



# CloverLines

University of California Cooperative Extension

Ventura County 4-H

June 2016



## Super Field Day

Super Field Day was April 23<sup>rd</sup> at Hansen Ag Research and Extension Center in Santa Paula with outstanding participation. Here are just a few pictures highlighting the many events of the day. For a complete list of winners, please visit

<http://ceventura.ucanr.edu/Families - Communities/4-H/LocalNews/>



## Featured Club: Loma Vista 4-H

Loma Vista 4-H has more than 50 members participating in more than 20 projects. Loma Vista club meetings are the second Tuesday of each month at Poinsettia Elementary School in Ventura. Club Community Leader Lisa Wittrock will be "graduating" this year after more than 13 years volunteering with the club.

Some of the most popular projects are rabbit hopping, rabbit showmanship, poultry, robotics, archery, cooking, sewing and roots and shoots (environmental). We hold an annual Halloween Carnival, Holiday Auction, and an end-of-year party. We also are very active in community service such as col-

lecting food for Food Share through the annual TOTSOCE campaign, cleaning beaches, ringing bells for Salvation Army and collecting backpacks and school supplies for needy students Nicaragua.

This year members participated in many county events including Awards Night, the Color Run, Presentation Days, Food and Fashion Revue, and Super Field Day. Two members have earned special 4-H awards. Spencer Wittrock earned a Golden Clover award and Nicole Bellmore completed her ser-



Loma Vista Roots and Shoots presenting at Super Field Day

vice bag project for her Emerald Star. Malia Miyashiro and Nicole Bellmore earned awards at the state level for their record books. Members look forward to participating in the Ventura County Fair in August.

**Featured Club for October is Piru 4-H & Santa Rosa Valley 4-H – Article due Sept. 5th.**

**Featured Club calendar is at <http://ceventura.ucanr.edu/Families - Communities/4-H/Newsletter/>**

## Large Livestock PDC

By Heather Rhodes

### Santa Rosa Valley 4-H

On May 4, more than 80 people attended the Large Livestock PDC meeting about preparing animals for fair. The meeting was held at the UC Hansen Agricultural Center in Santa Paula. At the meeting Dr. Will Jolley, D.V.M., from Humphrey, Giacomuzzi and Assoc. Equine Hospital in Somis, a full service equine and livestock practice, spoke about four key points to keeping animals healthy. The four points are: preventing and treating illness, proper feeding,

exercise, handling, and grooming.

Attendees learned about different diseases animals can get and about how to prepare yourself and handle these situations. Dr. Jolley explained vaccinations and vital signs as well as giving examples to real life situations. One of his main points was "If you ever think anything is wrong with your animal, immediately call your vet."



Four key points to healthy animals...

Dr. Jolley will be helping Dr. Giacomuzzi as the on-site vet at the Ventura County Fair.

The next Large Livestock PDC will be July 6 at 7 pm. No reservation is needed.

# Record Books

## COUNTY RECORD BOOKS—IMPORTANT DATES

- Wednesday, July 20th—Record Book Judges' Orientation
- Friday, September 9th—Record Book Judging
- Monday, September 19th—Record Book Interviews

## STATE RECORD BOOK COMPETITION



The State Record Book competition is focused on selecting senior 4-H members who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in their 4-H project work. Books are judged against standard criteria. Those books displaying the most outstanding 4-H work, goal management skills, and leadership and citizenship development

are selected as state medalists and/or winners.

***For the 2016 State Competition, Record Books are due to the County 4-H Office by close of business Wednesday, October 5, 2016.***

The State Record Book Evaluation for the 2015-2016 program year will occur in November 2016 in Davis.

### The Purpose of the State 4-H Record Book Competition:

- Provides an incentive to members to keep accurate records in their 4-H Record Book.
- Members receive feedback and encouragement on their 4-H skill development, leadership and citizenship

development, and record-keeping skills.

- Members are recognized for outstanding 4-H work.
- Eligibility for State Competition
- If the criteria for eligibility are not met, a member's book will be disqualified from the competition.

**Age Eligibility:** Senior 4-H members (at least 14 years of age and no older than 19 years old by December 31) are eligible to enter state competition.

**Use of Correct Forms:** Members who are planning to submit their Record Book to state competition must download and use the most current forms. One way to be sure to do this is to always download the latest version of the Record Book Manual and forms from the state website.

