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Implementing Policies for Section 800: Health and Safety Guidelines **By Mignonne Pollard, Ed.D, Asst. State 4-H Director**

There are several major changes that will take place during the next program year that may impact some of our programmatic practices. *Section 800: guidelines for Health and Safety* were revised to reflect the best practices in use by youth serving organizations (i.e. Boys Scouts; Catholic Church, Soccer leagues, Girls Inc, and other statewide 4-H programs.) that focus on child abuse prevention. We've reviewed our policies and updated our Alcohol, Tobacco, and Drug Use policies (Section 803) as well as our policies on youth protection (Section 815). Our goal is to raise your awareness of safety issues within the 4-H Youth Development Program. When a youth feels safe, he/she feels a greater sense of belonging. *Belonging* is one of four essential elements necessary as the foundation of positive youth development (see http://www.national4-hheadquarters.gov/library/4h_presents.htm). This article outlines the major change in our child abuse recognition and reporting, Section 815: Youth Protection Policies.

On July 1st, 2006, one of the most significant changes in the California 4-H Youth Development Program's is the implementation of the revised Youth Protection Policies (Section 815 of the 4-H Policy Handbook) requiring every 4-H event or activity to have two adults available at all times to supervise youth. What is important to remember is:

- (1) These adults should, whenever possible, stay within view of one another.
- (2) The best practice is that both of these adults are appointed 4-H volunteers.

If the adults are appointed 4-H volunteers-this is the best practice, no matter their age. An additional approach to implement this policy includes one appointed volunteer and one "outside" adult. The 4-H volunteer must be in charge of the event or activity. The second adult must be over age twenty-one (21). Age twenty-one (21) is the statewide age minimum age for chaperones. This is not optimal, but it is an acceptable approach to implementing the "two adults at all times" policy.

The fall train-the-trainer series tried to anticipate the practical concerns of how to implement this policy of two adults present at all times. We addressed issues of transportation, hotel and motel stays, camping, and use of the restroom. The statewide 4-H Policy Advisory Committee put forward their best thinking and provided suggestions for implementation (see <http://ca4h.org/4hresource/handbook/index.asp>, look under November 19, 2005 tab). County teams were developed and are in the process of presenting how your county will approach implementing this policy. The state office offers the minimum guidelines, the county office may have more stringent implementation requirements, please check with your county office.

The statewide Policy Advisory Committee and your county teams could not anticipate every scenario that this policy might impact. We believe this year will bring about many questions. I encourage you to ask the questions so that you can think with your county office, and the state office, on appropriate approaches to implementing this policy. It is for the protection of our youth, but also protects adults. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our program safe.

Parents Guide to Adolescent Peer Pressure

Children, especially during adolescence, begin to spend a lot more time with their friends, and less time with their family. This makes them more susceptible to the influences of their peers. It is important to remember that teenage friends can have a positive influence on your children; you should therefore help them find friends that have similar interests and views as those you are trying to develop in your children, including doing well in school, having respect for others and avoiding drug use, smoking and drinking, etc.

During adolescence, children practice risk taking behaviors as they are trying to find their own identity and become more independent. This makes them very vulnerable to experimenting or becoming addicted to using drugs and drinking, especially if there is peer pressure to do so. Children who use drugs are also more likely to practice unprotected sex at an earlier age, have low self esteem, behavior problems, school performance problems, and depression.

It is very important to communicate with your child to help minimize their being susceptible to negative influences and prevent them from picking up bad habits. Teenagers whose parents talk to them regularly are at much less risk for experimenting with cigarettes, drinking and drugs. Teach them how to avoid situations where drug use, drinking, or smoking is present and to minimize negative influences by choosing friends who also choose not to use these substances. You have a lot more positive influence over your children's choices, even when you are not physically around, than you think.

Other ways to minimize the influences of negative peer influences is to help her to have high self esteem, confidence, a sense of self worth, and to feel needed and loved by her friends and family.

A lot of the peer pressure that your adolescent children will be exposed to and be influenced by relates to external things, such as clothing and hair styles, taste in music, etc. It is not always important to insist that your child conform to your own ways of thinking, especially when it relates to these less important issues. If your children are doing well in school, are not using drugs, drinking, or smoking and you are not having serious behavior problems, then it may be worthwhile to ignore some of these less important issues as your child tries to find her own identity. Creating power struggles over these issues are unlikely to change their attitudes and will likely create more problems.

There are other negative influences on your children, including the Internet, television, movies, video games, books, etc. You should monitor very closely what your adolescents are exposed to, to minimize the negative influences these things may have on them.

You should talk with your child if you think she is being negatively influenced by her peers to drink, smoke or experiment with drug use. Or you can set up an appointment with a medical professional with experience in dealing with adolescents with this problem. This professional can be your Pediatrician, a psychologist, counselor or someone else that your child can build a relationship with to talk about her problems.

Go to: www.Keepkidshealthy.com to find additional links.

Adolescent Peer Pressure: A pediatrician's guide to your children's health and safety
May 3, 2000

Club News

What's the Buzz in the PVP 4-H Club?

