Hello 4-H Members!! It’s almost here — the countywide 4-H Field Day, county fundraiser Chicken-Q BBQ and Silent Auction will be held on Sat., May 31st at the Paso Robles Event Center starting at 8:00 a.m.

The 4-H Field Day Handbook, Small & Large Animal Sciences and Still Exhibits Entry Forms are posted on the county website: www.slocounty4h.org under the Registration Forms and Applications Link on the right hand side.

Please join us for this day of 4-H fun! The fees are: $3 for Animal entries and $1.50 for Still Exhibit entries. See the Handbook for more details. See Page 6 for the Community Service Project. ATTENDING FIELD DAY?

GET READY FOR THE AMAZING RACE! Teams of 4 will compete in athletic and healthy living events to crown an Amazing Race Champion and earn prizes! So get your team together, and we’ll see you at 4-H Field Day.

All entry forms & fees are to be turned into your 4-H Community Club Leader soon and he/she will deliver the entries to the 4-H Office by Friday, May 9th. We hope you will enter your 4-H project for a day of project showmanship and fun! If you have any questions, call the 4-H Office at 781-5943.
SLO County’s 4-H website is: http://www.slocounty4h.org
State 4-H website: http://www.ca4h.org
SAFETY NOTES: http://safety.ucanr.org/4h/

**National & State 4-H News**

For more information from the STATE 4-H OFFICE, visit http://www.ca4h.org/News/

4-H Curricula: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Curriculum/
4-H Project Sheets: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Project_Sheets/
Service Learning: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Support/RoF/

- May 8: University of California Day of Science and Service
  http://beascientist.ucanr.edu
  On May 8, 2014, UC Cooperative Extension celebrates its 100th birthday. In the spirit of cooperation, the UC ANR is asking you to join us for a one-day science project. Take a walk, visit a park or enjoy the beauty of a garden. Paint a picture of California’s food and water resources by marking your responses on our online GIS maps! See above website for more details on how you can participate!!

- 2014-15 Statewide 4-H Advisory Committees
  The State 4-H Office is accepting statewide 4-H Advisory Committee applications for the 2014-15 program year. All 4-H members, adult volunteers, county and state 4-H YDP staff, as well as community partners are encouraged to apply. The committees offer insight, review and input for the operation and management of the statewide 4-H YDP. Applications are due to the CA State 4-H Office postmarked by May 31, 2014 or online by 11:59pm on May 31, 2014. For more information, see: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Administration/Advisory_Committees/

- National 4-H Hall of Fame Ceremony Opportunity
  Due to the State 4-H Office by: May 16, 2014
  Two youth will have the unique opportunity to play a unique role in the 2014 National 4-H Hall of Fame Ceremony scheduled for October 10, 2014 at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland. Applications are due to the California State 4-H Office by May 16, 2014 so applications can be reviewed and nominations from California selected and submitted by the deadline.

  For questions contact the state office: ca4h@ucanr.edu.
  National 4-H HOF Entertainer Application
  National 4-H HOF Master/Mistress of Ceremonies Application

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2013-2014 EMERALD STAR PROJECT

Project “Treats for Our Troops” is still going on. IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO PARTICIPATE! We will be wrapping this project up for the year on June 5th, 2014.

We continue to support working dogs through the Military Working Dog Team Support Association, Inc. in Canton, Georgia. We send a box to them monthly of working dog supplies and we are still working with Lemos Pet & Feed Supply on getting a Community Event scheduled to further support this group.

In April, we sent out boxes filled with cards or encouragement, personal care items, and treats of many different kinds! If you need a list of items to send or information on how to get these items to our service men and women, contact the County 4-H Office or email ourbeautifulrose@gmail.com

We have 29 4-H clubs in San Luis Obispo County, let’s show our entire community how 4-H members and their leaders “use our hands to larger service in our community, country and our world!”

Thank you to County Line, El Camino, Huasna Valley, Los Osos, Nipomo Foothill, Pozo and Ranchita Canyon, and Los Berros 4-H clubs for your generous support of this Emerald Star Project!

(Picture of PFC Robert Tolan and Ashley, PFC Robert Tolan returned home from Afghanistan and visited Huasna Valley 4-H Group; Adrik and Tristan pack some treats, Dog treats sent)
A HUGE THANK YOU goes out to Julia Stanfill, our Home Economics and Expressive Arts Key Leader and her Food & Arts Celebration and Fashion Revue Committee members for hosting a fantastic and successful event this year at Laguna Middle School on April 26th. Approximately 300 entries were submitted for the Food & Arts Celebration and 56 members signed up for the 4-H Fashion Revue! Listed below are the winners for this year’s events:  
(P.S. There are a few Lost & Found Items at the 4-H office—call 781-5943.)

