

June 2011

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. 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 323-260-3854. For upcoming dates, please visit the [4-H Calendar](#). We look forward to continuing to serve you and your 4-H needs.

POLICY

Policy Highlight of the Month

The end of the 4-H program year is near (June 30) and I'm sure each of you has greatly impacted and enhanced the lives of the 4-H youth in your club. You have been a mentor, a leader, a teacher, a facilitator, a coach, and a friend to 4-Hers throughout the year. How can we harness the work you've done with them this year and translate it into the public having a better understanding of the work of 4-H? One way, is to have 4-H youth complete a record book. The record book documents in detail the value the program is having on the lives of 4-Hers and shows how impactful the experience has been. I encourage each of you to ask your 4-H members to consider doing a record book and capture their 4-H experience during this program year. I want to compile the information from the completed record books into a document that can be shown to county supervisors, state legislators and University of California representatives to demonstrate the value of the 4-H program.

It is my hope that the information I glean from the record books along with other evidence will continue to strengthen the perception and value of 4-H. The University of California, like other public institutions, continues to face the fiscal pressures of budgetary constraints, so the more we can document our worth, the better position 4-H looks.

- **Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club Announces New Board Members**

The Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club recently elected their new board for the 2011-2012. The board members are as follows: Pres. Candace Corrales, 1st VP Delany Del Ponti, 2nd VP Alex Kasperovich, 3rd VP Rachel Klose, Secretary Meghan Tahbaz, Treasurer Hayden Hinsch, Community Service Ru Ekanayake, Reporter Ivory MacCracken, Historian Kiran Ekanayake, Corresponding Secretaries Jenny O'Daniel and Wesley Rich, Sargeant of Arms, Ciel Kozlowski, Recreation McKenna Mottram, Parliamentarian Trudy Del Ponti, Flag Chairman Katie O'Daniel, Recreation Courtney Calleja.



- **Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club Hike**
Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator



On Sunday, May 22, 2011, the **Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club** and members of their Wildlife Project took an early morning jaunt to Chantry Flats in the Los Angeles National Forrest. During the 5-mile hike, youth and their accompanying families were able to see cascading waterfalls, magnificent oak trees and other delightful flora and fauna. Youth members were even treated to sightings of mysterious Pacific Newts!



All of the clubs in Los Angeles County 4-H have something to offer everyone--with a wealth of enriching events and activities to partake in. PVP 4-H Club welcomes youth from all clubs, not matter what project they are in, to attend one of their hikes in the future. Details to be announced.

COUNTY

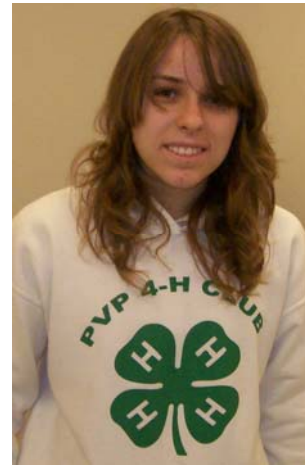
- **Amanda Ho and Candace Corrales, California 4-H State Ambassadors**
Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

There are many special honors bestowed on deserving youth in the California 4-H State Program, and the **California 4-H State Ambassador** position is one of the highest forms of recognition in the *University of California 4-H Youth Development Program*. 4-H State Ambassadors are youth who have a proven track record of excellence in leadership and community service in their local club, as well as throughout the county and state, and are meant to be exemplary “ambassadors” of the 4-H Program in their community and beyond.

For a 14 month term, California 4-H State Ambassadors assume the responsibility of:

- Acting as State 4-H representatives at local, sectional and statewide programs and activities
- Coordinating, planning and implementing the 4-H State Leadership Conference
- Providing donor stewardship support to the *California 4-H Foundation*
- Identifying needs in the 4-H Youth Development Program and making recommendations to the program
- In coordination with other California 4-H State Ambassadors, a team is formed and a “Service Project” is developed and implemented throughout the state.

Amanda Ho, of the *Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club* and **Candace Corrales**, also of the *Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club*, will receive the honor of **California 4-H State Ambassadors** in the “Southern 4-H Section” of the State of California for 2011/2012.



More than well deserving of this award in many areas, both girls have a variety of skills that they have developed in 4-H, as well as on their own, that make them exemplary State Ambassadors.

