



## NEWSLETTER – 1

September 17, 2023

Hello Fellow Badger Creek 4-H'rs,

Welcome back to another fantastic year here at Badger Creek 4-H! If you're new this year then we are so glad you found us and if you're returning then welcome home, we missed you. My apologies for sending out this Newsletter so [SO] late...our club leadership team has had a rough turn of events in our personal lives and we are busy playing catch-up. We appreciate everyone's patience as we readjust and get back into the swing of things. If you missed our August 28<sup>th</sup> Club meeting then here's the information you need to get plugged back in.



Here's the contents of this month's newsletter:

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18. Volunteer with us - Project Leaders welcomed – New Volunteer Orientation 6:30-9 PM
19. National Day of Giving – November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023
20. Next Club Meeting – Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 PM



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## 1. Pins & Stripes



We still have lots of Pins & Stripes from last year that need to be picked up. So, if you missed the end of the year awards party then please see Shawn or Ashley or message us at [badgercreek4h@gmail.com](mailto:badgercreek4h@gmail.com) to let us know and we will get that out to you via pickup or drop-off.

If you need guidance on how the pins & stripes should adorn the hat then please visit [https://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Member\\_Resources/Uniform/California\\_4-H\\_Hat/](https://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Member_Resources/Uniform/California_4-H_Hat/)

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## 2. Spirit Wear



Spirit Wear will be available for purchase at the October and November meetings and then won't be available again until the spring right before the Fair. So if you're interested in purchasing Spirit Wear then see Amber and Joleen at the enrollment table at the October and November club meetings.

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## 3. Fundraising Committee



Our Fundraising committee had its first meeting last Monday and we have successfully come up with some ideas for the year. If you're interested in joining the Fundraising Committee then let us know, it's never too late to have more help.

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## 4. Annual Costume Event – November 6<sup>th</sup> meeting



Mark your calendars and get your costumes ready for our Annual Costume event at our November Club Meeting. Please wear your costume or dress up in a Thanksgiving outfit for that meeting and join us in a costume parade where there will be a prize for each age category. Costumes will be scored on an individual

basis using creativity, originality, complexity and theme. Please keep in mind that this is an independent activity. As a reminder the age groups are:

Primary (5-8 years old)  
Junior (9 & 10 year olds)  
Intermediate (11-13 year olds)  
Senior (14 and older)

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## 5. Civic Engagement Officer



We are currently looking to fill a Civic Engagement Officer position for either this club year or the next club year. Nominees must be 14 years old or older and would be responsible for all aspects of coordinating one or more community service project(s) in which our club can participate in during the 4-H year. For more information on what a Civic Engagement Officer does then please view the information sheet which can be found here

<https://ucanr.edu/sites/UC4-H/files/324035.pdf>

If you're interested in this position then please contact Shawn or email us.

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## 6. Project Sign-ups



**Please sign-up for the projects you wish to join this year. Please note that this is separate from the ZSuite enrollment system and these Google forms are exclusively for project leaders to contact you regarding their project(s). Project leaders do not have access to enrollment information through the ZSuite system.**

1. Arts & Crafts [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeedVSVtXKW\\_ycwESL8ubC7WfHvxbsje0dUmb\\_4ueEYZdXIZA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeedVSVtXKW_ycwESL8ubC7WfHvxbsje0dUmb_4ueEYZdXIZA/viewform?usp=sf_link)
2. Cats [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSejXCbZ4uQh7Je7Nq6MOhCGkKk3Smkd8lXd80bXhoalQ7dTzA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSejXCbZ4uQh7Je7Nq6MOhCGkKk3Smkd8lXd80bXhoalQ7dTzA/viewform?usp=sf_link)
3. Cavy [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdPvm48TcS0zqJdi1NSB5VLpiERc2AIO6LxkwS7T0MoJZlrwA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdPvm48TcS0zqJdi1NSB5VLpiERc2AIO6LxkwS7T0MoJZlrwA/viewform?usp=sf_link)
4. Cloverbuds [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfEHs7EyLeU7NPP88EgTj1B6TJ0J\\_r2clqeM8NoCF8HfQx7Ww/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfEHs7EyLeU7NPP88EgTj1B6TJ0J_r2clqeM8NoCF8HfQx7Ww/viewform?usp=sf_link)
5. Community Service [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdPWwRNziUaxfaNfOReDrOJR09-3Z5SxE7mYzwsvfVQ2wsjATw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdPWwRNziUaxfaNfOReDrOJR09-3Z5SxE7mYzwsvfVQ2wsjATw/viewform?usp=sf_link)
6. Cooking [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd3Zv2w7tdpsO4MzRo4bp460uTcqTUO01Gu7pLaMbUoSvAV3w/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd3Zv2w7tdpsO4MzRo4bp460uTcqTUO01Gu7pLaMbUoSvAV3w/viewform?usp=sf_link)

