



4-H Memos



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ACORN GERMINATION A GREAT FALL PROJECT

In the Fall, Oak trees shed their acorns as a way to reproduce new oaks for the coming generations. With the hundreds of acorns produced by a single tree, a relatively small number actually get to the point of germinating into Oak seedlings.

In many areas, some species of oaks have a difficult time surviving and regenerating. Oaks provide many benefits. Oaks provide wildlife with habitat, food and safety. They contribute to the beauty of our land. They can provide us with shade from the heat of the day. They are an integral part of the local watershed.

Besides caring for existing oak trees, 4-H members can assist in the increased success of acorn germination by collecting acorns in their area and conducting acorn germination projects. In collecting acorns in your local area, always remember to leave enough acorns for natural germination and for food for local wildlife. If you 4-H group would like to develop an acorn germination project in your local community, contact the 4-H Office for a 4-H Oaks Project kit. Contact Steve Dasher at 858-694-8874.

Tenth Annual Search Under Way for the Nation's Top Youth Volunteers

(Washington, DC) – Over the past nine years, Prudential Spirit of Community Awards have been given to more than 55,000 middle and high school students—many of them 4-Hers—across the country for helping the less fortunate, promoting health and safety, protecting the environment and serving their communities through many other volunteer activities. The search begins this week to identify thousands more who have made meaningful contributions to their communities over the past 12 months, as the prestigious awards program enters its 10th anniversary year.

"We've seen a tremendous number of remarkable young people since we created this program in 1995," said Prudential Chairman and CEO Arthur F. Ryan. "We're delighted to be able to call attention to their selfless acts of volunteerism and to give them the recognition they so richly deserve."

Information and applications also are available at www.prudential.com/spirit or by calling 1-888-450-9961. Eligible 4-Hers must complete their application and submitted forms to the 4-H Office by October 20, 2004.

2004 CLUB OFFICERS & LEADERS TRAINING DAY

When: October 9, 2004
Location: Village Community Presbyterian Church
6225 Paseo Delicias
Rancho Santa Fe, Ca.
Time: 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

All 4-H Club Officers, any member interested in becoming a club officer and all leaders are encouraged to attend this event. There will be a variety of workshops and sessions devoted to enhancing and improving your leadership experience for the coming year. A free lunch will be provided. Contact your Community Club Leader to RSVP. Clubs need to RSVP to the County 4-H Office ASAP.

There will be individual sessions for each of the different club officer positions including President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, Recreation and others. Leaders' sessions will include Planning an Emerald Star Program, How to Support Officers in Running Their Meeting, New Leader Orientation and Training, Creating a Successful Project Meeting, Building a Community Club Leader Team. There will be fun activities for both members and leaders. **DON'T MISS OUT!**

This event is being sponsored by the San Diego County 4-H Leaders Council. Volunteers of all ages are needed to help with registration, setup and cleanup. Contact Colleen at 858-505-6538 to volunteer.

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CITIZENSHIP FOCUS 2005

Are you interested in becoming the California Secretary of State or the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture? Or would you just like to be an active, involved member in your community? Are you interested in expanding your citizenship savvy? Come and learn more about California and see inside Washington, D.C. Information about the California Citizenship Focus Program will be arriving in county offices the week of October 11. 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 10, 2005 for Washington Focus and on January 31, 2005 for California Focus. Financial assistance and scholarship opportunities will be available.

California Focus

June 17 - 21

4-H members must have completed the 8th grade.

Washington Focus #1

◆ "Road to Democracy"

10 day trip in mid to late June

Take advantage of this study travel trip to Gettysburg, Washington, D.C., Philadelphia, and New York.

◆ "Heritage Trail I"

7 day trip in mid to late June

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"

12 day trip second week of July

For those who wish to take advantage of this study travel trip to Gettysburg, Washington, D.C., Jamestown, Yorktown, and Williamsburg.

◆ "Heritage Trail II"

7 day trip second week of July

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.

For information contact: **Pat English, Program Representative at (530) 754-8520 or pnenglish@ucdavis.edu.**

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK October 3-9, 2004

The theme of this year's National 4-H week is "4-H Online". This is in recognition of 4-H's use of the Internet and the launch of 4-Husa.org, a web site exclusively for, by and about youth. Media tools to promote national 4-H Week are available at www.4-Husabiogs.org/national4-hweek2004. Also check out <http://www.ca4-h.org> for resources and information about our state 4-H Program.

National 4-H is a great time to recruit new members and leaders from in your community and to share your 4-H Club's achievements from the previous year. Make sure you let your community know what great work you are doing. Store window displays, newspaper articles, and exhibits at schools or libraries are all great ways to show off your 4-H program.