Amanda Ho is a Los Angeles County 4-H All Star, a six-year member of the Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club, 3rd Vice President of her club, and the 2011 Queen of the San Gabriel Valley 4-H Fair. She has worked at the SGV 4-H Fair for six years (as a youth director for four years and an executive director for two years). Amanda was President of one of the only AAU 4-H Pigeon clubs in the nation. She has raced pigeons for four years, and her pigeons have flown in races over 400 miles (while being in the top 10 percent of all pigeon racers in the County). This year, Amanda won County and Sectional in the Knitting Division of Fashion Revue. She has been a Teen Leader for two club projects-- *Scrapbooking* and *Heritage Arts*. She was instrumental in starting the *Heritage Arts Project* at her club and is also involved with outside organizations, leading committees at both the *South Bay Chinese School* and the *Ridgecrest Intermediate School*.

Candace Corrales is also a Los Angeles County 4-H All Star, and a ten-year member of the Palos Verdes Peninsula 4-H Club. Candace has been a Teen Leader for five projects for two years in *Clothing & Textiles*, *Marine Biology*, *Archery*, *Leadership* and *Martial Arts*. She also created a club *Martial Arts Project* on her own. Candace is currently a Second Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do, and is quickly approaching her Third Degree Belt. Candace has assisted in conducting Record Book Clinics for her club and has also secured a new leader for a *Public Speaking Project*. In years past, she has held the offices of Reporter, 1st Vice President, 3rd Vice President, Junior All Star and Junior Leader for five projects.

Los Angeles County 4-H is very proud of Amanda and Candace, and we look forward to their representation of the 4-H Program in Los Angeles, and throughout the state. To find out how to become a California 4-H State Ambassador look here: <http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/Leadership/SA/>

- **4-H Summer Camp**
Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

4-H Summer Camp is scheduled for **June 26-July 2, 2011** 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! The cost to attend the camp is \$275 per person if deposit is paid by May 1, 2011. Full or partial camperships may be available for those who need financial assistance to attend. 4-H Camp is limited to the first 200 youth who reserve a spot. Summer camp sold out last year, so send in the \$75 deposit today

To apply for camperships go to: [2011 Robert P. Amman Memorial Campership Application Download](#)

For more details or to register online go to: <http://4hsummercamp.com/> or call Dr. Keith Nathaniel, UCCE/Los Angeles County 4-H at (323) 260-3845 or Carrie DeYoung, Camp Director at (818) 886-8028.



Late Camp Registration: \$400.00 postmarked after 6/2/11 to 6/10/11.

All camp registration fees need to be received no later than June 15, 2011

- **Los Angeles County 4-H presents the...**

Grow Your Club Competition and ***Most Innovative Outreach Plan Competition!***

Help the Los Angeles County 4-H Program grow! Los Angeles County 4-H has been awarded a special grant from the California 4-H Foundation earmarked for marketing and outreach. These funds will assist us in proceeding with an established five year overall marketing plan. There are two exciting new opportunities for youth to work individually, or as a club team, to develop innovative outreach strategies and grow their club at the same time!

Grow Your Club Competition

Every club in Los Angeles County 4-H is invited to participate in the ***Grow Your Club Competition*** by creating club advertisements, through word of mouth, participating in planned speaking engagements, designing and distributing fliers, hosting club “open house” events, and employing creative outreach strategies of their own.

First Place will go to clubs who increase their membership by 20% (no matter what the club size). Winning clubs (and there can be more than one) will receive a club pizza party and a 4-H Mall shopping spree for \$200.

Second Place will go to clubs who increase their membership by 10%. Winning clubs will receive a club pizza party.

Third Place will go to clubs who increase their membership by 5%. Winning clubs will receive a 4-H Mall shopping spree for \$50.

The ***Grow Your Club Competition*** should be a team/club activity which seeks to enlarge your club membership. Youth membership increases are based on Enrolled Club Members (on the 4-H On-Line Enrollment System). Winners will receive a pizza party and/or shopping spree. The “Grow Your Club Competition” will start **July 1, 2011** and run until **June 30, 2012**. Club Leaders must notify the County Office that you will be participating in the competition by **September 1, 2011** by calling (323) 260-3859 or at dafuller@ucdavis.edu (otherwise your club is not eligible to win prizes).

