



## September 2008

The Clover Notes has a new look and format. We hope that as a result you will be able to find the resources and information you need more quickly and efficiently. As explained in a recent letter, if you need a monthly hardcopy of Clover Notes and associated county forms, please note that there is a \$15 annual fee to help offset the cost of copying and postage.

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.

We hope you enjoy the new look and format and we look forward to continuing to serve you and your 4-H needs.

Contact the [Los Angeles 4-H Youth Development Office](#) or 323-260-3854. For upcoming dates, please visit the [4-H Calendar](#).

### CLUB

- **Shiny New School Supplies (A Service Project)** - Daniel Espinoza of the Greenleaf 4-H club noticed that not all children get new school supplies at the start of the school year. He is collecting school supplies for distribution for kids who need them. Pick up dates are September 20th and January 10th. More information on how to donate to Daniel's project go to: [http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H\\_Youth\\_Development\\_Programs/Community\\_Club\\_News.htm](http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H_Youth_Development_Programs/Community_Club_News.htm)

### COUNTY

- **2007-2008 Officer Book competition** - Officer books are due to the LA 4-H Office by 4pm on September 15, 2008. The books will be judged after the LA County 4-H Leaders' Council meeting at the AV 4-H Office on September 20, 2008. Experienced leaders willing to help judge the Officer Books should call Noel Keller at (909) 621-2373. For more information and forms go to: [http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H\\_Youth\\_Development\\_Programs/Applications.htm](http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H_Youth_Development_Programs/Applications.htm)

- **The Adult / Youth Head Camp Director Applications** due date has changed. The date printed in the 4-H Calendar indicates applications are due September 17, 2008. **The date has been changed to September 24, 2008.** Go to: [http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H\\_Youth\\_Development\\_Programs/Events\\_and\\_Activities.htm](http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H_Youth_Development_Programs/Events_and_Activities.htm) for more information.
- **Junior All-Star program** is a new county-wide leadership project for youth in 8<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> grade and/or age 13 by January 1, 2009 to gain leadership experience. Its not too late to join! 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)
- **The 2007-2008 Record Book Competition** for member record books was held in July, 2008. Eighty six members (17 Juniors, 37 Intermediates and 32 Seniors) submitted their records for review and recognition. Eleven of our 4-H clubs participated in the county competition. Leaders from all our clubs submitting books gathered to judge the records on July 18 and 19. We thank all those who helped with this important process. Go to: [http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H\\_Youth\\_Development\\_Programs/Community\\_Club\\_News.htm](http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H_Youth_Development_Programs/Community_Club_News.htm) to view the results.
- **4-H Pet Symposium** - Los Angeles 4-H YDP will have its first annual Pet Symposium on Saturday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The Pet Symposium will have workshops and displays on pet care. Workshop presenters are still needed on pet care, and youth are welcome as presenters. Contact Rachel Surls at [ramabie@ucdavis.edu](mailto:ramabie@ucdavis.edu) if you would like to speak or have an information booth. For more information go to: [http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H\\_Youth\\_Development\\_Programs/Events\\_and\\_Activities.htm](http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H_Youth_Development_Programs/Events_and_Activities.htm).
- **2008 All Stars** - Congratulations to the following 4-H members for being selected as the newest members of the Los Angeles County All-Stars!

**Christopher Cho - PVP**  
**Amanda Ho - PVP**  
**Stephanie Kwan - PVP**  
**Erin Power - PVP**  
**Jessica Kwan - PVP**  
**Kirsten Landsgaard - Canyon Coyotes**  
**Kelsey Schott - Canyon Coyotes**