7. Dog [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfMyGG4UI72BKZUdNnvTUMp3r0sg5I-T\\_00fTQH1re8D06-Yg/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfMyGG4UI72BKZUdNnvTUMp3r0sg5I-T_00fTQH1re8D06-Yg/viewform?usp=sf_link)
  8. Food Preservation [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdYoqsvpIYv71dVI6qy1t6QhrQuDMfzYUQkCpGp46fbPpV73A/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdYoqsvpIYv71dVI6qy1t6QhrQuDMfzYUQkCpGp46fbPpV73A/viewform?usp=sf_link)
  9. Multi-Species: Beef, Sheep & Goat [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd6ji4KMYC50GPmeX02N69G3b-SGEKcOkE1hzEjfDzXzYWJzw/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd6ji4KMYC50GPmeX02N69G3b-SGEKcOkE1hzEjfDzXzYWJzw/viewform?usp=sf_link)
  10. Nigerian Dwarf Goats [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfU8ghDDeX2I2Pp\\_rhGXNAdldvzy5D-YTvktnYtB3vUR3KS\\_A/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfU8ghDDeX2I2Pp_rhGXNAdldvzy5D-YTvktnYtB3vUR3KS_A/viewform?usp=sf_link)
  11. Outdoor Adventures [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfq3pwWyWlkzFQA5pKsc4iWVRCVS-qMckyBTbquyhFkcefSnQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfq3pwWyWlkzFQA5pKsc4iWVRCVS-qMckyBTbquyhFkcefSnQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)
  12. Poultry [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdjQvcwk-kBRVWHRrbk9chbvCjkPWz5iy-umDIF9dexO0DW5g/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdjQvcwk-kBRVWHRrbk9chbvCjkPWz5iy-umDIF9dexO0DW5g/viewform?usp=sf_link)
  13. Rabbits will be teaming up with Sheldon 4-H this year and will meet the first Tuesday of the month at 7 PM.  
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  14. Swine [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScCEmJg3H5ySxKN6M110iBdCEDSqOXPo6He\\_9Boq0mHjyVfew/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScCEmJg3H5ySxKN6M110iBdCEDSqOXPo6He_9Boq0mHjyVfew/viewform?usp=sf_link)
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## 7. Fog Willow – Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>



A **HUGE** thank you to everyone who came out on Saturday to help set up pumpkins at Fog Willow for this year's pumpkin season. Our group was small but mighty and we even finished half an hour early. Donuts were provided by Mr. Cates and we had a great time together.



## 8. Enrollment Night Fundraiser – Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>



Please join us this Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 6-8 PM at Bert's Diner [8972 Grant Line Rd]. Come hang out with us, enjoy some great food and get help enrolling your members. We know that the enrollment process can be daunting, but we are here to help. If you can't make it to the enrollment night and you still need help then please reach out to Ashley, Shawn or Joleen.



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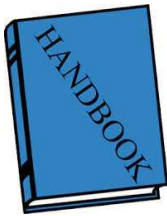
## 9. Enrollment



We've tried to simplify the enrollment process this year by putting all the enrollment information in one location on our club's website. Please remember to complete all three steps. To enroll click [here](#) or go to <http://badgercreek4h.weebly.com/club-enrollment-information.html> If you need any help then please reach out to us.

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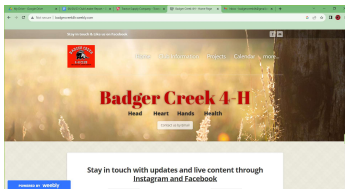
## 10. UC 4-H Handbook for Families



New Families. New and returning families often have lots of questions about our organization and what it means to be a part of it. This handbook has lots of great information to help maximize your families 4H experience. Please check it out! [UC 4-H Handbook for Families \(ucanr.edu\)](http://ucanr.edu)

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## 11. Club Webpage



Our club website has been revamped to make it easier to navigate.

On our club website you'll be able to find club meeting dates, enrollment information, and other way to stay connected. Please check it out <http://badgercreek4h.weebly.com/>

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## 12. Instagram & Facebook



For a more inclusive experience please consider following us on Instagram and liking us on Facebook. Through Instagram and Facebook you can stay in touch with updates and live content from Rylee your Social Media Officer and from your Club Leadership Team. We are here to help support you and your growing future.

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### 13. Remind Text Group



We love all the direct messages [aka DM's] that we get from all of you throughout the year, but we can't send mass text messages through our personal devices, so we have been utilizing the Remind App to send out short but sweet mass messages to all of you. The messages typically sent out through the Remid App are reminders about meetings, fundraisers, and events such as community service opportunities and Fair announcements. If you haven't joined our

Remind text group then please consider doing so by sending a text to **81010** and in the message, window type in **@badgerc** and hit send. Another way to get added is to open or download the Remind App and add Badger Creek 4-H.

