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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) 586-1980. 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

I believe that each one of you is the reason that our 4-H youth have wonderful and meaningful learning opportunities. The experiences that you facilitate are no doubt contributing factors to the development of thriving youth and healthy and stable communities. Although you may not hear from me or my office as often as we should to say thank you for your work and commitment, please know that we appreciate and value your contributions very much. In recent months, several issues have arisen that have caused some pause. Specifically, there have been issues about the way you communicate with each other and respect each other in your efforts to provide 4-H members a quality educational experience. It is my hope that you remember that the focus of our programmatic efforts is the 4-H member. Their growth in our program is dependent on this consideration. I am asking each of you to search within and ask this question: is the primary reason I volunteer with 4-H to serve the 4-H member? Do you exemplify – in words actions and deeds – the model of 4-H we want our members to show. If the answers are yes, then the guide of your work should be the 4-H Code of Conduct. It should influence every 4-H conversation; every 4-H decision; every 4-H interaction; every 4-H experience.

In the coming weeks and months, I'll be reviewing our adherence to the 4-H Code of Conduct with you and where it's not being adhered to address it. Our 4-H members deserve our best effort, attitude, intention and behavior – including what we say to each other, what we say on social media about each other and our subsequent reaction at all times. It is important that we conduct and comport ourselves in the manner consistent with the values and ideals that we agree to when we enroll in the program. The standard is high – and rightfully so - because we expect the very best.

Let's uplift and support each other on behalf of the 4-H member. Let's respect each other and the value we bring to the lives of our members. Go out and continue to do good work with the 4-H member at the center. It is not about how much money we raise, the number of ribbons, stars, pins awards we earn or that the youth earn under our leadership, it's about the positive youth development experience the member has with our guidance and support. Move beyond the self and put the 4-H member first.

If you have any questions or concerns or want to express goodwill or congratulations to someone, please contact my office. In the meantime, I look forward to continuing to work with you.

Sincerely,

Keith C. Nathaniel, Ed.D.
County Director/4-H Youth Development Advisor

COUNTY

- **4-H Enrollment/Re-Enrollment**

July 1, 2017 starts the 2017-2018 4-H Program Year. Any member participating in any 4-H activity after July 1, must re-enroll at <https://california.4honline.com>. This is especially important for those youth and adult members participating in fairs and/or conferences. You **MUST** be enrolled in 4-H to participate in 4-H activities. Instructions on how to enroll/reenroll can be found on the [Los Angeles County 4-H Website](#). All new and continuing Adult 4-H'ers must complete the required online trainings before being accepted in the program. The **2017-2018 4-H Enrollment fees have increased to \$46 per youth and \$16 per adult.** These fees will be collected by your club leader.

- **LA County at State 4-H Field Day**

Congratulations to the following LA County 4-H members for their accomplishments at State 4-H Field Day in Davis on Saturday, May 27.

Jazmin Chavez – Intermediate Interpretive Reading – GOLD
Francisco Gomez – Intermediate Cultural Arts – PLATINUM
Rebecca Klose – Senior Cultural Arts – PLATINUM
Conner Lam – Junior Interpretive Reading – GOLD
Lauren Leuvano – Intermediate Interpretive Reading – GOLD
Natalia Mendez – Intermediate Interview Contest – GOLD
Enrique Morales – Senior Interview Contest – GOLD
Victoria Morales – Intermediate Interpretive Reading – GOLD
Victoria Morales – Intermediate Interview Contest – Blue
Sanne Sirmenis – Junior Illustrated Talk – PLATINUM

- **2017-2018 LA County 4-H Leaders' Council Officers**

President: Peter Michel
Vice President: Noel Keller
2nd Vice President (youth position): Katherine Shannon
Secretary: Judylynn Pelling
Treasurer: Mary Lash and Johanna Stewart
Reporter/Historian:
I&R Committee Chair: Noel Keller
Agriculture Committee Chair: Katherine Shannon (youth)
Science Committee Chair: Greg Yunkers
Home Economics Committee Chair: Melinda Kasperson
Healthy Living Committee Chair: Kaylin Kwan (youth)
Parliamentarian/Policy Secretary:
Leader Support Committee Chair: Laura Shannon
Shooting Sports Committee Chair: Dee Keese
Civics Committee Chair:
Technology Committee Chair: Xavier Cruz (youth)

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.

