

**May 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**

Many of you may be aware that we are implementing a new volunteer enrollment system for better management, tracking and efficiency of new volunteers. Several factors were considered before implementing the new system:

1. Too many volunteers did not complete the full enrollment process and started working with youth at the project level before being cleared;
2. Unnecessary risk for the university;
3. A more efficient and accurate new volunteer database;
4. Community Club leaders were not aware of new volunteers in their club;
5. Better control and management of new volunteers;

In addition, we wanted to have a system that better complimented the 4-H online enrollment system and database while giving us more information about volunteers before they become enrolled.

Please see the volunteer enrollment process attached to this edition of Clover Notes. If you have any questions about the new system, please feel free to contact the office.

## CLUB

- **PVP 4-H Club Whale Watching**  
**By Wesley Rich, PVP 4-H Club**

On March 5th the PVP 4-H Club and the Marine Biology project hosted a booth at the Whale of a Day festival in Rancho Palos Verdes. Many 4-Hers showed up to volunteer at our 4-H booth. There were over 20,000 people who came to see the whales pass through the channel between Catalina Island and the Peninsula. Everyone had a great time!



- **Sincerest Thanks**  
**By Candace Corrales, PVP 4-H Club**

This is a picture I received from Packages for Patriots of a unit who received packages from our club. Both the organization and the troops are so grateful for all of our support. I have personally delivered over 100 letters to them and 5 boxes of donations. I would like to personally thank Nicole Alger from Neenach 4-H Club, who presented the project to her club and collected 30 letters. I'd also like to thank Zella Roth from PVP 4-H Club for presenting the project to two of her classes at school and collecting over 50 cards. Lastly, I'd like to thank the PVP 4-H Club for sitting down with me and making a card, and the Arts and Crafts project group for dedicating an entire meeting to making and writing these cards and letters. To those of you who have participated, thank you so much for your involvement and support! I plan to deliver over 100 more cards later this month, along with more donations. This is an ongoing project, and there is still time to step up and help out. It's still winter in Afghanistan, and the troops are in desperate need of baby wipes, beanies, and athletic socks. Please continue your support!





The FVP 4-H Club wildlife and marine biology projects, who are a doing a segment on water quality, recently went down to the Malaga Cove Stream to test the water for phosphates, nitrates, and PH. This was a SET project (science, engineering, and technology).  
From left to right: Dee Keese, Meghan Tahbaz, and Candace Choi

## COUNTY

- **Los Angeles County Field Day 2011**  
Hannah DeYoung, San Fernando Valley 4-H Club

On March 26th the county held the annual Field and Presentation Day at Mount San Antonio College. Members from all across the county came out and gave presentations, prepared readings, exercised their public speaking skills, showed their great style in Fashion Revue and performed many art forms in the Cultural Arts portion. All ages could be found giving some sort of demonstration of a skill important for their lives, proving their ability as 4-Hers to take what they have learned to the next level and continue to grow. There were presentations on apple pie filling and robots, readings from modern and classic texts, and speeches on everything from 4-H projects to common sayings. With such a variety of talents at a single event, it was evident that 4-H really does have something for every member--no matter what they are passionate about, there is something they can do at Field Day that will help them explore their interests and strengthen their personal presentation skills.

Narrated by Amanda Ho, this year's Fashion Revue was filled with many brilliantly creative outfits assembled by 4-Hers. There were ingeniously sewn pieces and even entire, fabulous outfits purchased for under \$15. During the cultural arts portion, the Canyon Coyotes performed their hilarious skit 4-H in Sherwood Forest, the San Fernando Valley 4-H Dance Team performed their number to 'True Colors', and other fantastic performers like a harpist, pianist, a singer/songwriter, and a karate demonstration graced the stage. The Awards Ceremony was led by County All-Stars Candace Corrales and Alex Kasperovich, and State Ambassador Hannah DeYoung.



Congratulations to everyone who participated in Field Day! You all did a fantastic job and should be proud of your accomplishments.

- **Dates for 4-H events in LA County for next year**

We are currently compiling dates for the 2011-2012 4-H Calendar. If you have events scheduled that need to be added to the 4-H calendar, please complete the attached form and follow the directions within. The calendar of 2011-2012 LA County 4-H activities is due to be approved at the May 14th county council meeting.