SAN DIEGO 4-H MEMBER RECEIVES STATE PROJECT AWARD

Bryan Tate from Jamul Chaparros 4-H Club received a certificate of merit for his project work in rocketry and aerospace at the state project competition. Bryan is also active in the Photo-Monitoring Fire recovery Project that was started in San Diego County last year. He is also involved in several different small animal projects.

Bryan has been a member of 4-H for 11 years.

LEADERS' DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Registrations are still being accepted for the 2004 State 4-H Leaders' Forum. The Forum will be held November 5-7, 2004 at the Asilomar Conference Center near Monterey, California. More information is available at <http://ca4h.org/conference/slf/>

The 2005 Western Regional 4-H Leaders' Forum will take place February 23-27, 2005 in Sacramento. The Forum is open to all 4H volunteers in the 13 western states and will consist of workshops, keynote speakers and community service group projects. Early-bird registration materials are due December 2004. More information is available at <http://wrlf2005.org/>.

Scholarships are available for first-time attendees.

SAN DIEGO LEADER RECEIVES STATEWIDE RECOGNITION

Paulette Sauln, past San Diego County 4H Leaders Council Chair and Lemon Valley Leprechauns' Community Club Leader, has been chosen as a recipient of the 2004 Keith Barnes Leader Recognition Award.

This award is sponsored by the California Farm Bureau through the California 4H Foundation. This award consists of a scholarship to attend the 2004 California 4H Leaders' Forum at Asilomar, November 5-7, 2004.

CALIFORNIA 4-H HOSTS LABO STUDENTS FROM JAPAN

For one month this summer, your family can take part in a special 4-H exchange which gives Japanese students the opportunity to visit the U.S. and learn more about American life. The California 4-H Youth Development Program is currently looking for families that would like to host a Japanese student, ages 12 to 16, from July 23 to August 21. The Japanese teens are matched with a family that shares similar interests and has a child of the same gender and close in age. Two Japanese chaperones accompany the delegation and each chaperone lives with two different families for two weeks each. Host families of chaperones do not need to have children in the household.

You don't need a fancy home or a separate bedroom to host – just a desire to make room in your lives for a new family member. And you don't need to spend a lot of money or time traveling the U.S. – the students are not here as tourists. They are here to live with your family and participate in your normal summer activities. The costs are minimal and the Japanese youth come with their own spending money and medical insurance.

Please consider offering this priceless educational experience to your family. Teens that participate in exchange opportunities are better prepared for life in a global society. Through this first-hand experience they gain a deeper understand of another culture and gain insight into the values and lifestyle of their own family and community.

If you're interested in getting involved or would like more information, contact Pat English at (530) 754-8520 or pnenglish@ucdavis.edu.

HOME ARTS DAY PLANNING MEETING

Home Arts Day is a wonderful county event showcasing home arts skills for table setting/menu planning, sewing, home arts related crafts and the event also includes the county Dress Review. We need interested teen leaders and adults to attend the planning meeting to establish the date for the event (usually late February or early March), and make the day a wonderful learning event for 4-Hers. We will have the meeting at the county 4-H Office on Tuesday, October 19 at 7 p.m. Contact Beth Prinz at bprinz@ips.net or at 760-788-8991 with any questions.

MAKE IT YOURSELF WITH WOOL CONTEST

The Southern California Make it Yourself with Wool Contest will be held in Downey California on Oct. 30. This contest is for sewers and knitters. The garments need to be made of fabrics containing at least 60% wool. The garment must have been made after January 1, 2004. There are categories for youth and adults. For more information and entry forms contact the 4-H office or the State Director Julie Niles at 805 922-2797.

4-H GOLDEN CLOVER AWARDS

The 4-H Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee is pleased to announce the new statewide "**4-H GOLDEN CLOVER AWARDS**".

Nominate a 4-H member, volunteer, or group in one of ten various categories of achievement. Award recipients receive \$500, a medallion and statewide recognition. Applications are due **June 30, 2005**. More information is available at <http://ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/>

YOUTH LEADERS FOR LITERACY

An initiative of the National Education Association and Youth Service America, **YOUTH LEADERS FOR LITERACY** seeks to help youth direct their enthusiasm and creativity into reading-related service projects.

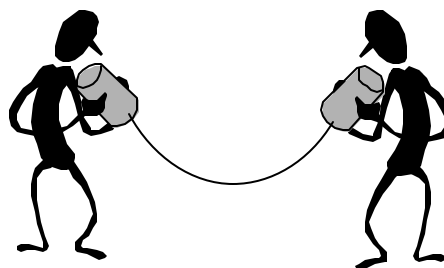
The program is accepting grant applications for youth-led projects that will begin on NEA's Read Across America Day, March 2, 2005, and culminate on YSA's National Youth Service Day, April 15-17, 2005. Applicants aged 21 or younger can apply as individuals or groups.

