

## April 2011

If you have any questions or suggestions about the Clover Notes, please don't hesitate to call Roy Hillstock at (323) 260-3854 or email at [rhillstock@ucdavis.edu](mailto:rhillstock@ucdavis.edu). We welcome submissions, especially for Club News. Please submit articles by the 15th of the month to be posted in the following months' edition.

Contact the [Los Angeles 4-H Youth Development Office](#) or 323-260-3854. For upcoming dates, please visit the [4-H Calendar](#). We look forward to continuing to serve you and your 4-H needs.

## POLICY

### Policy Highlight of the Month

The University of California 4-H Youth Development Program is a major effort and central to the mission of the University of California Cooperative Extension. Because of this effort and its position with the University, the Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources has overall responsibility for the development, efficiency and effectiveness of the 4-H Youth Development Program.

4-H units and councils (when authorized by the issuance of a 4-H Charter) are granted certain privileges and responsibilities related to financial activities. All monies raised and managed by 4-H units must be done so in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and within the policies and procedures specified by the 4-H Handbook (4-H Policy Manual). The policy extends to funds generated in the name of 4-H by the adult volunteers, parents/guardians and members of all 4-H units and councils.

All monies raised under the guise of 4-H and with the use of the name and emblem are to be treated according to these established policies. Council treasurers and 4-H staff are responsible for ensuring that units comply, with the County Director having the final local authority on fundraising and club unit funds.

For more information please review the 4-H financial policies at:

<http://www.ca4h.org/policy/chapter9/index.asp>

## COUNTY

- **San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair (April 29-May 1, 2011)**

The 80th, "A Time to Remember", **San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair** will be held on **Saturday and Sunday, April 29-May 1, 2011**, at the Chino Fairgrounds located at Central and Edison Streets in Chino, CA.

Admission is **FREE**. Food will be available. 4-H project work will be on display. For more information, check out the website at: <http://sgv4hfair.com/default.aspx> or call **(909) 374-8342** or email: [sgv4hfair2@gmail.com](mailto:sgv4hfair2@gmail.com).

On Saturday there will be judging of small & large livestock, such as rabbits, poultry, sheep, goats, dogs, and swine. These animals are raised by 4-H members. There will be showmanship contests, home economics, arts & crafts, photography, graphic arts, wildlife, beekeeping, entomology, camping, rocketry, computers, electricity, ornamental horticulture, and many other exhibits will be displayed. There will also be a food auction, Cat Show, fun games, a Vendor Fair, and 4-H Alumni activities. A special performance by the "PVP and Pomona 4-H Martial Arts" will be held prior to the barbecue at 5:00 pm on Saturday.

On Sunday there will be a 4-H Dog Show, Fashion Show by 4-H members, a Primary Hobby Horse, food auction, livestock contests, silent auction, and awards ceremony. Exhibits on 4-H projects work will also be displayed.

Come and join the fun and learn about 4-H. Bring the kids –**FREE** admission. The best time for public viewing is from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm on Saturday and from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm on Sunday. Snacks and meals are available for purchase.

- **4-H Summer Camp**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

**4-H Summer Camp** is scheduled for **June 26-July 2, 2011** at Camp Seeley in San Bernardino. 4-H Summer Camp is a week filled with fun "learning by doing" activities and the best food at any camp around! The cost to attend the camp is \$275 per person if deposit is paid by May 1, 2011. Full or partial camperships may be available for those who need financial assistance to attend. 4-H Camp is limited to the first 200 youth who reserve a spot. Summer camp sold out last year, so send in the \$75 deposit today

To apply for camperships go to: [2011 Robert P. Amman Memorial Campership Application Download](#)

For more details or to register online go to: <http://4hsummercamp.com/> or call Dr. Keith Nathaniel, UCCE/Los Angeles County 4-H at **(323) 260-3845** or Carrie DeYoung, Camp Director at **(818) 886-8028**.

**Late Camp Registration:** \$400.00 postmarked after 6/2/11 to 6/10/11.

**All camp registration fees need to be received no later than June 15, 2011**



**Record Books - What Are They?**  
Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator



In the 4-H Youth Development Program, there are many long-standing traditions, and we may not know why we do them, or where they came from. 4-H youth members are encouraged to keep written records and documentation of their events and activities and submit them annually with a special green cover that says, "Member Record."

This year, many of the 4-H Record Book Forms can be downloaded, filled-out on-line, edited, and saved on your computer for future work! This is an exciting change, and you can visit the new "**Record Books Resources**" website to download the forms you will need: <http://www.recordbookresources.com/index.html>.

