$15 fee for 4-H Members and active 4-H, volunteers \$20 fee for non 4-H Members and Adults.

For more information about the event, please visit <http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H Events/4H Equine Field Day/>, or contact Alyssa Sankey, State Program Representative for Animal Science Education, at ajsankey@ucanr.edu.

Environmental Sciences Field Day

The registration instructions for teams to register for the UC Davis CA&ES Field Day. The Poultry, Dairy, and Livestock judging contests held at this event serve as the California 4-H state qualifiers for the National contests. Additional information regarding the CA&ES Field Day can be found at: <http://www.caes.ucdavis.edu/connect/events/field-day>

The top 4-H dairy judging team will qualify to compete at the World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin, and the top 4-H poultry judging team will qualify to compete at the National 4-H Poultry Judging competition in Louisville, Kentucky. There are three National 4-H Livestock Judging Contests. The first place team (composed of the top placing 4-H team at the CA&ES Field Day) may select which contest for which they will represent California. The second place team may select next, and the third placing team may select third. The National 4-H Livestock Judging Contests include:

- The North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) in Louisville, KY
- The American Royal in Kansas City, MO
- The Western National Round-UP in Denver, CO

For more information about state qualifiers for national contests, please visit: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/SET/SET_Projects/Animal/SLJC/

Member Information

2016 State Fashion Revue Information

The 2016 State Fashion Revue will be taking place on Saturday, May 28, 2016 at Olson Hall in UC Davis

The theme this year is "Hoe Down, Sew Down", and the categories will be:

Traditional, Consumer Science Purchased - \$40.00 limit, Upcycled, Western Wear Challenge, and Muslin Challenge

It's still several months away, but it's never too early to start sewing! For more information, visit the SFR website at <http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H Events/SFD/SFR/>.

Presentation Day for 2015-2016

The ONLY County Presentation Day is Saturday, January 30, 2016. Your Community Club Leader will have full details. You will be pre-registering with your Community Club Leader again this year. If you need additional information, contact the 4-H office or visit the web page http://cebutte.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Forms/. **Community Club Leaders-remember the due date for these completed forms to be in our 4-H office is no later than January 11, 2016, by 5:00 pm.**

Registration for Participants and Judges/Evaluators, Room Hosts, Tabulators: PROMPTLY 8:00 am-9:00 am.

Opening Assembly PROMPTLY: 9:00 am.

Presentations will BEGIN PROMPTLY: 9:30 am.

Gold Medal Presentation Day is cancelled for this year.

Your community club leader is responsible for turning in the registration form by January 11, 2016 to the County 4-H office. Each club is responsible for providing 5 evaluators, 1 tabulator, and 1 room coordinator for every 10 presenters. **A significant change for our County requires all volunteers to be adults. So please consider filling these roles!** Members/Presenters: We have included a link to the new California 4-H Presentation Manual which can be found at <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Leadership/PublicSpeaking/>. The manual contains lots of information about the various types of presentations and requirements. Pay special attention to the Matrix on page 10. Please communicate with your community club leader to sign up before January 11, 2016. Evaluators/Judges: Important pages to help you prepare begin on page 33. Pay special attention to the Guidelines for Written Comments on page 40. The impromptu speech topics for the 2016 State Presentation Day have been released and can be found at: http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SFD/PD/.

Jr. Livestock Loans Available for the Silver Dollar Fair

The Junior Livestock Loan Program was started by the Chico Chamber of Commerce Ag Council in 1995 and was adopted in 2004 by the local CWA, (California Women for Agriculture), chapter. Its purpose is to enable students to purchase an animal that they might not otherwise be able to. All of us in the Northern Sacramento Valley CWA Chapter feel that the raising and selling of an animal through either 4-H or FFA is an invaluable opportunity to learn responsibility and gain business knowledge. **Applications for this program are available from your 4-H leader and are due by January 12, 2016.** After completing the application and a proposed budget, you will participate in a selection interview. Each recipient is required to attend the Buyer's BBQ in early May where you will introduce yourself and tell a little about your project. Loans are to be repaid within 30 days of the auction. Send applications and budgets to: "CWA, Jr. Livestock Loan Program", c/o CWA P.O. Box 249, Durham, CA 95938. For more information, email: northvalleyewa@gmail.com.

