



4-H Memos



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California/Washington Focus

We are looking for responsible citizens. Do you know if you fit the job description? Would you like to talk with your California State Senator or Assembly member. Or your U.S. Senator or Congressman? Information about the California Citizenship Focus Program is now at the county offices. Check it out.

At California Focus, you become a registered voter in the state of Sierra Cascade and take on all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities of citizenship. Washington Focus allows you to travel and study in the nation's Capitol, Washington, D.C. You learn how government works and enjoy the traditions and history of the Capitol. A visit with your elected officials is the highlight of both programs.

Come get involved in this hands-on experience with government and community involvement. Applications, with a non-refundable deposit, are due in the California 4-H Youth Development Office on January 12, 2004 for Washington Focus and January 31 for California Focus. Financial assistance applications will be available in late October.

California Focus **June 25 - 29**
4-H members must have completed the 8th grade.

Washington Focus #1
♦ **"Road to Democracy"** **June 19 - 28**
Take advantage of this study travel trip to Gettysburg, Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, and New York.
♦ **"Heritage Trail I"** **June 19 - 26**
For those who wish to travel during this week but prefer to limit their travel to Gettysburg and Washington, D.C.

Washington Focus #2
♦ **"Global Journey"** **July 10 - 21**
For those who wish to take advantage of this study travel trip to Gettysburg, Washington, D.C., Jamestown, Yorktown, and Williamsburg.
♦ **"Heritage Trail II"** **July 10 - 17**
For those who wish to travel during this week but prefer to limit their travel to Gettysburg and Washington, D.C.
(To travel on the Heritage Trail I or II trips, a 4-H leader from the county must accompany the delegation)

Washington Focus programs are open to all adult 4-H leaders and to all youth members who have completed their sophomore year in high school or will be 16 years of age by the time of travel.



Leaders' Council Plans for Aftermath of Firestorm 2003

In an effort to provide support for the 4-H community and families affected by Firestorm 2003, the San Diego County 4-H Leaders' Council has initiated two (2) support hotlines.

The first, staffed by Paulette Sauln (619) 464-4394, is dedicated to identifying the need for and donations of goods and services. Additionally, Paulette will be maintaining a list of 4-H families that have suffered a loss as a result of the fires.

The second, staffed by Kristina Byrne at (858) 679-2072 and (858) 945-2072, is dedicated to animal boarding concerns.

Individuals interested in either providing assistance or needing assistance are encouraged to contact Paulette and/or Kristina.

San Diego Leaders' Council is also in the process of developing a plan of action as we begin to deal with the aftermath of this crisis. Individuals interested in helping with this effort can contact Kristina or Paulette at the above listed numbers or the County 4-H Office at 858-694-2861.

We wish to thank in advance all those individuals that have come together to provide support and assistance in overcoming this crisis. We would also like to extend our gratitude to the dedicated volunteers and heroic public servants that have risked their lives to protect our county.

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Enrollment For 2003-04 Program Year

The Adult Volunteer Enrollment Process is moving along. Fourteen clubs have submitted the re-enrollment forms, as well as a few new Adult Application Forms. If you have not submitted the Adult Re-Enrollment Forms for your club, do so as soon as possible. These returning adult leaders may hold meetings as soon as the Community Club Leader has their completed re-enrollment forms.

New Adult Volunteers must:

- Submit the completed Adult Application Form
- Complete Leader Orientation and have the signed Orientation form on file in the 4-H Office
- Complete the fingerprint process through Live Scan

If a new leader enrolls, their application along with a NCR copy of the Live Scan application and the Leader Orientation Form must be sent to the 4-H Office. If all steps have not been completed (Orientation and Fingerprints) please keep the enrollment form at the club level and submit to the county office once all is completed and all forms can be submitted together.

Once the fingerprints have been cleared through The Department of Justice, the Application and Leader Orientation forms are on file, the 4-H Office will issue a Leader Appointment Card to the Volunteer.

Completed Treasurer Books for each club are now overdue. Every club must turn in their Treasurer Book, completed and up to date from September 2002-August 2003. If the book was submitted in the Record Book Judging, it was returned to the club to be updated and must be resubmitted for the county audit.

Youth Enrollment Forms, Youth Re-enrollment Forms, Club Information Sheet, the green Insurance Application, all fees and the Outreach Report are due November 1. If your club is missing any of these forms, please call the county office to have them sent to you.

If you have any questions about the enrollment process, or if you are not sure about your club's Treasurer's Book, call Colleen at (858) 505-6538.

