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Fountain of Youth



April 2006

- 7:2** ratio of the average number of television sets to the number of children. (U.S. Census Bureau).
- 28** out of every 100 school children in California are overweight, an increase of 6% from 2001.
(“Fatter Than Ever” *San Francisco Chronicle*, August 25, 2005).
- 100** minimum hours of basketball required for an 85-pound child to burn off the calories from 90 candy bars.
(Samantha Heller, New York University Medical Center).
- 2.3** number of 12-ounce cans of soda teenage boys drink per day, on average.
- 1.7** number of 12-ounce cans of soda teenage girls drink per day, on average.
(New Hampshire Health Professionals for Hathliert School Nutrition, 2003).
- 1 in 4** probability that a 4-6 year-old American boy plays video games every day.
(The Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, Menlo Park, CA).
- 250** estimated amount of glucose used by an adult human brain each day, expressed in M&Ms.
(Harper’s Index, October 1989).
- 73%** of America’s 60 million young people believe they can make a difference in their communities. (Do Something - Young People’s Involvement Survey /Princeton Survey Research, 1998).
- 2.4** amount of billion hours teenagers volunteer annually. (Independent Sector/Gallup, 1996).
- \$34.3 billion** amount teenage volunteer service is worth to the U.S. economy.
(Independent Sector/Gallup, 1999 value of service).
- 50%** of youth who volunteer just one hour a week are less likely to abuse drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, or engage in destructive behavior. (Search Institute, 1995).

Fountain of Youth Facts is a monthly online list of statistics that provides a different and hopefully thought provoking profile of today’s youth. It is produced by the UC Davis 4-H Center for Youth Development and the California Communities Program. Anyone wishing to submit an item should email either cmatthews@ucdavis.edu or jlwoled@ucdavis.edu.



County News

Volunteer Leaders Luncheon

On Saturday, April 1, 2006, the L.A. County 4-H office sponsored its annual 4-H Leader's Recognition Luncheon at the Odyssey Restaurant in Granada Hills. It was a successful event. The LA County Staff would like to thank all the volunteers for their time and dedication to the 4-H program

This years pin recipients were:

1 Year Pin

AUSTIN, JACKIE
BIRRER, TAMMY
CAMACHO, JESSICA
CLARK, SCOTT
ESPINOSA, KIM
GANTENBEIN, JANICE
GARCIA III, LUIZ
GERSTLE, LAWRENCE
GOODE, JEFF
GUTIERREZ, MARIO
HADLEY, DENISE

HAMAMOTO, JOE
HARTMAN, ASHLEY
JIMMINK, LUKE
JOHNSTONE, MOLLIE
KEENER, SUSAN
KIRKMAN, KELLY
KREIMENDAHL, MARY
LAVERGNE, ERNESTINE
MALONE, GREGORY V.
MARTIROSSIAN, TINA
MCCLARAN, KRISTIE

MEANS, VICKI
MEREDYTH, TERI
MOORE, JUDY
MULLEN, TROY
ORDILE, ROSEMARIE
POHLIG, NANCY
SMITH, TOM
WILSON, CHARISSA

5 Year Pin

BERMAN, ERIC
BRIGGS, JEFF
BRIGGS, JULIE
EALY, PATTIE
FUTCH, ROBIN
GOOKIN, BILL

HORVATH, CATHY
HULL, STEVE
JUNG, KATHIE
LEWIS, KATHLEEN
NEUMANN, DENISE
OTTO, NANCY
PICARD, JANET

RACHAL, JAMES
SHEPARD, LORI

10 Year Pin

BUTLER, RAYMOND
CRAMER, ELIZABETH
GREEN, DEANNA
HARTMAN, DERRICK
HATWAN, AL
MACBRIDE, LYNN S
SPAZIANO, MICHAEL

15 Year Pin
BYRNE, WILLIAM L
HORWEDEL, BEVERLY
MARX, PAMELA A

30 Year Pin
KEESE, DEE A
GREGORY, MARGARET M
GREGORY, PAUL A

20 Year Pin
KELLER, NOEL

35 Year Pin
HALES, BARBARA JEAN

25 Year Pin
TONG, MAY J

50 Year Pin
BARNES, ELDORA M

County Project Recognition (Record Book Judging)

