

Clover Lines

South Section Field Day

By Fern Vacca, Ventura Chair South Section 4-H Field Day

Congratulations to Ventura County 4-H members who competed at South Section 4-H Field day with 4-H members from throughout Southern California at Mount San Antonio College in Walnut on May 18.

Here are the results of the competition:

- Share-the-Fun Skit:
 - Santa Rosa Valley 4-H - Audrey Hargleroad, Hannah Harvey, Pilar Martinez, Bailey Morris - Blue
- Mock Interviews:
 - Gracie Morrison, Loma Vista 4-H, Intermediate – Gold
 - Ellie Morrison, Loma Vista 4-H, Senior – Blue
 - Bailey Morris, Santa Rosa Valley 4-H, Intermediate – Blue
 - Dayle Morris, Santa Rosa Valley 4-H, Senior – Gold
- Team Illustrated Talk:
 - Intermediate - Hannah Harvey and Pilar Martinez, Santa Rosa Valley 4-H – Blue
- Impromptu Speech:
 - Intermediate - Bailey Morris, Santa Rosa Valley 4-H – Green
 - Senior - Dayle Morris, Santa Rosa Valley 4-H – Blue
- Extemporaneous Speech:
 - Senior - Dayle Morris, Santa Rosa Valley 4-H – Gold
- Potpourri Judging Contest:
 - Senior - Dayle Morris, Santa Rosa Valley 4-H – Blue



Santa Rosa Valley 4-H Club's Share-the-Fun skit, "The Wizard of Straw", included Audrey Hargleroad, Hannah Harvey, Bailey Morris & Pilar Martinez.



Above: Bailey and Dayle Morris, present the Ventura County 4-H Banner in front of Wellman Hall as part of the State Field Day activities.

Gold medal winners were eligible to compete at State 4-H Field Day at UC Davis on May 25. Thanks yous are deserved by Dayle Morris who was a Judge, Tracy Tennenhouse who served as a room supervisor, and Debbie Meyer-Morris, Chair for the Judges' morning refreshments. Nicole Bellmore, Kai Miyashiro and Malia Miyashiro, of Loma Vista 4-H, made delicious homemade muffins for the Judges as well. Thanks to the Santa Rosa Valley 4-H Club for donating a theme basket for the Judges' opportunity draw at field day.



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100th Anniversary: 100 Tie Blankets for Foster Youth

Countywide Community Service Project June 15, 2013



By Grace Van Splinter and Bailey Morris, Santa Rosa Valley 4-H, Co-Chairs of 100 Tie Blankets for Foster Youth, Revolution of Responsibility Service Project.

California 4-H has challenged each county to spread awareness of the 100th Anniversary of 4-H in California by awarding Revolution of Responsibility grants to youth for community service projects. Grace Van Splinter and Bailey Morris of Santa Rosa Valley's Leadership Development Project, have been awarded a \$1,000 grant to make 100 tie blankets for Ventura County Foster Youth. They are working with Casa Pacifica to get the blankets into the hands of foster youth, but they need 4-H volunteers to make the blankets.

All current 4-H members and 4-H alumni are invited to this community service opportunity on June 15, 2013, at the 4-H Office (669 County Square Dr. in Ventura) from 10-4. The goal is to complete all 100 blankets during this event, as well as for each blanket creator to write a personal note to a foster youth to be attached to the blanket. All materials will be provided, however, interested volunteers are asked to bring a sharp pair of fabric scissors, if they own them.

If you, or a group of people from your club, would like to volunteer or need more information about this community service event, please contact either Grace Van Splinter at 805-312-5084 (text/phone) or Bailey Morris at 805-377-8380 (text/phone). Also, if you or your club would like to reserve a two-hour block of time to volunteer, please send your reservation to gtngvans@roadrunner.com. Thank you for your support.

4-H Seniors Continue to Lead

By Monica Stanley

4-H has been a great training ground and college preparatory program for all of our Ventura County members. Here are a few words from our seniors as they prepare for their next adventure.

