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If you have any questions or suggestions about the Clover Notes, please call Roy Hillstock at (626) 586-1972 or email at rhillstock@ucanr.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 (626) 586-1972. For upcoming dates, please visit the [4-H Calendar](#). We look forward to continuing to serve you and your 4-H needs.

POLICY

4-H Policy and Information Update

A New Model for County 4-H Leadership

Dynamic and well-functioning leadership is so important to a vibrant 4-H community. Participation in the Los Angeles County 4-H Leaders' Council indicates that this governing body is long overdue for a tune-up. So, it's time for a change . . . and not a tune-up, but an over-haul.

Council meetings are marked by limited attendance, difficulty in recruiting new officers and uncertainty around authority and purpose. Often times the Council's work is on administrative and management issues – budget, bylaws and the like – with little emphasis on planning and program development. And its focus is generally on 4-H clubs and not the entire 4-H program. Perhaps most importantly, young people do not often enthusiastically participate.

Our 4-H program deserves a leadership structure that is engaging and empowering, one that supports leaders to envision our program's future and set a path forward.

San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, San Diego, Sacramento, Lake and Humboldt 4-H communities have inspiring stories of new leadership and management structures that have transformed their organizations. Staff and volunteers report new events and programs, increased membership, a rise in volunteers, greater community involvement and an increase in revenue. And they report that energy – that hard to measure intangible – abundant.

Los Angeles County will convene a 4-H Futures Task Force to set in place a new, similar leadership structure. We see the rebuilding of our leadership team as an opportunity to:

- Revitalize or expand the use of adult volunteers and young people as program managers
- Develop an integrated and coordinated program delivery model
- Attract new high performing volunteers to 4-H
- Attract more young people reflecting the demographic diversity of LA County
- Engage more youth as equal partners in 4-H program development, management and evaluation
- Expand 4-H's reach to touch the lives of more young people
- Vision all that 4-H can be in our community and to create a plan to make it happen

Our first 4-H Futures Task Force meeting will take place on June 4 and our work will be completed by October 30, 2014. Know that we're moving forward and in a very positive direction.

CLUB

- **Leader's Appreciation**

Michael Kasperson, Canyon Coyotes Reporter

The Canyon Coyotes 4-H held an appreciation dinner for their 18 hardworking project leaders. The "Share the Fun" skit "4-H Dawn" was the starting place for this year's theme, caveman. The decorations included a cave entrance, animal skins, rocks and table coverings where everyone had a chance to create a cave drawing. 4-H families brought lots of delicious food. The food preservation and foods and nutrition projects brought their AV Food and Fashion Review award winning desserts. After eating, everyone was able to enjoy the "4-H Dawn" skit by the drama project. Ethan Boeker gave a speech on the importance of being a volunteer. Leaders from the leadership project wrote and read individual thank yous to each of the project leaders. This year's Leader's Appreciation dinner was a hit with its food, entertainment and fellowship.



4-H leaders with their families watching the Drama Project perform their skit.

COUNTY

- **2014-2015 LA County 4-H Plans**

Noel Keller, LA County 4-H Leaders' Council President

The LA County 4-H Leaders' Council met on Saturday, May 10. Please see the draft of the meeting minutes on the county 4-H website. We thank the SFV district for hosting this meeting. We discussed and finalized plans for the 2014-2015 program year including the budget, calendar and council officers. Please view the county council webpage on the county 4-H website for details of the approved LA County 4-H 2014-2015 calendar and new council officers. Please forward additional information, dates and nominations to Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com). It was voted that a youth alternate sectional representative can fill in for an adult representative who cannot attend a sectional council meeting.

- **4-H Summer Camp**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

Los Angeles County 4-H Summer Camp is almost upon us! **4-H Summer Camp** is scheduled for **June 22-June 28, 2014** 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!

Camp Seeley in San Bernardino is the source of many fond memories for a number of 4-Hers - young and old. Here are a few fun facts about Camp Seeley:

- Camp Seeley was the filming location for the 1998 film remake of “The Parent Trap.”
- The camp’s name was derived from the Mormon Seeley brothers who established an early sawmill at this location in the 1850’s. The ruins are still visible near the creek, and a large saw blade is still located in the camp parking lot.
- There is an interesting rock formation located in Seeley Creek near Camp Seeley which has an erosion pattern in the shape of a heart, thus, aptly titled, “Heart Rock.”