For those new leaders and members who are new to Record Books, you might be wondering some of the following:

***What is a Record Book?***

4-H Record Books are an important form of keeping a written record/summary throughout the year of project work, events and activities, community service and overall learning and participation in the 4-H Youth Development Program. They are submitted for judging and competition at the Club, County level, and sometimes at the State level.

***Why do a Record Book?***

Record Books are a great way for members to reflect on what they have learned in many areas of their 4-H experience. It makes us look back on the year and say, "Hey, look at all I have accomplished!" Over the years, our record books give us an extensive full picture of commitment, achievement and success in a job well done. Completing a Record Book also helps teach us:

- Personal skills in financial management
- Personal accountability
- Record useful information
- Preserve our fun memories of our 4-H experience
- Provides a tool to share with others
- Helps us plan what we would like to do/accomplish in the next year
- Learn about planning and goal setting
- Learn how to document in a complete manner
- Will be a great tool when applying for college, jobs or scholarships

***When do I start my Record Book?***

You should start keeping your records at the beginning of each 4-H year (July 1-June 30) and continue to do so all year long.

***Where can I get a Record Book cover?***

- You can order an official Record Book Cover at the 4-H Mall at: <http://www.4-hmall.org/Catalog/SearchResults.aspx?SearchQuery=record+book+cover>.

- You can also use your own plain, 2-pronged cover (ACCO) which you can find at a nearby stationery store (although the official 4-H cover is preferred).

***What are the key elements in a Record Book?***

- Personal Development Report
- 4-H Story
- Project Record Report (for each project you are enrolled in)
- Supplemental Materials (photos, newspaper articles, SET Activities, etc.)

***Where can I find the Record Book Forms?***

- <http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Members/RecordBook/RBResources/>
- <http://www.recordbookresources.com/forms.html>

***What are some Helpful Hints for a Good Record Book?***

- Make sure to visit the State 4-H Website to download forms at: <http://www.recordbookresources.com/index.html>.
- Visit the state website to view the Record Book Manual at: <http://www.recordbookresources.com/forms/CA4-HYDP-Record-Book-2008%20RbR.pdf>.
- Include photos of you doing what you have mentioned in your Record Book.
- Write captions under the photos explaining what you are doing.
- Write as neatly as you can-- typing would be even better! Now that the Record Book Forms are on-line you can type on the forms and save them on-line. <http://www.recordbookresources.com/windows-how-to.html>.
- Document club and project events right after they occur (each month) so that they will be fresh in your mind.
- Include a title page, table of contents and tabs if you really want to impress the judges!

***Where can I look for problem shooting solutions?***

<http://www.recordbookresources.com/>

***Can Primary Members (members age 5-8) turn in a Record Book?***

Yes, to their Community Club Leader. Included in a Primary Record Book should be:

- A Primary Personal Development Report
- A Project Report Form for a Primary Project (listing the things they were involved in)

\*Primary Record Books do not compete at the County level as Primary competition is prohibited. They are only reviewed by the Community Club Leader. Primary Record Books are a great tool in which to start the practice of keeping records.

***Will there be a workshop to learn more about Record Books?***

There will be a special ***Record Book Workshop*** following the **County Council Meeting** on **Saturday, July 9, 2011** from **Noon-2 p.m.**, at the UC Cooperative Extension (4800 East Cesar E. Chavez Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90022).

***When are Record Books due?***

Record Books are due to the County Office on **Tuesday, September 13, 2011** by **4:00 p.m.** or by **9:00 p.m.** to an **Incentives & Recognition Committee Member** on **Wednesday, September 14, 2011**.

### ***Where do I turn in my Record Book?***

Record Books may be turned in several places:

The Los Angeles County 4-H Office  
UC Cooperative Extension  
4800 East Cesar E. Chavez Avenue  
Los Angeles, CA 90022  
(323) 260-3859

The Antelope Valley 4-H Office  
UC Cooperative Extension  
335 East Ave K-10 Suite 101  
Lancaster CA, 93535  
(661) 974-8824

Or, arrange to drop your book off with an **Incentives and Recognition Committee Member:**

Judylynn Pelling: [jlpelling@yahoo.com](mailto:jlPELLING@yahoo.com)

Noel Keller: [Noel\\_Keller@hmc.edu](mailto:Noel_Keller@hmc.edu)

Dee Keese: [swimdude64@earthlink.net](mailto:swimdude64@earthlink.net)

### ***If members of my club are turning in Record Books, do I have to help judge other clubs' Record Books?***

Yes. If you have any members in your club turning in a Record Book, a club volunteer must sign up for one of the following two Record Book Judging Dates with **Noel Keller**, *Incentives & Recognition Committee Chair* at [Noel\\_Keller@hmc.edu](mailto:Noel_Keller@hmc.edu). No more than three volunteers from the same club on any given day, please.

