

# Clover Lines

## All-Star Project Grand Opening

### Roma-Jean 4-H Educational Wetland Path at Ormond Pointe Grand Opening

By Savanna Stanley and Dayle Morris, Ventura County 4-H All Stars

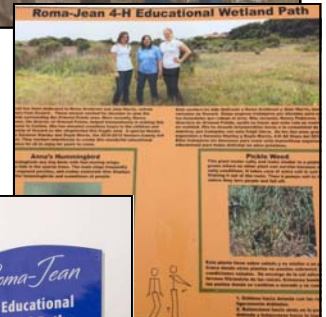
Over 150 people attended the grand opening which was Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. It was an amazing day for Dayle and me. The visitors including the mayor of Oxnard, politicians, school board members and naturalists. We were written about again in the Ventura County Star. The path is truly a jewel for the community. We will continue to host tours of the trail ourselves the first Sunday of July, September and November, 2012.

Remember how we got to this point? We met each month for a year clearing non-native plants, creating the walking path, designing the posts, talking to bird and plant experts, gathering meditative yoga-like exercises and filling dumpsters. I still remember the first time we brought 4-H members out to the site. Their joy in helping us with this project was exciting. The kids loved working in nature. We learned that the hardest part of working with regional and state agencies is that they do not always communicate with each other. We now understand the importance of sending many e-mails and sticking to a project for months without giving up hope. Once the opening date was set, we had to finalize the posts, order breakfast and coffee, work with Oxnard City Corps to set up a stage, sound system, tables and tarps. We sent out 500 invitations to all those involved in making this path become a reality.

Here are some lessons learned from this project:

1. We learned the importance of dedication to something that is important to us.
2. Giving up when things go wrong is not an option
3. We learned that team work motivates
4. We learned to always cover each other's backs
5. We learned that the hard work is well worth it

We want to thank all of you in the 4-H community for your support over the last two years. We hope you will come and enjoy the path soon.



PHOTOS (TOP): Ribbon cutting at the path with Oxnard City Councilmember Bryan MacDonald, Dayle Morris, Mayor Tom Holden, Savanna

Stanley, Nancy Pederson, & Ventura County Supervisor John Zaragoza. (MID) Sample path sign (BOTTOM) Welcome to the path

# Featured Club Happenings!

## Del Norte 4-H

*Meets 3rd Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m. at Rio Del Valle Gym  
Club Leader Anita Wilvert*

Del Norte's club has grown this last year to ten members. Our horticulture leader has a great project. Their group started out the year doing arrangements for a wedding. They have also done arrangements for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter. All of the members participate. One member has saved all profits for two years and has just purchased a fair animal with the proceeds. Other projects this year included foods and nutrition as well as clothing and textiles.

Almost every project member participated in fashion review and food faire and one member has taken home a gold medal for her efforts. Animal projects this year include beef and sheep market animals. Members have participated in seminars and field days and are looking forward to the fair. Our biggest event for the club is the Mothers Day Brunch. The foods and nutrition members prepare the brunch. They usually invite not only their Mothers but Grandmothers and at times other Moms who have no where else to go. This has become a great tradition for our club. Del Norte also participated in Earth Day this year, helping with recruitment.

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## Loma Vista 4-H

by Glenda Marshall, President (age 15)

*Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at Poinsettia Elementary School  
Club leaders: Lisa Wittrock and Heidi Marshall*

It has been another fantastic year in Loma Vista 4-H filled with plenty of projects, community service, and fun! This year we have a bunch of new projects, all of which turned out to be a success. Our project leaders have worked hard over the past several months to help make our club what it is, so we owe them a lot of thanks.

One of our brand new projects, led by a brand new 4-H mom too, is called Colonial Crafts. Our members have made crafts resembling colonial projects like dolls and miniature butter churns. They have also utilized many of the same techniques used in the colonial time period like writing with a quill and ink and sealing a letter with wax.