- **[Los Angeles County 4-H Club Goals](#)**

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

Start your club year by setting some club goals – a new project, more members, more community service, etc. Clubs are encouraged to set club goals at the beginning of the 4-H year and work during the year to reach those goals. This is a county program to encourage clubs to make club goals and evaluate how they met those goals at the end of the program year. Clubs submit their club goals by November 1 and report the completed club goals by August 15. Clubs can receive a seal for their charter based on how well they met the goals for the year. The county I&R Committee will be considering some additional incentives for clubs to plan goals for the year. Look for more information about this program during the summer when the new 4-H program year starts. Information will also be available on the county website.

Planning Guide & Form located at <http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/167444.pdf>.

Download [LA County's 4-H Club Program Planning Submissions Form \(pdf\)](#)

- **[2016-2017 County Record Book ID Form & Information](#)**

Be sure to use the [2017 Record Book ID Form](#) for the Los Angeles County 4-H Record Book competition. The ID Form will need to be printed out and submitted as hard copy. 2016-2017 4-H Record Books are due by 4pm on Tuesday, September 12 to the 4-H Office or by 9pm on Wednesday, September 13 to an Incentives and Recognition Committee member. **Do not use the forms from prior Record Book manuals.** . If you have questions, contact an [I&R Committee Member](#).

- **[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 2016-2017 Officer Book for the Officer Book Recognition Program. The information and forms for the Officer Book Recognition Program are on the [LA County 4-H website](#). The officer records are evaluated using the Danish system of evaluating giving all officer books a chance to earn a Gold medal. Officer books are due to the 4-H office by 4pm, September 12 or by Wednesday, September 13 by 9pm to an [Incentives & Recognition Committee member](#).

- **[Club Representatives For County Record Book Competition](#)**

Noel Keller, Chair of the county I&R Committee

REMINDER – If a member submits a record book to the County Record Book Competition, then the club needs to provide an evaluator (the current term for judge) for one of the Record Book Evaluation days, Saturday September 16 or September 23. The evaluating again this year will be held at Good Shepherd Lutheran School/Church (6338 N. Figueroa St., LA, 90042). Evaluating record books is a good way to learn about record books for your club. No experience in evaluating is required. There is an orientation for evaluating at the start of each evaluation day. This year we will again be using the new state evaluation method for record books so the orientation is needed by all evaluators. A club can only have up to three club representatives for evaluating. Evaluators do not evaluate record books from their own club. Evaluators should plan to stay from 8:30am until about 5pm, with a lunch and snacks provided. Contact Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com) with the names of evaluators by Thursday, September 14.

- **[LA County Council Meeting – Saturday, Sept. 30, 2017](#)**

Noel Keller, LA County Council Vice-President

The first meeting of the LA County 4-H Council will be Saturday, September 30 at 10am at the Community Room of the Quartz Hill Library (5040 West Ave. M-2, Quartz Hill). The Antelope Valley district will be hosting the meeting. All clubs should plan to have a representative at the meeting. Watch for more details about the meeting.

- **County Awards Day – September 30th, 2017**

County Awards Day will be held after the County Council meeting on September 30th in the Antelope Valley District area. For this event, AV district will be providing the refreshments, NSG will provide the decorations, SFV will provide the publicity and SSG district will provide the program. At this time, the location for the event is TBD. Keep a look out for more information to come.

- **[Junior All-Star Application](#) (due by October 1, 2017)**

The Junior All-Star Program is a non-competitive leadership program targeting youth in 8th through 11th grades or 13 and older. For more information go to the [LA County 4-H website](#).

- **LA County Youth Representative Needed!!**

The Southern Area Development Committee of the California 4-H Management Board plans the Southern California 4-H activities. The Southern Area is made up of the seven Southern California counties of Los Angeles, Imperial, Orange, San Diego, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura. Each county should be represented on the Committee with two people - one youth and one adult. Currently Noel Keller is the adult LA County representative, but we need a youth for this next year. Xavier Cruz was our youth representative last year, but we now need a new youth to volunteer/apply for this youth position. The youth must be at least 14 years old. The term for the position is one year, starting July 1, 2017. This committee discusses what activities should occur, but does not actually run any of the events. Please contact Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com) or John Trammell if you are interested in applying for this position or want more information about this opportunity. LA COUNTY NEEDS TO BE REPRESENTED!