Dayle Morris from Santa Rosa Valley will be attending Cal Poly San Luis Obispo to study Agribusiness. She has received many scholarships including: California Scholarship Federation Gold Seal Bearer, United States Figure Skating Association, Graduating Senior Award - Silver, Ronald Reagan Presidential Scholars Foundation - semifinalist, Ventura County Cattleman's Association Scholarship, Milton McKeveatt Teague Scholarship. Her favorite project in 4-H was riflery. She wants to give a special thanks to Herb and Martha Bunch. "They made the biggest impact on my life because they helped me overcome some early challenges in my 4-H life, taught me perseverance, confidence and more than I ever expected to know about lamb breeding and farming."

Savanna Stanley from Citrus Valley will be attending Missouri State University to study Agriculture Communications with an emphasis on International Studies. She has received many scholarships including: Violet Richardson Soroptimist Award, Wendy's Heisman Award, Ventura Unified Education Association, and Lavender Festival. Savanna's favorite project was the swine project. She thanks Italo de los Reyes and Linda Moore for all

their support. Savanna learned that "Responsibility is a big part of life and being responsible gives you a lot of control to accomplish big things."

Nolan Woodruff from Mupu will be attending the University of Wyoming to study Animal Science. He received a Mupu 4-H scholarship and an academic scholarship from the University of Wyoming. Nolan's favorite project was the swine project. He thanks Carole Butler for all her support. "She showed me how to serve others and how to be the most likeable person I can be." The most important life skill that Nolan learned in 4-H was time management.

Zack Plott from Mira Monte will be attending Cal Poly San Luis Obispo to study Forestry. He received scholarships from Ojai Unified School District Teacher's Union and from the Daughter's of the American Revolution. His favorite project was the swine project. He thanks Tom Davidson for teaching him about proper feed, caring and characteristics of pigs. Zack said, "I learned the importance of networking by being in 4-H."

I would like to write about all seniors so please send me stories about their accomplishments at bjackrnch@gmail.com

Announcing Youth Building Entry Incentives

Ventura County 4-H Council is committed to having 4-H positively represented in the community, therefore the Council has voted to fund \$100 in incentives to encourage participation by members in the 4-H divisions in the Youth Building at the Ventura County Fair.

We know that many clubs have amazing projects, such as entomology, wood working, leather crafts, welding, arts and crafts, robotics and other sciences; as well as the traditional sewing, canning and cooking projects. In the past few years; however, not a lot of these projects have been displayed at the Fair for the public to see.

In honor of the 100th Anniversary of 4-H in California, this year for each entry in a 4-H division in the Youth Building, the youth will automatically receive one drawing entry. The drawing will be held immediately prior to 4-H Awards Ceremony at the Fair on Sunday, August 11, 2013. The prize winners will be awarded their prizes during the awards assembly. There will be a total of 16 prizes awarded.

4-H leaders can schedule group appointments to drop off non-perishable entries from their clubs/ projects on the Friday, July 19 and Saturday, July 20 drop off dates. On-line pre-registration is required before the physical drop off of the groups' entries. By pre-registering, the Youth Building volunteers will have pre-printed name tags and spreadsheets for each member at drop off. Foods and perishable entries are due Sunday, July 28, 10-5. The VC Fair Entry Guide is available online <http://www.venturacountyfair.org/pages/3455/>

Remember that 4-H entries in the Youth Building include project work as well as photography, literature, educational display/posters, scrapbooking, etc. that reflect the whole, or part of the 4-H experience. Any questions about eligible entries, please review the Entry Guide or contact Gwyn Vanoni at gwvanoni@ucanr.edu.



Decorated items, like this cake from a Conejo Valley 4-Her last year, are entered into 4-H divisions of the Youth Building.