Bee Keeping of course! At the PVP 4-H Club, it is our goal to get members into projects that capture their attention and make them scream, "Yah! This is cool!" With the enthusiasm of our youths and the help of bee keepers Tom Coleman and John Oliver (aka Captain Jack), Bee Keeping has been revived! Bee Keeping is a project which educates 4-Hers on the general information about bees, how to handle bees, how to care for bees, and probably the most exciting part, how to collect the honey. This project has not been present in the PVP Club for 10 years since Dee Keese's sons, Greg and Rob Keese, donned their infamous white bee suits and taught others how to handle these tiny, but powerful insects. Who better to bring this project back than Dee Keese, the charismatic lady who is the voice and spirit behind the PVP 4-H Club! After all, she is the woman who has allowed huge bee colonies to make massive hives around her house just so the kids could have a hands-on-experience working with bees! So far, the Bee Keeping meetings have been a success as the group tackled the bee hives in attempt to move the swarms into bee boxes. Dee commented that the young members were fearless and calm as they helped to move the queen into her new palace, and were enthusiastic to don the white bee suits without hesitation. The PVP Club is very excited about this new project, and we hope there will be more members joining the Bee Keeping project next year.

By Jessica Kwan, Corresponding Secretary of PVP 4-H

District News

2006 San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair

The 75th annual Diamond Jubilee SGV 4-H Fair was held April 22-23 at the Chino Junior Fairgrounds in Chino. Thanks to our head fair directors Natasha Velasquez and Debbie Treadwell, all the other directors, chair people and assistants who helped made this a successful fair. We congratulate the following for their special honors:

Fair Queen – Tiffany Okamoto

Most Congenial Prince/Princess – (no award this year)

Most Outstanding Youth Fair Director – Vicky von Bergman

Most Outstanding Youth (non-Director) at the Fair – Eder Plascencia

Available Club Trophies

Sweepstakes
Aerospace & Rocketry
Ag. Sel. & Collection
Arts & Crafts
Automotive
Baked Goods
Beef Cattle
Beekeeping

Winners:

Trophy
Pomona Valley
ERHP
Scorpions
Pomona Valley
PVP
Pomona Valley
PVP

Second

Gnosis
Pomona Valley
Pomona Valley
Greenleaf
Pomona Valley
Gnosis

Third

Greenleaf
PVP
PVP
Scorpions

<u>Available Club Trophies</u>	<u>Winners: Trophy</u>	<u>Second</u>	<u>Third</u>
Beginning 4-H	Pomona Valley	PVP	ERHP
Bicycle			
Camping & Adventure	PVP		
Cat Care	Greenleaf	Gnosis	
Cavies	Gnosis	PVP	
Child Care			
Climatology			
Clothing & Textiles	Greenleaf	PVP	
Computers	Gnosis		
Crops, Veg. & Fruits			
Dairy Cattle			
Dairy Goats			
Dairy Products			
Dog Care	PVP	Greenleaf	Scorpions
Eggs	PVP	Greenleaf	
Electricity			
Entomology	Torrance Clovers		
Feature Booth			
Food Preservation	Pomona Valley		
Foods & Nutrition	Gnosis	PVP	Greenleaf
Graphic Arts			
Group Determined			
Guide Dogs	PVP		
Heritage Arts	PVP	Greenleaf	
Home Arts & Furn			
Horses	PVP	Greenleaf	
Individ & Group Sports	Pomona Valley	PVP	
Indoor Mini-Gardens	Gnosis		
Leathercraft	PVP		
Marine Biology	PVP	Pomona Valley	
Ornamental Hort.			
Pets & Small Animal	Gnosis	PVP	
Photography	Gnosis	PVP	Greenleaf
Poultry	PVP	Greenleaf	
Primary Participation	Pomona Valley	Greenleaf	PVP
Rabbits	PVP	Greenleaf	
Sheep			
Shooting Sports	PVP		
Swine	Greenleaf		
Table setting	Scorpions		
This is 4-H	Pomona Valley		
Tractor & Sm Engines	PVP		
Tree, Plants & Flowers			
Veterinarian Science			
Wildlife	Pomona Valley	PVP	
Woodworking	PVP	Greenleaf	
Wool			

ERHP - Eagle Rock Highland Park 4-H club, PVP - Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club and blanks show where no trophy was awarded to a NSG or SSG club this year.

County News

County Field Day 2006 Results

County Field Day was held on Saturday, March 25, 2006 at Mount San Antonio College in Walnut. We thank the North San Gabriel district for organizing and running the event. We thank all those leaders and senior members who helped judge that day. We thank the LA 4-H All-Star team for helping in many ways during the event. We cannot have a county event without a lot of support.