Most Innovative Outreach Plan Competition

Youth members design their own innovative and creative outreach plan and submit it to the County Office for a chance to win a \$100 gift card. Youth may participate in this competition as a team, or on their own. For team entries, teams will spend their gift card as a group. Plans for the ***Most Innovative Outreach Plan Competition*** must be turned in **September 30, 2011**, and a final written overview of the outcome of the plan must be submitted **March 30, 2012**, to the County Office.

- **Project Pioneers in the New Year**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

The new 4-H year begins July 1, 2011, and that means new projects, new officer positions and new adventures in the Los Angeles County 4-H Program. Did you know that even though you belong to a certain club, and participate in particular projects for that club, you can also “cross-project” all over Los Angeles County in different clubs? Any project you might find interesting you can join (after speaking to the club leader)! Los Angeles County 4-H is unique, in that while we still have some clubs in rural areas, much of the landscape of Los Angeles is urban. Science, Engineering and Technology and other non-traditional projects are a big focus in Los Angeles--alongside traditional livestock projects, clothing and textiles projects, foods and nutrition and many others we have loved since time immemorial.



Clubs all over Los Angeles are making 4-H History with innovative projects for youth to learn citizenship, leadership and life skills, while embarking on other fascinating adventures. Last year was a landmark year for pioneering new projects. Here are a few that really caught the attention of many youth in Los Angeles:

Marine Biology
Martial Arts
Pigeon Racing
Magic
Skiing

Robotics
Surfing
Bicycles
Legos
Camping

Bees
Flat Art
Wildlife Exploration
Jr. Master Gardeners

Dance
Heritage Arts
Bread Making
Bowling

In the new year, why not try a new project that will expand your 4-H experience? Perhaps you would like to be a Junior or Teen Leader for a fledgling project. Junior Leaders (Intermediate) must be in grades 6-8, or if home-schooled, must be at least 11 and no more than 13 years old as of December 31 of the program year. Teen Leaders (Senior) must be in the ninth grade or above, or if home-schooled, must be at least 14 years old as of December 31 of the program year.

To find out what projects are available in other clubs, contact the County Office at (323) 260-3859. A project fee may be applied to some projects, and the club leader will be able to provide this information for you. Welcome to Los Angeles County 4-H—“Land of the Project Pioneers!”

- **Record Books**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

Record Books are due to the County Office on **Wednesday, September 14, 2011**, by **4:00 p.m.** or by **9:00 p.m.** to an **Incentives & Recognition Committee Member** on **Thursday, September 15, 2011**.

Record Books may be turned in several places:

The Los Angeles County 4-H Office
|UC Cooperative Extension
4800 East Cesar E. Chavez Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90022
(323) 260-3859

The Antelope Valley 4-H Office
UC Cooperative Extension
335 East Ave K-10 Suite 101
Lancaster CA, 93535
(661) 974-8824

Or, arrange to drop your book off with an **Incentives and Recognition Committee Member**:

Judylynn Pelling: [jlpelling@yahoo.com](mailto:jlPELLING@yahoo.com)

Noel Keller: Noel_Keller@hmc.edu

Dee Keese: swimdude64@earthlink.net

Carrie De Young: csdeyoung@socal.rr.com

If you have any members in your club turning in a Record Book, a club volunteer must sign-up for one of the following two Record Book Judging Dates with **Noel Keller**, *Incentives & Recognition Committee Chair* at Noel_Keller@hmc.edu. No more than three volunteers from the same club on any given day please. See judging dates below:

Saturday, September 17, 2011

8:45 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Good Shepherd Lutheran School

6338 N. Figueroa Ave.

Los Angeles, CA 90042

Saturday, September 24, 2011

8:45 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Good Shepherd Lutheran School

6338 N. Figueroa Ave.

Los Angeles, CA 90042

*Following the County Council Meeting on **July 9, 2011** at the County Office (4800 East Cesar E. Chavez Ave., Los Angeles, 90022), there will be a **Record Book Training** from **Noon to 2 p.m.** Come find out how to complete a Record Book, or just brush-up on what you already know! Contact **Charlene** to sign-up or find out more information at moore@ucdavis.edu or call at **(661) 974-8824**.