Small Stock Advisory Committee Meeting

The Small Stock Advisory committee will have its first meeting of the year on Thursday, November 20, at 6:30 p.m. at the 4-H Office. This committee organizes and sponsors Small Stock Learning Day in the spring and discusses other small animal project issues. We encourage members, leaders and adults to get involved and bring fresh ideas to this committee! For questions or to be placed on the e-mail list for meeting minutes, contact:kbyrne4@cox.net.



Super Saturday

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Super Saturday will be held January 31, 2004, and will showcase project-related work with hands-on activities at various booths. Educational seminars will also be held. If you are interested in helping to plan and run Super Saturday, please contact Kristina at 858-679-2072 or kbyrne4@cox.net.

2004 Girls Going Places College Scholarship Program

The Guardian Life Insurance Company of America is accepting entries for the 2004 Girls Going Places College Scholarship Program. The program will award fifteen girls three top prizes of \$10,000, 5,000 and \$3,000 and twelve \$1,000 to be used toward their college education. Deadline for submission is February 27, 2004. More information is available at <http://glic.com/wc/ggp.html>.

Home Arts Day 2004

Home Arts Day - March 13, 2004 in Ramona

Home Arts Day is scheduled sooner this year- if you are a crafts, quilting, sewing or other type of home arts leader, please plan accordingly. In order to take advantage of this opportunity, some clubs are beginning their Home Arts Projects in the fall.

We will have the traditional Dress Revue, in addition to other events. Please note that sewing from scratch is not the only way to participate in Dress Revue. Other categories include: Recycled (60% of the garment has to be re-made), Purchased (receipts totaling under \$150 for the entire outfit) and Wearable Arts (decorated, painted, pieced, etc. clothing). Clothing must be clean, modest, and in keeping with the 4-H program.

We are also looking for Emerald Star projects. Any 4-hers interested in organizing a quilt for a homeless shelter? A judging contest with home arts related tools? Other ideas are welcome and encouraged.

We also need 4-hers and leaders to provide demonstrations of any craft, fiber art or sewing projects. Ideas would be: leather working, crocheting rag rugs, making wreaths, sewing tips, quilting short cuts, smocking, spinning and weaving, doll making, felting.... you name it. We would like to fill the time up that the clothing judges use to judge the sewn outfits with educational and inspirational demonstrations.

Please note that Favorite Foods has been moved to County Presentation Day. For more information contact Beth Prinz at 760-788-8991 or bandbprinz@jps.net.

Cover the Uninsured Week

In 2003, more than 800 national and local organizations participated in Cover the Uninsured Week and raised the nation's awareness about the plight of America's uninsured. We are grateful for the progress we made together. Unfortunately, census data released this week tells us that 43.6 million Americans are still without health care coverage of any kind.

With the number of uninsured growing, we need to redouble our efforts. In that spirit, we are proud to announce that a second Cover the Uninsured Week will take place from May 10-16, 2004.

Cover the Uninsured Week 2004 will feature more than 1,000 community events in all 50 states and the District of Columbia, including health fairs for the uninsured, seminars for business owners, inter-faith gatherings and more to make certain the issue of the uninsured is central to the national discussion.

Presidents Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter will once more serve as the Honorary Co-Chairs of Cover the Uninsured Week, and former Surgeons General Joycelyn Elders, M.D.; C. Everett Koop, M.D.; Julius Richmond, M.D. and David Satcher, M.D. as well as former Secretaries of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Donna E. Shalala; Louis W. Sullivan, M.D.; Joseph Califano, Jr.; Richard S. Schweiker and F. David Matthews have pledged their support to the effort.

With your help and the help of your members and affiliates, Cover the Uninsured Week 2004 will be a great success in making certain America's uninsured are not forgotten. If you would like more information about Cover the Uninsured Week 2004, please call (202) 572-2928 or visit www.CoverTheUninsuredWeek.org.

Article provided by the Clover Corner News, published by National 4-H Council, www.fourhcouncil.edu.

Results of the 2003 Horse Classic

Over 220 youth participated in the California 4-H Horse Classic, held in August. Horse show entries were up about 10%, the educational events participation was up about 30% over last year.