We congratulate the following 4-H members for their accomplishments:

Junior Impromptu Speaking

Nathan Dalrymple – Canyon Coyotes –
Blue seal
Jason Brown – Canyon Coyotes – Blue seal

Intermediate Impromptu Speaking

Jessica Brown – Canyon Coyotes –
Gold Medal – County Winner
Natasha Dalrymple – Canyon Coyotes –
Green seal
Ryan Halvorsen – PVP – Gold Medal –
County Winner
Elora Lewis – ERHP – Green seal

Senior Impromptu Speaking

Tatiana Acosta – ERHP – Gold Medal –
County Winner
Felicia Byrne – Canyon Coyotes – Blue seal
Brian Otto – PVP – Blue seal
Terra Chapman Canyon Coyotes –
Green seal
Vanessa Cramer – Canyon Coyotes –
Green seal
Chris Otto – PVP – Green seal
Shannon Espinosa – Greenleaf – Green seal

Intermediate State Impromptu Speaking

Elora Lewis – ERHP – Green seal
Jessica Brown – Canyon Coyotes –
Gold Medal – County Winner
Ryan Halvorsen – PVP – Gold Medal –
County Winner

Senior State Impromptu Speaking

Tatiana Acosta – ERHP – Gold Medal –
County Winner
Brian Otto – PVP – Gold Medal –
County Winner
Terra Chapman – Canyon Coyotes –
Blue seal
Vanessa Cramer – Canyon Coyotes –
Gold Medal – County Winner
Chris Otto – PVP – Green seal
Felicia Byrne – Canyon Coyotes –
Green seal
Desiree Cramer – Canyon Coyotes –
Green seal

Extemporaneous Speaking

Brian Otto – PVP – Blue seal
Felicia Byrne – Canyon Coyotes –
Gold medal - County Winner
Tatiana Acosta – ERHP – Blue seal
Terra Chapman – Canyon Coyotes –
Blue seal
Vanessa Cramer – Gold Medal –
County Winner
Desiree Cramer – Gold Medal –
County Winner

Junior Presentations

Nathan Dalrymple – Canyon Coyote –
Gold medal – County Winner
Nik Keenberg – Gnosis – Blue seal

Intermediate Presentation

*Natasha Dalrymple – Canyon Coyotes –
Gold medal - County Winner*

Senior Presentation

Heather Ealy – Roadrunners – Blue seal

Senior Public Speaking

Kelsey Schott – Canyon Coyotes – Blue seal

Kevin Schott – Canyon Coyotes – Blue seal

Jonathan Wilson – Canyon Coyotes –

Gold medal – County Winner

Junior Prepared Reading

Morgan Bolton – ERHP – Gold medal –

County Winner

Intermediate Prepared Reading

Ryan Halvorsen – PVP – Gold medal –

County Winner

Elora Lewis – ERHP – Gold medal –

County Winner

Senior Prepared Reading

*Tatiana Acosta – ERHP – Gold medal –
County Winner*

Heather Ealy – Roadrunners – Gold medal–

County Winner

Cultural Arts – Individual

Jessica Brown – Violin – Canyon Coyotes –
Blue seal

Lauren Rhea – Piano – Greenleaf - Blue seal

Brynn Matsuura – Hula dance – Greenleaf –

Gold medal – County Winner

Share the Fun Skit

Canyon Coyotes – Gold medal –

County Winner

All Star Information

The All Star application package is available on the Cooperative Extension's website. We have made a few changes to the application; be sure to read thoroughly. You can find the All-Star application at: <http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/youth/forms.html> or call Roy Hillstock at (323) 260-3854 and request that one be mailed to you.

*****Important change to the All-Star requirements*****

14year olds may now apply! If you will be 14 by January 1, 2007, you are eligible.

Summer Camp 2006

Summer Camp 2006 is approaching fast! We will accept registration up until July 2, 2006.

Camp Registration is \$275 per camper. Forms and additional information are available online from Cooperative Extension's website under Summer Camp or at:

<http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/youth/coming-events.html>. There is still time! Don't miss this great event.



SUMMER CAMP RESERVATION FORM



FIRST COME – FIRST SERVED

**\$20.00 DEPOSIT PER CHILD
Non-Refundable**

NAME: _____

M _____

F _____



BIRTHDATE ____/____/____

AGE _____

ADDRESS: _____

CLUB _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE (____) _____

NAME: _____

M _____

F _____



BIRTHDATE ____/____/____

AGE _____

ADDRESS: _____

CLUB _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE (____) _____

NAME: _____

M _____

F _____



BIRTHDATE ____/____/____

AGE _____

ADDRESS: _____

CLUB _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE (____) _____

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PLEASE REMIT THIS FORM TO:
4H OFFICE-UC COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
4800 E. CESAR E. CHAZEZ AVE.
LOS ANGELES, CA 90022
ATTN: KEITH NATHANIEL
323-260-3845

FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE WEB:

<http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu> or <http://www.4hsummercamp.com>

County Project Recognition (Record Book Judging)

The LA County 4-H Project Recognition (Record Book Judging) will be basically the same as last year. July 11 and 12 are the deadlines to turn in records books. Books are due to the LA or AV 4-H office by 4pm on Tuesday, July 11. Books can also be given to a member of the county I&R committee by 10pm on Wednesday, July 12. Plan ahead. Be sure forms are completed and signed appropriately. Books delivered beyond these deadlines are not accepted or judged.

