

# Tips n' Topics

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## JULY



If you are entering in your record book for evaluation make sure register before August.

[2025-26 County Level Record Book Registration](#)

### Calendar:

#### July

- 1 4-H Program Year Begins
- 3 Office closed for Independence Day
- 15 New Program Year Registration Opens For VOLUNTEERS only
- 25 Inter-Mountain Large Animal Field Day
- 31 Records Books Due to County Office

#### August

- 8 Record Book Judging at County Office
- 14 Inter-Mountain Plant Science Day
- 15 New Program Year Registration Opens For All

#### September

- 3-7 Inter-Mountain Fair
- 7 Labor Day - Office Closed
- 7 Inter-Mountain Achievement Awards



### What's New?



This newsletter may have a different look than you remember. The newsletter is going to be made and produced using Google Slides. Which may change up the look quite a bit.

This is so that people who need it can use accessibility tools easier. I plan to keep all the good information you need along with all the pictures you love of our kids in Fair to our graduating Seniors.

But moving forward I encourage families to send in pictures of their kids to be featured in the newsletter!

You can send photos to my email, or to the 4-H Facebook or Instagram.

Enjoy  
**INDEPENDENCE**  
**DAY**

# Member Resources

[Shasta County 4-H Website](#)

4-H Enrollment is Year-Round

[Check out our Enrollment Opportunities](#)

Interested in Volunteering?

[View our Volunteer Resources](#)

Want to check out how to become a member?

[California 4-H Member Resources](#)



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*America Remembers*



*Across America*



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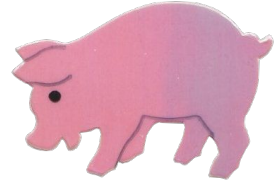
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# Shasta District Fair



We had a lot of Swine in 4-H this year!

Did you know that pigs don't sweat? Remi's pig (pictured right) is cooling off with a damp towel to regulate body temperature.

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Did you know that California is the leader in dairy production? We produce around 18% of the United States' dairy products. We have around 1.7 million dairy cows in our state alone, which is almost as much as the entire population of West Virginia!



Did you know that chickens have the ability to dream? They experience REM sleep like humans do!



Did you know? Goat's milk is easier for humans to digest than cow's milk.



Did you know? Goat meat is eaten by 63% of the world's population.



# Stills Exhibits

By Michelina  
Twin Palms 4-H



Happy Valley 4-H



By Maggie  
Lone Tree 4-H



By Hendrik  
Twin Palms 4-H

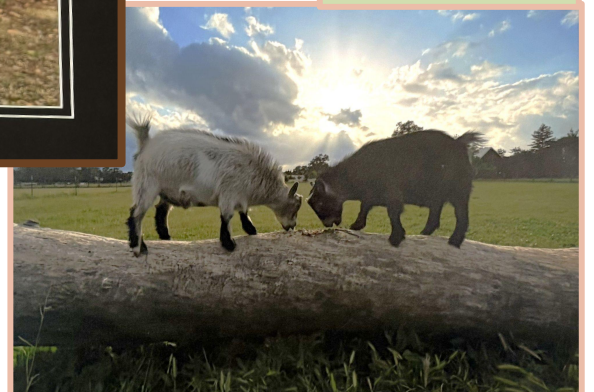
Jean  
Palo Cedro 4-H



By Lilly  
Twin Palms 4-H



By Ian  
Bowman 4-H







Did you know? Eggs that aren't fully developed are sometimes referred to as an "oops egg".



Did you know? Canning was invented in 1809 by Frenchman Nicolas Appert, who won a 12,000-franc prize from Napoleon to find a way to preserve food for troops.



# Congratulations!

## **State Presentation Contest:**

Ayla, Palo Cedro - Gold  
Hanna, Westside - Blue  
Jean, Palo Cedro - Gold  
Madison, Westside - Blue  
Marianna, Hat Creek - Gold

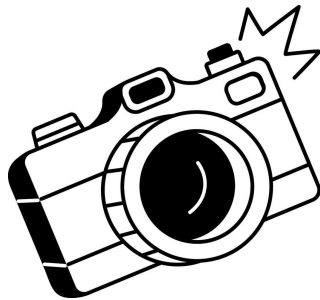


## **Plant Science Contest:**

Jean, Palo Cedro - Platinum  
Richard, Palo Cedro - Gold

## **Forestry Contest:**

Jean, Palo Cedro - Red  
John, Palo Cedro - Red  
Richard, Palo Cedro - Red

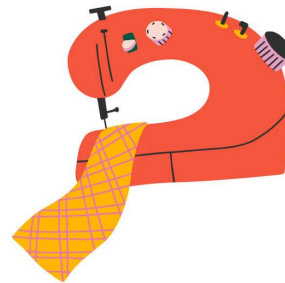


## **Photography Contest:**

Jean, Palo Cedro - Blue  
Jean, Palo Cedro - Red  
Marianna, Hat Creek - Blue

## **Fashion Revue**

Marianna, Hat Creek - Platinum  
Nicole, Burney - Platinum





# Pro Tips for 4-H



## Tip #1

Make sure to enroll **ASAP**. If you wait till the last minute it is more likely that the website will have issues due to the heightened traffic on the website. Sooner is better than later!

## Tip #2

When you're looking at clubs to join you can choose whichever works best for you, maybe you want a big club, maybe you are looking for one close to home, or maybe your child has friends in a specific club, you can choose whatever works best for you!

## Tip #3

There are a lot of resources on our 4-H website. How to videos, FAQ's, and policy handbooks. You can find the website at:

<https://ucanr.edu/county/shasta-county/club-leader-forms-and-resources>

## Tip #4

You don't have to do an animal project to be in 4-H, you also don't have to go to fair if you do an animal project. There's cooking, sewing, healthy living, and outdoor activities.





# Volunteer Flow Chart

Are you new or returning?

New

Returning

Choose a club based on your needs.  
I.E. Alex wants to do a steer project so they'll choose a club with a steer project.

Fill out enrollment application  
(This is required every new 4-H year)

After choosing your club you'll fill out an interest survey which you can find on our website at:  
[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc\\_oGL4EFS4gp8KV1y9iwpV1-Fme69WjI-7hkQrD-t2yGZQg/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc_oGL4EFS4gp8KV1y9iwpV1-Fme69WjI-7hkQrD-t2yGZQg/viewform)

Complete volunteer training and any training required by the county.

After that is looked over by county staff you will be provided with the enrollment application.

Returning volunteer pays the enrollment fee.

Once the enrollment application has been completed you will get a form from county staff and complete fingerprints.

Congratulations!  
You have completed the steps to become a volunteer! Now all you need to do is wait for the county staff to approve you and you'll be all set.  
After getting approved you will start going to club meetings and getting involved in 4-H projects.

Then you will complete volunteer training and pay your enrollment fee.