Chico State Swine Educational Day

On Saturday, January 23, 2016, youth swine project members can learn about various aspects of their project! Topics will include: nutrition, fitting and grooming, showmanship and selection. This year, we will be having a new format with 4 professional speakers cycling through the pavilion and no breakout sessions. Lunch is included with a \$5.00 dollar entry fee and registration will begin at 8:00 am. If you have any questions/concerns, please email chicostateswineunit@gmail.com, or call (530)-898-6025. Or you can contact Luke Benton (Swine Unit Herdsman) at (530)-848-5218. **There is a \$5.00 per person charge.**

Butte County Hi 4-H

Anyone 8th grade and above who is still looking for something different well you don't have to look far. High 4-H is still looking for county wide 4-H members to join in the fun. If you don't want to use it as a project, you're still welcome to come to the activities. We are off to a great start. Here is what we have done so far:

November: We held a movie night

December 12, 2015: Ice Skating (cost \$12.00 per person) in Paradise.

January: We are having a Cultural Dinner (you make a dish from a different country and share).

Those of you who have not yet signed up, here's your opportunity to join us and see what we have in store. For more information (**and to RSVP for Ice Skating and Cultural Dinner**) contact Mary Manfredi at gpm Manfredi@yahoo.com, or at 899-9449.

Chico State Sheep and Meat Goat Educational Day and Sale

On Saturday, February 13, 2016, there will be various workshops for Sheep and Goat Members at Chico State Farm. They will last about 20 minutes each and will start every 30 minutes from 8:00 am to 11:30 am. Educational participants can pick 4 workshops to attend. There is a \$5 per person charge. For more information, contact Celina Phillips at 530-898-4147.

Countywide Community Service Challenge – “Canned Food Smack Down!!”

Does your club participate in canned food drives during the holiday season? Do you think your club could out-collect all of the other clubs in the county? Well, the Lone Pine Community Service Group is issuing a challenge to all of the clubs in Butte County to see who can collect the most non-perishable food for our communities!

Collect as much food as your club can to donate this holiday season. Donate your collected food to a Food Locker in your community and ask for a receipt indicating the weight of your donation (you may need to call and find out if they will weigh the food. One agency that does provide a weight receipt is Catholic Ladies Relief Society, Chico Community Food Locker, 1386 Longfellow Avenue, Chico, CA 895-8331). Once your club completes its food donations, **send a copy or photo of your receipt to Jill Bentler, at jrbentler@gmail.com no later than January 5, 2016.** Winners will be announced at the January Council Meeting. The Winning club will receive a trophy exclusively designed by members of the Lone Pine Community Service Group! Good luck!

New 4-H Cavy (Guinea Pig) Project

A brand new Cavy project is starting in the Butte County 4-H program. If you are interested in raising, showing or just having a guinea pig as a pet, this project is for you. The Butte County Fair will have a Cavy division for show if there are enough signups. There are leaders ready to run the project, so all that is needed is your participation. Contact the 4-H office at 530-538-7201 or at nabertagna@ucanr.edu to let us know if you want to be part of it.

New Healthy Living Officer Training!

The Healthy Living Officer serves as the 4-H club's ambassador for health! By choosing to elect a Healthy Living officer your club is taking an active role in promoting healthy lifestyles. The Healthy Living Officer will be the leadership for all health activities including: Providing ideas on how to incorporate physical activities and healthy eating into each club meeting, writing Healthy Living articles for the club newsletter, and adopting and promoting a club Wellness Plan. Please help ensure that the health “H” of 4-H is at the forefront of all our meetings, consider electing a Healthy Living Officer for your club! The Healthy Living Officer Training can be found at: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/HealthyLiving/Become a Healthy Living Officer/>

Become a State Ambassador!