The dates are still being determined by the Incentives & Recognition Committee. Dates to follow.

### ***How do I compete on the State level with my Record Book?***

It is not necessary to turn your book in to the County first, but it is good practice. The Los Angeles County Incentives and Recognition Committee will review your book and provide suggestions if you turn it in to them by a specified date (still being determined by the Incentives & Recognition Committee). You must be a Senior 4-H Member (14-19 as of January 1, 2011). State Record Books must include:

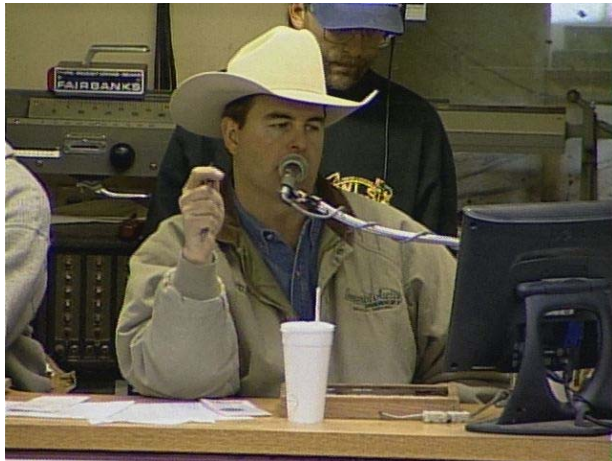
- State Cover Page
- Personal Development Report
- 4-H Story
- Project Report (for each project you are enrolled in)
- Supplemental Materials (including photos, newspaper articles, SET Activities, etc.)
- Junior Teen Leadership Report

Senior (State) Record Books should demonstrate outstanding achievement in:

- Project Work
- Life Skills Development
- Leadership & Citizen Development

We hope to see many wonderful Record Books turned in this year, and see all that you have accomplished, as well as the fun you have had this program year. If your Mom and Dad were in 4-H, maybe they still have their Record Books for you to peruse. Keeping records and putting together your Record Books are a very important part of the 4-H Program, and how proud you will feel when it is all done!

- **Auction “Ear”**  
Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator



Two dollar bid, now three, now three, will ya' give me three? Sound familiar? For many of us who have sold a 4-H livestock project at the fair, or even for those who have attended a livestock auction, we can hear the auctioneer's rhythmic call in our heads long after the auction has come to a close. Fair memories for me always include the sound of the auctioneer's voice and excitedly watching the bidders in the audience raise their number paddles while I paraded my lamb around the show ring. **April 16, 2011**, is *National Auctioneer's Day*, and we celebrate the art of auctioneering-- not only on one of the last days of the fair, but year-round!

An auction is the act of buying or selling goods or services through a series of “bids” (financial offers). An “auctioneer” runs an auction by introducing the item for sale and calling out the bids from low to high, while coordinating verbally the bids that are made at an exceptionally fast pace. This speedy talking, while selling, is referred to as “chanting,” “bid calling” or an “auction cry.” Auctioneers include the use of slurring “filler words” (extra words or phrases such as “will ya’ give me”) which help to speed along and invigorate the sale. Professional “Ringmen” frequently work side-by-side with auctioneers and assist the auctioneer in spotting bids. It is the intention of the auctioneer to sell all the livestock during one session.

The auctioneers conducting the auction must have a full knowledge of the goods they are trying to sell, and in the case of 4-H Livestock Projects, this would be livestock. Auctioneers are usually funny, have excellent voices, are quick-witted, and usually really enjoy what they do. In addition to being entertainers, auctioneers are salesmen that while being fun and friendly, follow a strict code of ethics and are depended on for a speedy, accurate sale while pleasing those involved with the sale.

Since auctioneering is not a skill that can be obtained overnight, there are special schools dedicated to the art of auctioneering (although attending a school is not mandatory). Texas, North Carolina, Missouri, Ohio, Indiana, Montana, Iowa and even California (along with a number of other states), have schools dedicated to such programs! Interestingly enough, their course training often involves finance, accounting, management, psychology, public speaking and marketing. Various states often require auctioneer licenses and apprenticeships (working alongside and mirroring experienced auctioneers). Well-trained and licensed auctioneers may often have careers based in sales, real estate, marketing, accounting and more.