The LA County 4-H Project Recognition (Record Book Judging) will be basically the same as last year. July 11 and 12 are the deadlines to turn in records books. Books are due to the LA or AV 4-H office by 4pm on Tuesday, July 11. Books can also be given to a member of the county I&R committee by 10pm on Wednesday, July 12. Plan ahead. Be sure forms are completed and signed appropriately. Books delivered beyond these deadlines are not accepted or judged.

The 2006 4-H project Awards ID Form and Checklist is printed in this in this edition of Clover Notes. Please read over the instructions carefully and follow the directions. When indicating the project area, check that the project area is listed on the back of the Guidelines page. Awards are only given in the project areas indicated on that list.

The results of the county judging of record books are announced at the County Awards Day program on Sunday, July 23, location TBD. To encourage members to submit their records and to attend the County Awards Day program, we plan to again have two drawings at the event. There will be a drawing for a \$15 and a \$10 award from each of the following: those who submit their 4-H records to county competition and those who attend the County Awards Day program (that will result in 4 money awards being given).

If you have any questions, call Noel Keller (909-621-2373) or your district I&R representative.

Check that all 4-H forms are completed correctly

As we approach the end of this 4-H year, we again want to remind leaders and members that it is important that 4-H forms are completed correctly. Please take the time to go over correct record keeping with your club members. Don't wait until the end of the year when everything is in a rush. Remember to have the records reviewed and signed by the appropriate leaders on time. Observe the deadlines when records must be turned in for evaluation and competition. It is not the responsibility of leaders to turn in member records, but as a courtesy to their members, some leaders do turn their members' records in for the competition.

Clubs Represented at County Records Judging

AGAIN THIS YEAR – Please take notice.

Continuing this year, any club that does not have at least one adult representative present for at least one of the judging days will not have their members' records eligible for county awards. Record Books will be judged July 14 and 15 from 9:00am to 5:00pm. If a club does not have a representative there, the record books from that club will not be judged for county awards. Plan ahead. The adult club representative does not have to be experienced at judging record books. There is a Judges' Orientation before the judging on each day. The judging is expected to occur at a central location to be announced. The name(s) of the club representative should be turned into Noel Keller (909-621- 2373) by July 7.

Judges needed for County Project Recognition

Judging the member records (Record Books) for the county competition is always a large task. Leaders are encouraged to volunteer to help with this process. Leaders from all districts will conduct record book judging. It would be advisable to have at least one judge from each club as part of the judging process. No prior judging experience is required. Please call Noel Keller (909-621-2373) or your district I&R representative to volunteer to be a judge.

The record book judging will take place on Friday, July 14 and Saturday, July 15, from 9am to about 5 pm each day, at a central place to be announced.

You could volunteer to judge on Friday, Saturday or both days. A lunch is provided on each day. A Judging team is set up to include judges from different districts and inexperienced judges are paired with experienced ones. Please volunteer to help.

All Star Information

The All Star package for 2005/2006 is under development, and will be available soon. It will be posted on the web at <http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/youth/coming-events.html> within the next several weeks, and will be included in the June Clover Notes.

Los Angeles County, County Council Meeting

The next County Council meeting will be on May 13, 2006 at the LA County Office. At this meeting the council will approve the Calendar, Budget and Slate of Nominees for July election.

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 to Roy Hillstock at the LA County 4-H Office, PO Box 22255, Los Angeles, Ca 90022 or email at rlhillstock@ucdavis.edu

Summer Camp 2006

Summer Camp 2006 is approaching. Plan ahead to attend this great event. Camp Registration for members who submit their application (postmarked) on or before June 1, 2006 fees are \$250.00 per camper; \$275 per camper thereafter. Forms and additional information are available online from Cooperative Extension's website under Summer Camp or at: <http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/youth/coming-events.html>. Let's make this event one to remember!