Another new project that flows right in with Loma Vista's ever-present goal to help the environment is Customize Tees. The project, which teaches members tips and techniques to modernize an old T-shirt, emphasizes being resourceful while still tapping in to the classic 4-H theme of sewing.

Of course, we still have our Cavies and Rabbits, Rabbit Hopping, and Dogs projects to satisfy all of the animal-lovers since we don't have large livestock like most clubs. Although our animals are small, their hearts are just as big! We will be showing some of our pets at the Super Field Day coming in May.



PHOTO: Here are leaders and members of our sewing projects modeling handmade bags and clothing.

Although the club year is winding down, we are still planning lots of activities. Members have yet to take part in the Loma Vista 4-H annual Twister tournament and are waiting with much anticipation for our end-of-the-year club party. And, there is always next year, which will bring even more laughter, friends, and fun!

*May Featured Club Happenings! will include an articles from Las Posas 4-H & Mira Monte 4-H.*



# South Section 4-H Field Day

Saturday, May 19, 2012 at Mount San Antonio College  
Building 26 1100 North Grand Avenue in Walnut, CA



The events of the day will include:



Demonstrations  
Prepared Speeches  
Song Leading  
Judging Event  
Fashion Revue  
Illustrated Talks  
Mock Interviews

Share the Fun Skits  
Game Room  
Awards Ceremony  
Impromptu Speeches  
Extemporaneous Speeches  
Educational Displays  
Interpretive Readings

Audio-Visual Presentations  
Problem Solving Presentations  
Cultural Arts Performances  
Primary Presentation Clinic  
Entomology Judging Event  
Horticulture Judging Event



Come and Compete or Come and Just Watch!



Food will be available for purchase from the South Section 4-H Teen Council to benefit the Teen Involvement Conference.

## New Adult Leader Certification Orientation—May 15th

- 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.

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

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

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

Resource/Key Leader <http://www.ca4h.org/files/4773.doc>

Enrollment Coordinator <http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/files/79835.doc>

The New Adult Volunteer Leader Certification Training has been scheduled for:

**Tuesday, May 15, 2012 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.**

Don't miss out -- R.S.V.P. for one of these trainings today!



- The training will be held at the 4-H Office. Please use the set of doors that face the condominium complex at 669 County Square Dr. Ste. 100, Ventura, CA 93003-9028. The training will begin promptly at 6 p.m. Participants must attend the entire training in order to complete this portion of the certification process.

R.S.V.P. required. Please include in an e-mail to [venturafourhrsvp@ucdavis.edu](mailto:venturafourhrsvp@ucdavis.edu):

- Your First & Last Name.
- Your phone number.
- Your mailing address so we can mail you the fingerprinting forms.  
*As soon as you receive the forms in the mail; contact a fingerprinting facility & schedule your fingerprinting appointment.*
- The name of the club you are volunteering for.

# Healthy Living

## Stopbullying.gov

Building on the momentum started a year ago by the Obama Administration and relaunched in partnership with the Department of Education, the new site emphasizes action steps individuals can take to prevent and stop bullying in their schools and communities. It also features easy-to-use tools and resources for community leaders, young people and families, including:

- How to recognize the warning signs and when to take action
- Tips to prevent bullying before it starts
- How to implement strategies for intervention
- Ways to share your community's resources, policies or strategies to prevent and address bullying



In addition to a huge resource library of materials, there is a feedback tool on nearly every page to help keep the website effective.

## Words Can Work: Bullying Prevention

In this free, 90-minute webinar, teens and adults will learn more about what bullying is, including cyberbullying. The presenters use real-life stories to provide teachable moments. 4-H volunteers and teen leaders might find this training helpful for working with younger members and improving emotional safety at 4-H events. Visit <https://connect.extension.iastate.edu/p36382529/?launcher=false&fcsContent=true&pbMode=normal>.