Many states hold “Livestock Auctioneering Competitions,” and there is an even larger “World Livestock Auctioneering Competition” held annually, and this year will be held **June 23-25, 2011**, in Greenville and Williamston, South Carolina. Livestock Auctioneers have been featured in films (*What Am I Bid*, 1967, *How Much Wood Would a Woodchuck Chuck*, 1976, *Cattle Call*, 2008). There was also a song written to honor auctioneers, funnily enough called “**The Auctioneer**” by Leroy Van Dyke in 1956.

Whether you are involved in a 4-H livestock project or not, it would be interesting to attend an auction in your area just to see what it is like. After attending an auction, you may have your interest peaked to find out more



about this special skill. You may feel like you have an Auction “Ear” and would one day like to give it a try. Read on to find out more in *Interview with an Auctioneer: James Backman*...maybe you will be “Sold!” on the art of auctioneering.

- **Interview with an Auctioneer: James Backman**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

**James Backman** of Denair, California, is an Auctioneer and a Swine Farmer...and an ex-4-Her and FFA (Future Farmers of America) member. I had the opportunity to interview him on his auctioneering career and learned a great deal about auctioneering from a true professional!

James grew up in the Central Valley on his family’s farm where they grew alfalfa, oats, corn, and raised Dairy Heifers. His early years were spent working on the farm, going to school, participating in 4-H, and spending cherished time at auctions. One of his favorite pastimes was going to the livestock auctions at his local fair, but also to sales yards for cattle and farm equipment auctions. Hours spent at these auctions and listening to the call of the auctioneers ignited a spark that would one day become a great passion of his.

James now runs his own swine farm full time (**Backman Swine Farm**), and auctioneers for fun in his spare time. He is the Lead Auctioneer for the California Pork Producers and is a big supporter of both 4-H and FFA.

*Here is what James had to say:*

**What made you want to become an Auctioneer?**

As a kid growing up on a farm and in the 4-H Program, I spent a lot of time at auctions. I always found them very entertaining. I often went to sales yards for cattle and equipment auctions and decided it was something I might like to do one day. It was very natural for me.

**Did you have auctioneer mentors who inspired you?**

I did. Max Olivera (who began auctioneering at 8 years old) and Ralph Wade, both of the Central Valley. I learned a lot from them, and they are really good at what they do.

**How old were you when you first began auctioneering, and what was your first auction like?**

I was 22, and it was really BAD! The scheduled auctioneer didn’t show up that day, and there was a call to the audience for someone “who wanted to give it a try.” I volunteered, and it was a mess! I was in college at Fresno State at the time and had only done a few club pig and club lambs sales during that time period. I did “give it a try,” and it has turned out to be something that I really like doing after all.

**How long have you been auctioneering?**

For 15 years. It has been a lot of fun.

**Did you go to a special school to become an Auctioneer?**

I did. I went to the *World Champion School of Auctioneering* in Bakersfield, California. I learned a lot and was able to really work on my rhythm, flow and chant.

**How do you judge if you are doing a good job auctioneering, or, what makes it a good day of auctioneering for you?**

It’s like any job really—you feel like “Yeah, that was good,” or maybe, not so good! When I get a good rhythm and a good flow, everything just seems right. When you are on the block, there is a big crowd, and animals are selling (although there really is no controlling that aspect)—then it is a good day. When “things are crackin,” I can feel it, and it just feels right.

### **How often do you practice and where?**

I don't practice as often as I should, but when I do, it is always when I am driving. I like to practice by myself, especially on long drives. Also, it comes back to me when I am working an auction.

### **What is your favorite part of auctioneering?**

I guess it's a constant fascination with the act of auctioning. The more I get to do it, the more I love it. Setting the pace of a sale, seeing and being around all of the livestock, getting better at what I do with each auction, and interacting with the crowd all make each auction an exciting event.

### **What advice would have for 4-Hers that might be interested in pursuing a career in auctioneering?**

Practice! Attend as many auctions as you can. Go to different auctions in different places. Listen! Talk to the auctioneers. Ask them questions. Ask auctioneers for advice on rhythm, patterns, the fundamentals, and about their personal experiences. Try and find an auctioneer mentor to help guide you. As with anything, practice hard, if this is something you really want to do.