SUMMER CAMP RESERVATION FORM



FIRST COME – FIRST SERVED

**\$20.00 DEPOSIT PER CHILD
Non-Refundable**

NAME: _____

M _____

F _____



BIRTHDATE ____/____/____

AGE _____

ADDRESS: _____

CLUB _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE (____) _____

NAME: _____

M _____

F _____



BIRTHDATE ____/____/____

AGE _____

ADDRESS: _____

CLUB _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE (____) _____

NAME: _____

M _____

F _____



BIRTHDATE ____/____/____

AGE _____

ADDRESS: _____

CLUB _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE (____) _____

PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PLEASE REMIT THIS FORM TO:
4H OFFICE-UC COOPERATIVE EXTENSION
4800 E. CEASAR E. CHAZEZ AVE.
LOS ANGELES, CA 90022
ATTN: KEITH NATHANIEL
323-260-3845

FORMS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE WEB:

<http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu> or <http://www.4hsummercamp.com>

Record Book Score Sheet

Name _____

Project _____

Judges instructions: Check boxes where appropriate in aiding the 4-Her in completing a better record book.

The items below could be added or improved for a more competitive record book next year

- All required signatures are present
- Optional dividers (undecorated)
- Well organized
- Photos correctly mounted and captioned
- Photos tell a story, relate project work/growth or community service

- DIVISION I - PDR**
- Attendance record
 - Story is about this 4-H year
 - Well-rounded participation

- DIVISION II - "MY 4-H STORY"**
- 4-H story is double spaced
 - Does not exceed 6 pages
 - Records are typed or written in black ink

- DIVISION III 0 4-H PROJECTS**
- Project reports are complete
 - Project story included
 - Project related talk given
 - Project related demonstration given
 - Project related service work
 - Project related leadership given
 - Approved supplemental forms included
 - No more than 3 pages of photos used

- DIVISION IV (Seniors Only)**
- Encouraged to apply for Sectional/State recognition

- DIVISION V (if applicable)**
- Organized for easy reference of information

- Age appropriate recording
- Experienced appropriate recording
- Easily read
- Generally neat
- No more than 3 pages of photos used
- Participation descriptions are clear
- Totals include this yrs records plus previous yrs

- "MY 4-H STORY" REFLECTS:**
- All years in 4-H
 - 4-H and outside of the 4-H experiences
 - Leadership
 - Citizenship and Community Service
 - Goal Setting
 - Accomplishment
 - Personal growth

- PROJECT STORY REFLECTS:**
- 4-H and outside of 4-H experiences
 - Leadership
 - Citizenship and Community Service
 - Accomplishments
 - Personal Growth

The extent use of this form is entirely up to the decision of the judging team.

JUDGES

JUDGING CRITERIA

- 50% Experiences in 4-H projects or activities
- 25% Experiences in leadership
- 25% Experiences in citizenship and Community Development

Date _____

Junior Leader																									
0	3	4	5	6		0	1	3	4	5	0	1	3	4	5	0	1	3	4	5	0	1	3	4	5
x	x	x	x	x																					

Project – Average Score of Project

1. Complete standard minimum requirements and accomplished additional work in relation to age, experience and opportunities
2. Adequate time spent on project
3. Does own work according to project rules
4. Attends project meetings, if they have been held
5. Accomplishes fine quality work, according to age and experience
6. Project record complete, neat and accurate for age of member
7. Exhibits projects at club level. District Field Days, fairs, etc.
8. Shows interest in progress and completion of project
9. Participates in demonstrations and talks relating to project work
10. Project leader evaluation – did member show growth and use improved methods in this project during the year

TOTALS

**2006 LOS ANGELES COUNTY
4-H PROJECT AWARDS (RECORD BOOKS)
IDENTIFICATION FORM AND CHECKLIST**

____ Senior (14 years old & older)
____ Intermediate (12 - 13 years old)
____ Junior (9-11 yrs old, and 4th grdrs)

NAME _____

PHONE (____) _____

BIRTH DATE ____/____/____ AGE ____
(age as of January 1, 2006)

