

# Clover Lines

## Only 2 Months Left!!!

Yes, it is hard to believe, but there are only two months left in the current 4-H Club year! There is a lot going on at this time of the year as school, sports, 4-H, and other commitments and activities are coming to year's end. It is also a time when new opportunities are opening up!

One of those is how you can help your club in the New Year which starts July 1st. Will you have time to run for a club office or serve on the board in some way? If your club hasn't already had elections of officers for the coming year, it is time to do so! Consider what job you would like to have on the board, but remember that with each position, there are many responsibilities! Check the Club Officer's Manual for details. Your club leader has a copy of this booklet, and it is also available on the state 4-H website at:

<http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/forms/manuals/4H1036-OfficersManual.pdf>

Once elections are held, an installation of officers should be conducted. If your club needs some help in conducting an installation ceremony, there are six examples at the Nebraska 4-H website:

<http://4h.unl.edu/volunteers/InfoSeries.htm>

After the new officers have been installed, it is time to begin planning the new 4-H year! Yes, the new club officers plan the year, with the guidance of the club leaders. The Officer's Manual has some forms to help plan the year. (See link to this manual above.) Another form that is helpful in planning a fun and educational year for all your members is the 4-H Unit Program Planning Guide: [http://www.ca4h.org/policy/chapter5/UC4HYDP5-Unit\\_Pgrm\\_Plan\\_GuideMay.doc](http://www.ca4h.org/policy/chapter5/UC4HYDP5-Unit_Pgrm_Plan_GuideMay.doc). Each club is required to complete this form and submit it to the 4-H Office annually. During, and then at the end of the year, officers review their plans to see what they have accomplished. The completed form is then returned to the 4-H Office and achievement seals are awarded.

In the next few weeks, we will be setting a date for the Club Officer Training Session and the Treasurer Training Session. The Club Officer Training Session is **MANDATORY** for the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer. All other officers are not required to attend but are welcome. Club officer and leadership skills will be covered. Be sure to attend! **ALL CLUB TREASURERS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND THE SESSION THAT WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR MEMBERS WHO WILL BE SERVING AS CLUB TREASURER!** Although the treasurer's duties and responsibilities will be gone over in the Club Officer Training Session, the Treasurer Training is separate and much more in detail, and again, required by the state 4-H program.

Speaking of the treasurer's position, as the end of the year approaches, the current treasurer should be working with the club leader or the adult advisor to the treasurer to make sure that all the financial reports for the year are in order.

It is also time for the club secretary to make sure that all minutes of club meetings are complete and have been approved by the membership, and that all attendance records are in order.

Yes, it is a busy time of year! But, being a club officer and completing the duties that come with the job are important, and club officers learn valuable leadership skills that will be of benefit throughout the years to come!



# Featured Club Happenings!

## Die Norte 4-H

by Anita Wilvert

Del Norte 4-H meets every  
Club Leader: Anita Wilvert

President: Rogelio Pinedo, age 17

Del Norte's Foods and Market Beef projects are going strong. The upcoming Mother's Day Event will be a dinner this year with our young chefs trying their skills with a BBQ. Last year eighteen people were at the brunch put on by Del Norte 4-H Club's Foods group. Flowers were presented to our special guests thanks to a new members Mom whose skills include flower arranging. Each club member met the night before at a members' home and did his/her arrangement.

There are two members in our beef group this year, and they are working hard on their projects. Fowl is another project being tried this year--good luck to all!!! Club elections will be held next month, and after one more meeting in June, we will be dark until September.

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## Las Posas 4-H

by Chelle Smith

Las Posas 4-H meets 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month at Mt. Cross Lutheran Church in Camarillo at 6 p.m.

Club Leaders: Chelle Smith and Cynthia Wucherpennig

Club President: Katarina Smith, age 14

Greetings from Las Posas 4-H,

We are a small but very diverse group located on the west end of Camarillo. We have a membership of approximately 25 members. We offer veterinary science, sheep - both, market as well as the breeding project, fishing, dog grooming, hiking, photography, tole painting, survival cooking, sewing, market steer, goats and rabbits.