- **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

- 1) Combine the sugar, half and half and vanilla extract in the pint-size bag, and seal it tightly.
- 2) 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.
- 3) 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/>

- **New! Volunteer Application Process**

Many of you may be aware that we are implementing a new volunteer application process for better management, tracking and efficiency of new volunteers. Several factors were considered before implementing the new system:

- 1) Too many volunteers did not complete the full enrollment process and started working with youth at the project level before being cleared
- 2) Unnecessary risk for the University
- 3) A more efficient and accurate new volunteer database
- 4) Community Club leaders were not aware of new volunteers in their club
- 5) Better control and management of new volunteers

The new volunteer application process is as follows:

- 1) Prospective volunteer is sent the link to the application on-line, or applies on-line through the website or on their own.
- 2) Prospective volunteer completes application on-line.
- 3) 4-H Staff will review the application.
- 4) 4-H Staff will contact prospective volunteer regarding orientation.
- 5) Prospective volunteer attends orientation.
- 6) Following the orientation, prospective volunteers are sent a fingerprinting packet in which they have 60 days to complete the fingerprinting process. If they do not complete the process within 60 days they will not be accepted.
- 7) When cleared, the prospective volunteer is notified. The Community Club Leader is also notified.
- 8) A "volunteer card" is generated and sent to the club leader. The volunteer is now able to begin volunteering.

- **New Leaders' Training**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

Let's start the new 4-H year with new volunteers! There will be a **New Leaders' Training** offered on **Saturday, July 9, 2011**, following the County Council Meeting. The training will be from **Noon to 2 p.m.** and will be held at the *UC Cooperative Extension LA County 4-H Office (4800 East Cesar E. Chavez Avenue, LA, 90022)*. If you have potential leaders interested in volunteering for Los Angeles County 4-H, now is the time to get them fingerprinted! Only those who have successfully cleared fingerprinting are eligible to attend the training.

To find out more about the training or to sign-up by the *deadline of July 5, 2011*, just email **Dawn** at dafuller@ucdavis.edu or call at **(323) 260-3859**.

- **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 Eagle of the Ninth](#)

by Rosemary Sutcliff

[The Hobbit](#)

by J.R.R. Tolkien

[Alice's Adventures in Wonderland](#)

by Lewis Carroll

[Charlie and the Chocolate Factory](#)

by Roald Dahl

[The Secret Garden](#)

by Frances Hodgson-Burnett

[The Talking Parcel](#)

by Gerald Durrell

[War Horse](#)

by Michael Morpurgo

[Because of Winn-Dixie](#)

by Kate DiCamillo

[Emil and the Detectives](#)

by Erich Kästner

[Inkheart](#)

by Cornelia Funke

[A Wrinkle in Time](#)

by Madeleine L'Engle

[The Wind in the Willows](#)

by Kenneth Grahame

[The Adventures of Tom Sawyer](#)

by Mark Twain

[Tom's Midnight Garden](#)

by Philippa Pearce

[The Book Thief](#)

Markus Zusak

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

by Terry Pratchett

[Magic \(Series\)](#)

by Edward Eager

[The Beasts of Clawstone Castle](#)

by Eva Ibbotson

[Danny the Champion of the World](#)

by Roald Dahl

[Charlotte's Web](#)

by E.B. White

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

by Eoin Colfer

[The City of Ember](#)

by Jeanne DuPrau

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

by Laura Ingalls Wilde

[Coraline](#)

by Neil Gaiman

[The Machine Gunners](#)

by Robert Westall

[Anne of Green Gables](#)

by Lucy Maud Montgomery

[The Borrowers](#)

by Mary Norton

[Boy](#)

by Roald Dahl

[Holes](#)

by Louis Sachar

[The Graveyard Book](#)

by Neil Gaiman

[The Phoenix and the Carpet](#)

by E. Nesbit

[The Lantern Bearers](#)

by Rosemary Sutcliff

[The Silver Sword/Escape from Warsaw](#)

by Ian Serraillier

[Treasure Island](#)

by Robert Louis Stevenson

[The Sheep-Pig](#)

by Dick King-Smith

[The Mozart Question](#)

by Michael Morpurgo

[The Pendragon Adventure \(Series\)](#)

by D. J. MacHale

[Percy Jackson & the Olympians \(Series\)](#)

by Rick Riordan

[Silverwing](#)

by Kenneth Oppel

[The Spiderwick Chronicles](#)

by Tony DiTerlizzi & Holly Black

[Stig of the Dump](#)

by Clive King

[Leven Thumps \(Series\)](#)

by Obert Skye

[The Harry Potter Books](#)

by J.K. Rowling

[His Dark Materials \(Trilogy\)](#)

by Philip Pullman

[The Chronicles of Narnia](#)

by C.S. Lewis

[The Weirdstone of Brisingamen](#)

by Alan Garner

[A Series of Unfortunate Events \(Series\)](#)

by Lemony Snicket

*Book list courtesy ABE Books.