### **Where can we go to hear you auctioneer?**

Most auctions I do are in the Central Valley. I auction at the Stanislaus County Fair each year, and at events the California Pork Producers are involved with, and all over. Recently, I did an auction in Nipomo and also in Oregon. I like to do it as much as I can.

*Thanks to Neenach 4-H Club Volunteer, **Nancee Siebert**, for telling us about James Backman. Most of all, we would like to thank Auctioneer & Swine Farmer, **James Backman**, for taking time out of his busy life to share his experiences with Los Angeles County 4-H.*

- **Outreach Round-Up**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

On **Thursday, March 16, 2011**, Los Angeles County 4-H Staff met with a prospective club leader from Orange County, and on **Tuesday March 22, 2011**, staff also met with a prospective club leader from Culver City.

In March 2011, Los Angeles County 4-H was featured in the LA Breakfast Club monthly newsletter which goes out to it's members and supporters and on their website: <http://www.labreakfastclub.com/>.

Los Angeles County 4-H provided the following outreach presentations:

**Monday, March 28, 2011**, Los Angeles County UCCE Master Preservers

**Wednesday, March 30, 2011**, Los Angeles Breakfast Club (Community Group & Volunteers).

**AG Day LA (Wednesday, April 13 & Thursday, April 14, 2011)** and the **48<sup>th</sup> District Agricultural Association's Schools' and Nutrition Fair (April 10-16, 2011)** will be held at the Pomona Fairplex (1101 W. McKinley Avenue, Pomona, 91768, at the Big Red Barn). Youth in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades are invited to this fun celebration of agriculture at **AG Day LA** with lots of interesting sessions for youth to attend on agriculture, nutrition, water, bees, and, Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator, will be providing a live sheep shearing demonstration. All Los Angeles County youth are invited to attend the ultimate week-long celebration of agriculture at the **48<sup>th</sup> District Agriculture Association's Schools' and Nutrition Fair** (same location) every day from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Youth displays will be available for viewing in every area of agriculture and nutrition possible. Stop by, say hello, and find out what this lovely fair is all about!



Don't forget to check us out on Facebook and YouTube:

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Los-Angeles-County-4-H/61556419670>

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Antelope-Valley-Area-4-H-Network/322240676590>

<http://www.youtube.com/user/LosAngelesCounty4H>

- **4-H Volunteer Resource Library**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

The **4-H Volunteer Resource Library** at the Los Angeles *UC Cooperative Extension* houses many useful and informative curriculum tools for 4-H Club and Project Leaders new and old. If you haven't spent some time browsing the wonderful resources available to leaders, you owe it to yourself to have a look! The library houses books in almost all project areas including: Small Pets & Animals, Cooking, Sewing, Gardening, Science, Engineering & Technology, Mathematics, Theatre, Cultural Studies and many more.

The **Volunteer Resource Library** is open for use by appointment **Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.**, at the *Los Angeles County UC Cooperative Extension*, 4800 E. Cesar E. Chavez Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90022. Please feel free to call **Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator**, & find out what is available at **(323) 260-3859**.

- **Be a 4-H All-Star**

All-Star is the highest rank that a 4-H member can achieve at the County level. The All-Star award affords 4-H members the opportunity to further develop their leadership skills on a countywide basis. Each year Los Angeles County selects several 4-H members who have applied and are deserving of this rank to become All-Stars. The Los Angeles County 4-H Program expects its All-Stars to contribute to the 4-H Program during the next program year. For more information go to:

[http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H\\_Youth\\_Development\\_Programs/Applications.htm](http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H_Youth_Development_Programs/Applications.htm).

- **Los Angeles County, 4-H Leaders' Council**

The Los Angeles County, 4-H Leaders' Council is a group of 4-H Leaders that meets bi-monthly and organizes many 4-H activities for Los Angeles County. Find out who hold what seat, read past minutes and agendas for future meetings at: [http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/Los\\_Angeles\\_4-H\\_Leaders\\_Council/](http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/Los_Angeles_4-H_Leaders_Council/). The next Leader's Council meeting will be January 15, 2011 from 10-noon, at the LA Office.

- **Online Re-Enrollment** – The time is coming for current 4-H members and leaders to re-enroll. After July 1, 2010, each 4-H member and leader will need to log in to their family profile and re-enroll. To assist in this process, download the "How to Re-Enroll" form from the LA County website. You can access this sheet by clicking [here](#). The 4-H Online Enrollment website is: <https://california.4honline.com/>. Remember, you must be currently enrolled to participate in 4-H and 4-H activities. The fees are \$15 for youth and \$6 for adults. If you have any questions please call Roy Hillstock at (323) 260-3854.