- **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**

- **County Council Officer Nominations**

County Council elections will take place May 14th at the County Council meeting. Nominations are still needed to fill open seats and can be taken from the floor at the County Council meeting. If you know of a 4-H member that would like to actively participate in steering 4-H into the future, let him/her know of the opportunity. We hope to see you there. The following positions embers have been nominated for the indicated positions:

President  
Vice-President  
2nd Vice-President (Youth)  
Secretary  
Treasurer  
Reporter  
Historian  
Ag Chair  
General Science Chair  
Home Ec Chair  
I&R Chair  
Technology Chair  
Civics Chair  
Parliamentarian/Policy Secretary  
Sectional 4-H Leaders' Council



- **Record Books**

Dawn A. Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

Now is the time to really good time to start, or finish, your Record Books. 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.

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>. The ease of filling out Record Book Forms on-line means there is no reason why all Los Angeles County 4-H members can't turn in a book this year!

Following the County Council Meeting on **Saturday, July 9, 2011**, from **Noon to 2 p.m.** at the County Office (4800 East Cesar E. Chavez Avenue, LA, 90022), there will be a **Record Book Workshop** conducted by Charlene Moore (4-H Program Coordinator, AV). This workshop will be a really great opportunity for new youth and their parents to learn all the important facets of what goes into a Record Book, or returning youth to get a refresher on the basics. To sign-up for this workshop or to find out more information, contact Dawn Fuller at [dafuller@ucdavis.edu](mailto:dafuller@ucdavis.edu) or Charlene Moore at [moore@ucdavis.edu](mailto:moore@ucdavis.edu).

- **New Parent's Night**

Dawn A. Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

Although the new 4-H year actually starts on July 1, 2011, many clubs conduct their most important outreach events and activities at the beginning of the school year, which for many is in September. Los Angeles County 4-H is growing by leaps and bounds, and many families will be new to the 4-H program this year.

Club Meetings, visiting with club leaders & member parents, attending Los Angeles County 4-H events, County Council Meetings and county trainings are a great way to get acquainted with the 4-H program. New families will now have another opportunity to learn all about 4-H and receive a special welcome to the 4-H Program at our **New Parent's Night** on

**Monday, September 12, 2011**, from **7 p.m. to 9 p.m.** at the County Office (4800 East Cesar E. Chavez Avenue, Los Angeles, 90022).

Attending families will receive an overview of the 4-H Program in Los Angeles County, an insight into clubs, projects, events, youth leadership opportunities, volunteer opportunities, have questions answered, and enroll on the spot! All new parents and their youth members are invited to attend this informational meeting which will provide a useful guide to success and fun in the Los Angeles County 4-H Program. This will also give families a chance to meet 4-H staff, network with other leaders, and find out about projects offered in other clubs for potential cross-projecting. The mysteries of Los Angeles County 4-H will be officially unlocked for new families!

Please encourage all new families to sign-up for this event by contacting **Dawn Fuller** at [dafuller@ucdavis.edu](mailto:dafuller@ucdavis.edu) or by phone at **(323) 260-3859**. Welcome to 4-H!



- **The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County**

Dawn A. Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

When Samuel Clemens traveled from San Francisco to a mining camp between Yosemite and Lake Tahoe called “Frogtown,” in the city of Angels Camp, Calaveras County, he visited a local character named Simon Wheeler. In visiting with Mr. Wheeler, the tale of a famous pet frog is revealed to him, and Samuel publishes a short story for the first time in 1865, under the name of “Mark Twain.” The beloved classic *The Celebrated Jumping Frog of Calaveras County* (<http://etext.virginia.edu/railton/project/s/price/frog.htm>) is actually set at a real fair that occurs each year in Calaveras County!



*The Calaveras County Fair and Jumping Frog Jubilee* will occur on May 19-22, 2011, at Frogtown, Angels Camp, in Calaveras County. The theme for the 2011 Fair is “Pirates of the Carrots and Beans.” Dating back to the 1800s, this now world-renowned fair was indeed started by miners to celebrate formal roads finally being paved in their camp. In addition to hosting a rodeo, horse events, livestock exhibits and baked goods and preserves competitions, the fair actually has a “Frog Jump,” with over 2,000 frogs competing for the “frog gold!”