Last Fall, our members collected 300 pounds of food for Food Share for the Trick Or Treat So Others Can Eat event. Jeanne Benitez, the development manager from Food Share,

(in the picture here along with club members) spoke to our members about the large amount of food collected, and the number of animals that were donated at the Fair in August. It was great to hear how many families they were able to help feed with these donations! We then loaded our collected items into Jeanne's car so it could go to needy families in Ventura County.

In February we created Valentine Cards wishing our United States Armed Service men and women well and sent them off to Iraq. That was fun and creative.

March included a great Bio-fuel demonstration where we all participated in the experiment, thanks to Megan W. and in April we were all encouraged to give a presentation about a project we are currently enrolled in.

*The next Featured Club Happenings! will include articles from Loma Vista 4-H and Mira Monte 4-H.*



# IMPORTANT 4-H Policy Reminder

As a reminder . . .

Public, non-profit agencies, such as the **4-H YDP** are not to conduct lotteries, drawings, raffles, bingo, and other games of chance. For complete National 4-H Policy regarding this issue please click the following link [Raffles, Lotteries, Gaming and 4-H](#).

## American Patchwork & Quilting

# 1 MILLION PILLOWCASE CHALLENGE



### Are you looking for a service project?

Check out <http://www.allpeoplequilt.com/> and click on the links to the **Million Pillowcase Project**. The project lasts through December 2010. The basic pattern is the easiest and is suitable for beginning sewers. Look at the link for a store near you that is accepting the pillowcases. They are donated to the homeless, foster children, cancer patients and others so they can be designed for boys, girls, and adults. In Tuolumne County, 4-H leaders donated leftover fabric and members sewed the pillowcases at their "Everything but Animals" Field Day.

## ARCHERY CERTIFICATION REQUIRED!



Is your club interested in offering an Archery Project? All Archery Project Leaders **MUST** attend an Archery Certification Training prior to leading an Archery Project even if the project meetings will be taking place at an Archery Range where their staff will be providing the instructions / lessons.

A shooting sports training workshop for the archery discipline will be held at the UC Extension Office, 1031 South Mt. Vernon Ave, Bakersfield, CA on:

Saturday, May 22	8 AM – 5 PM
Sunday, May 23	8 AM – 5 PM

Upon successful completion of the course, participants will be certified as archery trainers and can instruct archery club projects. Attendance at both days is required.

The cost will be \$20 and includes lunch on Saturday and class materials.

For more information, contact Robert Claffy at (661) 829-1658 (evenings) or e-mail [rclaffy656@aol.com](mailto:rclaffy656@aol.com). You must contact him in advance to reserve a spot in the course.



## State Leadership Conference

(Financial Assistance allotted on an "as needed and available" basis)



State Leadership Conference is coming, and coming fast! This year's theme is...

**OPERATION 4-H!** Are you ready to listen like a cadet to the inspirational public speakers? Are you outgoing like a Lieutenant and want to socialize with new people? Or are you prepared like a General and ready for anything? If you like to have fun, meet new members, and are prepared for a challenge, then this is the place for you! To learn more about this amazing boot camp... I mean conference... visit the website at <http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc/>.

**Financial assistance** will be allotted on an "as needed and available" basis and is not transferable. Applications are due **May 15th**. Delegates may request up to \$330 of financial aid. **Conference registration deadline is June 14, 2010**. Come share the fun and experience! Visit: <http://fourh.ucdavis.edu/conference/slc/> for more information. Please direct questions to Quang "Hogan" Tong at 530-752-5644 or email at [qtong@ucdavis.edu](mailto:qtong@ucdavis.edu).

SLC 2010: Operation 4-H, **July 29th - August 1st, at UC Davis**. Can you complete the task ahead? **REMINDER** to Ventura County 4-H 14 - 19 year old members, this year's conference is **NOT** taking place during the Ventura County Fair, giving you the opportunity to attend.



# **PRELIMINARY and COUNTY 4-H PRESENTATION DAYS 2010**

By Fern Vacca

Preliminary Presentation Day was held at the 4-H Office on March 9th. Members received a critique and information to help them prepare for County Presentation Day.

Thank you to Elaine Fowell and Heidi Marshall who organized the event and to the Judges for their help.

County 4-H Presentation Day was held March 27th at the Oak View Park and Resource Center.

Congratulations to all of the 4-H members who gave demonstrations, illustrated talks, powerpoint presentations, prepared readings, entered educational displays and cultural arts.