GRADE IN SCHOOL _____ (2005-06)

ADDRESS _____ YRS in 4-H (include current year) _____

CITY _____ ZIP _____

CLUB _____

CLUB LEADER'S NAME _____ PHONE (____) _____

LIST PROJECTS in which you are enrolled and applying for awards:

1st _____ Years in Project _____

2nd _____ Years in Project _____

(See the back of Guidelines for submitting 4-H Member Records for a list of the project areas in which awards are available)

SPECIAL AWARDS

Current Junior/Teen Leaders only: Have you earned a gold Leadership Merit Award patch? ____ Junior ____ Teen ____
This year applying for ____ Junior (grades 7,8) ____ Teen (gr. 9 & above) ____ Neither

Senior member only: (14 yrs. old by Jan. 1, 2006 or older) Senior Award of Excellence
This year applying for ____ Leadership ____ Community Service ____ Achievement ____ none
(if applying for more than one, indicate order of preference with 1 as first choice)

Books are due (you may choose)

July 11- A.V. Office by 4:00 pm

July 11- L.A. Office by 4:00 pm

July 12- to I&R Committee by 10:00 pm

(Lisa Heckel, Noel Keller, Judylynn Pelling, Marilyn Nefas, or Judi Murdock (SFV can turn in to County Office (323) 260-3854)

County Awards Day

Sun., July 23, 2006

Location TBD

**** For your record book to be judged, an adult representative from your club must be present (7/8 or 7/9) for judging. ****

ALL SIGNATURES ARE MANDATORY. All signatures subscribed on application certify that 4-H records are accurate, have been completed by 4-H member and that the community leader supports the member's application.

RECORDS MISSING SIGNATURES WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR COUNTY MEDAL AWARDS OR SPECIAL AWARDS.

Applicant's Signature

Date

As Club Community Leader, I am verifying that this member is enrolled in the project(s) and that the records are accurate.

Your Community Leader's Signature

Date

Please explain any special considerations that you want the judges to be aware of when reviewing these records. _____

Guardian/parent's signature

Date

Attach this form as the first page of the records.

(4/11/2006)

**Checklist
for contents of 4-H member records for
2006 Los Angeles County 4-H Project Awards**

4-H Records submitted in order as listed

Los Angeles County 4-H Project Awards Identification Form & Checklist – attach as the first page
Dividers are highly recommended. Do not decorate dividers.

Division I

4-H Personal Development Report (2005-2006 PY) The story on the front page of the report should pertain to this **4-H year only**. The report may include up to 3 supplemental pages (one side only) of general 4-H photos with captions, such as showing club community service work, club meetings and club activities. No shingling or overlapping of information or photos. No scrap-booking.

Division II

4-H Story: "MY 4-H STORY". This 4-H story should cover **all your years in 4-H** with a focus on the project/activity/cluster in which you are submitting your record. Four to six double-spaced typed or handwritten pages on one side. Use type no smaller than 12 characters per inch. Using a word processing program, use one standard typeface such as TIMES in a 12-point or larger. If handwritten, use black ink on college ruled paper every other line. Expand on your 4-H and outside of 4-H experiences, leadership, citizenship, and community service in your projects/ activity. Emphasize goals set and accomplished and personal growth in 4-H and other experiences. Do not merely repeat information listed elsewhere in your records.

Division III

4-H Projects (One subdivision for each project 4-H member is enrolled in this year) Current year's 4-H project and/or activity records, including supplemental forms, as indicated below. When documenting your years in project, do not include your primary work.

Annual Project Report forms must be included for each project, including leadership.

For each project, a current project story may be included. Photo or other flat creative media pages for a project must be limited to three 8 1/2 x 11 inch pages, one side only (no scrap-booking). Photos and or creative pages may be used to show experiences, leadership, citizenship, and community service in 4-H and outside 4-H in the project area. Created pages (photos, created media) may be from more than just this project year. Sequence pages showing growth in projects/activities are good ways to illustrate experiences. Include appropriate captions to tell your story. (No 4-H correspondence, news clippings, ribbons, certificates or plastic covers; no shingling or overlapping of items). Color and Black/White copies are acceptable. Mount on heavy white paper or card stock.