The 2006 4-H project Awards ID Form and Checklist is printed in this edition of Clover Notes. Please read over the instructions carefully and follow the directions. When indicating the project area, check that the project area is listed on the back of the Guidelines page. Awards are only given in the project areas indicated on that list.

The results of the county judging of record books are announced at the County Awards Day program on Sunday, July 23, Agua Dulce Womans Center at 2:00 PM. To encourage members to submit their records and to attend the County Awards Day program, we plan to again have two drawings at the event. There will be a drawing for a \$15 and a \$10 award from each of the following: those who submit their 4-H records to county competition and those who attend the County Awards Day program (that will result in 4 money awards being given).

If you have any questions, call Noel Keller (909-621-2373) or your district I&R representative.

Record Book Forms – Note

During the last few months we have been asked to look over and review a possible new record book format. This format is still being reviewed and should not be used for your records this year. For 2005-2006 records, please use the “old”, standard PDR, Annual Report Form and Leadership Plan and Report. Please call a member of the I&R Committee if you have any questions about this. (Noel Keller, 909-621-2373).

Sectional/State Project Competition – Note

The same applies to the format for the sectional/state project competition forms. We have been looking at new forms, but they have not been approved for use this year. The current forms were issued last January and are available on the 4H web site or from the 4-H office. Please call a member of the I&R Committee if you have any questions about this. (Noel Keller, 909-621-2373).

Record Book Score Sheet

Name _____

Project _____

Judges instructions: Check boxes where appropriate in aiding the 4-Her in completing a better record book.

The items below could be added or improved for a more competitive record book next year

- All required signatures are present
- Optional dividers (undecorated)
- Well organized
- Photos correctly mounted and captioned
- Photos tell a story, relate project work/growth or community service

- Age appropriate recording
- Experienced appropriate recording
- Easily read
- Generally neat
- No more than 3 pages of photos used
- Participation descriptions are clear
- Totals include this yrs records plus previous yrs

DIVISION I - PDR

- Attendance record
- Story is about this 4-H year
- Well-rounded participation

"MY 4-H STORY" REFLECTS:

- All years in 4-H
- 4-H and outside of the 4-H experiences
- Leadership
- Citizenship and Community Service
- Goal Setting
- Accomplishment
- Personal growth

DIVISION II - "MY 4-H STORY"

- 4-H story is double spaced
- Does not exceed 6 pages
- Records are typed or written in black ink

DIVISION III 0 4-H PROJECTS

- Project reports are complete
- Project story included
- Project related talk given
- Project related demonstration given
- Project related service work
- Project related leadership given
- Approved supplemental forms included
- No more than 3 pages of photos used

PROJECT STORY REFLECTS:

- 4-H and outside of 4-H experiences
- Leadership
- Citizenship and Community Service
- Accomplishments
- Personal Growth

DIVISION IV (Seniors Only)

- Encouraged to apply for Sectional/State recognition

DIVISION V (if applicable)

- Organized for easy reference of information

The extent use of this form is entirely up to the decision of the judging team.

JUDGES

JUDGING CRITERIA

- 50% Experiences in 4-H projects or activities
- 25% Experiences in leadership
- 25% Experiences in citizenship and Community Development

Date _____

**2006 LOS ANGELES COUNTY
4-H PROJECT AWARDS (RECORD BOOKS)
IDENTIFICATION FORM AND CHECKLIST**

____ Senior (14 years old & older)
____ Intermediate (12 - 13 years old)
____ Junior (9-11 yrs old, and 4th grdrs)

NAME _____

PHONE (____) _____

BIRTH DATE ____/____/____ AGE ____
(age as of January 1, 2006)

GRADE IN SCHOOL _____ (2005-06)

ADDRESS _____ YRS in 4-H (include current year) _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

CLUB _____

CLUB LEADER'S NAME _____ PHONE (____) _____

LIST PROJECTS in which you are enrolled and applying for awards:

1st _____ Years in Project _____

2nd _____ Years in Project _____

(See the back of Guidelines for submitting 4-H Member Records for a list of the project areas in which awards are available)

SPECIAL AWARDS

Current Junior/Teen Leaders only: Have you earned a gold Leadership Merit Award patch? ____ Junior ____ Teen ____
This year applying for ____ Junior (grades 7,8) ____ Teen (gr. 9 & above) ____ Neither

Senior member only: (14 yrs. old by Jan. 1, 2006 or older) Senior Award of Excellence
This year applying for ____ Leadership ____ Community Service ____ Achievement ____ none
(if applying for more than one, indicate order of preference with 1 as first choice)

Books are due (you may choose)

July 11- A.V. Office by 12:00 pm

July 11- L.A. Office by 12:00 pm

July 12- to I&R Committee by 10:00 pm

(Lisa Heckel, Noel Keller, Judylynn Pelling, Nancy Otto, Marilyn Nefas, or Judi Murdock

County Awards Day

Sun., July 23, 2006

Agua Dulce Women's Club

2:00 PM

**** For your record book to be judged, an adult representative from your club must be present (7/8 or 7/9) for judging. ****

ALL SIGNATURES ARE MANDATORY. All signatures subscribed on application certify that 4-H records are accurate, have been completed by 4-H member and that the community leader supports the member's application.