EDUCATIONAL EVENTS -

Senior Public Speaking

Jennifer Barber Ramona Stars 2nd Place

Hippology

Junior San Diego County Team - 5th Place

Senior San Diego Team - 5th Place

Horse Judging

Junior Team (Mixed Counties) - 2nd Place

Senior San Diego Team - 3rd Place

CLASSIC HORSE SHOW

Britney Grigsby, Southbay 4-H

3rd place - English Equitation Junior

10th Place - Hunter Hack Junior

Chelsea Grigsby, Southbay 4-H

5th Place - English Equitation Senior

Rachel Knudsen, Bonsall 4-H

3rd Place - Hunter Hack Junior

Bill Watras, Ramona Stars 4-H

3rd Place - Western Showmanship Green Horse

5th Place - West. Equitation Green Horse

5th Place - West. Pleasure Green Horse

Katelynn Bakun, Ramona Wranglers 4-H

5th Place - West. Equitation Green Horse

Jennifer Barber, Ramona Stars 4-H

Reserve Champion - West. Equitation Senior

Reserve Champion - West. Pleasure Senior

Amy Rothermel, Ramona Wranglers 4-H

10th Place - Eng. Pleasure Junior

8th Place - West. Equitation Junior

9th Place - Western Horsemanship Junior

6th Place - West. Pleasure Junior

Heather Christensen, Ramona Stars 4-H

5th Place - Eng. Showmanship Senior

6th Place - Eng. Equitation Senior

6th Place - Eng. Pleasure Senior

7th Place - West. Equitation Senior

10th Place - Western Pleasure Senior

10th Place - Trail Senior

11th Place - Dressage Suitability Open

2004 State Rules for California Fairs

We are pleased to announce the **2004 State Rules for California Fairs** will be available on website, www.cdfa.ca.gov/fe after October 31st. The State Rules contain several changes for 2004 including new age requirements for both 4-H and Grange organizations.

If you need additional information or have any questions regarding exhibits at California Fairs, please feel free to contact Tomme Jo Dale at 916-263-2948.

Horse Advisory

Last year we had excellent participation at the County events. We hope that all members and leaders will continue to participate in the County events for Horse Advisory. To encourage this, we will be doing the Horse Advisory points again this year. The points are awarded at County sponsored horse events in the following manner:

- ⇒ 5 points for an up to date record book
- ⇒ 15 points for participation
- ⇒ 2 points per hour of volunteering at the event
- ⇒ up to 25 points for other horse activities and events participation when petitioned through horse advisory. At the end of the year, the top three highpoints will be awarded in both junior and senior divisions. This includes any ties for the top three places.

Last year's Horse Advisory highpoint winners will be presented at the learning day in November.

Horse ID forms are due by Jan. 1, 2004 or prior to participation at a 4-H horse event. If you have returning members who own their horse, please provide a list of their names. All leased horses must have new horse ID forms and lease agreements with photos. If you submitted photos last year, they will be transferred to the new/updated forms. Only submit photos for new owned/leased horses. At the Horse Advisory meeting in January, I will have a current listing of all submitted horse ID forms for the 2003-2004 year for leaders to verify. When filling in the horse's name, please use the name that is put on entry forms for shows and events.

Listed below are the event dates for this year. We hope to see more participation this year at the different County events and at Horse Advisory.

Nov.

11 - Horse Advisory 7pm

15 - Equine Learning Day

Dec.

9 - Horse Advisory 7pm

20 - Advisory Trail Ride - Descanso

Jan.

13 - Horse Advisory 7pm

17 - San Diego County Horse Show and Classic Qualifier - hosted by Bonsall 4-H

31 - Rain date for above

Feb.

6-8 - State 4-H Horse Leadership Conference - UC Davis

10 - Horse Advisory 7pm

13-16 - Southern California Regional Classic

Mar.

9 - Horse Advisory 7pm

20 - San Diego County Horse Show and Classic Qualifier - hosted by South Bay 4-H

April

13 - Horse Advisory 7pm

17 - Horsemastership - hosted by Ramona Stars 4-H

May

2 - San Diego County Horse Show and Classic Qualifier - hosted by Golden Clovers 4-H

11 - Horse Advisory 7pm

June

8 - Horse Advisory 7pm

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Grants Available

The Corporation for National and Community Service announces the anticipated availability of funds for Fiscal Year (FY) 2004 to award up to \$500,000 in grant funds to pay for the Federal share of the cost of planning and carrying out service opportunities in conjunction with the federal legal holiday honoring the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr. on January 19, 2004. The Corporation invites applications for these grants.

The purpose of the grants is to mobilize more Americans to observe the Martin Luther King, Jr. federal holiday as a day of service in communities and to bring people together around the common focus of service to others. Eligible organizations may apply for a grant to support national service and community volunteering projects. Grant awards may range from \$2,500 to \$7,500. They seek proposals that are cost effective, based on the number of people serving and being served, and the service performed. This program announcement is subject to the appropriation of funds and is a contingency action taken to ensure that, should funds become available for this purpose, applications can be processed in an orderly manner, and funds can be awarded in a timely fashion. This notice is not a complete description of the activities to be funded or of the application requirements. For supplementary information and application guidelines, including the Corporation state office contact information visit www.cns.gov/whatshot/notices.html.