- In the summer of 1914, Camp Seeley was the first family camp built by the City of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation. The summer camp program that year hosted 95 boys in July and 110 girls in August.
- The Depression in the 1930s seemed to have no affect on attendance at Camp Seeley due to its low cost.
- Lake Gregory (camp attendees fish in this lake) is a manmade lake (named after Arthur Gregory, landowner) created in 1938. Lake Gregory replaced a natural lake, Moon Lake.

For more details or to register online go to: <http://www.4hsummercamp.com/>

- **June 30 – End of the 2013-2014 4-H Program Year**

Noel Keller, LA County 4-H Leaders’ Council President

It is time to finish up your 4-H work for this year. The current 2013-2014 4-H program year ends June 30, 2014. All 4-H work done from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014 can be included in your 2013-2014 record book for that program year. Activities done this summer after June 30th should not be included for the 2013-2014 4-H work.

- **Districts & Committees – Need Your 2014-2015 Event Dates NOW**

Noel Keller, LA County 4-H Leaders’ Council President

The LA County 4-H 2014-2015 event calendar was approved on May 10th at the county council. Now that the calendar is approved, events will need to fit around the already approved event dates on the calendar. Please send your additional event date information to Noel Keller at nkeller91711@gmail.com as soon as possible.

- **2014-2015 LA County 4-H Leaders' Council Officers**

Noel Keller, LA County 4-H Leaders' Council President

President: Noel Keller

Vice President: Dee Keese

2nd Vice President (youth position): Holly Whipple

Secretary: Judylynn Pelling

Treasurer: Mary Lash

Reporter/Historian:

I&R Committee Chair: Noel Keller

Agriculture Committee Chair: Small Livestock: Cindy Narvaiz

Science Committee Chair: Debbie Treadwell and Katherine Cao

Home Economics Committee Chair: Kim Espinosa, Carrie & Sallie DeYoung

Healthy Living Committee Chair (possible new office): Meghan Tahbaz

Parliamentarian/Policy Secretary:

Leader Support Committee Chair:

Shooting Sports Committee Chair:

Civics Committee Chair: Ru Ekanayake

Technology Committee Chair:

Representative to the Sectional Leaders' Council (adult): Judylynn Pelling

Representative to the Sectional Leaders' Council (adult): Carrie DeYoung

Representative to the Sectional Leaders' Council (youth): Ru Ekanayake

Alternate Rep to the Sectional Leaders' Council (adult): Dennis DeYoung

Alternate Youth Rep to the Sectional Leaders' Council: Sallie DeYoung

Continuing Rep to Sectional Leaders' Council (adult): Dee Keese

Continuing Rep to Sectional Leaders' Council (adult): Rick Herbert

Please send nominations for any open offices to Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com). You can nominate yourself. All LA County 4-H districts should be represented on the council with officers. How can you help this next year? More than one person can be nominated for a position. A position can be held by two people, as perhaps Co-Chairs. A position can be held by a youth and adult in a youth-adult partnership as Co-Chairs. Some council positions can be held by a Senior youth member.

- **ANOTHER REMINDER - Record Book Manual 2011-2013 and Forms**

Noel Keller, Chair of the county I&R Committee

Record Book Manual 2011-2013 is the only record manual and forms that should be used this year. It is available on the state 4-H website and on our county website. The online record book system uses the forms from this 2011-2013 manual. If you have questions contact a member of the county I&R Committee or Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com).

- **CLUB OFFICERS, CAMP COUNSELORS – Junior and Teen Leadership Development Report (JTLDR)**

Noel Keller, Chair of the county I&R Committee

The Junior and Teen Leadership Development Report should be filled out by Junior and Teen Leaders in your club. It should also be filled out by your Club Officers and Leadership Project members. The form is also to be used by county All Stars, State Ambassadors, Camp Counselors and Exchange program participants. At the top of the form, you indicate for which leadership position the form is being completed. A member might actually fill out several of these forms during the planning at the start of the 4-H year. At the end of the year, remember to complete the forms and include them in your record book.

- **County Project Recognition for SENIOR MEMBERS**

Noel Keller, Chair of the county I&R Committee

Senior 4-H members are eligible to enter the state record book competition. State competition is focused on selecting 4-H members who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in their 4-H project work. Books are judged against standard criteria. Those books displaying the most outstanding 4-H work, life skills development, and leadership and citizenship development are selected as state medalists and/or state winners.

