

You Must Be Kidding!!!!

Can it possibly be???? Can the end of the 4-H club year be here already???? Yes, in just a couple of weeks, the current 4-H year will be over. And, on July 1, the new 4-H year will begin!

Now is the time to:

- Watch your emails carefully to find out when the online enrollment system will be ready to take your online re-enrollments. The County 4-H office will e-mail a notice to all club leaders and enrollment specialists around the sixth of July with this information, your club leader or enrollment specialist will then notify you.
- Re-enroll as soon as the online system is up and running! Your club leader will let you know the cut-off for re-enrollments to participate in Horse Fair, Fair and other summer 4-H programs.
- Work on your 4-H record books! Need help? Plan on attending the Record Book Open House Workshop on June 29th, 4:30 8:30 at the 4-H Office. Please see additional information inside this issue of Clover Lines.
- Plan to enter your 4-H project work in the Ventura County Fair! There are lots of opportunities to show the public what you learned, grew, or created as part of a 4-H project! From photography to gardening, from baking to arts & crafts . . . check the Fair website and Entry Guide at: http://www.venturacountyfair.org/pages/3455/
- Offer your sincere appreciation to club leaders, project leaders and other 4-H volunteers who make it possible for you to participate in 4-H!

We hope that you had a great year in the Ventura County 4-H Program, and we hope that the New Year will be even better! Have a safe and wonderful summer! Don't forget your sunscreen and keep hydrated with plenty of water!



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Featured Club Happenings!

Loma Vista 4-H

by Heidi Marshall

Loma Vista 4-H meets every 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Poinsettia Elementary Club Leaders: Lynnette Coverly and Heidi Marshall Presidents: Kimberly Coverly, 15 and Amanda Marshall, 16

The members of Loma Vista 4-H in Ventura have enjoyed a great year of fun projects and activities. We have 70 members ranging in age from 5 to 18. Although our club doesn't have large animal projects, our members enjoy projects for small animals: cavies, rabbits, and dog care and obedience. Other projects we take pride in are archery, arts and crafts, presentations, cooking, roots and shoots, sewing, primary, hiking, horticulture, and yoga.

We've had lots of fun club meetings this year with guests such as a magician and a fitness instructor who taught us how to kick box.



For community service, we organized Trick or Treat So Others Can Eat, helped at dog shows, planted native plants in a salt marsh in Carpinteria, and volunteered at the historic Dudley House in Ventura. Our teen members are working on a plan to help introduce 4-H activities to children whose parents are in the military. We also fundraise to help support a boy in Tanzania so that he can get through school. He wants to become a doctor some day.

We are fortunate to have Emily Morris and Michael Scott, former 4-Hers who recently graduated from college, leading our presentations project. Several of our members participated in Preliminary and County Presentation Days this year.

We've had a busy year so far in Loma Vista 4-H. We have a terrific support system of parents and project leaders who make our great activities possible. Our next adventure will be the Ventura County Fair, but as of now we are just enjoying our time under the sunny Ventura sky!

Mira Monte 4-H

by Tanner Plott & Kelsey McLaughlin

Mira Monte 4-H meets every 2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at Ojai Valley Grange Hall Club Leaders: Tom Davison & Norm Plott

On February 7th, the Mira Monte 4-H club went to the Old Fashion Country Butcher where Kent Short along with his employees, Maggie and Cody, were kind enough to give us a tour and teach us to make sausages.

We arrived at the butcher shop at 8 am sharp with our 5 pounds of pork to make sausages. After an introduction by Kent, we were given the opportunity to use the machines to make our own sausage. The entire process took less than an hour. Kent seemed very impressed with our club and the knowledge of the parts of the animal.

After making sausages, we toured the butcher shop. Kent taught us all the cuts of meats on pigs and cattle. There is a long process to butchering animals that many members in the club did not know. The tour provided a behind the scenes look at what happens to our animals after the fair. This entire process is sometimes forgotten about by the 4-H'er because the animal is no longer with them. The butchering of the animal is just as important as the raising of it. It's good to be aware of the entire process of raising an animal; from the time the animal is born to the time it is harvested and ready for human consumption.