- **A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

We would love to see all the fun activities your club has been involved in throughout the year. Please send in any photos of your club activities/events that you would like to be included in the slideshow for the Leaders' Luncheon and special newsletter features. You can email them to: [dafuller@ucdavis.edu](mailto:dafuller@ucdavis.edu). Here's looking at you!

- **Share your 4-H experiences** - 4-H'ers, share your 4-H experiences by submitting articles to be published in Clover Notes. Articles may include club news, photos, community service projects, and/or anything you or your club would like to share. Submit your articles by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month to be published in the following month's edition of Clover Notes to Roy Hillstock, [rlhillstock@ucdavis.edu](mailto:rlhillstock@ucdavis.edu).

- **Dates To Remember:**

- 4/6 NSG Council & Hi 4-H mtg.
- 4/9 AV Gymkhana  
4-H Sectional Council & Teen Council mtg.
- 4/14 I&R mtg.
- 4/16 Leaders Training  
Summer Camp Staff Training (4/14-16)
- 4/17 AV Shooting Competition
- 4/21 SSG Council & Hi 4-H mtg.  
SGV 4-H Fair mtg.
- 4/24 Happy Easter
- 4/25 AV Council & Hi 4-H mtg.
- 4/29 San Gabriel Valley Fair (4/29-5/1)
- 4/30 AV Trial Trail

## SECTIONAL

- **Southern Sectional Field Day**

Los Angeles County will host this year's Southern Sectional Field Day. County Field Day winners from Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, and Ventura Counties are eligible to compete at the 2011 Sectional Field Day held at Mt. San Antonio College, 1100 N. Grand Avenue, Walnut, CA 91789 ([Campus Map, Get Directions](#)), May 21, 2011, from 8:00 AM-4:00 PM.

**The Main Objectives of the Southern Sectional 4-H Field day are to:**

- Provide an opportunity for interaction among multi-county participants.
- Stimulate excitement and motivation for involvement in county and multi-county events.
- Demonstrate 4-H Skills of healthy competition.
- Provide a broader range of competition for local competition.
- Provide opportunity to participate in games and sports events in a sportsmanlike manner.
- Provide educational training opportunities for volunteers and parents.

For more information go to the [Southern Sectional Field Day website](#).

## STATE

- **GOOD NEWS! Workshop registration for WRLF is now open for sign-ups.** You will need to review the workshop schedule and descriptions (<http://4h.wsu.edu/conferences/2011wrlf/rfp.html>.) prior to accessing the registration site. To sign up for workshops, please see the email confirmation you received for the conference and click on the link that says "Review Your Registration." We ask that each Full-Time registrant sign-up for no more than 7 workshop sessions so all Full-Time registrants have an equal opportunity to participate. You will have an opportunity aboard ship to sign-up for additional workshops on a space available basis.
- **2011 WRLF "Cruise to Excellence" Shore Excursions:** Don't forget to check out the various shore excursions that Holland America offers. Please visit: <https://book.hollandamerica.com/fe/secondaryBooking.action>. Use your booking number to get a customized list of excursions offered for our cruise. You can also explore the other Spa, Indulgencies, and Dining options available.
- **State Leadership Conference** - The Education committee of the State Leadership Conference would like to ask members, volunteers and staff to please consider presenting a session or workshop at SLC 2011. Sessions address many subject areas, but we ask that they emphasize the three National 4-H Mission Mandates. The mission mandates each focus on skills that youth need for success in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.
- **4-H Science, Engineering and Technology (SET)** provides opportunities for youth to engage in the process of discovery and exploration in science, engineering, and technology.