- **4-H Calendar is available on the [Los Angeles County 4-H website](#).**

- **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 15th of the month to be published in the following month's edition of Clover Notes to Roy Hillstock, rlhillstock@ucanr.edu

SOUTHERN AREA

- **Southern 4-H Animal Field Day – Sept. 23, 2017**

Noel Keller, LA Representative - Southern Area Program Development Committee

Save the date of Saturday, September 23th, 2017 for a fun and educational Southern 4-H Animal Field Day at Mt. SAC. This year this event is being expanded to include large livestock. If you are interested in helping with the planning for this event, please contact Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com) or Barbara Crane (bcrane@mtsac.edu). We need an LA County representative on this planning committee.

- **Southern Color Me Green 5K Run/Health Fair – Nov. 11, 2017**

Noel Keller, LA Representative - Southern Area Program Development Committee

Youth Jessica Poland from Ventura County is planning a Southern Color Me Green 5K Run/Health Fair for Saturday, Nov. 11 in Ventura. Save the date! If you are interested in helping with the planning, please contact Jessica or Noel. It would be great to have an LA County representative on this planning committee.

- **California Southern Youth Summit (formerly TIC) – Jan. 12-14, 2018**

Noel Keller, LA Representative - Southern Area Program Development Committee

The California Southern Youth Summit is being planned by a Southern Area event committee of the new California 4-H Management Board. Kelly Dowlan is the adult Director. This year the event, to be held at Pathfinder Ranch, will be open to Intermediate and Senior 4-H members. The event will occur on the MLK weekend.

- **State Management Board & Southern Area Events**

Noel Keller, LA representative to Southern Area Program Development Committee

As of July 1, 2016, the California 4-H Management Board (MB) system was started and the Section and State 4-H Leaders' Councils were disbanded. The state was divided into 4 Areas. Los Angeles County 4-H is part of the Southern Area (7 counties – Imperial, Los Angeles, Riverside, Orange, San Bernardino, San Diego, Ventura). Activities in the Southern Area are being planned by Event Committees under the Southern Area Program Development Committee of the Management Board. Noel Keller of Pomona Valley 4-H Club was selected for a two-year term as the adult LA County representative to the Southern Area Program Development Committee and Xavier Cruz of Macy 4-H Club was selected for a 1-year term as the youth LA County representative but his term is over. **We need a senior youth to represent LA County on this important committee this year. If you are interested and need more information about applying, go to the state website for the Management Board, contact Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com) or contact John Trammell (jwtrammell87@gmail.com).**

The next meeting of the Management Board is **Saturday, August 5th** in Davis at the state 4-H office. This will be an open meeting and you can participate remotely. John Trammell of San Bernardino County is the Southern Area Director on the Management Board.

The next meeting of the Southern Area committee is TBD. Plans are already moving forward on two fall Southern Area events – a Southern 4-H Animal Science Field Day on Sept. 23 and a Southern Color Me Green 5K Run/Health Fair in Ventura on November 11. Let Noel know if you would like to help with the planning committees for these events.

- **California State 4-H Updates can be found at: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/News/Calendar>**

4-H All-Stars:

Abigail Wright, Greenleaf 4-H Club
Camille Norczyk, Greenleaf 4-H Club
Holly Whipple, Westside 4-H Club
Katherine Shannon, Quartz Hill 4-H Club
Kiran Ekanayake, PVP 4-H Club

Jr. All-Stars:

Ada Hsu, Macy 4-H Club
Alexa Sutter, PVP 4-H Club
Alexander Nunley, PVP 4-H Club
Andrew Nunley, PVP 4-H Club
Ashlyn Spaziano, Greenleaf 4-H Club
Catherine Nunley, PVP 4-H Club
Jayce Gomez, Macy 4-H Club
Leilani Hung, Macy 4-H Club
Julius Treadwell, Pomona Valley 4-H Club
Katherine Cao, Pomona Valley 4-H Club
Katie Hsu, PVP 4-H Club
Leila Nuryen, PVP 4-H Club
Sarah Yeck, PVP 4-H Club
Ryan Hamm, PVP 4-H Club
Enrique Morales, Macy 4-H Club
Kaylin Kwan, Macy 4-H Club
Lilliana Brown, PVP 4-H Club
Megan Okamoto, Pomona Valley 4-H Club
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