For information about the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. visit www.thekingcenter.org.

President's Volunteer Service Award

The President's Volunteer Service Award is a Presidential recognition program for Americans of all ages who contribute a significant amount of time to volunteer service.

The Award is given to individuals, families, and groups that have demonstrated outstanding volunteer service and civic participation over the course of a 12-month period. The awards are delivered through a variety of local, state, and national organizations that are registered as "certifying organizations."

By registering your organization, you will help the President's Council on Service and Civic Participation to recognize the outstanding volunteer service of individuals, families, and groups, and thereby encourage others to join the national volunteer service movement.

To learn more about the President's Volunteer Service Award and to register as a certifying organization, please visit www.presidentialserviceawards.gov

Youth Leaders for Literacy Grants

Youth Leaders for Literacy is an initiative of the National Education Association (NEA) and Youth Service America (YSA) to help children and youth direct their enthusiasm and creativity into reading-related service projects. During the seven-week program period and beyond, the sponsors hope to create a groundswell of literacy service in communities across the country. The NEA and YSA encourage youth to begin a literacy service project on March 2 (Read Across America Day) and culminate and celebrate the project on April 16-18 (National Youth Service Day). Proposals for literacy service projects will be considered for a \$500 grant. Grant applications, available at www.nea.org/readacross/volunteer/youthleaders.html, must be postmarked by December 1, 2003.

County Presentation Day

County Presentation Day will be held in the Spring of 2004. Watch future *Memos* for the exact date and location. Check-in will begin at 8:30 AM. Club members are required to participate in an Area Presentation Day to qualify for the County Presentation Day. You should contact your Community Club Leader to find out when your area is having their Presentation Day. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the 4-H Office (858) 694-2861.

4-H demonstrations are short presentations wherein the 4-H member shows particular skills or knowledge that have been learned in the member's project work. Their purpose is twofold: (1) to develop the member; and (2) to teach appropriate and accurate subject matter, utilizing effective methods. Some presentations may be illustrated talks rather than demonstrations, depending on the nature of the subject matter.

Activities:

Demonstration and Public Speaking Competition
Share the Fun Skits
Song Leading Skits
Cultural Arts Group Presentations
Impromptu Speaking Competition
Primary Program

Demonstration:

Categories will correspond to the projects enrolled by the member at the 4-H Office.

Competition Divisions:

Primaries - Grades K-3
Juniors - Grades 4-5
Intermediates - Grades 6-8
Seniors - Grades 9 and above

Individuals or teams only; teams are 2 people only and compete at the older member's level.

Timing: Junior and Intermediate - 5-12 minutes
Seniors - 7-12 minutes

Public Speaking Competition:

Competition Divisions are the same as for the Demonstration section. No teams, individuals only.

Timing: Junior and Intermediate- 3-5 minutes
Seniors - 3-7 minutes

Share the Fun Skits:

One entry per Club
Club Leaders will have forms
10 minute time limit

Song Leaders Contest:

1-2 person Team
Lead one song with musical props

Cultural Arts Group Presentation:

Cultural dances, choral groups, etc., not specifically related to 4-H
10 minute limit.

Impromptu Speaking Competition:

No divisions, all individuals compete on the same level
1-minute presentation on random topics not related to 4-H, i.e. current affairs, American Government.
Sign-ups are at the event.

Primaries:

No judging, this is for participation only.
Can participate in any of the activities previously listed (in Primary Divisions)
All participants receive ribbons.

2004 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest

The Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees, Inc. is sponsoring a 4-H Essay Contest nationwide with the topic being "Swarming". Awards include cash prizes for the top three winners--1st Place, \$250.00; 2nd Place, \$100.00; 3rd Place \$50.00. Each state winner, including the national winners, will receive an appropriate book about honey bees, beekeeping, or honey.

"Swarming" is this year's topic because a swarm of honey bees is fascinating and it can be frightening for non-beekeepers. For the general public, seeing a swarm fill the air, then pitch on a limb, or even a car, is their introduction to the world of honey bees. Every seasoned beekeeper can relate a tale of an unusual swarm. What are the reasons for swarming?

What does swarming accomplish for the bees? What is the effect on the beekeeper? One (only one) humorous or otherwise interesting swarming incident is a welcome addition to the essay.