The trip was very informative yet very fun and exciting at the same time. The sausage was delicious. We were able to learn a lot along the way. I would like to thank the Old Fashion Country Butcher for letting us come and tour.

Recently we took a field trip to Lenny Cruz's pig farm. While at the farm, we were able to see what to expect when raising a pig. Lenny taught us all the different things we should look for in a pig before purchasing; like the way a pig walks and the shape of the body.

Lenny also showed us different types of pigs including; Hamps, Yorkshire, and Durocs. For many of our new members this was a great experience to see the pigs and learn what to look for and expect when it comes to purchasing their pig. We were shown some of the very young piglets, and some members even got to hold them!

Welcome to the 2010-11 Ventura County All-Star Program!

All-Star is the highest attainable county 4-H rank. Each year, Ventura County, as well as other California counties, selects several deserving 4-H members who have applied to become All-Stars.

The minimum requirements of an All-Star candidate are:

- ✤ Currently enrolled 4-H member, in good standing with his/her club.
- 4 14 years of age by January 1st of the program year they are selected
- ✤ Has strong interest in working with the All-Star team, leaders, and members at club and county levels on programs, activities, and events.
- ✤ Has specific ideas about ways to give guidance and leadership to some phase of the 4-H program.
- ✤ Has demonstrated leadership abilities, citizenship concern, and maturity of judgment.
- Recognizes the opportunities and responsibilities of being selected a 4-H All-Star and is receptive to new ideas and challenges.
- ✤ Has made a significant contribution to the 4-H program in the county.
- Recognizes that there is a significant time commitment that comes along with being an All-Star, which includes attending county events, meetings, and representing 4-H in other ways throughout the two year program.

After being selected, All-Star candidates are required to:

Year One

- ✤ Plan and complete an All-Star project.
- ♦ Develop public speaking, program planning and officer skills.
- \diamond Assist second year All-Stars with events and projects.

Year Two

- ✤ Represent Ventura County as an All-Star at various county and area events and programs.
- ✤ Plan and complete an All-Star community service activity.

Just being selected as an All-Star is an award in itself, as it shows great achievement by the member. Each All-Star is awarded an All-Star pin and emblem for their 4-H hat. Other All-Star attire (t-shirt, sweater, etc.) may also be provided. All-Stars are encouraged to attend the State Leadership Conference the year they are selected. Funding assistance may be available to help with the conference fees.

Additional information is available from the 4-H Office. Please phone (805) 662-6943 or email (<u>sygloeckler@ucdavis.edu</u>) for additional information and applications. Deadline for applications is July 30, 2010.

VENTURA COUNTY 4-H JUNIOR ALL- STAR PROGRAM

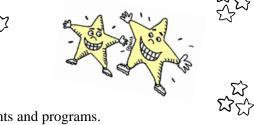
The Ventura County 4-H Junior All-Star Program looking for new members!

The Junior All-Star Program has several goals, including:

- ♦ serving as a bridge to the 4-H All-Star Program, and other leadership programs;
- ♦ providing meaningful leadership training and growth opportunities for teens;
- ♦ providing opportunities for volunteerism and community service;
- ✤ maintaining teen's interest in organized youth development programs; and
- ✤ providing opportunities for teens to have fun!

The Junior All-Star Program is open to any 4-H member who is 14 years of age or older by January 1st of the year which he/she is selected to serve, and who hasn't yet graduated from high school. While this is a non-competitive program, youth must complete an application form, and meet certain criteria. Applications are due no later than July 30, 2009 for the 2009-2010 program year.

Program information and applications can be found on the 4-H website at <u>http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/4-H_Program/Ventura_County_4-H_Program_Information.htm</u> Or call (805) 662-6943.





IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER!