RECORDS MISSING SIGNATURES WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR COUNTY MEDAL AWARDS OR SPECIAL AWARDS.

Applicant's Signature

Date

As Club Community Leader, I am verifying that this member is enrolled in the project(s) and that the records are accurate.

Your Community Leader's Signature

Date

Please explain any special considerations that you want the judges to be aware of when reviewing these records. _____

Guardian/parent's signature _____ Date _____

Attach this form as the first page of the records.

(4/11/2006)

**Checklist
for contents of 4-H member records for
2006 Los Angeles County 4-H Project Awards**

4-H Records submitted in order as listed

Los Angeles County 4-H Project Awards Identification Form & Checklist – attach as the first page
Dividers are highly recommended. Do not decorate dividers.

Division I

4-H Personal Development Report (2005-2006 PY) The story on the front page of the report should pertain to this **4-H year only**. The report may include up to 3 supplemental pages (one side only) of general 4-H photos with captions, such as showing club community service work, club meetings and club activities. No shingling or overlapping of information or photos. No scrap-booking.

Division II

4-H Story: "MY 4-H STORY". This 4-H story should cover **all your years in 4-H** with a focus on the project/activity/cluster in which you are submitting your record. Four to six double-spaced typed or handwritten pages on one side. Use type no smaller than 12 characters per inch. Using a word processing program, use one standard typeface such as TIMES in a 12-point or larger. If handwritten, use black ink on college ruled paper every other line. Expand on your 4-H and outside of 4-H experiences, leadership, citizenship, and community service in your projects/ activity. Emphasize goals set and accomplished and personal growth in 4-H and other experiences. Do not merely repeat information listed elsewhere in your records.

Division III

4-H Projects (One subdivision for each project 4-H member is enrolled in this year) Current year's 4-H project and/or activity records, including supplemental forms, as indicated below. When documenting your years in project, do not include your primary work.

Annual Project Report forms must be included for each project, including leadership.

For each project, a current project story may be included. Photo or other flat creative media pages for a project must be limited to three 8 1/2 x 11 inch pages, one side only (no scrap-booking). Photos and or creative pages may be used to show experiences, leadership, citizenship, and community service in 4-H and outside 4-H in the project area. Created pages (photos, created media) may be from more than just this project year. Sequence pages showing growth in projects/activities are good ways to illustrate experiences. Include appropriate captions to tell your story. (No 4-H correspondence, news clippings, ribbons, certificates or plastic covers; no shingling or overlapping of items). Color and Black/White copies are acceptable. Mount on heavy white paper or card stock.

PHOTOGRAPHY Project: Allows up to 6 additional pages of project photos (one side only). No scrap-booking.

PUBLIC SPEAKING (Communications) Project: Allows up to 6 additional pages of speeches given during the project year.

LEADERSHIP Project: All project members, including Jr. and Teen Leaders, must include a completed Leadership Project Plan and Report form along with an Annual Project Report form for the Leadership Project.

ANIMAL Projects: Allowed supplemental animal/livestock records, i.e. Advanced Dairy and Livestock form, etc.

Division IV

2006 Sectional/State project recognition application. (For Seniors only - optional)

Division V

Past 4-H records. (Seniors may include past information submitted for sectional/state project competition,)

VERIFICATIONS/SIGNATURES

All 4-H members are to check each division to verify all materials are included and information is complete and accurate. All signatures subscribed on the member records and Identification Form certify that 4-H records are accurate, have been completed by 4-H member, and that the community leader supports the member's application. **This ID form and PDR must be signed by the Club Community Leader.** The annual Project Report Form must be signed by the Project Leader.

A Listing of 4-H Project areas available for awards is on back of Guidelines for Submitting 4-H Member Records.

(4/11/2006)

**2006 LOS ANGELES COUNTY
4-H PROJECT AWARDS (RECORD BOOKS)
GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING 4-H MEMBER RECORDS**