- **Dates To Remember:**
  - ◊ The [LA County Fair](#) begins September 9/5-28.
  - ◊ [Summer Camp Director Applications due to county offices 9/24.](#)
  - ◊ County Council meeting (LA Office) 9/20, 10 am to noon.
  - ◊ AV 4-H Horsemanship Clinic 9/27, call (661) 723-4477 for more information.
  - ◊ AV 4-H Horse Show 10/4, call (661) 723-4477 for more information.
  - ◊ State Record Book Application due to County Office 10/7.
  - ◊ I&R meeting 10/9.
  - ◊ [LA County Pet Symposium](#) 10/11

- **Sectional Council and Teen Council** will have their quarterly meeting September 13, 2008. 4-H youth are invited to give a brief presentation about something special or unique that is happening in their county or club. If you are interested call Noel Keller at (909) 621-2373. Go to: <http://clubs.ca4h.org/southcouncil/index.htm> for more information.
- **The South Sectional Conference** is accepting workshop proposals for the Teen Involvement Conference (TIC). Go to <http://clubs.ca4h.org/southcouncil/teen/> for more information.

## STATE

- **Do you need money to carry out your service project?** Each year the California State 4-H Office provides funds to members and volunteer leaders for service-learning projects through the California **4-H Service Learning RFP**. Groups can request up to \$5,000 to fund activities that address significant environmental, economic and/or social issues affecting California's youth, families, and communities The Service Learning RFP application is available on the web at: <http://www.ca4h.org/citizenship/funding/index.asp>. Examples of past projects are also listed. The application is due **September 15, 2008**.
- **Applications for the 2009 National 4-H Conference** are now being accepted from 4-H members (age 16-19), 4-H volunteers and 4-H staff. The National 4-H Conference is the Secretary of Agriculture's premier youth development opportunity to engage youth in developing recommendations for the 4-H Youth Development Program. Join the California delegation by applying by September 30, 2008. More information is available at <http://www.ca4h.org/conference/n4hc/index.asp>
- **The 2008 4-H Golden Clover Award** program is seeking qualified 4-H members and volunteers to apply for the Robert Brownlee Science Award. Since no recipients were awarded a Brownlee Science Award during the initial 4-H Golden Clover Award selection process in June 2008, this category is being re-opened for additional applications. Due **September 30, 2008**.  
<http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/goldenclover/2008GoldenCloverAwards-ReRelease.pdf>
- **State Records Competition** will again be held without a sectional level competition. Senior records do not have to have been entered in the county record book competition to be able to go to the State Competition. For more information about the format of the records and the competition go to: <http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/recordbook/>. State records competition applications are due to the County 4-H Office by October 7. LA County has a lot senior 4-H members doing great things. Write up your accomplishments and submit them to the state for recognition. For more information contact a member of the I&R Committee.
- **Want to help judge at the 2008 State 4-H Record Book Competition?** Adult 4-H volunteer leaders are invited to apply to act as judges at the State 4-H Record Book Competition. Judge's arrive by 1:00pm on December 5 and judge December 5 through 7. Applications are due September 30, 2008 and available at <http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/recordbook/StateJudging2008/2008-Record-Book-JudgesApp.pdf>
- **4-H Shooting Sports Course, Shotgun Discipline, Ukiah, CA (Cost \$30)** - A shotgun trainer course will be held 9:00am-5:00pm, Saturday and Sunday, October 18-19, 2008 at the Ukiah Gun Club, in Mendocino County. Upon successful completion of this two-day course, participants will be certified as

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4-H leader trainers, and will be eligible to serve as snooting sports project leaders, as well as instruct and certify other volunteers in the discipline of shotgun. For more registration information, contact Linda Edgington (707) 463-4495 or [lgedgington@ucdavis.edu](mailto:lgedgington@ucdavis.edu). If you have questions regarding the course or facility, contact the instructor, John Holder at (707) 485-8445 or [bearhunt56@hotmail.com](mailto:bearhunt56@hotmail.com)