Good leads for research include school and public libraries, local beekeepers, county Extension agent, local or state beekeepers associations, and/or the beekeeping professor at your state's agricultural college. The ABF website has links to other beekeeping sites. The 2003 winning essays are also published on ABFnet, as are essays from prior years. The scope of the research is an essential judging criterion, accounting for 40% of your score. The number of sources consulted, the authority of the sources, and the variety of the sources are all evaluated.

Personal interviews with beekeepers and others familiar with bees and beekeeping activities are valued sources of information and should be documented. Sources, which are not cited in the endnotes, should be listed in a "Resources" or "Bibliography" list. Note that "honey bee" is properly spelled as two words, even though many otherwise authoritative references spell it as one word.

Rules for the contest are as follows:

1. Contest is open to active 4-H Club members only. 4-H'ers who have previously placed first, second, or third at the national level are not eligible; other state winners are eligible to re-enter.
2. Requirements (failure to meet any one requirement disqualifies the essay):
 - Preparation for National Judging: Typewritten or computer-generated, double-spaced, 12-pt. Times or similar type style, on one side of white paper following standard manuscript format.
 - Write on the designated subject only.
 - All factual statements must be referenced with bibliographical-style endnotes.
 - A brief biographical sketch of the essayist, including date of birth, gender, complete mailing address, and telephone number, must accompany the essay.
 - Length - the essay proper: 750 to 1000 words.
 - The word count does not include the endnotes, the bibliography or references, nor the essayist's biographical sketch.
3. Essays will be judged on (a) scope of research - 40%; (b) accuracy - 30%; (c) creativity - 10%; (d) conciseness - 10%; and (e) logical development of the topic - 10%.
4. Essayists should not forward essays directly to the Foundation office. Each state 4-H Office is responsible for selecting the state's winner and should set its deadline so state judging can be completed at the state level in time for the winning state essay to be mailed to the Foundation office before March 1, 2004. No essay received after March 1 will be considered.
5. Each state may submit only one entry.
6. Final judging and selection of the National Winner will be made by the Foundation's Essay Committee, whose decision is final.
7. The National Winner will be announced by May 1, 2004.
8. All National entries become the property of the Foundation and may be published or used as it sees fit. No essay will be returned.
9. Mail the winning state entries to:
 - 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest
 - Foundation for The Preservation of Honey Bees, Inc.
 - P.O. Box 1337, Jesup, GA 31598-1337
 - (Street address: 115 Morning Glory Circle, Jesup, GA 31546.)

Holiday Closings

The 4-H Office will be closed the following days:

- ⇒ **November 11 for Veterans' Day**
- ⇒ **November 27 and 28 for the Thanksgiving Holiday**
- ⇒ **December 24, 2003 through January 1, 2004.**

New Mailing Address For The 4-H Office

Due to new USPS regulation, the new mailing address for the 4-H Office is:

University of California Cooperative Extension
County of San Diego MS O-18
5555 Overland Avenue Suite 4101
San Diego, CA 92123



Most Valuable Student Scholarship Contest

The Elks National Foundation is accepting applications for its Most Valuable Student Scholarship Contest. Any high school senior who is a citizen of the U.S. is eligible. The deadline for applications is January 9, 2004. More information is available at :

<http://www.elks.org/enf/scholars/mvs.cfm>.

The Stepfamily Life: New Column & Online Resources

The Stepfamily Life, www.thestepfamilylife.com, is a weekly online column by a real-life stepmom that explores stepfamily issues. One-third of Americans today live in stepfamilies and one-half of Americans will be stepfamily members at some point in their lives. If you live in a stepfamily or work with youth residing in stepfamilies, this website is loaded with information and links for you. Includes a free monthly newsletter and extensive links section. See it online at www.thestepfamilylife.com.

4-H, FFA, Grange & Independent Exhibitor Info

To maintain the fine statewide cooperation that now exists between Cooperative Extension, high school vocational agriculture departments, the California State Grange, and the California Department of Food and Agriculture's Division of Fairs and Expositions, it is essential that all staff members, leaders, and advisors in these organizations be informed of the joint policy governing projects and enrollment of youth who participate in fairs and exhibitions as members of the 4-H, FFA, Grange or as independent exhibitors. We hope that all leaders, staff, teachers/advisors, fair and exposition officials, and members/exhibitors will observe these policies so that the best interests of all organizations and the member/exhibitors is served educationally.

None of the organizations, publicly or privately, have the right to determine the extent to which a member can participate in projects in either organization providing the minimum requirements are met for supervised project work. The member and parents should determine what projects should be undertaken in each organization or independently. Neither the agricultural instructor, the 4-H leader, or the Grange leader should discourage the member from following the choice agreed upon by the member and parents.