1. All age categories are as of January 1, 2006. Junior = 9-11 years old (and all 4th graders)
Intermediate = 12-13 years old
Senior = 14 years and older
2. **Do not submit Primary records to County.** Primary 4-H member records are submitted to the project leader or club leader, optionally judged at district, per district decision.
3. All 4-H records submitted must be completed by the 4-H member.
4. Individuals must be enrolled in the project area in which applying for awards.
5. Select up to two projects in which you are enrolled and applying for awards.
(See the other side of this form for a list of the project areas available for awards.)
6. 4-H Records are judged only in categories (projects) listed on the 4-H Project Awards Identification Form & Checklist.
7. If Senior applicant is not awarded County Winner in 1st choice, 2nd choice is judged for possible County Winner. If Junior or Intermediate applicant does not medal in 1st choice project, 2nd choice is judged for a possible medal. Choices are based on project area selected and indicated on the applicant's 4-H Project Awards Identification Form.
8. 4-H Records are to be submitted in an acco-type binder (4-H member binder available from National 4-H Supply).
9. The Checklist indicates the records to be submitted. Extra pages are ignored and not included in the judging. For example, if an 8-page story is submitted under MY 4-H STORY, only the first 6 pages would be read and included in the judging.
10. All signatures subscribed on Identification Form and project records certify that 4-H records are accurate, have been completed by 4-H member and that the community leader supports the member's application.
11. Required leader signatures on related records (Identification form, PDR and Annual Project Report Form) are mandatory for consideration for County medal awards and special awards.
12. Records must be turned in to the LA or AV 4-H office or a member of the County Incentives and Recognition Committee by the County deadline to be judged. Late records are not accepted or judged.
13. It is the responsibility of the 4-H member to have the records turned in to the 4-H office or a member of the County Incentives and Recognition Committee (see below) by the County deadline.
14. Senior 4-H members (14 yrs. or older as of 1/1/2006) may request on the Identification Form that their 4-H records be reviewed for consideration for the L.A. County Senior 4-H Member Awards of Excellence in the areas of Achievement, Citizenship and Leadership. Only those who so indicate will be considered for the award. Only one of each award will be presented in a year. A Member may request to be considered in more than one award area, but cannot be awarded more than one Award of Excellence in a year. A Member may receive a specific Award of Excellence only once.
15. Current Teen and Junior Leaders may request on the Identification Form that their 4-H records be reviewed for consideration for a Junior/Teen Leadership Merit Award. A completed Leadership Project Plan and Report Form (4-H-8034) for 2005-2006 and an Annual Project Report for leadership must be included in the records for consideration for this award. A Member may earn this award once as a Junior Leader (grades 7,8) and once as a Teen Leader (grades 9 and above).
16. If eligible, a 4-H member may request to be considered for both a Leadership Merit Award and a Senior Award of Excellence in the same year. The leadership and senior awards are independent of each other.
17. The judges' decision is final.

Books are due (you may choose)

July 11- A.V. Office by 12:00 pm

July 11- L.A. Office by 12:00 pm

July 12- To I&R Committee by 10:00 pm

County Awards Day

Sunday, July 12, 2006

Agua Dulce Women's Club (2:00 pm)

(Lisa Heckel, Noel Keller, Judylynn Pelling, Nancy Otto Judi Murdock or Marilyn Nefas)

(4/11/2006)

4-H Project areas in which awards are available

ANIMAL SCIENCE

Angora Goats
Bees
Beef Cattle
Cavies
Dairy Cattle
Dairy Goats
Dog Care & Training
Embryology
Entomology
Exotic Birds (including Cage Birds)
Horses & Ponies
Llamas
Pets & Small Animals
Poultry and Game Birds
Pygmy Goats
Rabbits
Service Dogs (including Guide Dogs)
Sheep
Swine
Veterinary Sciences
Market Goats

ENGINEERING

Aerospace & Rocketry
Automotive
Bicycles
Electricity & Electronics
Farm Machinery
General Engineering
Safety
Small Engines
Woodworking

SOCIAL SCIENCE

Achievement
Beginning 4-H (1st yr only)
Career Exploration
Citizenship
Community Pride
Communications
Computers
Economics & Marketing
Graphic Arts
Domestic Exchanges
International Exchanges
Leadership
Public Speaking
Self Determined - (plan on file in 4-H County office and with I & R Committee Chair)
Group Determined - (plan on file in 4-H County office and with I & R Committee Chair)

HEALTH AND LEISURE

Camping & Outdoor Adventure
Creative Arts, Crafts & Hobbies (including Cake Decorating)
Cultural Arts & Leisure
Education
Fitness Leadership
Health & Physical Fitness
Individual & Group Sports
Leathercraft
Photography
Shooting Sports

PLANT SCIENCE

Agricultural
Field Crops & Management
Forestry / Christmas Trees
Fruits, Nuts & Berries
Mini-Gardens
Ornamental Horticulture
Other Plant Science
Sugar Beets
Vegetable Gardens & Crops (including school gardens)

RESOURCE SCIENCE

Climatology
Energy Management
Marine Biology and Oceanography
Other Resource Science
SERIES/Y.E.S.
Soil and Water Conservation
Wildlife

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE

Breads
Dairy Foods
Child Development & Care
Clothing & Textiles
Consumer Education
Fashion Revue
Foods & Nutrition
Expanded Food & Nutrition (EFNEP)
Food Preservation
Home Arts & Furnishing Management, Home & Personal Parenting & Childhood Education (PACE Program)

Senior 4-H Member Awards of Excellence

Senior 4-H members (14 yrs. or older as of 1/1/2006) may request that their 4-H records be reviewed for consideration for the 2006 L.A. County Senior 4-H Member Awards of Excellence in the areas of Achievement, Citizenship and Leadership. Signatures are mandatory for award consideration. Only one of each award will be presented in a year. A Member cannot be awarded more than one Award of Excellence in a year. A Member may receive a specific Award of Excellence only once.