Apply to become a California 4-H State Ambassador for the 2016-17 year! The California 4-H State Ambassador Program is a working honor that provides 4-H members expanded opportunities to serve the University of California 4-H Youth Development Program. **The application deadline is February 16, 2016 and applications can be found at <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Leadership/SA/Apply to Become a State Ambassador/>.** For more information, contact Jenna Colburn, at jcolburn@ucanr.edu, or 530-750-1336.

State Leadership Conference

It is time to start thinking and planning for The California 4-H State Leadership Conference (SLC). We will have our first organizational meeting on Thursday, January 28, 2016 at 6:00 pm in the Oroville HR training room. We will discuss registration, fundraising, tee shirts and more. SLC is open to all high school students ages 13-19, and will be held July 28-31, 2016 at the beautiful Humboldt State University campus in Arcata, CA. **Please contact Jill Bentler to RSVP for the meeting at 530-514-1828 or jrbentler@gmail.com.**

Acting Opportunity

Interested in acting? Want to take your culinary skills to a whole new level? Food Network is currently casting kids for a new season of Chopped Junior and a new BBQ Series! They are looking for kids between the ages of 9-15 who have strong cooking skills and knowledge. Will you be the culinary mastermind they are seeking? For more information, visit <http://jscasting.com/chopped-jr/>, or <http://jscasting.com/kids-bbq-series/>.

Camp News

4-H Camp 2016 Camp T-shirt Contest

Camp will be here before you know it and now is the time to start thinking about a design for our Annual Camp T-shirt Contest. The winner of the T-shirt contest will receive a full Scholarship to Camp Rockin' U. The shirt must contain the camp theme (“Survivor in Hawaii”), “4-H Camp Rockin' U 2016”, and of course, the 4-H Clover. All 4-H members are encouraged to design a logo that will be used on our Camp T-shirts. The design must be simple enough to be applied as a silk screen application, on plain paper, not lined paper, and in dark ink print. Let your imagination run free! **All entries are due into the 4-H office by Monday, April 18, 2016 by 5:00 pm. Only one entry per 4-H member!**

2016 Camp Rockin' U!

4-H Camp is back this year! It will be from June 26–June 30, 2016 and it's time to start thinking about signing up! We have a great theme this year inspired by the reality TV show Survivor! Our Survivor episode is taking place on the Hawaiian Island with every cabin being a different Island! It will be held again at Camp Rockin' U and we will have another t-shirt design contest to win a scholarship to join us in June! 4-H camp is open to all elementary and middle school kids. Applications for campers and adults will be available online soon! If an adult would like to spend a great week laughing and joking with our Butte County 4-H youth and teens, we would like you to join as well! Call the 4-H office and speak to Nick Bertagna for your cost. **We hope to FILL THE CAMP THIS YEAR!**

All Stars

Hello fellow members! This is Cassie Wallen, one of your County All Stars. During the last meeting that the five All Stars had with our advisors, we were kidnapped by our advisors and taken out for breakfast as we exchanged our Plans of Action and helped each other figure out how to execute them. The one we focused on most was **Bryce Corron's**, which is the Annual Talent Show. **Darian Leonard's** Plan of Action is to build bat boxes for local parks, **Maren Duncan's** Plan of Action is to make theatre involved in 4-H, and my Plan of Action is to have a Small Animal Education Day for poultry, cavies, and rabbits. I also attended the County Council meeting on November 19, 2015. There was a skit about WHY Conference put on by members who attended as well as a PowerPoint presentation. Other information I gained from the Council meeting is that new members can enroll anytime within the 4-H year, **but in order to exhibit at fair you have to enroll by December 31, 2015.**—Submitted by Cassie Wallen, 2015-2016 All Star

Club News

This holiday season, **Pine Ridge 4-H** started out making Thanksgiving cards and delivering them to the elderly. What a great way to show their generosity! They also started their mandarin fundraiser, and volunteered to help with bell ringing for the Salvation Army. At the bell ringing, they sang carols and gave candy canes to those who donated. They had a few members participate in the 4-H Talent Show, and also began accepting donations for their “Adopt a Youth” project.—Submitted by Maddy Hohenstein, Club Reporter.