## PRIMARY MEMBER PROJECTS

Primary members (age 5 - 8 years old) may participate in the following approved animal projects: dogs, rabbits, rats, cats, poultry, cavies, mice, embryology, bees, entomology, marine science, pygmy, Nigerian and dwarf goats and therapeutic animal projects.

Other projects may be prohibited for primary members due to animal size or equipment needed to participate in the project. A complete list of these projects is available at [http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Youth\\_Development/4-H/BasicInfo/Projects/project\\_is/](http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/4-H/BasicInfo/Projects/project_is/)

Counties are permitted to have stricter policies than the baseline established by State 4-H, without being in violation of the State 4-H Policy as stated by Chapter 5, Section II, Member Policy.

If you have any questions about the Primary Member Project Policy or project offerings for your primary member, please contact the 4-H Office.

## Clover Safe Notes

### Clover Safe Notes Spotlight for May: SAFELY TRANSPORTING MEDIUM AND LARGE ANIMALS

(Note #59). With Tagging Days and Fair just around the corner, transporting goats, sheep, swine, cattle, and horse for projects will be critical. Doing it safely is the number one priority.

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/](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



The next Ventura County 4-H Council meeting will be **Wednesday, May 23, 2012 at 7p.m.** at the 4-H Office. All leaders, parents and members are welcome to attend. Leaders and members 14+ vote on business at the meeting. We hope that you will join us!

On the May agenda will be the 2012-13 Council Budget Draft, Council nominations, etc.

If you would like to work on a committee, serving as a council member or add an agenda item for discussion by the Ventura County 4-H Council, please contact Jenean Bass, Council President by email at [venturaco4hcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:venturaco4hcouncil@gmail.com). Agenda items should be received at least 2 weeks prior to the meeting for inclusion.

## County Presentation Day Success!

By Fern Vacca, Presentation Day Chair

County Presentation Day was held on March 24th at the Oak View Park and Resource Center in Oak View. Congratulations to the following 4-H members who received Gold Medals for their presentations:

### Power Point Presentation

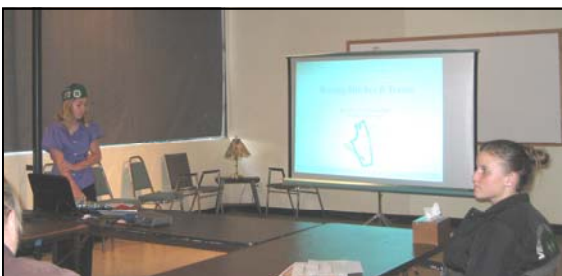
Junior: Amanda Penny, Loma Vista 4-H, Archery  
Intermediates: Morgan Penny, Loma Vista 4-H, Food-Nutrition  
Malia Miyashiro, Loma Vista 4-H, Photography  
Nicole Bellmore, Loma Vista 4-H, Clothing  
Senior: Jason Bellmore, Loma Vista 4-H, Photography

### Demonstration

Intermediate: Bailey Morris, Las Posas 4-H, Cake Decorating

### Educational Display

Junior: Kai Miyashiro, Loma Vista 4-H, Food-Nutrition



### Mock Interview

Intermediate: Bailey Morris Las Posas 4-H, Leadership  
Senior: Dayle Morris, Citrus Valley 4-H, Leadership

### Cultural Arts

Individual: Bailey Morris, Las Posas 4-H, Saxophone

Gold medal winners are eligible to compete with 4-H members from throughout Southern California at South Section 4-H Field Day at Mount San Antonio College, Walnut on May 19, 2012.

Thank you to the following leaders and 4-H members who served on the County Presentation Day Committee: Savannah Stanley, Dayle Morris, Heidi Marshall, Elaine Fowell, Deborah Meyer-Morris, Bailey Morris and Tisha Fisher. A special thanks to Karen Payne, Nancy Mahon, Gina Mulhern and Manuela Walter who served as Judges for the event.