NEW VOLUNTEER LEADER CERTIFICATION ORIENTATIONS:

Only 2 trainings have been scheduled at this time; additional trainings <u>*MIGHT*</u> be scheduled for later in the Fall. Don't miss out, R.S.V.P. today for one of the scheduled dates below.

BOTH trainings will be held at the 4-H Office: 669 County Square Dr., #100

Ventura, CA 93003-5401

Trainings will begin **PROMPTLY**. Due to the large amount of material, participants **MUST** be on time & **MUST** attend the entire training or they will not have completed this important part of the certification process. R.S.V.P. required, please include in an e-mail to <u>tifisher@ucdavis.edu</u>,

- 1. your First & Last Name
- 2. your phone number
- 3. mailing address so we can mail you the fingerprinting forms
 - a. As soon as you receive the forms in the mail; contact a fingerprinting facility & schedule your fingerprinting appointment.
- 4. the name of the club you are volunteering for
- 5. the date of the Orientation that you will be attending

June 5, 2010 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. July 12, 2010 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.



Club Officer Training:

"Will the meeting please come to order . . ."

If you were recently elected to serve as a club officer for the new club year starting July 1, plan on attending our Club Officer Training on **Tuesday, June 29th** and will be held at the 4-H Office. This training is MANDATORY for the Club Treasurer **AND ALL NEW** President, Vice-President, Secretary & Sargent at Arms. For those that occupied these roles & attended the training last year, you do not have to attend this again though we do recommend this as a refresher. All other club officers are welcomed & encouraged to attend but are not required to.

R.S.V.P. required so that we can have enough materials & dinner available for everyone. R.S.V.P. must be submitted to <u>tifisher@ucdavis.edu</u> & must include;

- 1. your name
- 2. your phone number
- 3. your club name
- 4. your title as Club Officer

The meeting schedule is as follows;

- 1. Pizza Dinner: 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. provided for each club officer / club leader / club officer advisor. Additional persons attending with the club officer can purchase dinner for \$3.00.
- 2. Club Officer Training: 6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. (Treasurers MUST attend)
- 3. Treasurers Training: 7:30 p.m. 8:30 p.m.

Record Book Open House:

Will be held at the 4-H Office;

669 County Square Dr 100, Ventura, CA 93003-5401

Tuesday, June 29, 2010 begins at 4:30 p.m. and ends at 8:30 p.m.

R.S.V.P. requested via e-mail to <u>tifisher@ucdavis.edu</u>. Please include Member Name, phone number, club name & the time you will attend. As this is an Open House, R.S.V.P. for the time you are available.



No More California Citrus?!

That's what at stake if the Asian citrus psyllid and the disease it carries establishes here! With your help it can be stopped before it is too late!!!

The dangerous pest, the Asian citrus pshllid (ACP), is a small insect about the size of an aphid. It feeds on leaves and stems of citrus and close relatives of citrus. It is a carrier of the deadly plant disease,

Huanglongbing. Although the disease has not yet been found in California,

the insect has already spread from Mexico into Southern California. And, the disease is infecting and killing citrus in neighboring states and in Mexico.

We must be prepared! Inspect your citrus trees often. Be sure to plant only California-grown certified trees that are known to be free of disease. Learn more about this serious threat by visiting these websites:



Asian citrus psyllid



the disease

http://ceventura.ucdavis.edu/Asian_Citrus_Psyllid/

http://www.californiacitrusthreat.com/asian-citrus-psyllid.html

If you would like to do more to prevent this pest from spreading, our office has flyers and other information that you can read and/or give to family, friends, and neighbors. Contact Chris Webb at (805) 645-1434.

Thank you to all of our Ventura County 4-H volunteers for all of the hard work they do within their club, in projects, on PDC's, at county events, at state events.

Thank you! 🙂

Attention all Project Leaders of Camping, Hiking or other Outdoor Adventure projects!

The 4-H Camping Handbook has important policies and guidelines. Please review the handbook prior to your next meeting/activity. The 4-H Camping Handbook can be downloaded at: <u>http://ucanr.org/4hcampsafety</u> <u>http://groups.ucanr.org/ehs/4H/Camp_Saf</u> <u>ety_Guidebook.htm</u>

Contact the 4-H Office if you have any questions.