The deadline for application is **October 22, 2004**. More information is available at <http://www.nea.org/readacross/volunteer/youthleaders.html>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Exploring the Treasures of 4-H, a piloted curriculum developed by the National 4-H Cooperative Curriculum Service, consists of a Youth Guide and a Group Activity Guide to introduce youth ages 7-9 to 4-H. The Youth Guide is designed for youth to complete on their own to learn about 4-H, 4-H projects, activities, history and 4-H excitement!

If you are interested in helping to pilot this curriculum, respond by October 1, 2004 at cxm324@psu.edu



The **2005 National 4-H Source Book** is now available online at <http://4hmall.org/http://4hmall.org/>. The source book contains 4-H merchandising, 4-H pins, and curriculum.

Youth Service America and State Farm have partnered to present the State Farm Good Neighbor Service-Learning Grant. The grant is available to teachers/professors, youth (ages 5-25), and school-based service-learning coordinators to implement service-learning projects for National Youth Service Day 2005, April 15-17. One hundred grants of \$1,000 are available to youth, teachers/professors, and school-based service-learning coordinators.

The application deadline is October 18, 2004. More information is available at http://www.ysa.org/awards/award_grant.cfm

An initiative of the National Education Association and Youth Service America, Youth Leaders for Literacy seeks to help youth direct their enthusiasm and creativity into reading-related service projects. The program is accepting grant applications for youth-led projects that will begin on NEA's Read Across America Day, March 2, 2005, and culminate on YSA's National Youth Service Day, April 15-17, 2005. Applicants aged 21 or younger can apply as individuals or groups.

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2004 2005 SAN DIEGO COUNTY 4-H CLUB COUNCIL BUDGET

PHILOSOPHY: Provide broad support for the largest number of 4-H'ers for the promotion of leadership and recognition of achievement.

OBJECTIVE: Carry budget reserve \$10,000.00.

CURRENT RESERVES:

Checking account balance Certificate of deposit	\$7,021.21
	<u>10,000.00</u>
	17,021.21

EXPECTED INCOME:

Donations	1000	
Fundraiser	20000	
Interest	300	
Reduction of surplus	3015	
State Leadership Conference	10000	
Program Fee	20600	
TOTAL		<u>54915.00</u>

EXPENDITURES

MEMBER AND INCENTIVE AWARDS:

TOTAL		<u>1000</u>
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COUNTY EVENTS:

Super Saturday	500	
County demo day	500	
Home arts festival	500	
Officer training	1800	
TOTAL		<u>3300</u>

DISCRETIONARY FUNDS:

Geographic areas (1-7 @ 500/area)	3500	
Officer's discretionary funds	1000	
TOTAL		<u>4500</u>

LEADERSHIP (Leader and Chaperone scholarships)

Rec lab, state leaders forum, state and regional record book judging, western regional leaders forum, and others.	2500	
Leader training workshops	2000	
		<u>4500</u>

MAJOR ANNUAL EXPENSES:

State program fee/Insurance	11700	
TOTAL		<u>11700</u>

OTHER COSTS:

Equipment/ curriculum Fundraisers , 4-H promotion Member/Leader enrollment fund	15000	
(Live scan) Starter fund	1000	
	750	
	225	
TOTAL		<u>17975</u>

REGIONAL LEADERS' COUNCIL COSTS:

Dues Regional record books	150	
TOTAL		<u>150</u>

STATE LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE: State fees (Scholarships, Ail Star, Chaperones) Transportation Miscellaneous

7000	
4000	
500	
<u>11500</u>	

HORSE ADVISORY:

Funds left from 02-03 4-H year	0	
TOTAL		<u>0</u>

SMALL ANIMAL ADVISORY:

Funds left from 02-03 4-H year	290	
		<u>290</u>

TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES	<u>54915</u>
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The College of Agricultural Sciences and Technology at California State University, Fresno is holding its annual Ag Expo on Saturday, November 6, 2004 at Fresno State’s University Business Center. This is a great chance for your students to learn about the various academic departments, laboratory facilities and learning opportunities within the College. It is important to note the Ag Expo event not only includes the traditional areas of agriculture but the nontraditional areas like Food Science and Nutrition; Child, Family and Consumer Sciences and Viticulture and Enology.

Tentative Agenda

8:00-8:30am	Registration at University Business Center. Turn in Scholarship Applications (See enclosed map for directions)
8:30-9:00am	Orientation and College of Agriculture welcome
9:00am	Depart for Department workshops and Campus/Farm Tours
9:00-10:00am	Department workshops and Tours – Session #1
10:15- 11:15am	Department workshops and Tours – Session #2
11:30- 12:30pm	Outreach Session, Student Affairs, Financial Aid, Academic Planning
12:30pm	Lunch in Animal Science Pavilion
1:30pm	Announcement of Scholarship Recipients and Admitted Students
1:45pm	Adjournment

Fresno State Admission Qualifications

High School Seniors must have:

- *Minimum 3.0 GPA (in 10th & 11th grade)
- *Met CSU Pattern Course requirements upon completion of 12th grade.