Gold Medal winners are eligible to enter South Section 4-H Field Day at Mount San Antonio College in Walnut on May 15th and represent Ventura County.

Thanks to Grant Bowman, Teen Chair, all of the committee members, Judges, Room Supervisors, MC's, participants and parents who made County Presentation Day a success. The County Presentation Day participants were;

## **PREPARED READINGS:**

INTERMEDIATE: Spencer Wittrock, Loma Vista – GOLD  
Sarah Nagel, Loma Vista – GOLD  
Christiana Mellein, Loma Vista – BLUE

SENIOR: Kimberly Coverly, Loma Vista - BLUE  
Alex Mellein, Loma Vista - BLUE  
Krystall Schott, Shadow Hills – GOLD

## **POWERPOINT:**

SENIOR: Krystall Schott, Shadow Hills – BLUE

## **DEMONSTRATION-POWERPOINT:**

SENIOR: Grant Bowman, Loma Vista – GOLD

## **DEMONSTRATION:**

PRIMARY: Erin Hoffman, Loma Vista – Certificate  
Madeline Hoffman, Loma Vista – Certificate  
Naomi Ortega, Loma Vista – Certificate  
Gisele Ortega, Loma Vista – Certificate

JUNIOR: Joshua Finch, Mupu - GOLD  
Rebecca Reeder, Mupu - GOLD

INTERMEDIATE: Christiana Mellein, Loma Vista – GOLD

## **EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY:**

INTERMEDIATE: Bronson Smith, Somis - GOLD  
PRIMARY: Keegan Reeder, Mupu – Certificate

## **ILLUSTRATED TALK:**

JUNIOR: Emma Medina, Loma Vista – GOLD

## **CULTURAL ARTS:**

INTERMEDIATE: Kinta Schott, Shadow Hills - BLUE  
Spencer Wittrock, Loma Vista – BLUE

SENIOR: Kyla Vinson, Conejo Valley – GOLD

*The 4-H Office wishes to thank Fern Vacca for all of her assistance & guidance in putting on these events.*

## **Horse Project members represent Ventura County at Southern Regional Horse Show**



Ventura County 4-H Horse Project members attended the Southern Regional Horse Show and Educational Contest held in Pomona, California in February.

Santa Rosa Valley Horse Project members; Juliette Avalos, Hannah Nandor and Elizabeth Paxson competed as a team in Hippology for the very first time and brought home the 3rd place award for the Horse Judging portion of the competition.

Erica Larsen (Chief Peak), Courtney Slotar (Santa Rosa Valley), Emily Pattison (Santa Rosa Valley), Hannah Nandor (Santa Rosa Valley) and Elizabeth Paxson (Santa Rosa Valley) competed in various classes during the 2 day English, Western and Gymkhana Horse Show and represented Ventura County very well, bringing home many ribbons and awards; in addition to making many new 4-H friends from the surrounding counties!





# THE POWER OF WIND!

## MAY 15, 2010

California 4-H has been selected to pilot a training program for the 4-H Power Of Wind Curriculum. You are invited to participate in this one time opportunity and provide feedback on the training!

**What:** One full day (8:30am—6pm) of actual training on four modules. Incorporated into the training are the four SET competency areas – youth development, science process, science content and science practice while participating in experiential opportunities!! This promises to be a fun-filled day with lots of hands-on activities and teaching moments. Guaranteed to excite!!

**Who:** The training is designed for anyone interested in implementing the Power Of Wind Curriculum with 4-H youth. The goal of training is to develop skills so that anyone can train others on this curriculum. Older 4-H members are welcome to attend!

*You **MUST** attend the full day of training.*

**When:** May 15, 2010, 8:30am-6pm

**Where:** University of California Cooperative Extension (4-H Office)  
1031 S. Mount Vernon Ave.  
Bakersfield, CA 93307

This is a **FREE** training conducted by Dr. Cynthia Barnett, Ph.D. and Dr. Keith Nathaniel, Ed.D. We will provide breakfast, lunch and snacks. Each county office represented will receive 15 youth guides and 1 facilitator guide.

We need a minimum of 10 participants with a maximum of 16. Please fill out the registration form and return to Veronica Slaton no later than May 10, 2010.