- **4-H Healthy Living** teaches the youth to lead healthy and productive lives both physically and mentally as they grow into adulthood.
- **4-H Citizenship** is a strong focus in 4-H so that youth may become engaged and well-informed citizens in their community. Tracks are five hours in length and will be presented on Friday, July 29. Mini tracks are two and a half hours in length and will be presented twice on Friday, July 29. Workshops are an hour and fifteen minutes in length and may be presented one to three times on Saturday, July 30.
- **State Fashion Revue** registration is now open for youth who qualify to represent their counties. Selection occurs at County Fashion Revue or a comparable event. SFR will be **May 28, 2011** as part of State Field Day at UC Davis. Registration is by survey at <http://ucanr.org/sfr2011>, until **May 16**. SFR has three age divisions and five categories including the \$15 Challenge. Categories and ages may be different from those in your county, so be sure to read the SFR rules carefully. Note: the cost limit for the Consumer Science-Purchased category is \$100 this year. Additional activities at State Fashion Revue include County Corner (county displays), Operation Cover-up and Quilts for Wounded Warriors (service projects), Pattern Exchange (bring some and take some), judging classes, photographs, modeling practice, and make-it take-it crafts. Complete information is at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/SFR/>. You can also contact Karli Draxler, Youth Chair, at [chat2kd@unwiredbb.com](mailto:chat2kd@unwiredbb.com) or Sue Moore, [samoore@ucdavis.edu](mailto:samoore@ucdavis.edu). For information about your county qualifier, please contact your county office.
- **FilmFest 4-H** is a new event for youth ages 11-18 who are interested in learning more about filmmaking and the film industry. Young filmmakers can submit their work for screening consideration. Attendees of the Fest will be able to go to workshops and network among other film enthusiasts. You may submit with no fee by **April 1st or you may submit until June 1st for a fee of \$15**. More information is available at: <http://4h.missouri.edu/filmfest/>.
- **2011 Range Camp Applications now Available - April 22nd** is the application deadline for “Range Camp”, a week-long camp experience for students ages 15-18 who have an interest in the science and management of natural resources in California. Range Camp runs from June 19th-24th at the University of California’s Elkus Youth Ranch just south of Half Moon Bay. More information and application forms can be downloaded from <http://casrm.rangelands.org/HTML/rangecamps.html> (bottom of page). Cost is \$400. Camp scholarships are available from agriculture and conservation organizations in many counties. Contact Marc Horney at Cal Poly, SLO for more information: (805) 756-7543; [mhorney@calpoly.edu](mailto:mhorney@calpoly.edu).
- **Sectional 4-H Presentation Days:** Members who compete at County Presentation Day and receive a gold medal in their division are qualified to compete at Sectional 4-H Presentation Day. Sectional 4-H Presentation Days are qualifying events for the State 4-H Field Day. A list of events is available at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SectionalPresDays/>.
- **State 4-H Field Day, May 28, 2011 at UC Davis, 9:00am – 6:00pm** - Since 2002, the State 4-H Field Day takes place annually on the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend at the UC Davis campus from 8:00am until 6:00pm. The event is open to all 4-H members, volunteers, staff, and parents. During the event, 4-H members may participate in a variety of contests and educational activities. For more information go to: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/>.
- **State 4-H Horse Classic** – The 2011 Horse Classic will be held on May 28-29th. An updated form has been posted to the website for the [Educational Contests Individual Entry form](#). These forms are due by May 6. You may contact Cyndi Barnett for additional questions, [ccbarnett@ucdavis.edu](mailto:ccbarnett@ucdavis.edu).
- **State Field Day - May 28<sup>th</sup> - Accepting proposals for fundraiser food booth** - Lunch and/or snacks since 2002, the State 4-H Field Day takes place annually on the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend at the UC Davis campus from 8:00am until 6:00pm. The event is open to all 4-H members, volunteers, staff, and parents. Between 1,000 and 1,400 people attend the event. The event has a ‘picnic’ feel as people bring chairs and socialize for the day on the Wellman Hall east lawn. The State 4-H Office provides coordination and facility support. Each contest and activity is coordinated by a group of 4-H staff, volunteers, and youth. Please contact Quang “Hogan” Tong at [qtong@ucdavis.edu](mailto:qtong@ucdavis.edu).

- **State Field Day: State Presentation Day Signups** - All members who have qualified for State Field Day Presentation and other events may register at: <http://ucanr.org/statefdr>. During the event, 4-H members may participate in a variety of contests. Some contests require pre-qualification and/or pre-registration. Some are open to all during the event. Please see <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/> for more information or contact Quang “Hogan” Tong at [qtong@ucdavis.edu](mailto:qtong@ucdavis.edu).
- **Judges needed for State Field Day!** - As part of the Field Day experience, we need judges. Counties who send members to Field Day are required to provide judges. For every 5 members that are sent in we ask that a county provide 1 judge. In past years it has been difficult to gather all the required judges. State Field Day coordinators will be holding counties accountable for sending judges. We ask that judges register at: <http://ucanr.org/sfdjudge>. Please contact Quang “Hogan” Tong at [qtong@ucdavis.edu](mailto:qtong@ucdavis.edu) for more information.
- **State Ambassador Information sessions:** The State Ambassador program would like to invite parents and members interested in the program to an information session where questions about commitment and activities may be asked to current ambassadors, advisors and the program coordinator. 4-H State Ambassadors are youth who have excelled in the areas of leadership and community service. They are selected to serve the 4-H Youth Development Program in roles that promote leadership through education and service.
  - Fresno – **April 23, 2011** Fresno UCCE Office 5pm to 6pm
  - Davis – **April 30, 2011** State 4-H Office 5pm to 6pm
  - San Diego – **May 7, 2011** San Diego County UCCE Office 5pm to 6pm

Please RSVP with Quang “Hogan” Tong at [qtong@ucdavis.edu](mailto:qtong@ucdavis.edu).