- **The State Leader's Council Meeting** will be held **October 25** from 10am - 3 pm in the Northern California region. Please contact Vicky Bosworth at: [vgboz@comcast.net](mailto:vgboz@comcast.net) for further details on location and time of the meeting.
- **4-H Fur N' Feathers show** - Ventura County 4-H will be hosting its 2<sup>nd</sup> annual 4-H All Breed Shows & Jr. Showmanship Events on **November 15, 2008**. Entries are due by **October 30<sup>th</sup>**. For more information, please click <http://ca4h.org/4hresource/updates/attach/FurFeathers2008.pdf>. \*\*\* Please note - The Premium Book listed on the flyer will soon be posted on the website.
- **The Volunteer Leader website** is a new interactive and growing site that can be seen at <http://ucanr.org/4-hvolunteers/>. There are sections that will change monthly, a 4-H Blog, 4-H Volunteer Voices, and updates in the program. We hope you'll enjoy seeing all the resources you need in one centralized location. In order to build this new section of the website, please send any recent stories of 4-H in the news in your community that you would like to share. You can email these stories to: [fourhstateofc@ucdavis.edu](mailto:fourhstateofc@ucdavis.edu)
- **Do you have experience and interest in computers**, the Internet, digital photography, GPS/GIS, or other tech area? Join the 2009 California 4-H Computer Corps! The 4-H Computer Corps increases the use and awareness of computer technology in the California 4-H Youth Development Program. 4-H members, age 15-19, 4-H volunteers and staff may apply by September 30, 2008. More information is available at <http://ca4h.org/wrp/compcorps/>
- **The Ben & Jerry's Foundation is offering grant funds** of varying amounts to organizations that seek to create social change and exemplify problem solving. For additional information, visit: [www.benjerry.com/foundation/guidelines](http://www.benjerry.com/foundation/guidelines).
- **The National Gardening Association is offering a Youth Garden Grant** in the amount of \$1,000. If you currently have a child-centered garden program that involves at least 15 children between the ages of 3 and 18 years of age, please contact [www.kidsgardening.com/YGG.asp](http://www.kidsgardening.com/YGG.asp) for more information and application materials.
- **Siemens We Can Change the World Challenge** - 4-H members who have great program ideas for helping the environment can enter this national middle school competition. Students will be challenged to identify and come up with solutions to an environmental problem in their community. For more information on how to enter the competition, visit: <http://www.wecanchangetheworldchallenge.com>
- **PBS Kids** is providing youth with exciting, interactive ways to keep healthy this summer by launching the PBS Kids Summer Road Trip to Health. The virtual road trip contains fun episodes teaching about health and on-line activities to do after each episode. For more information, please visit: [www.pbskidsgo.org](http://www.pbskidsgo.org).
- **Do Something** is a website community where young people learn, listen, speak, vote, volunteer, ask, and take action to make the world a better place. Check out their home page here: [www.dosomething.org](http://www.dosomething.org). Do Something's Plum Youth Grants are available to individuals, age 25 or under, who want to further the growth and success of their existing community action projects. Grants of \$500 are given out each week to young community activists in the U.S. and Canada. Applications are

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are given out each week to young community leaders in the US and Canada. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis and stay active for consideration for three months after submission. To apply for these grants, go to [http://www.dosomething.org/plum\\_youth\\_grant\\_application](http://www.dosomething.org/plum_youth_grant_application). You will need to create a project profile and submit an online application.

- **The 32nd Annual National Youth Horse Leaders Symposium**, presented by the American Youth Horse Council (AYHC), will be held on March 27 through 29, 2009 in Lincoln, Nebraska. The Symposium will again include a variety of presentations including live horse demonstrations, roundtable sessions, and classroom presentations on a variety of topics. Additionally, kickoff reception, vendor booths, a silent auction and the Youth Leaders Celebration Awards Banquet allow attendees to have fun and interact throughout the weekend. For more information go to: [www.ayhc.com](http://www.ayhc.com) or call 800-TRY-AYHC or email [info@ayhc.com](mailto:info@ayhc.com).

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