**Please Return to: Veronica Slaton**  
661.868.6235 - fax: 661.868.6208 - valator@ucdavis.edu - 1031 S. Mount Vernon Ave. Bakersfield, Ca 93307

	Individual	Team
1st Place:	\$100.00	\$1,500.00
2nd Place:	\$ 75.00	\$1,000.00
3rd Place:	\$ 50.00	\$ 750.00
4th Place:	\$ 25.00	\$ 500.00





## “FOOD WITH FLAIR”

By: Danielle Pistone



Once again, 4-H's annual Food Faire & Fashion Revue was a success thanks to all that participated and helped! A huge Thank You to our awesome judges: Jenean Bass, Laurie Schmidt, Suzanna Colwell and Kristen Castellano. With all the wonderful entries, I'm sure they had a hard time picking the winners!



Thanks to all our delicious food entries, 4-H'ers got to try some fabulous new treats. **Kudos to our Food Faire winners:**

**Junior Foods – Shawna Finnerty, Loma Vista**  
**Intermediate Foods – Addie Wucherpfennig, Las Posas**  
**Intermediate Cake Decorating – Meghan Woodard, Conejo Valley**  
**Senior Foods – Sarah D'Atri, Tapo-Simi**



While judges took time choosing medalists, everyone had the opportunity to make a bookmark to take home, decorate a placemat for the local senior center, or even try to identify over 20 spices in a fun contest! **Several sneezes later, we found a winner for the spice identification contest, from each age group:**



**Primary – Gisele Ortega, Loma Vista**  
**Junior – Shawna Finnerty, Loma Vista**  
**Intermediate – Addie Wucherpfennig, Las Posas**  
**Senior – Raquel Stanton, Conejo Valley**

**The winner for the “Educational Poster”:**  
**Beginner - Victoria Stanton, Conejo Valley**

Finally, after we patiently waited, anticipating the judge's decisions, the Fashion Revue participants put on a fashion show for everyone to see their creative entries.

**Congratulations to the Fashion Revue medalists:**

**Junior Traditional – Nicole Bellmore, Loma Vista**  
**Senior Purchased – Danielle Pistone, Tapo-Simi**  
**Senior Wearable Art – Danielle Pistone, Tapo-Simi**

All in all, the 2010 “Food with Flair” Food Faire and Fashion Revue went very well! Thanks so much to everyone who entered and especially thanks to the members of Tapo-Simi 4H Club: Danielle Pistone, Sarah D'Atri, Emily Aikman, Julianne Eggerman, Emili Priyatmo, Angela Kaltenbach, Jennifer D'Atri, Wendy Aikman, Denise Pistone, and



Mary Eggerman.



Here is an idea for your May 4-H Club Meeting program: **Endangered Species Day** takes place on **May 21, 2010**. Founded in 2006 by a resolution from Congress, Endangered Species Day is an opportunity for young and old to learn about actions that people can take to help protect our nation's disappearing wildlife. The Endangered Species Day website, [www.endangeredspeciesday.org](http://www.endangeredspeciesday.org), features a toolkit that includes resource materials and a guide to planning your own Endangered Species Day event or program.

### GreenMyParents

GreenMyParents is a revolutionary, nationwide program to help youth teach their peers and parents how to work together to seed the green economy, earn money at home, and save the planet through simple, everyday actions. Their goal is to save over \$100 Million together in less than 1 year starting Earth Day (April 22, 2010.) To join them and to learn more about GreenMyParents, visit their website at [www.greenmyparents.com](http://www.greenmyparents.com). Also see 10 things youth are doing at <http://www.ca4h.org/set/updates/GMP.pdf>.

### 4-H Library

Summertime is a great time for projects! You can do any number of projects... consider doing something new like; Astronomy, Bicycling, Fishing, Power of the Wind. Some projects can be combined by adding one of these to your existing Camping or Outdoor project.

Contact the 4-H Office, [tifisher@ucdavis.edu](mailto:tifisher@ucdavis.edu), to check out the W.Tirion SkyAtlas 2000.0 that has 26 star charts; Bicycle (set of 3 books) curriculum & the "Bicycle - Don't get stuck: Fix It DVD"; Radworks Classic/ Action Camp Songs, Camp Traditions; Have Team Building Games. . . Will Travel - A Guide to Games, Skits & Songs for all ages; Fishing (set of 4 books) curriculum; Power of the Wind (set of 2 books) curriculum.