South Section 4-H Field Day

By Fern Vacca, Ventura County Chairperson

South Section 4-H Field Day was held May 15th at Mount San Antonio College in Walnut.

Congratulations to our Ventura County Presenters! Emma Medina, Loma Vista 4-H: Junior Presentation; "The Four Gates of Horses" – **Blue**

Joshua Finch, Mupu 4-H: Junior Presentation; "Bagels, Wonderful Bagels" – Blue

Rebecca Reeder, Mupu 4-H: Junior Presentation; "How to Trim Goat Hooves" – **Green**

Grant Bowman, Loma Vista 4-H: Senior PowerPoint Presentation; "Books, Boards and Computers" – Gold

Bronson Smith, Somis 4-H: Intermediate Educational Exhibit – Gold

Gold Medal winners are eligible to compete at State 4-H Field Day at UC Davis on May 29th.

Thanks to Ventura County; Judges: Emily Morris, Loma Vista and Nancy Mahon, Citrus Valley Room Supervisor: Maria Smith, Somis 4-H Emcee: Bronson Smith, Somis 4-H



Would you like to share your 4-H experience with another 4-H'er that lives across the country?

A group of 4-H'ers in the state of Maine are wishing to begin a **pen pal project** with a California 4-H group.

If you are interested please contact Pat English at: <u>pnenglish@ucdavis.edu</u> or 530-754-8520.

2010 Junior Grand National Winner!

Congratulations to Chase Bowen of the Sespe 4-H Club who recently competed at the 2010 Junior Grand National, which was held April 7-11 at the historic Cow Palace in San Francisco. Chase placed first in the Junior (9-13 years of age) 4-H Hog Showmanship Division. The event drew a total of 3,940 entries exhibited by 581 exhibitors from 40 different counties plus Oregon and Idaho.

Way to go, Chase!



4-H SET-Ready curricula are available for free electronic (PDF) download in the online library! Curriculum includes "It Came From Planted Earth", "Nature's Partners: Pollinator Protection", "Pond Mapping", "Ridges to Rivers", and "Veterinary Science". Visit the library at

http://www.ca4h.org/SET/curriculum.asp

InterroBang, based on the four grand challenges of the Smithsonian, is a social-network game where K-12 students compete in problem solving missions. These missions engage kids in fun real-word challenges. Participants demonstrate their successful missions by uploading photos, poems, videos, etc. A professional panel, including Smithsonian experts, judges the results and determines winners. To check out the missions, which launch **May 9**, visit http://www.playinterrobang.com/.

The PBS TV show **Design Squad** is inviting you to become a contestant in their **2010 Trash to Treasure Competition**! Homemade inventions must be the result of recycled material and can move things or people, protect the environment, or be used for indoor or outdoor play. For ages 5-19, the entries are due between **April 5th and September 5th 2010**. A selected winner will appear on the show. For more information visit <u>PBS.org/designsquad</u>.

4-H Library

The 4-H Office has eight new curriculums in the library for check-out.

- 1. Bicycle
- 2. Child Development (Babysitting)
- 3. Consumer Savvy
- 4. CPU (Computer Power Unlimited)
- 5. Exploring 4-H (Good for Primary & Beginning members)
- 6. Keeping Fit & Healthy (1st Aid in Action)
- 7. Power of Wind
- 8. Small Engines
- 9. Family History Treasure Hunt Contact the 4-H Office for check-out availability.

4-H Office

The 4-H Office is open (except for County designated Holidays) Monday through Friday, 8a.m. to 5p.m. Please call the 4-H Office at (805) 645-1464 for more information. Our fax number is (805) 645-1474.