Other Fair Opportunities to Consider

Academic Rodeo—The Academic Rodeo is an academic team competition for children currently in or having completed the 4th and 5th or 6th, 7th and 8th grades. Competition is open to all public, private, parochial and home schools as well as organized youth groups such as 4-H. Significant cash prizes are available. Entries are due by 4 pm on July 5, 2013. More information is available at <http://www.venturacountyfair.org/pages/3455/>

Uncle Leo's Childrens Barn—The intent of the two Uncle Leo's Contests are to promote understanding and connections between Ventura County's agricultural community and our urban neighbors,

encourage hands-on, experiential learning, and provide a tool to promote the science of agriculture as an important part of Ventura County's past, present and future. *How Does Your Garden Grow?* chronicles the learning process of gardening—Open to individuals and teams. *Ag-Entrepreneur* is open to 9-18 year olds, both team and individual, showcasing a new ag project, product or service. Cash awards are available. Entries due Sunday, July 28th at the Youth Building. More information is available at <http://www.venturacountyfair.org/pages/3455/>



Healthy Living

Healthy Kids Hub Website Helps Out-Of-School Programs Connect with Resources To Support Millions Of U.S. Children

Each of you may serve, work, and/or volunteer for different reasons, but we all share the common goal of wanting to make a positive contribution to kids' lives, so they are equipped with the skills and confidence to become happy and productive adults. Out-of-school-time organizations, like 4-H, can play a key role in promoting health and wellness programs that can impact not only the children, but leaders and families as well. Some of the country's leading out-of-school-time organizations have working diligently on an initiative called Healthy Kids Out Of School to create a set of unified principles for healthy eating and physical activity in out-of-school-time (OST) programs.

Drink Right: Choose water instead of sugar-sweetened beverages.

Move More: Boost movement and physical activity in all programs.

Snack Smart: Fuel up on fruits and vegetables.

Realizing that making these kinds of changes can sometimes be challenging, Healthy Kids Out of School recently launched their Healthy Kids Hub website to help leaders adopt these principles. The Healthy Kids Hub features more than 200 resources developed by leading universities, afterschool organizations, and other non-profits.

<http://www.healthykidshub.org/>

More Record Book News

Youth completing an **Online Record Book** to State Competition will get a special edition "Got ORB" T-shirt.

Chance to Win an iPad Mini!

The end-of-year **Spark Points Surveys** are available June 1st in the 4-H Online Record Book.

ORB will be unavailable Saturday, June 15, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM for scheduled server maintenance.

New Support for Record Book Competition: To help youth and adults understand some specific requirements to submit a successful book to State Competition, a Quick Start Record Book course will be available in mid-June. This 20 minute online course will help youth and adults navigate the Record Book Manual. All youth who plan to submit a Record Book to State Competition will be required to complete this course by October 31st of the year that they are submitting a book.

Updated 4-H Record Book Manual:

<http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Members/RecordBook/RBResources/>



Clover Safe Notes

Clover Safe Notes Spotlight for June: PLANTS POISONOUS TO 4-H ANIMALS (#63). Caring for animals requires feeding them a healthy diet and avoiding foods that may be potentially harmful or toxic. This note highlights some common plants that 4-H project animals could come in contact with.

Clover Safe Notes can be reviewed and printed from the UCANR website at http://safety.ucanr.org/4-H_Resources/Clover_Safe_Notes_by_Number/

The website has safety training and safety coordinator resources on this page. Clover Safe Notes are useful when incorporated into appropriate projects or shared with the club during monthly meetings.



COUNCIL CORNER

Highlights from the Ventura County 4-H Council



At the May meeting of the Ventura County 4-H Council, committee reports were given by Laura Paxson for Equine PDC, Virginia Reyes and Bonnie Frost for Large Livestock and the Awards Taskforce by Jenean Bass. Additionally, Deborah Meyer-Morris reported on the final results of Food Faire/Fashion Revue.

The Centennial Celebration Committee made a plea for additional support and ideas to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of 4-H in California. One of the goals of this committee is to make 4-H more visual during the fair. As part, an incentive plan was approved by the Council to provide \$100 in prizes in a drawing for 4-H members entering into the youth building at the Fair (more details to come).

The 2013-14 program year Council budget was proposed and review. There is an open call for budget comments and changes through June 10th. The budget is available for review as part of the 5/22/13 agenda on the Council webpage (link below). Comments/feedback should be emailed to Gwyn Vanoni (gwvanoni@ucanr.edu) or Jenean Bass at (venturaco4hcouncil@gmail.com).

The next meeting will be **Wednesday, June 26, 2013 at 7 p.m.** at the 4-H Office in Ventura. The proposed 2013-14 County Budget will be presented for review and approval at the June meeting.