### 2014 FOOD & ARTS CELEBRATION and FASHION REVUE AWARD WINNERS

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**OVERALL FASHION REVUE WINNER:**  
**PENELOPE KIBBE**  
**EDNA 4-H CLUB**
4-H SLO Hikers Hiking the Central Coast
2014 Summer and Fall Calendar

May 24th: San Simeon Trail, San Simeon Beach
moderate hike sponsored hike for the ECOSLO Hike-a-Thon
Time: 10:00am to 12:30pm
Location: Washburn Day Use Area parking lot at San Simeon Beach State Park

July 26th: Lopez Lake Owl Call Night Hike, Arroyo Grande
moderate hike interpretive hike led by the D.E.E.R. program
Time: 7:30pm to 8:45pm
Location: Lopez Lake’s Registration/Ranger Office

September 20th: Estero Bluffs State Park, Cayucos
leisurely hike
Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm
Location: One mile north of Cayucos off Hwy 1, there is a large dirt pullout on the west side of the road across San Geronimo Road (second dirt pullout from Cayucos).

November 15th: Reservoir Canyon to the Summit, SLO
strenuous hike
Time: 9:30am to 12:30pm
Location: From San Luis Obispo, turn right onto Reservoir Canyon Road, which is at the bottom of the Cuesta Grade (1.1 miles past the Monterey St. exit in SLO) and continue on the road until you reach the parking lot on the left.

*All hikes are subject to change or be cancelled due to weather conditions. Please check newsletter and facebook page for updates.

Contact: Christine Nelson; (805) 781-5944; cinelson@co.slo.ca.us
2014 4-H Field Day Community Service Event

Come and join the fun at the 2014 San Luis Obispo County 4-H Field Day Community Service booth.

Community Service makes a difference, and you can too!

San Luis Obispo County 4-H Community Service will be hosting a booth at our 4-H Field Day on Saturday, May 31st to collect donations for Woods Humane Society.

Woods has been finding forever homes for animals in need, in San Luis Obispo County for nearly 60 years. (That’s a long time in dog years!)

Please help us show the pets at Woods Humane Society that our 4-H members care.

Come to the Community Service booth and bring something from the list below. Be sure to sign your name and 4-H Club on the big Thank You cards we’ll have.

-Animal Care Supplies Needed-

- Hill’s Science Diet Canned Food - no dry food please, (Hill’s Science Diet provides dry food for the animals)
- Pill Pockets
- Cat Treats and Toys
- Dog Treats and Toys - especially rubber chew toys
- Old Stuffed Animals - small and medium
- Blankets (no comforters, please)
- Towels
- Dust-free cat litter - pine pellets or paper pellets (like Yesterday’s News)

You can make a difference, and get Community Service credit on your Record Book.

Help share the 4-H spirit with the animals at Woods Humane Society!

Pam Morring
4-H Community Service Key Leader
Are you a Leader?
Do you like the Spotlight?
Do you want to become a SLO County 4-H ALL STAR?
REACHING OUT FOR 2014-15 4-H ALL STARS! The All Star Rank is the highest rank which a 4-H member may attain at the county level.

Being a San Luis Obispo County 4-H All Star provides an opportunity for high school members to receive recognition for outstanding service. The All Stars serve as Ambassadors for the San Luis Obispo County 4-H Youth Development Program; they represent 4-H at County, Sectional, and State activities; they coordinate certain county-wide activities; and they serve as positive role models for youth!

To be eligible for the County All Star rank, a 4-H member must:
- be 14 years of age or older by January 1, 2014, but not 19 years of age prior to 1/1/14
- been a participant in 4-H for 3 years or more
- have attained a Gold Star rank by 4/15/14
- demonstrate leadership abilities, citizenship concern and maturity of judgment

Each candidate for the All Star rank will be required to submit an All Star application and participate in an individual and group interview. All Star applications may be obtained online at www.slocounty4h.org or from the 4-H office, call 781-5943 for your application.

DUE DATE: May 2, 2014

The first opportunity for our 2014-2015 County 4-H All Stars will be to attend the 2014 State Leadership Conference (SLC)
Dates: August 14-17
Location: UC Santa Cruz
For more information visit: 4h.ucanr.edu/Programs/Conferences/SLC

2014 4-H FIELD DAY SILENT AUCTION BASKETS!
Each 4-H club is asked to provide a minimum of TWO Silent Auction baskets (and you can submit even more baskets for the Silent Auction too) plus an Adult Volunteer to assist during this year’s event.

Remember: the better the gift basket’s theme/design—the more funds we can raise for our county 4-H events! Please Label the Baskets with your 4-H Club Name on them and it’s Estimated Value! (Suggestions for Gift Baskets: Movie Baskets are big items, Gift Certificates from local home stores are great.) For more information regarding the Silent Auction, call Ken Dewar at 441-0531, or the 4-H office at 781-5943. Let’s meet this year’s challenge and create some gift baskets with great themes for the 2014 SILENT AUCTION being held at 4-H FIELD DAY on May 31, 2014 at Commercial Bldg. # 2 at the Paso Robles Event Center.