It is agreed that when an individual belongs to more than one organization, or exhibits as an independent, he/she must carry a different project in each organization/independent. To further clarify this policy, when a member maintains projects in 4-H, FFA, Grange or as an independent, the projects may not be in the same kind of livestock or crop. For example, an FFA beef project in vocational agriculture and a sheep project in 4-H would be acceptable; but a beef breeding project in FFA and a beef market project in 4-H would not be acceptable -- even if the animals were of different breeds. Beef, dairy cattle, and veal projects are recognized by the San Diego County 4-H Office as different projects. A member of an FFA chapter, Grange, or 4-H unit (club, group, etc.), or independent exhibitor may transfer projects from one organization/independent to another only once during a calendar year.

To be able to show a project at an endorsed fair and exposition or other sponsored event, it must be owned and supervised according to the following requirements:

Poultry – must be owned for not less than 30 days and be enrolled in the project for not less than 60 days.

Rabbits – must be owned for not less than 30 days and enrolled in the project for not less than 60 days.

All Feeder and Breeding Animals (except rabbits and poultry) - must be owned and supervised for not less than 60 days.

Market sheep, swine, veal and goats – must be owned and supervise for not less than 60 days.

Market beef – must be owned and supervised for not less than 120 days.

Horses – must be owned/leased and supervised for not less than 120 days.

We are in general agreement that members are expected to care for, prepare for show, and exhibit their own animals while at the fair or livestock show. However because of the educational nature of livestock shows it is appropriate on occasion for parents, leaders, or other youth eligible to exhibit at that show to provide assistance. Assistance should always be given only when the exhibitor is present and actively engaged.

We are opposed to inter-organization competition. We agree that separate classes for 4-H, FFA, Grange, and independents should be maintained and strengthened. However, we recognize that in some circumstances combined classes may be appropriate. When combined classes are established, that decision should be reached with input and agreement by 4-H, FFA, Grange and independent representatives participating in the affected show. This was entered into by 4-H, FFA, Grange and the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Division of Fairs and Expositions at the end of 1998.

Please note that for the purposes of the San Diego County 4-H office "supervision" in the preceding information means:

"A 4-H member in good standing who is officially enrolled with the county 4-H office in the project they are showing under. The 4-H member must fulfill any club or project requirements expected of all club and project members for fair participation."

Please read and understand the fair rules section for every fair you plan on attending to make sure you are in compliance with this policy.

Exotic Newcastle Disease (End) Quarantine Lifted

On September 16, the statewide END quarantine was lifted. This action was possible because testing by both our California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) revealed no further presence of the disease.

Ban On Poultry Exhibitions Lifted—How To Proceed

There is no longer a ban on poultry shows in California. We are now very late in the California Fairs and Expositions (F&E) season. Due to the late date and the fact that premium books have been printed and mailed, there will not be any poultry shows at the remaining 2003 California State F&E.

For the 2004 F&E season, Dr. Breitmeyer (CDFA State Veterinarian) will require mandatory bird health checks at a site remote to the poultry building. This means that if you are exhibiting at your local county or district fair, expect that you will be asked to go to a site separate from the poultry building, have your birds health checked, and then receive permission to coop your birds in. This will also be true for State Fair. Open poultry shows, that is those organized by a fancier group or 4-H club, may resume immediately. Dr. Breitmeyer is **STRONGLY RECOMMENDING** that all such shows follow the same procedures described above. The 4-H Office fully supports this recommendation. It just makes good sense to screen out any potentially diseased or parasite-infested birds **BEFORE** they get in the show room with healthy birds. Health checks can be conducted by experienced club members. You are not being required to hire a vet or have a CDFA official inspect the birds. 4-H often takes the lead with new ideas. We are asking each of you to be good bird owning citizens of California and follow Dr. Breitmeyer's recommendations.

National 4-H Council Seeks Photos for 2006 4-H Calendar

Got a state or county fair award-winning photo from 1997-2004? Submit it to National 4-H Council's annual 4-H photo contest by March 1, 2004.

Thirteen photos will be selected for the 2006 4-H Calendar. Winning photos will be displayed at the National 4-H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, MD and on www.4-hmall.org from September 2004 to December 2004. They will be gallery-mounted and framed and engraved with the photographer's name for the National 4-H Conference Center display.