Transfer students must have:

- *56 transferable units completed with 2.5 GPA or better (On-site Admission Notification Requirement).
- *30 General Education units completed.
- *All four Foundation Requirements completed, by Spring, 2005 with a grade of “C” or better.

* **Admission Application** available: www.csumentor.edu/AdmissionApp/

* **Scholarship Application** available: www.csufresno.edu – click...
“Future Students”, “Financial Aid”, “Scholarships”

**Email the Ag Ambassadors at fsagexpo@yahoo.com
to reserve your space!**

COUNTY HORSE PROJECT

The County Horse Project has had an exciting 2003/2004 year. All registered horse project members in San Diego County, their parents, and Horse and Pony Project Leaders are encouraged to attend the monthly San Diego County Horse Advisory meetings. We are looking forward to another fun packed year, filled with all types of events. By attending, you can be a part of the planning and organization of the County Horse Project events. We are making several changes within the program this year, including the addition of several year end awards.

Horse Advisory will be presenting year end highpoint participation awards to the following members:

Juniors	Seniors
Brianna Dombroske - Bonsall	Kurtis Dosio – Southbay
Jessica Erickson - Alpine	Chelsea Grigsby - Southbay
Corrine Hoody - Alpine	Kelley Roche- Bonsall
Taylor Abram - Alpine	
Savannah Boehm - Alpine	
Jessica Gardenhire - Alpine	
Alyssa Good -Alpine	

This past year, Horse Advisory awarded eight scholarships to eligible members to assist in paying their way to the California State 4H Horse Classic. Scholarships were awarded to Kurtis Dosio, Britney and Chelsea Grigsby, Raquel Potts, Brianna Dombroske, Jessica Hayes, Angelea Jordan, and Rachel Knudson. San Diego County was well represented at this year's California State 4H Horse Classic in both the educational and horse show events. There was a total of 11 members who participated at the Classic. Here are the results:

Educational events:

Angelea Jordan and Rachel Knudson (Bonsall) – 4th in Senior Team Demos
Jessica Haynes and Brianna Dombroske (Bonsall) – 6th in Senior Team Demos
Brianna Dombroske (Bonsall) – 1st Junior Hippology Stations
6th Junior Hippology Test
2nd Overall Junior Hippology
Junior Hippology State Team Member

Rachel Knudson (Bonsall) - 5th Senior Hippology Stations

San Diego Junior Hippology Team – 6th Hippology Test
6th Hippology Stations
4th Horse Judging
4th Overall Hippology Team

San Diego Senior Hippology Team – 7th Hippology Test
3rd Hippology Stations
8th Horse Judging
6th Overall Team

Horse Show:

Heather Christensen – Ramona Stars
4th Senior English Showmanship
4th Senior English Pleasure
9th Senior Dressage Suitability

Brianna Dombroske - Bonsall
10th Junior Dressage Suitability

Jessica Haynes - Bonsall
1st Novice Rider English Equitation
1st Novice Rider English Pleasure
State Highpoint Champion English Novice Rider

Rachel Knudson - Bonsall
5th Senior Equitation Over Fences

Raquel Potts - Southbay
10th Novice Rider Hunter Hack
Western Sportsmanship Award

Kurtis Dosio - Southbay
6th Novice Rider Hunter Hack
3rd Novice Rider English Pleasure

Chelsea Grigsby - Southbay
7th Senior English Equitation
6th Senior English Pleasure
10th Senior Dressage Suitability

Julia Kaiser – Rancho Poway
3rd Junior Single Stake
1st Junior Pole Bending
5th Junior Cloverleaf Barrels
2nd and 10th Junior Bi-range Stake

Congratulations to everyone on a job well done!!

SAN DIEGO COUNTY 4-H CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	PHONE or CODE
October 4 9 19 25	Executive Council Meeting Club Officer Day Home Arts Festival Meeting JLC Delegate/Chaperone Applications Due	7:00 p.m. 4-H Office Village Comm. Church 7:00 p.m. 4-H Office 5:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 7342# Community Club Leader Beth 760-788-8991 Gate Code 7342#
November 1 1 5-7	Member Enrollment Forms Due County Council Meeting Junior Leadership Camp	4-H Office 7:00 p.m. 4-H Office Cuyamaca Outdoor School	Gate Code 7342# Gate Code 7342# Drew 858-792-4238
December 6	Executive Council Meeting	7:00 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 7342#
January 8	Conflict Resolution Training	TBA	
February 5	Super Saturday	TBA	

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