- **Thank You LA Sparks!**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

The **LA Sparks** (Los Angeles Women's National Basketball Association-WNBA) has invited members of Los Angeles County 4-H to attend their opening night game at the Staples Center on Friday, June 3, 2011. Founded in 1997, the LA Sparks have a reputation for being a champion team: **WNBA Championships:** 2 (2001, 2002), **Conference Championships:** 3 (2001, 2002, 2003) and **Playoff Appearances:** 10 (1999-2006, 2008, 2009, 2010). Lisa Leslie (one of the most well-known WNBA players) helped the team to garner many first-time honors over the years and to place the LA Sparks in a prominent historical position in the WNBA.

In addition to being a champion team, the LA Sparks have made quite a reputation for themselves as community servants, serving Thanksgiving dinners on Skid Row, visiting cancer patients at Cedar-Sinai Hospital, hosting toy drives, supporting the "I Have a Dream Foundation," as well as assisting in a number of other noteworthy events and activities. We would like to specifically thank **Stephen Robbins** from the LA Sparks for providing tickets to one of the most exciting games of the season. LA Sparks, we appreciate you!



- **2010 UCCE Annual Report**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

The 2010 University of California Cooperative Extension (UCCE) Annual Report is in! 4-H is featured prominently in the annual report with highlights of the many wonderful events and activities held throughout the year. Way to go Los Angeles County 4-H!

http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/2010_Annual_Report/

- **Outreach Round-Up**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

The Ag Commissioner/Department of Weights and Measures provided 4-H promotional materials to attendees for the AG Day LA program.

Los Angeles County 4-H will host a booth at the Pasadena City College Volunteer Fair on Thursday, May 5, 2011.

In addition to becoming a “fan” on Facebook, join us as a fan on the Los Angeles County 4-H YouTube Channel! The Los Angeles County 4-H Pet Symposium Video (2010) is now available on the Los Angeles County 4-H YouTube Channel and on the UCCE Website.

<http://www.youtube.com/user/LosAngelesCounty4H>

http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H_Youth_Development_Programs/Pet_Symposium.htm

- **4-H Volunteer Resource Library**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

The **4-H Volunteer Resource Library** at the Los Angeles *UC Cooperative Extension* houses many useful and informative curriculum tools for 4-H Club and Project Leaders new and old. If you haven't spent some time browsing the wonderful resources available to leaders, you owe it to yourself to have a look! The library houses books in almost all project areas including: Small Pets & Animals, Cooking, Sewing, Gardening, Science, Engineering & Technology, Mathematics, Theatre, Cultural Studies and many more.

The **Volunteer Resource Library** is open for use by appointment **Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.**, at the *Los Angeles County UC Cooperative Extension*, 4800 E. Cesar E. Chavez Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90022. Please feel free to call **Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator**, & find out what is available at **(323) 260-3859**.

- **Be a 4-H All-Star**

All-Star is the highest rank that a 4-H member can achieve at the County level. The All-Star award affords 4-H members the opportunity to further develop their leadership skills on a countywide basis. Each year Los Angeles County selects several 4-H members who have applied and are deserving of this rank to become All-Stars. The Los Angeles County 4-H Program expects its All-Stars to contribute to the 4-H Program during the next program year. For more information go to:

http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/4H_Youth_Development_Programs/Applications.htm.

- **Los Angeles County, 4-H Leaders' Council**

The Los Angeles County, 4-H Leaders' Council is a group of 4-H Leaders that meets bi-monthly and organizes many 4-H activities for Los Angeles County. Find out who hold what seat, read past minutes and agendas for future meetings at: http://celosangeles.ucdavis.edu/Los_Angeles_4-H_Leaders_Council/. The next Leader's Council meeting will be May 14, 2011 from 10-noon, at the LA Office.