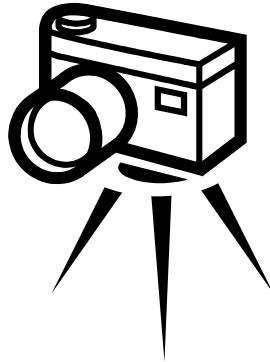
Winners will be notified around May 2004 and are required to sign (along with parent/guardian) a release to use the photo in the 2006 4-H Calendar.

We will also request a second photo to display at the National 4-H Conference Center. Winning photographs will be returned no sooner than December 10, 2004. Submissions not selected for the calendar will be returned by August 2004.

Submissions will only be considered for the 2006 4-H Calendar if they include the following information and criteria:

1. Full name and age of person submitting photograph.
2. Affiliation with 4-H .
3. Complete return address (for both UPS delivery and USPS First Class Mail).
4. Telephone number.
5. List of county, state, 4-H, or other awards that submitted photographs have received.
6. A 25-word or less description of the photo from the photographer.
7. Photo submissions should be 8"x 10", in color, and in a horizontal format. Vertical shots will be accepted only if they can be cropped to fit the horizontal format of the calendar.
8. Please do not submit digital photos printed on a home-printer, color photocopies, or low resolution digital prints. The submitted print must have been printed or developed at a photo processing store.

Please submit photos to:
2006 4-H Calendar
National 4-H Supply Service
7100 Connecticut Avenue
Chevy Chase, MD 20815



Recognize Exceptional 4-H Volunteers: 2004 National 4-H Salute to Excellence



Recognize exceptional 4-H volunteers by nominating them for the 2004 Salute to Excellence Awards. Everyone in the 4-H system should consider submitting a nomination to their state 4-H offices. 4-H volunteers are the backbone of our organization, and we are asking for your support in our efforts to recognize these outstanding individuals.

Two national Salute to Excellence Awards are given annually. The "Lifetime Volunteer Award" is given to an individual who has spent 10 or more years volunteering for 4-H, and the "Volunteer of the Year Award" is given to an individual who has volunteered for 4-H less than 10 years. Awardees will be honored with a trip to the National 4-H Conference Center just outside of Washington, DC, and will be presented a monetary award of which a portion must go to a community service project of their choosing. They will also have their name engraved on the Salute to Excellence Perpetual Plaque located at the National 4-H Conference Center, receive a personalized plaque, and be recognized in The National 4-H Leadership Trust's 4-H...The Power of YOUth.

Anyone can nominate a 4-H volunteer for the awards. Volunteers may even nominate themselves. If you would like to nominate an amazing volunteer, please complete the form provided at www.members.n4h.org. If you are a National 4-H Council website member, enter your user name and password and click on the Salute to Excellence link to find the nomination form. If you are not a registered user of National 4-H Council's website, you can sign up at www.members.n4h.org and then download the nomination form.

Nomination forms must be sent on to your State 4-H Office. Each State 4-H Office will select one nominee from their state for the "Lifetime Volunteer Award" and one nominee for the "Volunteer of the Year Award".

Only the State 4-H Office can officially designate a volunteer as the state nominee for either of these awards. Please contact your State 4-H Office for internal state deadlines. The state-designated applications must be received by National 4-H Council on December 5, 2003. These applications will then be entered into a national competition, and one volunteer for each award will be selected as the national award recipient.

Monsanto Company is the premier corporate sponsor for the National 4-H Salute to Excellence Program. Monsanto Company partners with 4-H to highlight the vital role that volunteers play within 4-H and provide recognition for their unsurpassed commitment to the young people they work with. If you have any questions, please contact your State 4-H Office.

**San Diego County 4-H
2003-2004 Planning Calendar**

September

8 County Council Meeting
8 Teen Council Meeting
9 Horse Advisory Meeting
13 Southern Sectional Council Meeting
27 SeaWorld Garden of Discovery Day
29 Area 2 Meeting
30 Leader Enrollment Forms Due

October

4 Club Officer Day
5-11 National 4-H Week
6 Teen Council Meeting
6 County Council Executive Meeting
10 JLC Session Leader Applications Due
11 Youth Expo at Balboa Park
14 Horse Advisory Meeting
24 JLC Delegate and Chaperone Applications Due
25 Fallbrook Ag Booster Auction
25 Horse Play Day Hosted by Alpine Amigos

November

1 Member Enrollment Forms Due
3 Teen Council Meeting
3 County Council Meeting
7-9 Junior Leadership Camp
7-9 State Leaders Forum (Asilomar)
11 Horse Advisory Meeting
15 Equine Learning Day
20 Small Stock Advisory Committee Meeting