If you would like to join a committee, serve as a council board member or add an agenda item, please contact Jenean Bass, Council President, by email at venturaco4-Hcouncil@gmail.com. Agenda items should be received at least 2 weeks prior to the meeting for inclusion. All leaders, parents and members are welcome to attend. Leaders and members 14+ vote on business at the meeting. We hope you will join us!



Celebrations Abound!

4-H in California is celebrating it's centennial this year. To join in the planning committee for the our Ventura County celebrations, please email Gwyn Vanoni at the 4-H office at gwvanoni@ucanr.edu or Deborah Meyer-Morris at morrispartyof4@aol.com

LARGE LIVESTOCK PDC NEWS

Upcoming PDC meetings will be **June 5 at 7:00 p.m. & July 10 at 7:00 p.m.** at the 4-H Office conference rooms.

Attendance at one of the meetings is required by Large Livestock Project Leaders and Teen Leaders (at least one for each project planning to attend the fair).

The Large Livestock PDC program areas include Heifers/Beef, Swine, Goats, Sheep as well as the related care and showman skills. Chair, Virginia Reyes is available at LGLivestockPDC@gmail.com

New Adult Volunteer Leader Certifications for Summer/Fall!

Volunteering is not as scary when you know what the job entails. Ask your club leader or project leader exactly what you can do to help. Attend trainings, and learn more from the job descriptions below. They can also be found on the State 4-H website at <http://www.ca4h.org/Administration/Policies/Chapter6/>.

Club Leader Position Description <http://www.ca4h.org/files/4771.doc>

Activity or Event Adult Volunteer Position Description <http://www.ca4h.org/files/4770.doc>

Project Adult Volunteer <http://www.ca4h.org/files/4772.doc>

Resource/Key Adult Volunteer <http://www.ca4h.org/files/4772.doc>



One volunteer position that currently does not have a position description posted is the Enrollment Specialist (Coordinator). You can view the responsibilities of this position on our website in Word format at <http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/files/79835.doc> or in PDF format at <http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/files/79837.pdf>

R.S.V.P. required. Find the date below that you can attend and R.S.V.P. through the link for that date. The dates for the New Adult Volunteer Leader Certification Training have been scheduled for;

Saturday, June 15, 2013, 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=10792>

Wednesday, August 28, 2013, 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=10794>

Monday, September 30, 2013, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=10793>

Tuesday, October 8, 2013, 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=10795>

The Live Scan fingerprinting form will be mailed to you after your R.S.V.P. is received. We recommend you schedule your appointment as soon as you receive the forms to help diminish delays with the D.O.J.

The trainings will be held at the 4-H Office at 669 County Square Dr., Ventura, CA 93003-9028. The trainings will begin PROMPTLY. Due to the large amount of material, participants **MUST** be on time & **MUST** attend the entire training or they will not have completed this important part of the certification process.

Photos at the Farm Success

More than 20 members, parents and leaders participated in the Photography at the Farm event on May 5th. The goal of the event is to provide 4-Hers an opportunity to photograph the Hansen Agricultural Research Center crops, teaching gardens and historic home and barns.

The 4-H photographers were able to capture the beauty of the farm landscape on the literally picture-perfect day. Bringing every angle to the event, members showed innovation in their techniques and subject selection. Additionally, there was an opportunity to share knowledge through a poster exhibition.

Many youth building entries are expected to come from this event in both 4-H photography and the unique Kids, Cameras & Crops photo contest at the Fair.



The Photography at the Farm event is being moved in the coming year to fall. It is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 29 to capture the beauty and diversity of the Hansen Agricultural Research Center just before pumpkin season.

4-H State Leadership Conference

July 25-28, 2013 at UC Davis
Celebrating 100 years of California 4-H.



This year's theme: ***There's no place like 4-H***

The 4-H State Leadership Conference brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. The conference provides advanced leadership training and is an opportunity for 4-H members to network and share ideas with other 4-Hers from across the state. The conference focuses on providing high school youth with experiential education on leadership development, civic engagement, college admissions and other 4-H project areas.