PHOTOGRAPHY Project: Allows up to 6 additional pages of project photos (one side only). No scrap-booking.

PUBLIC SPEAKING (Communications) Project: Allows up to 6 additional pages of speeches given during the project year.

LEADERSHIP Project: All project members, including Jr. and Teen Leaders, must include a completed Leadership Project Plan and Report form along with an Annual Project Report form for the Leadership Project.

ANIMAL Projects: Allowed supplemental animal/livestock records, i.e. Advanced Dairy and Livestock form, etc.

Division IV

2005 Sectional/State project recognition application. (For Seniors only - optional)

Division V

Past 4-H records. (Seniors may include past information submitted for sectional/state project competition,)

VERIFICATIONS/SIGNATURES

All 4-H members are to check each division to verify all materials are included and information is complete and accurate. All signatures subscribed on the member records and Identification Form certify that 4-H records are accurate, have been completed by 4-H member, and that the community leader supports the member's application. **This ID form and PDR must be signed by the Club Community Leader.** The annual Project Report Form must be signed by the Project Leader.

A Listing of 4-H Project areas available for awards is on back of Guidelines for Submitting 4-H Member Records.

(4/11/2006)

**2006 LOS ANGELES COUNTY
4-H PROJECT AWARDS (RECORD BOOKS)
GUIDELINES FOR SUBMITTING 4-H MEMBER RECORDS**

1. All age categories are as of January 1, 2006. Junior = 9-11 years old (and all 4th graders)
Intermediate = 12-13 years old
Senior = 14 years and older
2. **Do not submit Primary records to County.** Primary 4-H member records are submitted to the project leader or club leader, optionally judged at district, per district decision.
3. All 4-H records submitted must be completed by the 4-H member.
4. Individuals must be enrolled in the project area in which applying for awards.
5. Select up to two projects in which you are enrolled and applying for awards.
(See the other side of this form for a list of the project areas available for awards.)
6. 4-H Records are judged only in categories (projects) listed on the 4-H Project Awards Identification Form & Checklist.
7. If Senior applicant is not awarded County Winner in 1st choice, 2nd choice is judged for possible County Winner. If Junior or Intermediate applicant does not medal in 1st choice project, 2nd choice is judged for a possible medal. Choices are based on project area selected and indicated on the applicant's 4-H Project Awards Identification Form.
8. 4-H Records are to be submitted in an acco-type binder (4-H member binder available from National 4-H Supply).
9. The Checklist indicates the records to be submitted. Extra pages are ignored and not included in the judging. For example, if an 8-page story is submitted under MY 4-H STORY, only the first 6 pages would be read and included in the judging.
10. All signatures subscribed on Identification Form and project records certify that 4-H records are accurate, have been completed by 4-H member and that the community leader supports the member's application.
11. Required leader signatures on related records (Identification form, PDR and Annual Project Report Form) are mandatory for consideration for County medal awards and special awards.
12. Records must be turned in to the LA or AV 4-H office or a member of the County Incentives and Recognition Committee by the County deadline to be judged. Late records are not accepted or judged.
13. It is the responsibility of the 4-H member to have the records turned in to the 4-H office or a member of the County Incentives and Recognition Committee (see below) by the County deadline.
14. Senior 4-H members (14 yrs. or older as of 1/1/2006) may request on the Identification Form that their 4-H records be reviewed for consideration for the L.A. County Senior 4-H Member Awards of Excellence in the areas of Achievement, Citizenship and Leadership. Only those who so indicate will be considered for the award. Only one of each award will be presented in a year. A Member may request to be considered in more than one award area, but cannot be awarded more than one Award of Excellence in a year. A Member may receive a specific Award of Excellence only once.
15. Current Teen and Junior Leaders may request on the Identification Form that their 4-H records be reviewed for consideration for a Junior/Teen Leadership Merit Award. A completed Leadership Project Plan and Report Form (4-H-8034) for 2005-2006 and an Annual Project Report for leadership must be included in the records for consideration for this award. A Member may earn this award once as a Junior Leader (grades 7,8) and once as a Teen Leader (grades 9 and above).
16. If eligible, a 4-H member may request to be considered for both a Leadership Merit Award and a Senior Award of Excellence in the same year. The leadership and senior awards are independent of each other.
17. The judges' decision is final.