Manzanita 4-H has been working on many different projects over these past few months. To begin, in December, they worked on building a float for Gridley's Parade of Lights, which they displayed on Tuesday, December 8, 2015. They are also preparing for their Annual Bean Feed that will be held on February 20, 2016 at the Gridley Community Center from 5:00 pm-8:00 p.m. Adults are \$14, Children 5-10 are \$6 and 5 and under are free. There will be Tri-tip, chili beans, salad, French bread, and delicious desserts. Everybody is working hard to make it the best night possible. It is our club's main fundraiser and they invite you to come. Call (530) 846-3936 to get ticket information and tickets.

Manzanita 4-H club also started three new projects this year: Poultry, Beef, and Goats. In addition, **Andrea Busch** started a Cloverbuds group (5-8 year olds) for the club.—Submitted by Ella Hughes, Manzanita 4-H Reporter

Happy New Year from **Shasta 4-H!** At the December meeting, upcoming fair entries and the fun night theme were discussed. There was also discussion about the giving tree and bell ringing for community service activities. The Club offered \$100 to spend at the giving tree for 2 recipients and the swine group chipped in half of that donation. They also had a Toys for Tots drive and want to thank everyone that donated! The activities coordinator, **Jared Toews** held a cooking competition. Members made Christmas items or healthy snacks. The winners were: **Lawson Cooper** who made two items, Peppermint Bark and Birds Nest Cookies, **James Behlke** made toffee, **Ellie Gallaty**, worked with almonds, **Macey Gallaty** made Chocolate Cookies, and **Jacob Toews** made “Naughty Boy” cookies. The next cooking contest theme is cupcakes. After the meeting, the members had a gift exchange and everyone enjoyed treats to eat. Submitted by Tristin Toews, Shasta 4-H reporter.


Everybody in **Lone Pine 4-H** has been in the midst of the holiday season and giving of their time and resources! The club has done Salvation Army Kettle Bell ringing, Armed Services and Canned Food donations, Christmas caroling. As the holidays come to an end, Lone Pine will be getting ready for Snow Day, Presentation Day, Fun Night, Foods Fiesta, getting animals for Fair, and so much more. Some of the new projects will also be starting this Spring. Hope all the 4-H families have a Wonderful Winter Season!! Happy New Year!! – Submitted by Hailey Korff, Lone Pine 4-H Reporter

Oroville Foothill 4-H is proud to present their 2015-2016 officer team. President: **Cayston Lawson**, Vice President: **Lauren Jackson**, Secretary: **Jesse Englund**; and Treasurer: **Faith Culp**. The club had their first fundraiser at Tractor Supply and it went perfectly. They have been busy with Community Service activities such as Share-A-Pet and Harvest Festival. The club had a Thanksgiving potluck where members received awards for their 2014-2015 record books. They enjoyed the holiday season with the Oroville Light Parade, Salvation Army Bell Ringing and a Mandarin Sale fundraiser.-Submitted by, Oroville-Foothill Officers