You may be wondering, what is a champion frog? Frogs who are entered into the county fair and jubilee must be at least four inches from nose to tail. They must begin their jump with all four feet, including toes, on an eight-inch launch pad. The frogs have exactly one minute to jump as high as they can and may spend time in the soothing and elite “frog spa” while waiting to compete. The first 50 frogs to win the first jump move on to next round of competition at the “International Frog Jump Grand Finals,” and a leaping chance at breaking the record of *Rosie The Ribeter* (current champion, winning 5,000 dollars for highest jump which was 21’ 5 ¾”).

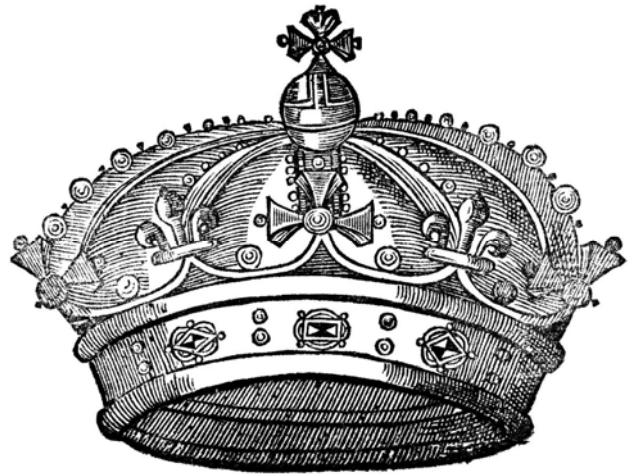


Fairs, no matter what county they are in, are loads of fun. Maybe some time you might like to attend the *Calaveras County Fair and Jumping Frog Jubilee* [http://www.frogtown.org/jubilee\\_home.shtml](http://www.frogtown.org/jubilee_home.shtml). Perhaps we should consider adding a 4-H “Frog Jumping Project” to our projects offered, or even just add a frog jumping competition to the San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair or the Antelope Valley Fair. Either way, if you visit the *Calaveras County Fair and Jumping Frog Jubilee*, you are more than likely to have a “hoppy experience.”

- **The “Royals”**

Dawn A. Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

With the recent Royal Wedding in England, we are delighted to highlight our own “Royalty”... the San Gabriel Valley Fair Los Angeles County 4-H King and Queen! After a long absence, Los Angeles County 4-H is returning to a long-standing, and much cherished tradition, of crowning youth members who have demonstrated leadership, dedication, honor, and a love of both Los Angeles County 4-H and the San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair.



The San Gabriel Valley Fair, now in its 80<sup>th</sup> year, is held at the Chino Fairgrounds with opportunities for Los Angeles County 4-H youth to compete with project work in the areas of food and nutrition, home arts and furnishings, childcare and clothing, table settings, rabbits, covies, poultry, small livestock, photography and graphic arts. The fair has 4-H project displays on wildlife, beekeeping, entomology, camping, rocketry, computers, electricity, ornamental horticulture, and many others. There is a 4-H Dog Show, Fashion Show, food auction, livestock contests, silent auction, barbecue and an awards ceremony.

Originally held in Pomona, and traditionally sponsored and executed by both the South San Gabriel and North San Gabriel 4-H Districts of Los Angeles County, the fair actually began with a competition for “San Gabriel Valley Los Angeles County 4-H Fair Queen” in the 1950s. The competition for 4-H Fair Queen (eventually including a competition for Los Angeles County 4-H King starting in the 1960s) was a highly sought after honor, and the competition was stiff!

Youth members had to be nominated by their 4-H district and participate in a lengthy interview conducted by a panel-- consisting of a past king and queen, a youth member who has graduated out of the 4-H program, a current fair official, and a community member outside of the realm of the 4-H program.