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### 14. Email list and Personal DM's



We are slowly working on revamping our email list to include current members and their families while still keeping in touch with alumni family and community supporters. We realize that everyone has a flood of daily emails and we want to limit the number of emails we send

out to help minimize what you receive and also to highlight the important things happening in our club. If you are not already on our email list or would like to add additional family members to the email list then please email us at [badgercreek4h@gmail.com](mailto:badgercreek4h@gmail.com) and let us know. If you are receiving our emails and would no longer like to be on the email list then please email us and let us know; we will remove your email at your request.

If you need a more immediate response then please text us directly as we tend to answer text messages much faster than emails.

Ashley (916) 437-9663 Co-club Leader

Shawn (916) 508-1953 Co-club Leader

Joleen (916) 247-6744 Enrollment Coordinator

Amber (209) 663-2194 Financial Secretary

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## 15. Markofer Elementary School's Annual Fall Festival –



Badger Creek 4-H has been asked by Markofer Elementary School's PTO to host an Animal Expo at their Annual Fall Festival on Friday, October 20th from 5-8 PM. We will be setting up in the baseball diamond and need families who are willing to participate to bring their own animals, pens and cages. Animals and equipment can be loaded in between 3-5 PM and loaded out from 8-9 PM in the rear parking lot. We would love to have members from the Dogs, Cats, Goats, Poultry, Rabbit, Cavy and Swine project out there to talk about their animals and their projects. To help facilitate this effort a sign-up list has been created <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0A4AADAD2DA2F85-44387561-animal>

This is a great opportunity for our club to do outreach in the community and to help support a wonderful PTO.

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## 16. National 4-H Week October 1-7, 2023 –



4-H has a rich history in across the US starting with the first National 4-H week in 1945.

Results of this first National 4-H Week in 1945 indicated it had been a very effective means on the part of leaders and members alike, of reviewing the year's work, setting goals for the ensuing year, and focusing the attention of the public on 4-H and its values in the development of young people and to general community and national welfare.

In the early years, National 4-H Week was held in the spring. Beginning in 1968, National 4-H Week is now observed the first full week of October, beginning with the first Sunday of October. It may have been at the time of this change over of dates that the National 4-H Achievement Week became a part of National 4-H Week.

For more information about National 4-H week and the National 4-H History Preservation Program please visit

[https://4-hhistorypreservation.com/History/National\\_4-H\\_Week/#:~:text=After%20the%20war%2C%20when%20the,volunteer%20as%204%2DH%20leaders%2C](https://4-hhistorypreservation.com/History/National_4-H_Week/#:~:text=After%20the%20war%2C%20when%20the,volunteer%20as%204%2DH%20leaders%2C)

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## 17. Tractor Supply Paper Clover Campaign –



Tractor Supply and 4-H started the bi-annual Paper Clover fundraiser in 2010 to raise money and awareness for local 4-H clubs. Ninety percent of campaign donations are used to support 4-H youth in the state where the donation is made, while the remaining 10 percent supports national 4-H programming. The Paper Clover contributions fund educational programs and provide all 4-H members with the opportunity to engage in enriching camps, conferences and community projects in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, agriculture, healthy living and civic engagement. To read more about this campaign then please view the News Release [here](https://corporate.tractorsupply.com/newsroom/news-releases/news-releases-details/2023/Tractor-Supplys-Paper-Clover-Campaign-Reaches-20-Million-Donation-Milestone-for-4-H/default.aspx#:~:text=Tractor%20Supply%20and%204%2DH,supports%20national%204%2DH%20programming) <https://corporate.tractorsupply.com/newsroom/news-releases/news-releases-details/2023/Tractor-Supplys-Paper-Clover-Campaign-Reaches-20-Million-Donation-Milestone-for-4-H/default.aspx#:~:text=Tractor%20Supply%20and%204%2DH,supports%20national%204%2DH%20programming>.

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## 18. Volunteer with us -



Parents, community members and project Leaders welcomed. Our 4-H Project Leaders are the heartbeat of our club. Without our wonderful project leaders we wouldn't have much of a club. We are eternally grateful for their hard work and dedication to their projects and our club. If you're interested in volunteering with us, either as a project



leader or in another volunteer capacity then New Volunteer Orientation is coming up and we would like to invite you to join us.

- Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup> 6:30-9 PM
- Wednesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> 6:30-9 PM

Registration for the New Volunteer Orientation as well as the new volunteer intake steps can be found on our club's website [here http://badgercreek4h.weebly.com/volunteer-with-us.html](http://badgercreek4h.weebly.com/volunteer-with-us.html)

*\*A minimum of 2 appointed 4-H adult volunteers must be present at all 4-H club meetings, project meetings, and events. Consider becoming a volunteer to ensure that your 4-H club can make this happen.*

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## 19. National Day of Giving – November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023



Mark your calendars for this year's National Day of Giving on Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023. More information is coming soon.

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## 20. Next Club Meeting



Please join us for our next club meeting on Monday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church.

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Well, that's about it for our September Newsletter. Additional information will go out as we receive it. If you see anything in the Newsletter that requires a correction then please let us know. As always feel free to reach out to us if you need anything.