December

1 Teen Council Meeting
1 County Council Executive Meeting
9 Horse Advisory Meeting
20 Horse Advisory Trail Ride Descanso

January

5 Teen Council Meeting
5 County Council Executive Meeting
10 Area 567 Judging Day
13 Horse Advisory Meeting
17 SDC Horse Show & Classic Qualifier - Bonsall
31 Super Saturday
31 SDC Horse Show – Bonsall (Raindate)

February

2 Teen Council Meeting
2 County Council Meeting
6-8 State 4-H Horse Leadership Conf. UCD
10 Horse Advisory Meeting
13-16 So Cal Regional Classic
21 Area 1 Home Arts Learning Day
28 Area 567 Presentation Day

March

1 Teen Council Meeting
1 County Council Executive Meeting
9 Horse Advisory Meeting
13 Home Arts Day
20 SDC Horse Show & Classic Qual. – South Bay
20 Area 2 Presentation Day
20 Area 3 Presentation Day
27 Small Animal Learning Day

April

3 Area 1 Large Animal Judging Day
5 Teen Council Meeting
5 County Council Executive Meeting
13 Horse Advisory Meeting
17 Horsemastership – hosted by Ramona Stars
17 Bonsall 4-H Dog Show

May

1 Area 3 Judging Day
1 Valley Center Dog Show
2 SDC Hrs Shw & Cllsic Qual. – Golden Clovers
3 Teen Council Meeting
3 County Council Meeting
9-16 East County Jr. Fair
11 East County Jr. Fair Dog Show (tent.)
11 Horse Advisory Meeting
15 So. Sectional Presentation Day (Mt. SAC)
23 Area 2 Ag Judging Day and Field Day
29 State 4-H Presentation Day

June

5 Area 4 Field Day (Tent.)
5 Rancho Poway 4-H Dog Show
7 Teen Council Meeting
7 County Council Executive Meeting
8 Horse Advisory Meeting
20 San Diego County Fair Dog Show (tent.)

July

12 Teen Council Meeting
12 County Council Meeting and Fair Evaluation
24 Ramona Jr. Fair Dog Show (tent.)

August

2 Teen Council Meeting
2 County Council Executive Meeting



SAN DIEGO COUNTY 4-H CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	PHONE or CODE
November			
1	Member Enrollment Forms Due	4-H Office	
3	Teen Council Meeting	6:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1029#
3	County Council Meeting	7:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1029#
7-9	Junior Leadership Camp	CANCELLED	Drew 858-792-4238
7-9	CA State Leaders Forum	Asilomar	Scott 858-495-5190
11	Horse Advisory Meeting	7:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1029#
15	Equine Learning Day	TBA	Carmen 760-505-6608
20	Small Stock Advisory Committee Mtg.	6:30 p.m. 4-H Office	Kristina 858-679-2072
December			
1	Teen Council Meeting	6:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1029#
1	County Council Executive Meeting	7:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1029#
9	Horse Advisory Meeting	7:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1029#
20	Horse Advisory Trail Ride	Descanso	Carmen 760-505-6608
January			
5	Teen Council Meeting	6:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1234#
5	County Council Executive Meeting	7:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1234#
10	Area 5,6,7 Judging Day	TBA	Dawn 619-659-0709
13	Horse Advisory Meeting	7:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1234#
17	SDC Horse Show & Classic Qualifier	Bonsall	Carmen 760-505-6608
31	Super Saturday		Kristina 858-679-2072
31	SDC Horse Show—Bonsall (Raindate)		Carmen 760-505-6608
February			
2	Teen Council Meeting	6:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1234#
2	County Council Meeting	7:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1234#
6-8	State 4-H Horse Leadership Conf.	UC Davis	Carmen 760-505-6608
10	Horse Advisory Meeting	7:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1234#
13-16	So Cal Regional Classic		Carmen 760-505-6608
21	Area 1 Home Arts Learning Day	Bonsall Community Center	M. J. 760-742-3283
28	Area 5, 6, 7 Presentation Day	North Park Church	Jan 619-282-9422
March			
1	Teen Council Meeting	6:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1234#
1	County Council Executive Meeting	7:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1234#
9	Horse Advisory Meeting	7:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 1234#
13	Home Arts Day	Ramona	Beth 760-788-8991
20	SDC Horse Show & Classic Qual	South Bay	
20	Area 2 Presentation Day	TBA	Gail 760-743-2950
20	Area 3 Presentation Day	TBA	Kristina 858-679-2072
27	Small Stock Learning Day	Ramona Jr. Fair Fairgrounds	Kristina 858-679-2072

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