**Intent to Submit:** This form is a recent addition to the State 4-H Record Book Judging Process. Members who are planning to submit their Record Book to state competition must complete this form and submit it to their County Office by June 30, 2016.

**2016 Intent to Submit Form**

**NEW**

**Quick Start Course:** To be eligible for 2016 State Competition, members must complete the **California 4-H Quick Start Record Book Course** by June 30, 2016. The course must be completed each year. At the end of the course, follow the link to complete the quiz.

**State 4-H Cover Page** - The State 4-H Judging Cover Page must be included with 4-H Record Books entered for State Evaluation. The Cover Page may not be altered. 4-H Record Books missing the Cover Page will be disqualified without further evaluation.

## Calling State Record Book Competition Evaluators

### Evaluator Responsibilities

Orientation Friday, November 4 at 7 pm.  
Evaluate Record Books on November 5 - 6.  
Leave evening of November 6.  
Provide written feedback on Record Books.

### Evaluator Eligibility

- Parents/guardians, relatives and current applicants are not eligible to judge.
- 4-H Volunteer leaders in good standing or senior 4-H member in the 4-H YD Program may judge although may not have a book in the current competition.
- Must be able to communicate and compromise with fellow evaluators.
- Must be flexible in evaluation procedures.

### Evaluator Selection

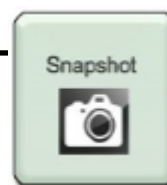
Evaluators for the state competition are by invitation of the Coordinator of the event. Teams ideally will represent adults and youth from all four areas in the state.

**Applications for State Competition Evaluators will open in Summer 2016.**

**For more information about the State Record Book Competition, please visit <http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Members/RecordBook/RBCompetition/StateCompetition/>**



## Spark Surveys Open in Online Record Book



It's that time of year! Tell us what you've learned in 4-H this year. Take your Sparks Survey in the Online Record Book (ORB). You can find these surveys listed in the ORB on the right side. The survey are names of different colors—be sure to take each color. Tell your friends which surveys you took and ask them to take theirs as well using the hashtag #4hsnapshot. Surveys are open May 1 through July 31.



## HEALTHY LIVING:

### National Wildlife Foundation: Activity Finder

The time young people spend outside is alarmingly low. With the National Wildlife Foundation's Activity Finder, you can quickly filter through a wide range of activity ideas to help you connect youth with nature. Sort the ideas by the child's age, time available, cost, and other filters to find the activities that will most interest your program participants. Go to

<http://www.nwf.org/Activity-Finder.aspx>



## VC Fair Info: 4-H Department Entry Information

**Arts & Crafts, Clothing, Food Preservation, Literature, Fine Art, Mechanical Science, Miscellaneous Projects, and Natural Science:** Friday, July 22, Saturday, July 23 & Sunday, July 24, 2016 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM

**Foods:** Sunday, July 31, 2016 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM (Produce is entered in the Agriculture Department)

**Table settings:** Sunday, July 31, 2016 - 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Reservations accepted July 18-24, 2016. Email Peggy Kroener, Superintendent at [youth@venturacountyfair.org](mailto:youth@venturacountyfair.org). Include club name and email contact. Confirmation will be by return email. No phone reservations will be accepted. Limit 2 tables per club.

**Enter Online** - June 1- July 18, 2016 at [www.venturacountyfair.org](http://www.venturacountyfair.org) Entering online speeds up the entry

process – when you arrive with your items on July 22 -24, 2016 - proceed directly to the online check-in table. You can STILL enter if you miss the online entry deadline – just bring your items on the listed

**Mark your  
Calendar!**

**Hot Tip:** Leaders Sign-up for a time to bring the entries for your group on Friday, July 22 or Saturday, July 24. Using the online entry system that is available from June 1 – July 18, 2016 is strongly encouraged as a time saver and must be used if scheduling an appointment for entering. Call (805) 648-3376 x 182 for an available time. Limited appointments available.