During both the nomination and interview processes, prospective 4-H Queens and Kings of the San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair are evaluated on a long commitment to not only the Los Angeles County 4-H Program and their individual 4-H Clubs, but their length of service at the fair, including various categories they have worked in (i.e. small livestock, publicity, home economics), different roles and responsibilities (i.e. youth director positions), and having moved up the ranks in leadership positions to coordinate and execute this fun and well-attended fair. This is not a popularity contest. Leadership positions for the fair include youth directors in the categories of: finance, concessions, activities, creative arts, home economics, primary, vendors, publicity, small & large livestock, horses & ponies, dogs, auction, barbecue and awards to name a few. Los Angeles County 4-H youth may apply for a position on the fair committee each year, and with a lot of time, effort and teamwork, can “move up the ranks” of the fair’s committee, while helping to grow and improve the fair.

Much like the idea of “Once an All Star, always an All Star,” past kings and queens hold a special place in Los Angeles County 4-H history, even if their actual reign is only for the length of a year. Past San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair Queen, Johanna Stewart of Greenleaf 4-H Club, really takes her commitment to the fair seriously-- continuing to assist year after year, even after many years of having graduated out of the 4-H Program.





***Johanna (Myers) Stewart, SGV 4-H Fair Queen of 1967***

Other past queens include:

Barbara Hailey (First Fair Queen, 1957)

Caren Morrison

Lynette Morrison

Kathleen Olson

Krista Bjordal

Stephanie Vacelja

Ann Harbison

Beverly Fisher

Wendy Thompson

Melody Code

Jennifer Tully

Laura Johnson

Cristal O'Neal (Rodriguez)

Jessica Rodriguez

Cynthia Kelly

Jenny Hogan

Natasha Velasquez

Tallie Beauvais



***Cristal O'Neal (Rodriguez) SGV 4-H Fair Queen of 1997***

The first San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair King ever crowned was Sean Larson. Terance Bjordahl and Chris Treadwell were past kings as well.



On Saturday, April 30, 2011, new “royals” have been crowned at the San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair! **Ryan Halvorsen** of the Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club (Los Angeles County All Star, Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President and Los Angeles County Council 4-H 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President) has been crowned King of the San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair for 2011. Ryan has worked at the fair for nine years and been a youth director for three years.



**Amanda Ho**, also of the Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club (Los Angeles County All Star, Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President), was crowned Queen of the San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair for 2011. Amanda has worked at the fair for eight years and has been a youth director for four years.



Both Ryan and Amanda have held a variety of leadership positions in their club and at the fair for several years now, and currently, both are Administrative Directors and Honor Court Directors for the fair.

This month is the month of “royals,” both abroad, and here in Los Angeles. May this cherished tradition continue to be an honor to aspire to-- for the fair and the 4-H program, for many years to come. Congratulations to King Ryan and Queen Amanda for their hard work and commitment to assist in providing a wonderful fair for Los Angeles County 4-H youth to be a part of, and for sharing this fair with the community.

\*Many thanks to Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Community Club Leader, Dee Keese, Greenleaf 4-H Community Club Leader, Mary Lash, All Star Advisor, Marjorie Rodriguez, Greenleaf 4-H Club, and Cristal O’Neil, for the historical background used in this article.

- **Outreach Round-Up**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

The Ag Commissioner/Department of Weights and Measures provided 4-H promotional materials to attendees for the AG Day LA program.

Los Angeles County 4-H will host a booth at the Pasadena City College Volunteer Fair on Thursday, May 5, 2011.

In addition to becoming a “fan” on Facebook, join us as a fan on the Los Angeles County 4-H YouTube Channel! The Los Angeles County 4-H Pet Symposium Video (2010) is now available on the Los Angeles County 4-H YouTube Channel and on the UCCE Website.

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

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

- **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 May 14, 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:**

- 5/4 NSG Council & Hi 4-H mtg.
- 5/7 Western Regional Leaders' Forum 5/7-14
- 5/8 Mothers Day
- 5/12 I&R mtg.
- 5/14 County Council mtg.  
New Leaders' Orientation (SFV)
- 5/15 AV Shooting Competition (make-up)
- 5/19 SSG Council & Hi 4-H mtg.  
SGV 4-H Fair mtg./ evaluation
- 5/21 AV Trail Trial  
Sectional Field Day (Mt. SAC)
- 5/23 AV Council & Hi 4-H mtg.
- 5/28 State Field Day & Fashion Revue
- 5/30 Memorial Day (office closed)
- 6/1 NSG Council & Hi 4-H mtg.
- 6/4 AV Horse Rain Date
- 6/11 4-H Leaders' Training  
Summer Camp Staff Training  
4-H Sectional Council & Teen Council mtg.
- 6/19 Fathers Day
- 6/26-7/2 4-H Summer Camp
- 6/27 AV Council & Hi 4-H mtg.