Currently LA County 4-H judges member record books with a focus on a member-designated project area. Awards are given out in project areas. At the state record book competition, books are judged for the overall achievement of the member, without regard to just one project area. This year Seniors will again be able to select a project area for their record book evaluation at the county level. The county is considering changing the county judging to be more like the state competition for the next year (2014-15). Seniors who want to earn county recognition for a particular project Gr(records for 2013-2014). For the next year, this county project recognition might not be available for Senior members.

At this time, the county is planning to keep the county record book judging for Juniors and Intermediates the same as it has been with judging in a member-designated project area.

- **2013-2014 County Record Book ID Form & Information**

Noel Keller, LA County Incentives and Recognition Committee Chair

The forms and information for the 2014 LA County Record Book Competition are available on the county 4-H website under APPLICATIONS. We have not been informed by the state about any changes for this year. We are assuming that on-line recordkeeping will be the same as last year. For the county competition the 4-H forms will need to be printed out and submitted as hard copy. 2013-2014 record books are due September 9 to the 4-H Office or by September 10 to an Incentives and Recognition Committee member (Noel Keller, Judylynn Pelling, Carrie DeYoung, Peter Michel, Dee Keese).

The LA County Awards Program will be held Saturday, October 11th after the county 4-H Pet Symposium.

- **LA County 4-H Officer Book Gold Medal**

Noel Keller, LA County 4-H Incentives and Recognition Committee Chair

Did you do a great job as a club officer last year? If so, be sure to submit a 2013-2014 Officer Book for the officer book recognition program. The information and forms for the 2014 Officer Book Recognition Program are on the county website under APPLICATIONS. The evaluation of the officer records is done with the Danish system of judging so all officers have a chance to earn a Gold medal for their officer work. 2013-2014 Officer books are due at the same time as 2013-2014 record books, September 9 to the 4-H Office or by September 10 to an Incentives and Recognition Committee member (Noel Keller, Judylynn Pelling, Carrie DeYoung, Peter Michel, Dee Keese).

- **District Representation on the County I&R Committee**

Noel Keller, Chair of the County Incentives and Recognition Committee

Districts are now electing the remainder of their officers and committee representatives for this 4-H program year. All districts should have two elected representatives on the county Incentives and Recognition Committee. The current county I&R Committee members are Noel Keller and Judylynn Pelling from NSG, Peter Michel and Dee Keese from SSG and Carrie DeYoung from SFV. There are no representatives from AV. Please notify Noel Keller with the names of newly elected 2014-2015 I&R district representatives.

NOTE – When it is time to turn in record books for the county competition, books can be turned into the 4-H Office on Tuesday, September 9 by 4pm or by 9pm on Wednesday, September 10 to an I&R Committee representative. If a district does not have an I&R representative, record books will need to be turned in on Tuesday, unless they are delivered to an I&R committee member in another district.

- **Take a Vacation- At Home**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator



This summer some of us will be camping, visiting relatives, going to the beach and spending time at a fair. Many families are taking smaller local vacations or day-trips filled with homemade 4-H treats, laughter, and joyful time spent with loved ones in the summer sun. For those of you who would like to travel to new and exciting places...why not catch up on your reading *and* go anywhere you like?

Perhaps you have always wanted to read a certain book, find out more about a particular author, or have considered taking on a new 4-H project and want to do a little background research. Become a pirate. Go on an African Safari. Conquer a distant land. Sail down Old Man River on a raft. Make friends with otherworldly aliens. There is a perfect spot to do all of these things, *and* take a “vacation” while at “home”...your local library. Many libraries host Summer Reading Programs and other fun-filled events where you can make new friends, find new books and spend the afternoon reading in a cool spot.