- **State Leadership Conference Financial Aid:** Through a grant from Wells Fargo and assistance from the California 4-H Foundation, financial aid is available to delegates wishing to attend the 2011 State Leadership Conference. Applications are due by **May 13, 2011**. Download application at: <http://www.ca4h.org/files/53496.doc>. Please contact Quang “Hogan” Tong at [qtong@ucdavis.edu](mailto:qtong@ucdavis.edu) for more information or go to the SLC website at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/>.
- **Attention Quilters and Sewers: CA 4-H State Fashion Revue 2011** would appreciate your help. Make a quilt square, a quilt top, or a complete quilt for a wounded soldier. Special size for stretchers and gurneys, approximately 45 x 81 inches, are needed. Red, white and blue fabrics are preferred. If you make 12 ½” x 12 ½” squares then they can be combined with squares made by other people for a whole quilt. Bring or send your squares, quilt tops and quilts to State Fashion Revue at Olson Hall, UC Davis during State Field Day, **May 28, 2011**. Youth are invited to sew squares together and quilt during the morning SFR workshop. Please contact Lisa Kuntz, SFR youth co-chair, [creulgirl101@yahoo.com](mailto:creulgirl101@yahoo.com) or Mary Engebret, committee volunteer, at [maryengebret@comcast.net](mailto:maryengebret@comcast.net) with questions or suggestions.
- **Festival of Science:** Curious about how things work? Want to know more about something? At the 2011 California State 4-H Field Day, University scientists will answer your questions! Provide your question ahead of the event and we will find the right scientists to provide an answer. <http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Initiative/Questions/>.
- **Special Recognition at the 2011 State 4-H Presentation Day:** A special recognition pin will be awarded for youth who participate in State Presentation Day and focus their presentations on one of the following areas: Science, Engineering and Technology, Healthy Living, and Military Youth. Participants may only choose one focus area for their presentation, and the area must be the primary topic of the presentation. For more information, please visit: [http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/PD/Recognition\\_Opportunities/](http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/PD/Recognition_Opportunities/).
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- **4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification for Archery** - A shooting sports training workshop for the archery discipline will be held in Red Bluff, CA on Saturday, May 21, 9 to 5 PM, and Sunday, May 22, 8 to 3 PM. Upon successful completion of the course, participants will be certified as archery volunteers and can instruct archery club projects and camp programs. Attendance at both days is required.

NEW! Attendees will also learn about & participate in the youth only tournament scheduled for Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The course will be held at the Tehama County Search & Rescue Building, Park Avenue & Baker Road, Red Bluff, and at the Ishi Archery Club Range, Hwy 36 East, Red Bluff. Cost for the course will be \$40 and includes morning refreshments, Saturday lunch and class materials. Dry camping is available at the range.

For more information, contact Leland George, State 4-H Archery Instructor, at 530-527-4200 or e-mail: [ljgeorge@clearwire.net](mailto:ljgeorge@clearwire.net). Please send "Training Request & Registration Form" and fees to Leland George, 21075 Hwy 36 West, Red Bluff, CA - 96080. Make checks payable to "Tehama County 4-H Council". Pre-registration is due Monday, May 16th. For the "Training Request & Registration Form" in Word or PDF format go the state 4-H shooting sports web page at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/ShootingSports/> or contact your county 4-H office.

- **3rd Annual Invitational Youth Only Shoot** for all youth, 17 years of age & under Sunday, May 22, 2011 (previously scheduled March 20th but cancelled due to windy & cold conditions) at the Ishi Archery Club. There will be no pre-registration and all parents/guardians of minors must sign insurance waiver. You can obtain waiver and map at: <http://www.ishiarcheryclub.org>. If you have further questions please contact Jeanne or Leland George at [ljgeorge@clearwire.net](mailto:ljgeorge@clearwire.net) or 530-527-4200.

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