TENTATIVE 2015-2016 4-H CALENDAR

January 2016				
Friday	1	Office Closed-Holiday	New Year's Day	
Thursday	7	Butte County Council Officer Meeting	4-H Office	6:30 pm
Monday	11	Presentation Day Applications Due	4-H Office	5:00 pm
Monday	18	Office Closed-Holiday	Martin Luther King Day	
Saturday	23	Butte County Rabbit Show C	Gridley Fairgrounds	8:30 am
Saturday	23	CSUC Swine Day C	CSUC Farm	8:00 am
Monday	25	Horse ID Forms (Silver Dollar Fair) Due	4-H Office	5:00 pm
Thursday	28	Butte County Council Meeting	4-H Office (HR Room)	7:00 pm
Saturday	30	Presentation Day C	Butte College	8:00 am
Saturday	30	Gold Medal Presentation Day CANCELLED	Butte College	1:00 pm
February 2016				
Saturday	6	Fun Night C	Commercial Building (Silver Dollar Fairgrounds)	4:00 pm
Monday	8	Foods Fiesta Applications Due	4-H Office	5:00 pm
Thursday	11	Butte County Council Officer Meeting	4-H Office	6:30 pm
Saturday	13	CSUC Sheep & Goat Day C	CSUC Farm	9:00 am
Monday	15	Office Closed-Holiday	President's Day	
Tuesday	16	Fashion Revue Applications Due	4-H Office	5:00 pm
Thursday	25	Butte County Council Meeting	4-H Office (HR Room)	7:00 pm
Saturday	27	Foods Fiesta C	Shasta Elementary School in Chico	8:30 am
March 2016				
Thursday	10	Butte County Council Officer Meeting	4-H Office	6:30 pm
Saturday	12	Fashion Revue C	Butte College	
Monday	21	Rainbow Craft Day Applications Due	4-H Office	5:00 pm
Thursday	24	Butte County Council Meeting	4-H Office (HR Room)	7:00 pm
Saturday	26	Bowl-A-Thon		
Thursday	31	Office Closed-Holiday	Cesar Chavez Day	
April 2016				
Monday	4	Butte County Scholarship Application Due	4-H Office	5:00 pm
Monday	4	Butte County All Star Application Due	4-H Office	5:00 pm
Saturday	9	Rainbow Craft Day C	Biggs Community Hall	8:30 am
Thursday	14	Butte County Council Officer Meeting	4-H Office	6:30 pm
Friday	15	Horse ID Forms (County Fair) Due	4-H Office	5:00 pm
Thursday	28	Butte County Council Meeting	4-H Office (HR Room)	7:00 pm
May 2016				
Thursday	5	Butte County Council Officer Meeting	4-H Office	6:30 pm
Thursday	12	Butte County Council Meeting	4-H Office (HR Room)	7:00 pm
Thurs-Sun	26-30	Silver Dollar Fair	Silver Dollar Fairgrounds	
Monday	30	Office Closed-Holiday	Memorial Day	

*Times and Dates subject to change C=County Event for Butte County Fairs

 Thought for the Month—“A false accusation is as deadly as a sword, a club, or a sharp arrow.”
Proverbs 25:18



4-H RECORD BOOK UPDATES

BIG CHANGES

For those experienced members who have done many record books, there are some changes that you will need to remember so your scores are not affected. Changes are not always scary; they can be very beneficial.

There is so much to know about record books and the new manual and builder packet make it easier to put together. Be sure ALL forms that you fill out have California 4-H Record Book 2015-2016 on the top of the page. Any other forms are not acceptable.

The new Record Book Forms Packet (http://cebutte.ucanr.edu/4-H_Program/Forms/) has all the forms and the correct organizational forms for your record book. ¶

WHY HAVE 4-H RECORD BOOKS?

Members create record books for many reasons. The process can lead a member to:

- Reflect on their yearly work by helping the member review the lessons and skills learned;
- Measure achievement and growth; Set goals; and
- Manage records by identifying, creating, classifying, archiving and preserving records.

These are all great skills to work on for success!

KEEPING TIME

A big part of recordkeeping is keeping track of the amount of time that you are at an event or project.

PROJECTS

Your project leader should work on your Annual Project Report together with you and other members in your project throughout the year. Your record book should have an expression page for each project. The page should show the reader a skill or lesson that you learned and tell or demonstrate how important it is.



- If your club offers an activity for helping with records, try to go to it.
- Ask your leader to go through it before it is due. They can give you suggestions and you could have time to make the changes.
- Keep your calendars or all the RoundUps marked with the events you attended or you can keep a notebook.
- If you are doing the Online Record Book, try sitting down once a month and entering what you have done each month.
- Keep all your 4-H stuff together in a box or basket and when you get agendas, flyers, project forms, fair ribbons, etc., keep them in that one place each time.
- Keep a working copy of the PDR as the year goes along. Fill out what you did in there each month and take it to your Club Leader to go over with you.

You may try one or two or more of these or come up with one or more of your own. These are just some ideas.