- **Online Re-Enrollment** – The time is coming for current 4-H members and leaders to re-enroll. After July 1, 2010, each 4-H member and leader will need to log in to their family profile and re-enroll. To assist in this process, download the "How to Re-Enroll" form from the LA County website. You can access this sheet by clicking [here](#). The 4-H Online Enrollment website is: <https://california.4honline.com/>. Remember, you must be currently enrolled to participate in 4-H and 4-H activities. The fees are \$15 for youth and \$6 for adults. If you have any questions please call Roy Hillstock at (323) 260-3854.

- **A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words**

Dawn Fuller, 4-H Program Coordinator

We would love to see all the fun activities your club has been involved in throughout the year. Please send in any photos of your club activities/events that you would like to be included in the slideshow for the Leaders' Luncheon and special newsletter features. You can email them to: dafuller@ucdavis.edu. Here's looking at you!

- **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, rhillstock@ucdavis.edu.

- **Dates To Remember:**

- 6/1 NSG Council & Hi 4-H mtg.
- 6/4 AV Horse Rain Date
- 6/11 4-H Leaders' Training
Summer Camp Staff Training
- 4-H Sectional Council & Teen Council mtg.
- 6/19 Fathers Day
- 6/26-7/2 4-H Summer Camp
- 6/27 AV Council & Hi 4-H mtg.

SECTIONAL

- TIC – Teen Involvement Conference

The California 4-H South Section Teen Involvement Conference (TIC) is a three day youth leadership conference for high school aged 4-H members of the south section. Youth who attend this conference will have a chance to: gain new leadership techniques, learn teamwork skills, obtain information on opportunities 4-H has to offer at a sectional and state wide level, meet 4-H members from across the state, participate in community service activities, and much more! The conference is completely planned and ran by the youth officers, teen council members, and volunteers. Go to:

http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Volunteers/Councils/Sectional/South/Teen_Involvement_Conference/ for more information.

STATE

- Eastman Kodak Company, The Conservation Fund, and the National Geographic Society have teamed up again this year to present the **2011 Kodak American Greenways Awards** in which organizations can be selected and honored for their work at improving greenways, trails or waterways in their community. If you would like to apply for the award, visit: <http://grants.conservationfund.org> for details. The applications are due **June 15th**, with grants ranging from \$500 - \$2,500.

- **4-H Science, Engineering, and Technology Southern California Workshop**

Saturday, June 18, 2011 from 9:00am - 4:00pm
Los Angeles County (Mt. San Antonio College)
1100 N Grand Ave, Walnut, CA 91789

Cost to Attend: **FREE!**

Counties are invited to send a team of 4-H teen leaders (age 12 and older), 4-H volunteers, 4-H staff, and afterschool partners. This professional volunteer development opportunity will help prepare 4-H volunteers, teens and staff to incorporate science, engineering, and technology into 4-H projects. The workshops emphasize experiential and inquiry-based learning, providing practical examples of incorporating hands-on activities that invite youth exploration, promote active questioning, and application to the real world. These workshops will assist in increasing the knowledge, skills, competencies, and confidence levels of adult volunteers, teens and staff to provide engaging 4-H SET learning experiences.

Snacks and lunch provided! Free curriculum provided to participants!

To register: please visit www.ca4h.org/Projects/SET/Initiative/Workshops/

- **State Leadership Conference** – SLC is fast approaching! Sessions and workshops are filling up fast! Don't be left out. Sign up now at: <http://ucce.ucdavis.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=6257>. Last day to sign up is June 17, 2011. For more information please contact Quang "Hogan" Tong at qtong@ucdavis.edu or your local State Ambassador.
- The 4-H **State Leadership Conference** brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience. SLC will be held **July 28-31** at the UC Davis campus. **Military youth ages 14-19** interested in attending the conference can register online here: <http://www.ca4h.org/Programs/Conferences/SLC/> and choose "Operation Military Kids (OMK)" as their county.
- **State Leadership Conference Alumni Luncheon for former Diamond Stars and State Ambassadors and their advisors.** The State Ambassador program would like to invite all former Diamond Stars and State Ambassadors to a Lunch at UC Davis on August 1st. It is both a working lunch and a chance for past members to meet and see each other again. The retiring Ambassador team will present their year to a panel for discussion and the new Ambassador team will present their proposal for the next year. Please send your current address to Quang "Hogan" Tong at qtong@ucdavis.edu so we can send you a formal invitation. We look forward to hearing from you.
- A 4-H shooting sports workshop for the rifle discipline will be held, **Saturday, June 25, 2011 – 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, June 26, 2011 – 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.** at Rankin Field Range, 20000 Road 140 in Tulare. Participants must attend both days of training to receive certification. Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a rifle trainer and can lead a rifle project at the club level or serve as county trainer to certify other leaders. There is no cost for the course. To register for the course or receive more information, contact John Borba at: jaborba@ucdavis.edu (This course is not open to 4-H leaders from Santa Cruz or Ventura Counties). For information about the facility and a map, please visit the range website at: http://www.tcdsa.org/documents/rankin_field.htm.
- Operation Military Kids and the 4-H Military Partnership Program are providing special opportunities for military youth this summer, for little or no fee. Military youth of all branches, ages 9-18, are invited to attend **Operation: Boots Off camp, July 22-23** at Naval Base Ventura. The objective of the Operation: Boots Off curriculum is to prepare kids for the return of their service member – a stressful time for any military family. Operation: Boots Off helps young people map out and implement individualized plans that will assist them in navigating the reunion and reintegration process in a meaningful and educational way. The cost for this camp is \$15. To register, visit: <http://ucanr.org/bootsoff>.