Youth delegates gain exposure to the campus by living in the residence halls, eating in the dining commons, and participating in educational sessions, many of which are taught by UC faculty and staff.

The conference is planned by a team of high school 4-H members and adult advisors. Working in strong youth-adult partnership, the team designs the educational, recreational and logistical components of the conference.

Participants must have graduated 8th grade in order to attend (ages 13-19). Registration will open in June.
<http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/>



Citizen Science & 4-H Webinar

Wednesday, June 12th 1-2pm

Thursday, June 13th 9-10am *repeated*

<http://citizenscience.org/contexts/youth-development/4-h/webinars>

Citizen science is the involvement of the public in real-world scientific investigations: asking questions, collecting data, and/or interpreting results. Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development, in partnership with the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, and with support from the Noyce Foundation, is building support for citizen science in 4-H contexts to help educators and volunteer leaders use these activities to their fullest potential for SET/STEM learning and civic engagement. Participate in this webinar to learn more about integrating citizen science in your 4-H projects. Take 2-10 minutes to complete this [survey](#) and help them understand how to best support citizen science in 4-H contexts.

4-H Library

BIOSECURITY FOR ANIMAL SCIENCE PROJECTS

UC Cooperative Extension personnel in collaboration with scientists in the UC School of Veterinary Medicine and Veterinary Medicine Extension developed the *Bio-Security in 4-H Animal Science* curriculum. The FREE curriculum is available at [http://anrcatalog.ucdavis.edu/Search/](http://anrcatalog.ucdavis.edu/Search/biosecurity.aspx)

[biosecurity.aspx](http://anrcatalog.ucdavis.edu/Search/biosecurity.aspx). The Bio-Security Proficiencies Project teaches 4-H youth about animal health, disease transmission, risk analysis, risk reduction and disease prevention.



SWINE SPECIFIC—The National Pork Board and American Association of Swine Veterinarians have updated “A Champions Guide to Youth Swine Exhibition.” This comprehensive guide is available for free at <http://www.pork.org/filelibrary/NPB%20A%20Champions%20Guide%20to%20Youth%20Swine%20Exhibition.pdf>

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4-H Calendar

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6/1	VC Fair Tagging Day—Market Goats, Lambs & Swine 8-11am (assigned times for swine on-site)	7/4	4-H Office Closed for Holiday
6/3	Mira Monte & Mupu Club Happenings Articles Due	7/9	Livestock Quality Assurance 10 am @ VC Fairgrounds
6/5	Large Livestock PDC Meeting 7 pm @ 4-H Office	7/10	Large Livestock PDC Meeting 7 pm @ 4-H Office
6/8	South Section Council Meeting 10 – 1 @ Mt. SAC	7/19-21	4-H Youth Horse Fair @ VC Fairgrounds
6/8	Livestock Quality Assurance 10 am @ VC Fairgrounds	7/25-28	State Leadership Conference @ UC Davis
6/10	Deadline for Council Budget Feedback	7/31-8/11	Ventura County Fair
6/11	All-Star Interview @ 4-H Office at 6 pm	8/28	New Leader Certification @ 4-H Office 5 pm
6/15	Blanket Tying Event @ 4-H Office	8/28	4-H Council Meeting @ 4-H Office 7 pm for Leaders and Youth (9 th grade+)
6/15	New Leader Certification @ 4-H Office 10:30am	9/2	4-H Office Closed for Holiday
6/15	ORB Off-line due to Scheduled Maintenance	9/9	Piru & Santa Rosa Valley Club Happenings Articles Due
6/18	Equine PDC Mtg @ Camarillo Marie Callendars 6:45 pm	9/14	South Section Council Meeting 10 – 1 @ Mt. SAC
6/26	Year-End Reporting Refresher @ 4-H Office 5:30 pm	9/30	New Leader Certification @ 4-H Office 6:30 pm
6/26	4-H Council Meeting @ 4-H Office 7 pm for Leaders and Youth (9 th grade+)	10/8	New Leader Certification @ 4-H Office 9:30 am
6/26-30	State Horse Classic @ Brookside Equestrian Center	10/23	4-H Council Meeting @ 4-H Office 7 pm for Leaders and Youth (9 th grade+)