Books are due (you may choose)

July 11- A.V. Office by 4:00 pm

July 11- L.A. Office by 4:00 pm

July 12- To I&R Committee by 10:00 pm

County Awards Day

Sunday, July 12, 2006

Location TBD

(Lisa Heckel, Noel Keller, Judylynn Pelling, Judi Murdock or Marilyn Nefas)

(4/11/2006)

4-H Project areas in which awards are available

ANIMAL SCIENCE

Angora Goats
Bees
Beef Cattle
Cavies
Dairy Cattle
Dairy Goats
Dog Care & Training
Embryology
Entomology
Exotic Birds (including Cage Birds)
Horses & Ponies
Llamas
Pets & Small Animals
Poultry and Game Birds
Pygmy Goats
Rabbits
Service Dogs (including Guide Dogs)
Sheep
Swine
Veterinary Sciences
Market Goats

ENGINEERING

Aerospace & Rocketry
Automotive
Bicycles
Electricity & Electronics
Farm Machinery
General Engineering
Safety
Small Engines
Woodworking

SOCIAL SCIENCE

Achievement
Beginning 4-H (1st yr only)
Career Exploration
Citizenship
Community Pride
Communications
Computers
Economics & Marketing
Graphic Arts
Domestic Exchanges
International Exchanges
Leadership
Public Speaking
Self Determined - (plan on file in 4-H County office and with I & R Committee Chair)
Group Determined - (plan on file in 4-H County office and with I & R Committee Chair)

HEALTH AND LEISURE

Camping & Outdoor Adventure
Creative Arts, Crafts & Hobbies (including Cake Decorating)
Cultural Arts & Leisure
Education
Fitness Leadership
Health & Physical Fitness
Individual & Group Sports
Leathercraft
Photography
Shooting Sports

PLANT SCIENCE

Agricultural
Field Crops & Management
Forestry / Christmas Trees
Fruits, Nuts & Berries
Mini-Gardens
Ornamental Horticulture
Other Plant Science
Sugar Beets
Vegetable Gardens & Crops (including school gardens)

RESOURCE SCIENCE

Climatology
Energy Management
Marine Biology and Oceanography
Other Resource Science
SERIES/Y.E.S.
Soil and Water Conservation
Wildlife

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE

Breads
Dairy Foods
Child Development & Care
Clothing & Textiles
Consumer Education
Fashion Revue
Foods & Nutrition
Expanded Food & Nutrition (EFNEP)
Food Preservation
Home Arts & Furnishing Management, Home & Personal Parenting & Childhood Education (PACE Program)

Senior 4-H Member Awards of Excellence

Senior 4-H members (14 yrs. or older as of 1/1/2006) may request that their 4-H records be reviewed for consideration for the 2006 L.A. County Senior 4-H Member Awards of Excellence in the areas of Achievement, Citizenship and Leadership. Signatures are mandatory for award consideration. Only one of each award will be presented in a year. A Member cannot be awarded more than one Award of Excellence in a year. A Member may receive a specific Award of Excellence only once.

Junior/Teen Leadership Merit Award

Current Teen and Junior Leaders may request that their 4-H records be reviewed for consideration for a Junior/Teen Leadership Merit Award. The records must include a completed Leadership Project Plan and Report Form (4-H- 8034) and an Annual Project Report Form for Leadership for 2005-2006. Signatures are mandatory for award consideration.

A Member may earn this award once as a Junior Leader (grades 7,8) and once as a Teen Leader (grades 9 and above).