Here is a list of fifty books for you to check out from your local library for your own “vacation at home”:

[Swallows and Amazons](#)

by Arthur Ransome

[The Hobbit](#)

by J.R.R. Tolkien

[Charlie and the Chocolate Factory](#)

by Roald Dahl

[The Talking Parcel](#)

by Gerald Durrell

[The Beasts of Clawstone Castle](#)

by Eva Ibbotson

[Charlotte's Web](#)

by E.B. White

[The City of Ember](#)

by Jeanne DuPrau

[Coraline](#)

by Neil Gaiman

[Because of Winn-Dixie](#)

by Kate DiCamillo

[Inkheart](#)

by Cornelia Funke

[The Wind in the Willows](#)

by Kenneth Grahame

[Tom's Midnight Garden](#)

by Philippa Pearce

[The Amazing Maurice and his Educated Rodents](#)

by Terry Pratchett

[Anne of Green Gables](#)

by Lucy Maud Montgomery

[The Eagle of the Ninth](#)

by Rosemary Sutcliff

[Alice's Adventures in Wonderland](#)

by Lewis Carroll

[The Secret Garden](#)

by Frances Hodgson-Burnett

[War Horse](#)

by Michael Morpurgo

[Danny the Champion of the World](#)

by Roald Dahl

[Artemis Fowl \(Series\)](#)

by Eoin Colfer

[Little House on the Prairie \(Series\)](#)

by Laura Ingalls Wilde

[The Machine Gunners](#)

by Robert Westall

[Emil and the Detectives](#)

by Erich Kästner

[A Wrinkle in Time](#)

by Madeleine L'Engle

[The Adventures of Tom Sawyer](#)

by Mark Twain

[The Book Thief](#)

Markus Zusak

[Magic \(Series\)](#)

by Edward Eager

[The Borrowers](#)

by Mary Norton

Boy

by Roald Dahl

The Graveyard Book

by Neil Gaiman

The Lantern Bearers

by Rosemary Sutcliff

Treasure Island

by Robert Louis Stevenson

Bridge to Terabithia

by Katherine Paterson

The Mozart Question

by Michael Morpurgo

Percy Jackson & the Olympians (Series)

by Rick Riordan

The Spiderwick Chronicles

by Tony DiTerlizzi & Holly Black

Leven Thumps (Series)

by Obert Skye

His Dark Materials (Trilogy)

by Philip Pullman

The Weirdstone of Brisingamen

by Alan Garner

*Book list courtesy ABE Books.

Holes

by Louis Sachar

The Phoenix and the Carpet

by E. Nesbit

The Silver Sword/Escape from Warsaw

by Ian Serraillier

The Sheep-Pig

by Dick King-Smith

The Dark Is Rising (Series)

by Susan Cooper

The Pendragon Adventure (Series)

by D. J. MacHale

Silverwing

by Kenneth Oppel

Stig of the Dump

by Clive King

The Harry Potter Books

by J.K. Rowling

The Chronicles of Narnia

by C.S. Lewis

A Series of Unfortunate Events (Series)

by Lemony Snicket

• I Scream, You Scream....We All Scream for Ice Cream!

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator



On June 21st we will kick off what should prove to be a lovely summer filled with friends, fairs and 4-H. The first day of summer is a wonderful day to celebrate all of our hard work throughout the school and 4-H year. Why not start out your summer fun with some homemade ice cream for your family and friends? Try making homemade ice cream in a bag.

Homemade Ice Cream in a Bag

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 cup half and half
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup salt (The bigger the granules, the better. Kosher or rock salt works best, but table salt is fine.)
- Ice cubes (enough to fill each gallon-size bag about half full)
- 1 pint-size ziplock bag
- 1 gallon-size ziplock bag

Instructions

- Combine the sugar, half and half and vanilla extract in the pint-size bag, and seal it tightly.
- Place the salt and ice in the gallon-size bag, then place the sealed smaller bag inside as well. Seal the larger bag. Now shake the bags until the mixture hardens (about 5 minutes). Feel the small bag to determine when it's done. It should feel like the normal consistency of ice cream you buy at the store.
- Take the smaller bag out of the larger one, add mix-ins, and eat the ice cream right out of the bag. Easy clean-up too! Serves 1.

*Recipe courtesy of: <http://familyfun.go.com/recipes/homemade-ice-cream-in-a-bag-684806/>

• Dates To Remember in

June

4th-	NSG District mtg.
7th-	Horse Ran Date ACA Camp Staff Training Day at Cal State Northridge
14th-	Sectional Council mtg. Sectional Teen Council mtg, 2 nd AV 4-H Trail Trials
15th-	Father's Day
21st-	AV 4-H Fair Show Summer Camp Staff Training (6/21-22)
22nd-	4-H Summer Camp (6/22-28)
23rd-	AV District mtg.
30th-	End of 2013-2014 4-H Program

SECTIONAL

• South Section Field Day – May 17th

Noel Keller, South Section 4-H Leaders' Council President

The South Section 4-H Field Day and Fashion Revue was held at Mt. SAC on Saturday, May 17th. Thank you to all the support people who volunteered from LA County for this event. Our LA County members cannot compete at the sectional level if we don't provide a proportionate number of judges and room hosts. Look for the results of the sectional field day competitions in the July issue of Clover Notes.