## 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](#).

- **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** from 9 AM – 5 PM and Sunday, **May 22** from 8 AM – 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 22nd. 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.

- The **2011 National 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training Workshop** is scheduled for **May 15 – 20** at the Iowa 4-H Center in Madrid, Iowa. Attendance and successful completion of this workshop certifies an individual to be a California 4-H Shooting Sports State Instructor. State Instructors are part of the team that put on shooting sports trainings throughout the state. It requires an established commitment and a recognized ability to be a State Instructor. This year California will be able to provide **financial assistance of \$750 to three individuals selected to attend this training**. Please contact John Borba at (661) 868-6216 with names of individuals you recommend for this program.

- **4-H Shooting Sports Workshop  
Rifle Discipline**  
Tulare, CA

**Saturday, June 25, 2011 – 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, June 26, 2011 – 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held at Rankin Field Range, 20000 Road 140 in Tulare. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a rifle trainer and can lead a rifle project at the club level or serve as county trainer to certify other leaders. There is no cost for the course. To register for the course or receive more information, contact John Borba at: [jaborba@ucdavis.edu](mailto:jaborba@ucdavis.edu) (This course is not open to 4-H leaders from Santa Cruz or Ventura Counties).

For information about the facility and a map, please visit the range website at: [http://www.tcdsa.org/documents/rankin\\_field.htm](http://www.tcdsa.org/documents/rankin_field.htm)

- **4-H Adult Train the Trainer Babysitting Course**

The 4-H Military Partnership Program is offering a Babysitting Training course open for adults over 19.

**Location: Porter Youth Center, Fort Ord, Seaside, CA**

**Date: May 14, 9:00-3:00pm**

By taking this course, you will become familiar with the 4-H Army Babysitting Curriculum that teaches youth how to care for children, how to solve problems, how to keep children safe and happy, and how to handle emergencies. This course can be beneficial in training youth in your 4-H clubs and military afterschool sites. Participants will receive a Babysitter's Tool Bag, an Instructor's Manual and a Student Guide. Bring a doll for fun! For registration information contact: Jeanne Christenson, [jpchristenson@ucdavis.edu](mailto:jpchristenson@ucdavis.edu) or 530-219-6608.



- Are you interested in participating on a **4-H Statewide Advisory Committee**? 4-H Youth, Adult Volunteers, County Staff and Administration are all encouraged to apply for this opportunity. The committees you may apply for are:

**Policy Advisory Committee, Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee, Citizenship/Service Learning Council, International Exchange Support Advisory Committee, Equine Education Advisory Committee, Animal Science Education Advisory Committee, Camping Advisory Committee, CA 4-H Technology Leadership Team, Healthy Living Advisory Committee, and 4-H Military Partnership Advisory Committee.**

Applications for the 2011-2012 Statewide Advisory Committees are due postmarked, attn.: Carrie Matthews, by **May 31, 2011**. Please click [here](#) to download an application today. You may contact the State 4-H Office for any questions, 530-754-8518.