# 4-H Super Field Day

Everyone can participate at Super Field Day on May 12th at the Fairgrounds. This is a day for members to practice before the fair. It is an opportunity to win ribbons and medals... And, count it in your Record Book. Wear your club t-shirt - unless you are doing showmanship in 4-H uniform.

The events... **COME AND SEE** sheep shearing, showmanship demonstrations and hands-on practice in Lamb, Pygmy Goat and Dairy Goat. **CUPCAKE WARS** anyone registered can decorate a cupcake for competition. **IRON CHEF** teams of 4 will compete in a live cooking competition during lunch.

**SPEAKERS CORNER** here is your chance to talk in front of a small group for your project proficiency or for your Record Book. Come anytime and do any length presentation. **UNIFORM EXCHANGE** bring your outgrown white jeans and white shirts to exchange.

**SILENT AUCTION** bid on something at our silent auction tables. **SNACK BAR** coffee and donuts in the morning and munchies throughout the day.

**PRE-PAID LUNCH** pizza, salad, drink and cookie for \$5. Order now. **POULTRY, RABBIT, CAVY** compete in showmanship, knowledge tests, animal ID and make a poster.

Your project leader can help you prepare. Looking forward to seeing you there!

[http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Youth\\_Development/4-H/News/Main/?callitem=153061&q=25346](http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/4-H/News/Main/?callitem=153061&q=25346)

## RECORD BOOK WORKSHOP

4-H members, leaders and parents join us on **Tuesday, May 15, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.** at the 4-H Office for a thorough Record Book Workshop presented by Fern Vacca and Elaine Fowell.



This workshop will be for new and experienced 4-H members. Parents are encouraged to come. Project Reports and the Personal Development Report will be covered.

Members should bring their Record Books and updated reports as well as questions. Prior to the meeting, please check the State 4-H website for information <http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Members/RecordBook/> on State Record book forms <http://www.ca4h.org/Resources/Members/RecordBook/RBResources/>.

### 2012 Record Book Dates:

Record Books due to the 4-H office: August 23  
County Record Book Judging: September 15

Please R.S.V.P. to [venturafourhrsvp@ucdavis.edu](mailto:venturafourhrsvp@ucdavis.edu) by Monday, May 14 at 9:00 a.m. if you will be attending the workshop so an adequate number of handouts can be provided.

# ROCK AROUND THE CLOCK

By Bailey Morris, Las Posas 4-H, Food Faire Committee Member

Event Co-Chairs: Jennifer D'Atri, Tapo-Simi 4-H & Debbie Meyer-Morris, Las Posas 4-H

We celebrated Food Faire & Fashion Revue with a Rock N' Roll theme created by Tapo-Simi 4-H, which was very retro. There were a lot of creative entries from 25 4-H members from six different clubs. We also had many other activities including a judging contest and origami. Congratulations to the following 4-H members who won gold medals at Food Faire & Fashion Revue on March 31st.



### Junior

Zachary Gorman  
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Mathew Callahan  
Megan Penny  
Megan Hassien  
Rebecca Paxson  
Chloe Johnson

Chief Peak  
Chief Peak  
Chief Peak  
Loma Vista  
Chief Peak  
Santa Rosa  
Las Posas

Baked Item  
Poster (FF)  
Judging Contest  
Traditional  
\$19.99 Outfit  
Cake Decorating  
Poster (FR)

### Intermediate

Audrey Johnson  
Rebecca Gorman  
Jazmin Covarrubias  
Cassie Larson  
Elizabeth Paxson  
Elizabeth Paxson

Las Posas  
Chief Peak  
Del Norte  
Chief Peak  
Santa Rosa  
Santa Rosa

Judging Contest  
Poster (FF)  
Baked Item  
Other Food  
Cake Decorating  
Jewelry