(4/11/2006)

Southern Sectional News

Southern Sectional Field Day

Mt. SAC is also the home of South Section Field Day, May 20, 2006. Park in Grey Lot G (most convenient) or Blue Lot D-2, and go to the Building 26 courtyard area.

Entry forms for South Sectional Field Day were due by April 8, 2006 (Sectional Leaders Council meeting). All forms must be submitted by each County Representative, with one county check for the entry fees.

Sectional Field Day gold medalists & parents: Please be prepared to decide that day, after the awards presentation, whether you can attend State Field Day, held on Saturday, May 27, 2006, at UC Davis. Registration will be held following the awards presentation. Also, please be prepared to volunteer for judge or room host duties. Everyone should help in order for the event to run smoothly!

State News

2006 State 4-H Leadership Conference

Registration information for the 2006 State 4-H Leadership Conference, being held August 10-13, 2006 at UC San Diego, will be available May 1, 2006. This four-day leadership conference will give you an opportunity to meet fellow high-school 4-H members from across the state. The conference will feature keynote speakers, educational tracks and workshops, and lots of fun! During the evenings, enjoy a carnival, pool party and dance. Registration is due to your county 4-H office by June 16, 2006. For more information, visit the conference website at: <http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc/> or call Roy Hillstock at (323) 260-3854.

2006 State 4-H Field Day

The 2006 State 4-H Field Day will be held on Saturday, May 27, 2006 at UC Davis as part of the new State 4-H Field Day. Bring the family for this fun day filled with presentations, horticulture, judging, fashion, food, and fun! Registration is being conducted online at: <http://ca4h.org/wrp/spd/>. Deadline is: May 22, 2006.

California State 4-H Fashion Revue

The California State 4-H Fashion Revue will be held in conjunction with the State 4-H Field Day events at UC Davis on May 27, 2006. County winners in the categories of: Traditional (sewn from scratch), Recycled, Wearable Art, Purchased, and Needle Arts, are eligible to participate. Age divisions are: junior (9-11), intermediate (12-13), and senior (ages 14 and up). Entry forms are available on the Fashion Revue website: <http://ca4h.org/projresource/fashion/>. Entries are due to registrar Janie Durston (shelba@prodigy.net) by May 13, 2006.

California Range and Natural Resources Camp

The 22nd Annual California Range and Natural Resources Camp for students 15-18 years of age will be held June 18-23, 2006 at Elkus Ranch in Half Moon Bay. Sessions and activities include: Riparian Watershed Management, Rangeland Management, Wildlife Managements, Forestry, Careers, etc. Information and applications are available at <http://www.casrm.org/CaSRM11.shtml>. Deadline for applications is May 15, 2006.

2006 National 4-H Technology Leadership Conference

The 2006 National 4-H Technology Leadership Conference will be held July 23-27, 2006 at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. Youth and adult delegates will participate in technology tracks such as web, aerospace, robotics, GPS, biotechnology and much more! More information is available at: <http://www.ca4h.org/compcorps/2006-4HNTLC-Registration.pdf>. Registration deadline is May 15, 2006 to the State 4-H Office.

How do you use technology in 4-H

National 4-H Council and National 4-H Headquarters want to know what you think about technology and how you use technology in 4-H! Your ideas and opinions will help the national leadership to improve the technology resources that they provide to the 4-H community. The survey is open to 4-H youth, volunteers, and staff. The results will help National 4-H Council and Headquarters to make critical decisions about their future use of technology to enhance the 4-H experience. To complete your survey, visit: www.4-Hsurvey.com

2006 California 4-H State Leaders' Forum

2006 California 4-H State Leaders' Forum will be held on November 17-19, 2006 at Asilomar. The theme is *4-H Leadership 101*. Registration and call for workshop proposals can be found at: <http://ca4h.org/conference/slf/>. Deadline for proposals is: July 1, 2006.