Staff Hours & Program Responsibilities

Susan Gloeckler (805) 662-6943 Monday through Wednesday, 10a.m. to 5p.m. 4-H Program Supervisor – Community Club Program, Policy and Procedure, New Unit Organization, Club Leader Advice, Training (Youth/Volunteer). E-mail: <u>sygloeckler@ucdavis.edu</u>

Tisha Fisher (805) 645-1464 Monday – Thursday 4-H Assistant – Enrollment, Mailings, Pins, Equipment Check Out, 4-H Calendar, Event Support, 4-H Library, General Information, *Clover Lines* Editor. E-mail: <u>tifisher@ucdavis.edu</u>

Rose Hayden-Smith (805) 645-1466 County Director, 4-H Youth Development Advisor E-mail: <u>rmhaydensmith@ucdavis.edu</u>

It is best e-mail articles about your Group's activities and events to the 4-H Office. Please e-mail your articles to tifisher@ucdavis.edu

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS THE <u>1st MONDAY OF EACH</u> <u>MONTH</u> FOR THE FOLLOWING MONTH'S ISSUE.

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Rose Hayden-Smith 4-H Youth Development Advisor

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http://calendar.ucanr.org/ (change "Location" to Ventura County & "Category" to 4-H/Youth Programs, Click "Go!") To help ensure you receive e-mails from us, be sure to add to your Safe/Green/Accept e-mails lists: sygloeckler@ucdavis.edu, tifisher@ucdavis.edu, 4hOnline [mailto:no-reply@4hOnline.com], and sagriffin@ucdavis.edu

- 6/4 CAPCA 4-Year University Scholarship Applications DUE
- 6/4 CAPCA Community College Scholarship Applications DUE
- 6/5 New Volunteer Leader Certification Orientation @ the 4-H Office, 9:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.
- 6/7 Mupu 4-H & Piru 4-H Featured Club Happenings! articles due to the 4-H Office
- 6/13 Ventura County 4-H Equine Field Day 8-2 @ the Ventura County Fairgrounds Morgan Arena
- 6/14 State Leadership Conference registration DUE http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc/
- 6/24-27 Championship Horse Show @ the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds
- 6/25-29 California Focus
- 6/26 Saturday @ the Farm; UC Hansen Agricultural Center. REGISTER @ 805-525-9293 ext. 214 or sbmiller@ucdavis.edu
- 6/27-7/5 Washington Focus I; Road to Democracy
- 6/27-7/3 Washington Focus; Heritage Trail I
- 6/29 Club Officer Training @ 4-H Office 5:30 6:00 Dinner, training begins @6:00 goes until 8:30 p.m.
- 6/29 Record Book Open House @ 4-H Office 4:30 8:30
- 6/30 Program Year ENDS
- 7/1 New Program Year BEGINS

- 7/11-21 Washington Focus II; Global Journey
- 7/11-17 Washington Focus II; Heritage Trail II
- 7/12 New Volunteer Leader Certification Orientation @ the 4-H Office, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- 7/16-18 Horse Fair
- 7/29-8/1 2010 4-H State Leadership Conference @ UC Davis
- 7/30 Ventura County All-Star Application DEADLINE.
- 7/30 Ventura County Junior All-Star Application DEADLINE.
- 8/2 Santa Rosa Valley 4-H & Sespe 4-H Featured Club Happenings! articles due to the 4-H Office
- 8/4-15 2010 Ventura County Fair!
- 8/14 Saturday @ the Farm; UC Hansen Agricultural Center.
- REGISTER @ 805-525-9293 ext. 214 or sbmiller@ucdavis.edu
- 9/6 Shadow Hills 4-H & Somis 4-H Featured Club Happenings! articles due to the 4-H Office
- 9/25 Saturday @ the Farm; UC Hansen Agricultural Center. REGISTER @ 805-525-9293 ext. 214 or sbmiller@ucdavis.edu
- 10/4 Tapo Simi 4-H & Tierra Rejada 4-H Featured Club Happenings! articles due to the 4-H Office
- 11/6 Saturday @ the Farm; UC Hansen Agricultural Center. REGISTER @ 805-525-9293 ext. 214 or