- **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 **until June 1st for a fee of \$15**. More information is available at: <http://4h.missouri.edu/filmfest/> .
- **State Field Day** registration information can be found at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Events/SFD/> All qualifying members may register at the State Presentation and Fashion Revue found at the above link. All members are invited to State Field Day to enjoy the many activities that go on all day long. Members will be able to see Robotics, Rabbits, and Races at Field Day this year. Many other events such as Judging, Horticulture, interview contest, photography, and film festival are all happening at the State Field Day. Members are now able to participate in the Horse Classic which is being held in conjunction with Field day May 28th. For more information please contact Quang "Hogan" Tong at [qtong@ucdavis.edu](mailto:qtong@ucdavis.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 Leadership Conference registration is now open!** Online registration link can be found at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/>. Paper enrollment forms are also found on that link. Check out the speaker line up including Judson Laipply who is the internet sensation for his Evolution of Dance presentation! DJ Hightop will be returning to spin his magic at this year's dance. Spaces in sessions are limited and are on a first come first select basis so register now! For important dates about registration please contact your local county office. For further information about SLC speak to a State Ambassador or contact Quang "Hogan" Tong at [qtong@ucdavis.edu](mailto:qtong@ucdavis.edu).
- **National 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador Program**  
National 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassadors represent 4-H and specifically 4-H Shooting Sports for public relations purposes at special events such as donor/supporter functions and with the general public, peer groups, 4-H groups, community service groups, schools and media contacts. They serve as spokespersons for the 4-H Shooting Sports program, helping to make 4-H and the 4-H Shooting Sports programs more visible. The Ambassador's further develop their skills in leadership, public presentation, citizenship, community service, public relations and team building.

For more information contact the 4-H Office.

- **Beef Quality Assurance Program**  
A Beef Quality Assurance Program is being held by the University of California Cooperative Extension and California Cattlemen's Association at the Cole Facility on May 7th. Topics will include injection and vaccine information, animal ID, age and source verification and national bull and cow beef quality audit as well as a short animal health program after lunch.

There is no charge for the meeting unless you need to be certified through California Cattlemen's Association. \*\*Certification needs to be completed every two years to remain current. \*\* The certification fee is \$25 per ranch (not per person); checks made payable to California Cattlemen's Association will be collected on the day of the event. Please pre-register by contacting Kitty Burnett (707-784-1318, [kburnett@ucdavis.edu](mailto:kburnett@ucdavis.edu)) at the Solano County Cooperative Extension Office before April 22, 2011. Please contact Morgan Doran (707-784-1326) or Theresa Becchetti (209-525-6800) for more information.

- **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/>.
- **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, [cbbarnett@ucdavis.edu](mailto:cbbarnett@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.
- 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.
- **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/) .
- **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.  
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) .

- **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/>
- The 2011 U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree and Ornament Project welcomes artists to decorate ornaments. These ornaments will showcase the theme —California Shines . Please click [here](#) for more details on the indoor and outdoor ornament decoration guidelines. Ornaments will be sent to Stanislaus National Forest by **June 30, 2011**, so they can be shipped to Washington, D.C. for display.
- **State Leaders' Forum 2011**  
The Annual State Leader's Forum is on-line and ready to go! Mark your calendars for **Nov 11, 12, 13, 2011** and come to beautiful Pacific Grove to share in the learning and fun of volunteer leaders.
- **Wells Fargo Financial Aid** The State Leadership Conference is pleased to announce that Wells Fargo has increased their Financial Aid contribution to \$15,000. Your State Ambassadors in partnership with the 4-H Foundation made this generous increase possible by advocating about what an amazing event SLC is. Don't let the cost of SLC stop you from attending the State's premier conference for 4-H teens. Apply now by filling out the form found at: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/> Final date for accepting aid applications is **May 13, 2011**
- **Pepsi Refresh Project Grants** will be launching its second year of its Refresh Project. Each month, Pepsi will award over \$1.2 million for the innovative ideas with the most votes. This year, ideas will be accepted for only five days – ending midnight ET, April 9 - and then 1,500 ideas will be randomly selected. Starting in May, **applications will be accepted from the first of the month at 12:00:01 pm ET through 11:59:59 pm ET on the 5th of the month.** <http://pep.si/gp69LY>
- **Above the Influence Poster Contest:** Think you have what it takes to creatively take a stand against negative pressures and influences? Well, now is the time to put your artistic skills to the test and show how your creativity can inspire teens across the country to stand up to influences in their community. Join **NOYS and ONDCP's national "Above the Influence" campaign** for this year's Drugged Driving Poster Contest - a challenge aimed at raising awareness about the dangers associated with drugged driving. Find out more information about the contest, and how you can enter by registering for the webinar below. [Reserve your Webinar seat now!](#)

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