• Sectional Leaders' Council Meeting – June 14, 2014

Noel Keller, South Section 4-H Leaders' Council President

The South Section 4-H Leaders' Council will meet on Saturday, June 14th at 10am at the Ag Science Complex at Mt. San Antonio College in Walnut. Our LA County representatives to this meeting are Noel Keller, Judylynn Pelling, Carrie DeYoung, Sallie DeYoung, Rick Herbert and Dee Keese. All LA County leaders' and senior members are encouraged to attend. Come and find out what is happening in the south section and the state 4-H programs. Consult the South Section Leaders' Council website for the agenda for this meeting.

• South Section Teen Council Meeting – June, 14, 20 14

Noel Keller, South Section 4-H Leaders' Council President

The South Section Teen Council (Hi-4H) will meet on Saturday, June 14th at 8:30am at the Ag Science Complex at Mt. San Antonio College in Walnut. All senior 4-H member are invited to attend. Get involved at 4-H activities at the sectional level. Sallie DeYoung of LA County is currently active with the Teen Council as a youth sectional representative to the State Leaders' Council.

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

- **State Farm Student Achievement Program**
Deadline: June 6
More [info](#).
- **World Summit Youth Award (WSYA)**
Deadline: June 15
More [info](#).
- **National Center for Building Community Trust and Justice grant**
Deadline: 11:59 p.m. eastern time on June 18, 2014
More [info](#).
- **NAFB Foundation Scholarship Program**
Currently the NAFB Foundation offers three college scholarships. [Learn more](#) about this exciting opportunity.
- **National Center for Building Community Trust and Justice grant**
Deadline: 11:59 p.m. eastern time on June 18, 2014
More [info](#).
- **National Child Awareness Month Youth Ambassador Program**
Deadline: June 19
More [info](#).
- **True Hero Competition**
Deadline: June 30
More [info](#).

DATES & DEADLINES

June

- 6/13/2014 [2014 California Focus](#)
- 6/14/2014 [South Section Meeting](#)
- 6/15/2014 [30th Annual California Range & Natural Resources Science Camp for HS Students](#)
- 6/22/2014 [Citizenship Washing ton Focus: Heritage Trail CWF](#)
- 6/22/2014 [Citizenship Washing ton Focus: Road to Democracy](#)
- 6/25/2014 [Save the Date: State Horse Classic](#)

July

- 7/11/2014 [20 14 CA State Fai r July 11 -27- 2 0 14](#)
- 7/22/2014 [Save the date: 2014 State Fai r 4-H Throwdown](#)

August

- 8/3/2014 [4-H Film Fest 2014](#)
- 8/14/2014 [Save the Date: State Leadership Conference](#)

September

9/13/2014 [South Section Meeting](#)

October

10/1/2014 [Deadline: CA 4-H Quick Start Record Book Course](#)

10/4/2014 [North Section Meeting](#)

10/18/2014 [Shooting Sports Leaders Meeting](#)

10/29/2014 [Deadline: Records Books for Competition](#)

November

11/14/2014 [Save the Date: 2014 State 4-H Leaders' Forum](#)

4-H All Stars:

Ru Ekanayake, PVP 4-H Club

Sallie DeYoung, San Fernando Valley 4-H Club

Jr. All-Stars:

Katherine Cao, Pomona Valley 4-H Club

Kiran Ekanayake, PVP 4-H Club

Daniel Espinosa, Harbor Lights 4-H Club

Jessica Fint, SFV 4-H Club

Rachel Klose, PVP 4-H Club

Ivory MacCracken, PVP 4-H Club

Megan Okamoto, Pomona Valley 4-H Club

Zella Roth, PVP 4-H Club

Wesley Rich, PVP 4-H Club

Alexa Sutter, PVP 4-H Club

Megan Tahbaz, PVP 4-H Club

Julius Treadwell, Pomona Valley 4-H Club

Dryden Unszusz, PVP 4-H Club

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