Junior/Teen Leadership Merit Award

Current Teen and Junior Leaders may request that their 4-H records be reviewed for consideration for a Junior/Teen Leadership Merit Award. The records must include a completed Leadership Project Plan and Report Form (4-H- 8034) and an Annual Project Report Form for Leadership for 2005-2006. Signatures are mandatory for award consideration.

A Member may earn this award once as a Junior Leader (grades 7,8) and once as a Teen Leader (grades 9 and above).

(4/11/2006)

Southern Sectional News

Southern Sectional Field Day Results

The Southern Section 4-H Field Day was held at Mount San Antonio College in Walnut on Saturday, May 20, 2006. This year Imperial County was in charge of the event. We thank all the leaders and members who helped with the event. Los Angeles County was in charge of Impromptu Speaking, Extemporaneous Speaking, and the afternoon Share the Fun program. It was a fun day which included three different judging contests, a sectional dog show, educational exhibits, a fashion show, speeches, presentations, prepared readings, cultural arts performances and several skits. Our volunteer leader Noel Keller was the honoree of the day.

We congratulate the following 4-H members for their accomplishments:

Junior Presentation

Nathan Dalrymple – Canyon Coyotes – Blue seal

Intermediate Presentation

Natasha Dalrymple – Canyon Coyotes – Blue seal

Senior Public Speaking

Jonathan Wilson – Canyon Coyotes – Blue seal

Junior Interpretive Reading

Morgan Bolton – ER/HP – Green seal

Intermediate Interpretive Reading

Elora Lewis – ERHP – Blue seal
Ryan Halvorsen – PVP – Blue seal

Senior Interpretive Reading

Heather Ealy – Roadrunners – Blue seal
Tatiana Acosta – ERHP – Blue seal

Junior Impromptu Speaking

Jason Brown – Canyon Coyotes – Gold medal – Section winner

Intermediate Impromptu Speaking

Jessica Brown – Canyon Coyotes – Blue seal
Ryan Halvorsen – PVP – Blue seal

Senior Impromptu Speaking

Kristen Hall – Shadow Hills – Blue seal
Tatiana Acosta – ERHP – Blue seal

Extemporaneous Speaking

Kristen Hall – Shadow Hills – Blue seal
Tatiana Acosta – ERHP – Blue seal

Intermediate State-Format Impromptu Speaking

Ryan Halvorsen – PVP – Blue seal

Senior State-Format Impromptu Speaking

Tatiana Acosta – ERHP - Gold medal – Section Winner

Individual Cultural Arts

Brynn Matsuura – Hawaiian Hula – Greenleaf – Gold medal – Section Winner

Share the Fun Skit

Canyon Coyotes – “4-H Beginnings” – Gold medal – Section Winner

South Section Fashion Revue Results

The South Section Fashion Revue was held at Mount San Antonio in Walnut on Saturday, May 20, 2006 with the South Section 4-H Field Day. We congratulate the following 4-H members:

*Danielle Nicovich – Intermediate Traditional – Gold medal – Section Winner
Brynn Matsuura – Greenleaf - Senior Traditional – Gold medal – Section Winner*

TIC Registration Form

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code #: _____

E-mail: _____

Member Signatures: _____

Parent Signatures: _____

Emergency Contact Information:

Name: _____ Relation: _____

Phone #: _____ E-Mail: _____

Local Club Leader's Signature: _____

Phone #: _____ E-mail: _____

County Staff Signature: _____

Phone#: _____ E-mail: _____

Note: Driving directions to Pathfinder Ranch and other information will be mailed to you once we receive your application! All registration information and the map is also available on the state website under conferences.

This is a leadership conference. All the delegates will be expected to participate in the workshops and to attend all general workshops. During these workshops no one will be allowed to stay in their cabins. If the delegate becomes ill they will be staying with the nurse in the medical cabin.

State News

California State Fashion Revue Results

The State Fashion Revue was held on Saturday, May 27, 2006 in Davis at UC Davis. To be able to participate in the state fashion revue, you must be at least a county winner. We congratulate the following two youth who represented LA County at the State Fashion Revue:

Danielle Nicovich – Intermediate Traditional – medalist
Brynn Matsuura – Greenleaf - Senior Traditional – medalist

California State 4-H Field Day Results

The State 4-H Field Day was held in Davis at UC Davis on Saturday, May 27, 2006. **Brynn Matsuura of Greenleaf** competed in the Cultural Arts – Individual with her Hawaiian Oli and Hula. She earned a state Gold Medal. **Congratulations, Brynn!**

2006 California 4-H State Project Competition

The 2006 California 4-H State Project Competition is designed for older 4-H members to showcase their 4-H work. Project Competition books provide awards to 4-H members for their accomplishments in a project. **Books are due July 27, 2006 to the LA or AV Office by 12 Noon.** Forms and information can be obtained at:

<http://ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/recordbook/index.asp>

State Leaders' Forum 2006

State Leaders' Forum 2006 "4-H Leadership 101", sponsored by the South Section, will be held at Asilomar Conference Center near Monterey on November 17-19, 2006. The due date for workshop proposals is July 1, 2006. Registration for the conference is due August 1, 2006. Forms and more information can be found at: <http://www.ss4h.org/SLF2006/index.htm>

4-H SET Robotics curriculum training

The 4-H SET Robotics curriculum training will be offered as a track on August 11, 2006 at the 2006 State 4-H Leadership Conference at UC San Diego. The Robotics curriculum is designed for teen-led activities with younger youth. This will be a great way for county teams of two or three to get hands-on training in the use of this curriculum. Sign up via the State Leadership Conference registration through your county 4-H office. If you have questions on the training or the curriculum, contact Richard Mahacek at rlmahacek@ucdavis.edu

Teacher Resource Guide

The California Farm Bureau publishes a Teacher Resource Guide of agricultural resources that can be useful to volunteers as well as teachers. Request your free copy of the 2006 Teacher Resource Guide in book or CD format at: <http://www.cfaitc.org/EMailForm/EMailForm.php>

California-specific Citizenship Resources

Check out the website <http://student-voices.org/california/>, sponsored by the Annenberg Public Policy Center, which provides a wide variety of California-specific citizenship resources for youth and adults, as well as opportunities for young people to "speak out" on issues that matter to them and their communities.

Funding Opportunities:

For Youth: Angel Soft's **Angels in Action Awards Program** aims to recognize children and youth who are performing exemplary acts of community service. Georgia-Pacific, the makers of Angel Soft toilet paper, invites teachers, parents, guardians, and friends to submit nominations to honor "ordinary kids who are doing extraordinary things" to help improve their communities. For the first time since the program's inception, one outstanding child or teen will be awarded \$15,000 for "Program of the Year." Two grand prize winners (one from each age category of 8-15 and 16-18) will receive \$10,000 and ten finalists (five from each age category) will receive \$1,000. Visit the Angel Soft website for complete program guidelines and to submit a nomination at: <http://fconline.fdncenter.org/pnd/10001785/angelsoft>. Deadline is: **October 1, 2006**.

The National Gardening Association and Home Depot have announced the 24th annual **Youth Garden Grant Program**. Schools, youth groups, community centers, camps, clubs, treatment facilities, and intergenerational groups throughout the U.S. are eligible to apply. Applicants must plan to garden in 2007 with at least fifteen children between the ages of 3-18 years old. Applicants should demonstrate a child-centered plan that emphasizes children/youth learning and working in an outdoor garden. For information, go to: <http://fconline.foundationcenter.org/pnd/10002072/kidsgardening>. The application deadline is **November 1, 2006**.

National News

White House Internship Program

The White House Internship Program is seeking exceptional candidates. In addition to normal office duties, interns attend weekly lectures, tours, and complete an intern service project. Interns may serve in the Fall, Spring, or Summer. All candidates must be at least 18 years of age, hold U.S. citizenship, and be enrolled in a college or university. Explore this opportunity on the web at: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/government/wh-intern.html> or contact Karen Race at: intern_application@whitehouse.gov. Applications are due: **June 16, 2006** for Fall 2006 (September 5 to December 15, 2006), and **October 13, 2006** for Spring 2007 (January 9 to May 11, 2007).

2007 National Extension Conference on Volunteerism

2007 National Extension Conference on Volunteerism will be held in Rock Springs 4-H Center, in Junction City, KS on April 16-17, 2007. A call for proposals is out and submissions are **due in July 2006**. For more information, contact Chuck Graves at cgraves@csrees.usda.gov

Calendar of Events

July

- 2-8 4-H Summer Camp
- 4 Independence Day
- 11 County Record Books due to County Office (4PM)
- 12 County Record Books due to I&R Rep. by 10PM
- 13 Sectional Project application Intent to apply due
- 14 2006-2007 All Star application due
- 14-15 Record Book Judging
- 22 County Council meeting
- 23 County Awards Day / 2006-2007 All-Stars announced
- 24 AV County Council meeting / Hi 4-H & Horse meeting
- 27 Sectional Project application due to LA County Office by 12 Noon
- 29 Southern Sectional Project judging

August

- 8 SSG Council meeting
- 10-13 State Leadership Conference – San Diego
- 11 4-H Club Re-enrollment due
- 26 State Project Judging
- 25-9/4 Antelope Valley Fair
- 28 AV Council meeting

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4-H All Stars

The 2005-2006 All-Star Candidate(s):

- **Vanessa Cramer**
- **Felicia Byrne**
- **Heather Ealy**
- **Chris Otto**

The All-Star Advisors are:

- **Elizabeth Cramer**
- **Marjorie Rodriguez**

The County Leadership Team consists of all the prior years' County 4-H All-Stars that are still active 4-H members. This year the team includes:

- **Desiree Cramer**
- **Jennifer Heckel**

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