## CLOVER SAFE NOTES:

### Clover Safe Notes Spotlight for June:

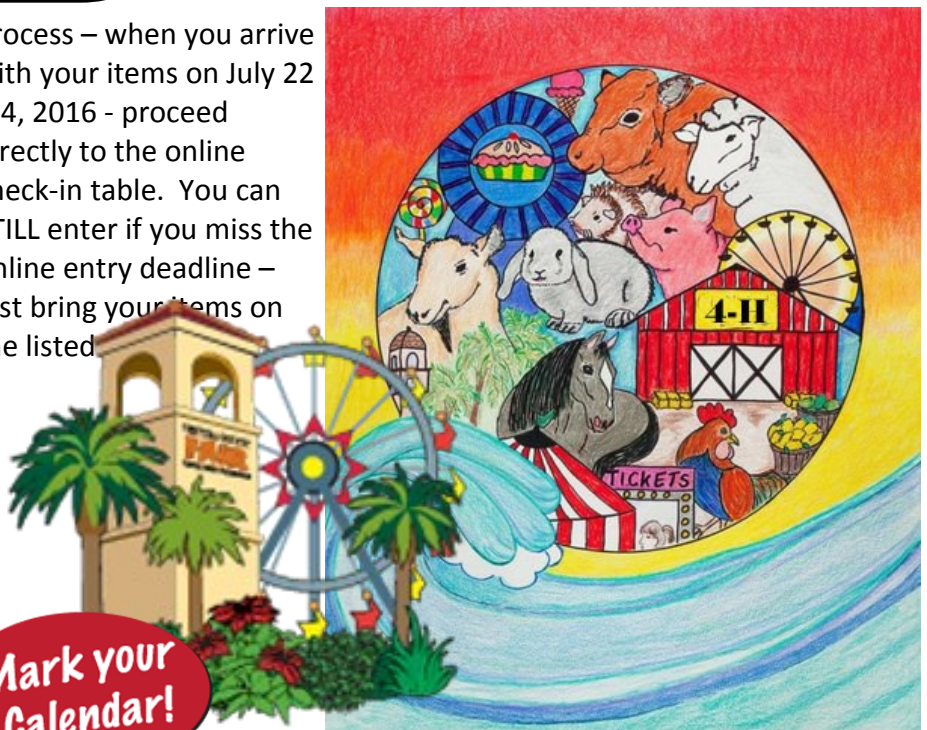
#### #29 Field Trip Safety

Summer is a great time to take a field trip to enhance your project learning. Remember your medical information forms and review this one page of tips to make sure every field trip is successful and fun!

Clover Safe Notes can be reviewed and printed from the UCANR website at

<http://safety.ucanr.org/4-H Resources/Clover Safe Notes by Number/>

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



**ENTRY PICK-UP DAY** Monday, August 15, 2016 - 12:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Articles not claimed become the property of the Ventura County Fair and will be discarded.

More information at: <http://www.venturacountyfair.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/2016-4-H-Grange-1.pdf>

# Connect the Dots

## STATE LEADERS' FORUM

Please put the State Leaders' Forum on your calendar. It's happening in Santa Rosa, November 11th through Sunday, November 13th.

**The goal:** to provide valuable and relevant tools to adult volunteers, reach out to neighborhoods, seek to engage the centennial generation, and work to create a welcoming, safe and thriving 4-H community.

### The theme: Connecting the Dots ...

The keynote speakers are *thought* leaders. Friday's is a leading educator in the field of gender and media. Saturday morning features a veteran change agent who focuses on creating true adult - youth learning partnerships. Sunday morning features an executive and mediator who specializes in creating collaborative communities around agricultural innovation and potentially divisive issues. These learning assemblies are buttressed by Saturday's workshops and poster session to provide tools and information relevant today. And then there's the fun stuff injected throughout!



### Registration Information:

Enrollment for May 16 - June 15 is \$175 per person for the entire event or \$100 per person for Saturday only.

After June 16 the cost is \$200 per person for the entire event or \$125 per person for Saturday only. These fees include food but not hotel rooms.

If you can't make it for the entire weekend, plan to join us for a very full workshop day on Saturday, November 12. Register early and save on this invaluable experience.

### Proposed workshops:

- Effective use of Curriculum resources—attendees will have the opportunity to choose two of four sets of project-related curriculum and then learn how to teach the information in a way that, according to UC Davis research, really connects with people.
- Connecting with Primary Members
- Reaching out to Diverse Communities—what resources are

available from CA 4-H?