Experiential Learning website

Check out this new Experiential Learning website from the UCCE Science, Technology and Environmental Literacy workgroup. Visit: <http://www.experientiallearning.ucdavis.edu/default.shtml> for Experiential Learning background information, lesson plans, evaluation materials, and a variety of resources for youth, adults and staff to use. For more information or to schedule a workshop, contact Lynn Schmitt-McQuitty, 4-H Youth Development Advisor in Santa Cruz County, at: lschmittmcquitty@ucdavis.edu

Programs of Distinction

Programs of Distinction is a collection of programs that reflect the high quality of 4-H youth development programs occurring in communities across the United States. It is supported by the 4-H system partners and coordinated through National 4-H Headquarters and the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSREES). There is no entry deadline. For more information, visit <http://www.national4-hheadquarters.gov/about/pod.htm>

Youth Development in the 21st Century

Youth Development in the 21st Century will be held on May 4-5, 2006 at the UC Davis campus. This symposium is organized to frame issues and opportunities related to youth development in the future and to provoke thinking and action on the part of our system related to youth development around the following themes: Youth and Engagement, Youth and Health, and Youth and Culture. Youth development advisors, program representatives, youth development professionals and UC youth development academics are invited to participate. For information and registration, visit: <http://groups.ucanr.org/Youthdevconf>

National News

Speak up and take the National 4-H Technology Survey!

National 4-H Council and National 4-H Headquarters want to know what you think about technology and how you use technology in 4-H. Your ideas and opinions will help the national leadership of 4-H to improve the technology resources that they provide to the 4-H community. It's your chance to speak up and tell National 4-H Headquarters and National 4-H Council what you're looking for!

The survey is open to 4-H members of all ages, including youth, volunteers, and staff! The results will help National 4-H Council and National 4-H Headquarters to make critical decisions about their future use of technology to enhance the 4-H experience.

Complete your survey today!

www.4-Hsurvey.com

DeVry University Offers Two Opportunities:

High school students can earn no-cost college credits this summer with DeVry University's Passport2College (P2C) program. This six-week program gives rising juniors and rising seniors the opportunity to take a three or four credit college-level course AND EARN CREDIT AT NO TUITION COST. Because DeVry University is a regionally accredited university, these credits are transferable to other academic institutions. For more information about P2C and classes offered during this summer program please go to: www.devry.edu/dc/p2c and download a copy of the brochure.

A day-long Young Women in Technology workshop at DeVry University's Arlington, Va., campus encourages and reinforces the interest of young women (H.S. females) in technology. The event is designed to provide educators with the skills to encourage and reinforce young women's interest in these career fields, to introduce young women to motivational and inspirational female role models currently working in technology-related fields, and to increase the number of young women pursuing technology-related careers.

For more information about either opportunity, contact Laverne Gosling, director, community relations at 703-414-4075 or email lgosling@dc.devry.edu.

Calendar of Events

May

3	NSG Council & Hi 4-H Meeting
5	Cinco de Mayo
6-7	Camp Staff Training Weekend
8	SFV Council Meeting
9	SSG Council & Hi 4-H Meeting
11	I&R Meeting
13	County Council Meeting / Camp Committee Meeting
14	Mother's Day
18	SGV Fair Evaluation Meeting
20	Southern Sectional Field Day
22	AV Council, Hi 4-H & Horse Meeting
27	State Field Day
27	Memorial Day

June

7	NSG Council & Hi 4-H Mtg.
10	Southern Sectional Leaders & Teen Council mtg. / ACA Camp Training at Pierce College
13	SSG Council & Hi 4-H meeting
17	Camp Directors mtg. & Chaperone Orientation
18	Fathers Day
24	Staff Training Day at Camp
30	End of 2005-2006 Program Year

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4-H All Stars

The 2005-2006 All-Star Candidate(s):

- **Vanessa Cramer**
- **Felicia Byrne**
- **Heather Ealy**
- **Chris Otto**

The All-Star Advisor is

- **Elizabeth Cramer**

The County Leadership Team consists of all the prior years' County 4-H All-Stars that are still active 4-H members. This year the team includes:

- **Desiree Cramer**
- **Jennifer Heckel**

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