**Have a Safe, Fun, Great Summer! (Don't forget the sunblock & bottled H2O!)**

### 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

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4-H Youth Development Advisor  
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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](mailto:tifisher@ucdavis.edu)

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

*Rose Hayden-Smith*

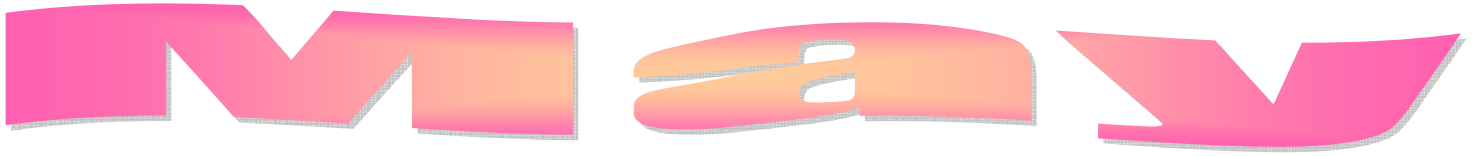
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# 4-H Calendar

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| 5/3     | Loma Vista 4-H & Mira Monte 4-H Featured Club Happenings! articles due to the 4-H Office   | 6/7      | Mupu 4-H & Piru 4-H Featured Club Happenings! articles due to the 4-H Office   |
| 5/7     | California 4-H Photography Contest registration DUE  | 6/13     | Ventura County 4-H Equine Field Day 8-2 @ the Ventura County Fairgrounds Morgan Arena  |
| 5/7     | Claifornia 4-H Film Festival Videos must be postmarked BY  | 6/14     | State Leadership Conference registration DUE<br><a href="http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc/">http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc/</a>                  |
| 5/10    | 4-H State Fashion Revue registration due   | 6/24-27  | Championship Horse Show @ the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds  |
| 5/10    | Power of Wind Training registration DEADLINE   | 6/25-29  | California Focus   |
| 5/15    | 4-H State Leadership Conference Financial Assistance DEADLINE  | 6/26     | Saturday @ the Farm; UC Hansen Agricultural Center. REGISTER @ 805-525-9293 ext. 214 or <a href="mailto:sbmiller@ucdavis.edu">sbmiller@ucdavis.edu</a> |
| 5/15    | Power of Wind Training @ Bakersfield 4-H Office, 8:30-6  | 6/27-7/5 | Washington Focus I; Road to Democracy  |
| 5/16    | Ventura County 4-H Gymkhana Clinic 8-2 @ the Ventura County Fairgrounds Morgan Arena   | 6/27-7/3 | Washington Focus; Heritage Trail I   |
| 5/21    | Endangered Species Day <a href="http://www.endangeredspeciesday.org">www.endangeredspeciesday.org</a>  | 6/30     | Program Year ENDS  |
| 5/22    | Saturday @ the Farm; UC Hansen Agricultural Center. REGISTER @ 805-525-9293 ext. 214 or <a href="mailto:sbmiller@ucdavis.edu">sbmiller@ucdavis.edu</a> | 7/1      | New Program Year BEGINS  |
| 5/22-23 | Archery Certification Training in Bakersfield  | 7/11-21  | Washington Focus II; Global Journey  |
| 5/29    | 4-H State Fashion Revue @ UC Davis   | 7/11-17  | Washington Focus II; Heritage Trail II   |
| 5/29    | 2010 State 4-H Field Day @ UC Davis  | 7/16-18  | Horse Fair   |
| 5/31    | 4-H Golden Clover Awards Applications DUE<br><a href="http://ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/goldenclover/">http://ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/goldenclover/</a>     | 7/29-8/1 | 2010 4-H State Leadership Conference @ UC Davis  |
| 6/4     | CAPCA 4-Year University Scholarship Applications DUE   | 8/2      | Santa Rosa Valley 4-H & Sespe 4-H Featured Club Happenings! articles due to the 4-H Office   |
| 6/4     | CAPCA Community College Scholarship Applications DUE   | 8/4-15   | 2010 Ventura County Fair!  |