- CA 4-H Foundation Resources how can they benefit your club and community?
- Successfully engaging with ALL

4-H'ers—a panel representing LGBTQIA, Latino/Latina, Youth on Spectrum, Youth with special physical needs, Youth with ADHD and Youth with MESH (mental, emotional, social health) challenges

- Engaging Teens—Discussion Meetings
- Engaging Teens—Iron Chef
- Engaging Teens—What is an authentic youth/adult partnership?
- Engaging and Retaining Young Alumnae
- Team Building Across Your Adult (and Youth) Community
- Learning and Connecting through Play
- Animal Science Curricula— what's available, what's good and why
- Best Management Practices from Feed to Slaughter



Our volunteer community can bring so much to situations that can be shared as a poster or as a full 90-minute workshop. So mark your calendar, register early, and begin planning what you'll share with your peers across the state! This event will not be offered next year, so take advantage of this skill-building opportunity.

## Council Corner

The next meeting will be June 22 at 7pm. This meeting will include the budget adoption for the 2016-17 program year.

Check the 4-H Calendar for Program Development Committee meetings. Program Development Committees (PDCs) serve as standing committees reporting to the Ventura County 4-H Council, specializing in specific program areas. Program offerings, events, project curriculum development and more can be accomplished in these efficient and focused committees.

If you would like to join a committee, serve as a council board member or add an agenda item, please contact Jenean Bass, Council President, by email at [uccev4h@ucanr.edu](mailto:uccev4h@ucanr.edu). Agenda items should be received at least 2 weeks prior to the meeting for inclusion. All leaders, parents and members are welcome to attend. Leaders and members 14+ vote on business at the meeting. We hope you will join us!

The Council's page on the VC 4-H website is [http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Youth\\_Development/4-H/Ventura\\_County\\_4-H\\_Council/](http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development/4-H/Ventura_County_4-H_Council/)



## California Horse Classic

### LOCATION:

Murieta Equestrian Center  
in Rancho Murieta, CA

DATE: August 3-7, 2016

### Championship Horse Show

Early bird registration can be completed at: <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=17946>.

Don't miss out on discounted class fees!

\*Early bird registration ends on June 28, 2016.

Only \$10 per class if registration is received by June 28th!

\*Regular registration will close on July 18, 2016. Entries received between June 29th and July 18th is \$15 per class.

*Absolutely no horse show post entries will be accepted.*

## Calling All Alumni

California 4-H Alumni & Friends True Leaders Night

Saturday, June 18, 2016

Holiday Inn Plaza

300 J Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

California Focus Dinner 6:00-7:30pm

Join this year's California Focus Conference youth attendees for dinner to hear how 4-H is impacting their lives, learn about their conference experience and help them practice their networking skills. A special 4-H alumna will kick off the night and you will have a fun time getting to know today's youth leaders. Click here to learn more about Cal Focus.

4-H Alumni Cocktail Reception 7:30-10pm\*

Join the California 4-H Foundation for an adults-only reception and have a blast catching up with old friends and meeting new ones. The first drink's on us!

\* Ages 21+ please

Space is Limited! Kindly RSVP here by June 3rd.

We hope you can join us for both dinner and cocktails, but you may also join us for either dinner or the reception if that is what your schedule allows. See more at: <http://ca4hfoundation.org/connect/events/california-4-h-alumni-friends-true-leaders-night#sthash.aYLGhXjd.dpuf>



### Educational Contests

Regular registration can be completed at: <http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=18040>.

\*Regular registration ends on July 18, 2016.

Educational Post entries will be accepted until July 25, 2016 with a \$20 late fee per person per event.

### Contacts:

Alyssa Sankey, State 4-H Program Representative for Animal Science Education [aisankey@ucanr.edu](mailto:aisankey@ucanr.edu)





# Library

## Theatre Arts – Kits available

Looking for a fun and unique summer project? Consider Theatre Arts! A great curriculum filled with unique and interactive activities are available in 3 levels. Revised in 2013, the curriculum materials offer extended activities in communication, improvisation, pantomime, script writing, cultural and historical influences, stage design, and costume design. Life skills and workforce development concepts are woven throughout the curriculum, as youth master more sophisticated theatre techniques and ideas.

Plus, for a turn-key project, you can purchase a kit from the 4-H mall complete with colored pencils, feathers, yarn, craft sticks, glue sticks, batteries, ten youth theater journals, and a flashlight. Then entire kit is currently available for \$265.

For more information and to purchase, visit [4hmall.org](http://4hmall.org) and search Theatre Arts.



## 2016 NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE DAY

The 2016 National Youth Science Day challenge is Drone Discovery coming this Fall.