- **The California Foundation for Agriculture in the Classroom** is looking for volunteer support for San Francisco Farm Day on **Oct. 20, 2011**. This event will include school garden demonstrations, among many others and allow approximately 10,000 students to participate in agriculture based activities in new ways. If you would like to help with this event, you can fill out the [online form](#) to be contacted with more information.
- **4-H: The Magic of Transformation.** That is the theme this year for the **2011 State Leader's Forum**. This conference, for volunteer leaders and put on by volunteer leaders, promises to be especially wonderful this year as it will begin on the 11th day of the 11th month of the 11th year – **November 11, 12, 13, 2011**. Registering is easy! Just follow this link: www.ca4h.org/programs/conferences/SLF/, download and fill out the form, and mail it in! (with a check). Do this all by September 1st and receive a discount! Friday night will be extra special, as our new State 4-H Director, Shannon Dogan, has agreed to speak to us. In fact, she has promised to spend the entire weekend at Asilomar! This will be a very meaningful way to meet, speak, and interact with her. She will be able to tell us about the Magic of working within the University framework. Also on Friday our speaker will be Andrew Bosworth. Andrew, a former California Diamond Star, currently works for Facebook. He has used his engineering skills to work on and create many of the on-going features of Facebook, and he has used his 4-H skills in managing groups, meeting deadlines, talking to the press, and developing new ideas. One idea he is very proud of is his 6-week 'bootcamp' program that he developed and manages for all the new engineers to go through as they learn about working at Facebook and discover where their 'niche' will be. Andrew will talk to us about the Magic of Social Networking. We can't wait for you to come and experience all this! Vicky Bosworth, Chair, 2011 SLF Committee, vgboz@comcast.net.
- **Beef Quality Assurance Program**
Cole Facility, UC Davis
Davis, CA

May 7th, 8:30 am -3:30pm

A Beef Quality Assurance Program is being held by the University of California Cooperative Extension and California Cattlemen's Association at the Cole Facility on May 7th. Topics will include injection and vaccine information, animal ID, age and source verification and national bull and cow beef quality audit as well as a short animal health program after lunch.

There is no charge for the meeting unless you need to be certified through California Cattlemen's Association. **Certification needs to be completed every two years to remain current. ** The certification fee is \$25 per ranch (not per person); checks made payable to California Cattlemen's Association will be collected on the day of the event. Please pre-register by contacting Kitty Burnett (707-784-1318, kburnett@ucdavis.edu) at the Solano County Cooperative Extension Office before April 22, 2011. Please contact Morgan Doran (707-784-1326) or Theresa Becchetti (209-525-6800) for more information.

- **COMING THE FALL OF 2011!!** The State 4-H Office will consolidate the Requests for Funding for Service-Learning, Healthy Living, SET, and Legacy into one application. Chartered 4-H clubs/units can apply for funding to support service-learning projects related to their project or club activities. Watch for the release of the online application by July 1. All applications will be due **October 15** with a limit of \$1,000 per application. Projects must have a service-learning emphasis and can be related to 4-H SET, healthy living, citizenship, leadership or project work with the goal of creating positive change in your community and increasing the visibility of 4-H. Contact Pat English for more information, penglish@ucdavis.edu.

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