### Senior

Dayle Morris  
Dayle Morris

Citrus Valley  
Citrus Valley

Non-Baked Item  
Judging Contest



## UPCOMING ROBOTICS WEBINARS

### WeDo Robots,

#### What are they and what can 4-H do with them?

On Wednesday, May 2 at 11 a.m., this webinar will introduce the LEGO WeDo robotics platform, software, curriculum and resources as well as how to incorporate WeDo into a 4-H program/project. Hosted by the National 4-H Council. Register at [http://nationalfourcouncil.adobeconnect.com/wedo/event/event\\_info.html](http://nationalfourcouncil.adobeconnect.com/wedo/event/event_info.html)

### Introduction to 4-H Robotics Programs Webinar

On May 23 at 2 p.m. learn about the diverse resources available to help you build or grow a 4-H Robotics program. Participants will be introduced to the national 4-H Robotics curriculum and professional development resources, hear about successful robotics program and leave with ideas that they can implement in their community. Register at <http://nationalfourcouncil.adobeconnect.com/e64iqqks799/event/registration.html>



## 4-H Library

### Nature's Partners: Pollinators, Plants and You

*Nature's Partners* is an inquiry learning-based curriculum for young people in the 4th through the 6th grade, but very adaptable for all groups. It is comprised of seven modules. Each module offers three or four activities designed to engage young people in active, investigative science following a learning cycle of

- exploration,
- concept introduction/development, and
- concept application.

This curriculum is available for FREE at <http://www.ca4h.org/Projects/Curriculum/FREE/SERIES - Natures Partners Pollinator Protection/>



## 4-H Office

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### CLOVER LINES ARTICLE SUBMISSIONS:

It is best to e-mail articles about your Group's activities and events to the 4-H Office. Please e-mail your articles to [CloverLines@ucdavis.edu](mailto:CloverLines@ucdavis.edu)

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS THE 1st MONDAY OF EACH MONTH FOR THE FOLLOWING MONTH'S ISSUE.**

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# May

# 4-H Calendar

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5/1	All-Star Applications Due	7/10	Livestock Quality Assurance @ V.C. Fairgrounds 6:30 pm
5/2	Large Livestock PDC 6:30pm	7/11	Large Livestock PDC 6:30 pm
5/5	Tagging Day: Replacement Heifer @ V.C. Fairgrounds	7/20-22	Horse Fair
5/10	Financial Aid for State Leadership Conference Due	8/1-12	Ventura County Fair
5/12	4-H Super Field Day @ V.C. Fairgrounds 9-2	8/9-12	State Leadership Conference @ UCSD
5/12	Livestock Quality Assurance @ V.C. Fairgrounds 10am	8/23	Record Books Due to County
5/15	New Volunteer Leader Orientation @ 4-H Office 6:00 pm	9/2	Ormond Pointe Path Tours with All-Stars 1-3 pm
5/15	Equine PDC Meeting @ Camarillo Marie Callenders 6:45pm	9/8	So. Section Council Meeting @ Mt. San Antonio College
5/15	Record Book Workshop @ 4-H Office 5:30pm	9/15	County Record Book Judging
5/19	Sectional Field Day @ Mt. San Antonio College	11/4	Ormond Pointe Path Tours with All-Stars 1-3 pm
5/23	All-Star Interviews—Tentative	11/9-11	State Leaders Forum
5/23	<b>4-H Council Meeting</b> @ 4-H Office 7 pm for Leaders and Youth (9 <sup>th</sup> grade+)		
6/2	Tagging Day: Goat, Lamb, Swine @ V.C. Fairgrounds		
6/2	Livestock Quality Assurance @ V.C. Fairgrounds 2 pm		
6/6	Large Livestock PDC 6:30 pm		
6/9	So. Section Council Meeting @ Mt. San Antonio College		
7/1	Ormond Pointe Path Tours with All-Stars 1-3 pm		

### We're Online & Up-To-Date

It's time to check out Ventura County 4-H Online. The County 4-H program's website is constantly being updated to provide more, and more useable information.

[http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Youth\\_Development/4-H/](http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/4-H/)  
Visit and bookmark, because you'll want to come back!