The 2016 National Youth Science Day engineering challenge, Drone Discovery, engages youth with fun and educational activities related to aerospace, flight, and unmanned vehicles. A comprehensive kit will be available later this summer and is ideally suited for a maximum group size of 10 youth, ages 8-14.

## 4-H SUSTAINABLE YOU! SUMMER CAMP

Spend a half-day on the beautiful farm in Sunny Santa Paula while working to make the world a better place. Make new friends while learning what it means to live a sustainable life through fun activities based around five major themes: Land, Water, Food, Air & Energy. Living sustainably takes practice and 4-H Sustainable You! Summer camp makes practicing fun!



**Date:** June 20-24 9 am to Noon

For ages 9-12

**Cost:** \$25 by June 3 and \$30 after June 3, includes 5 day camp and T-Shirt  
Space is limited-[Register here](#). For more information contact Annabel at [awfaris@ucanr.edu](mailto:awfaris@ucanr.edu) or call her at 805-525-9293 ext. 206.

## 4-H Office Information

Office Hours by Appointment Only  
Closed on UC Holidays  
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## ARTICLE SUBMISSION

Email articles to [gwvanoni@ucanr.edu](mailto:gwvanoni@ucanr.edu). Include your name, council name, the name of your activity, and if you are submitting images, please identify those pictured. Remember to hyphenate 4-H and use copyrights where appropriate. All submitted articles and images become the property of 4-H to be used in print and/or online at the editorial committee's discretion.

**Submission Deadline is the first Monday of the month for consideration in the following issue.**

## For Your Information

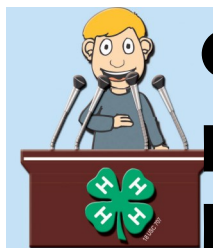
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## 4-H Calendar

- 6/22 Small Livestock PDC Meeting 6:30 pm (UCCE)
- 6/22 EPDC Meeting 6-6:45 pm (UCCE)
- 6/22 County Council Meeting 7:00 pm (UCCE)
- 7/6 Large Livestock PDC Meeting 7:00 pm
- 7/20 Record Book Judges' Orientation
- 7/28-31 State Leadership Conference in Arcata, CA
- 7/30 State 4-H Record Book Intent to Submit Form Due
- 8/3-14 Ventura County Fair
- 9/1 Year-End Reporting Due
- 9/9 County Record Book Judging
- 9/19 County Record Book Interviews
- UCCE – University of California Cooperative Extension, Ventura County at 669 County Square Drive, Suite 100, Ventura CA 93003
- HAREC – UC Hansen Agricultural Research and Extension Center (Parking on Briggs Rd.) at 14292 W Telegraph Road, Santa Paula, CA 93060

**For more information on these and other upcoming events, please visit**

<http://ceventura.ucanr.edu/Families - Communities/4-H/NewsMain/>



## County Presentation Day

County Presentation Day was on March 12, 2016 was a huge success!

Congratulations to all the participants! For a complete list of winners, visit <http://ceventura.ucanr.edu/Families - Communities/4-H/LocalNews/>

This webpage is being dedicated to County Event wrap ups, including searchable lists of winners.

## Horse Fair

Ventura County Fairgrounds

July 15-17, 2016

**Entries are due July 1st.**

More entry details are available at <http://www.venturacountyfair.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/04/2016-Youth-Horse.pdf>



**Friday—Showmanship/Western**

**Saturday—English**

**Sunday—Gymkhana**

*Spectators Welcome!*

This is a county event for your Record Book.

## It's that time of year ...

- ◆ Reconnect with 4-H on **Facebook**. There were so many great pictures from Super Field Day and other recent events, that they can't all fit in CloverLines. Log on to check them out. Forward interesting pictures and stories to the 4-H Office at [UCCEV4h@ucanr.edu](mailto:UCCEV4h@ucanr.edu)
- ◆ **Get ready for Fair!** More than just livestock, the Fair offers tons of opportunities for 4-Hers to show off their hard work. Visit the Fair website for the Entry Guide, entry dates (many in July) and other contests. Online entries will begin in June. <http://www.venturacountyfair.org/fair/entryguides/>
- ◆ Please help your Club Leaders and Club Enrollment Specialists with the **enrollment process** by following their instructions and abiding by their deadlines. There are a few changes in the process this year and we all need to work together to make sure that they are done correctly and timely. *A mighty Thank You in advance for all of your assistance for a smooth enrollment for the 2014-15 Program Year.*