Silent Auction Baskets are Due in the 4-H office by Wednesday, May 28, 2014.
SCIENCE CAMP, JUNE 16-20, 2014 FLYER

Hosted by Cal Poly and Sponsored by the IEEE, San Luis Obispo Student Branch

IEEE is a professional association for the advancement of technology

June 16-20

Cal Poly Campus

Science DAY CAMP

TOPICS, ETC.

- Robotics
- Alternative Energy Sources
- Learn by Doing
- Amateur Radio Activities
- “Take-the-Project Home” Examples
- Fun Activities, Games and Mixers (indoor and out)

1. The Camp will be held June 16-20, 2014 Monday thru Friday from 9AM to 4PM at Cal Poly
2. Meet at Cal Poly in the Building 20A lobby (EE department main office building)
3. Grades 7 to 12 can attend
4. Cost is $175, Youth can bring lunch or purchase lunch on campus
5. Registration: https://regstg.com/Registration/Introduction.aspx?rid=7d275c00-6e88-4c11-8d1b-45a4e8829fcd

Questions: EE Department – Lani Woods
California Polytechnic State University
lwoods@calpoly.edu
805-756-2781
4-H All Stars and Volunteers Offer 4-H Club Information
And Hands-on Participation to a Packed Plaza!

The 36th Annual Children’s Day at the Plaza, held on Saturday, April 12th at San Luis Obispo’s Mission Plaza, produced lots of fun, families... and yes... our 4-H All-Stars and 4-H SLO Scientists were at the event in full force with side-by-side-booths! Families from around the county attended to gain information about local programs geared toward youth with booths arranged along Mission Plaza and the adjacent Monterey and Broad Street blocks.

4-H All Stars Alyssa Hall, Danielle Huseby, Enzo Suprinski and Brittney Tierney provided valuable information about 4-H Club and Project information to children and families throughout the entire event. The adorable Tierney bunny, “Oreo” was admired by everyone and received lots of attention!

Adjacent to the 4-H All Star booth was the SLO Scientist booth and 4-H S.E.T. Key Leader, Brian Aunger, and 4-H volunteer, Dave Dauer, were on hand to offer an array of cool hands-on science activities from our 4-H SLO Scientist curricula. Brian assisted children in creating and testing the colorful toothpick/Dot candy bridges as a special structure activity while Dave helped kids with our mini creekbed table model and the large watershed model in which they learned about erosion and water runoff. The All Stars were also a tremendous help with these activities as well as helping children with wheat-berry grinding and the exciting balloon/bottle chemical reaction activity!

A huge thank you goes to All Star Advisor, Rene’ Tierney, and to 4-H Visibility Director, Tammy Lauinger, for their help with preparations and organization, and to 4-H All Stars Alyssa, Danielle, Brittney, and Enzo, and to Brian and Dave for their wonderful efforts in making our booths so successful, educational and fun for so many children and families!
2014 Mid State Dairy Goat Show
At the Paso Robles Fairgrounds - Livestock Area

SHOWMANSHIP CLINICS

Friday, May 2 starting at 6 pm
- Dairy Goat Showmanship
New this year! - Market Goat Showmanship
Open to 4-H, FFA and all youth exhibitors.

DAIRY GOAT SHOW
Saturday, May 3 starting at 8 am

2 JUDGES: Dan Laney
Ziggy Ginest

6 SANCTIONS
Youth Showmanship
Senior Doe Show
Junior Doe Show
Buck Show

Youth and open exhibitors welcome.
For more information and entry forms, www.midstatedairygoatshow.com
Hi my name is Tracy Johnston and I am the new Large Animal Science Key Leader. I would like to tell you all about what I have been up to with Large Animal Level Testing. The Levels 1 & 2 of all Large Animal species have been rewritten (Horse is unchanged). They are in the final stages of approval. The Level Test questions come straight out of the 4-H curriculum books. There will be Levels 1 and 2 Study Guides for each species on the 4-H website under Level Testing. My suggestion is to read the curriculum book and the Study Guide to study accordingly. The animal body parts that are on the test are also in the Study Guides. The next Large Animal Level Testing will be at 4-H Field Day on May 31st.

When it comes to Large Animal Level Testing, I would also like to inform you that if you are in a large animal science project, you may take any of the large animal science level tests (except Horse). Once you have completed all four species in each level (Beef, choose either Dairy/Market Goat, Sheep and Swine), then you are eligible to receive a **Large Animal Science Master Level Pin**. This pin represents your achievement in the field of large animal science. This pin is in addition to receiving the Large Animal Science Level Pins. You also receive a Large Animal Science level pin for each large animal level test that you pass at each of the level testing events. The more tests you take, the better your chance of getting the test passed, and credited towards your Master Level Testing Results List and towards getting your Large Animal Science Master Level pins. If you have any questions, please contact me at johnstonkt@msn.com

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**Be a Part of the San Luis Obispo County 4-H Program Development Board:**

**Youth Leadership Key Leader Position is Still Open!**

**Youth Leadership Key Leader:**
The Youth Leadership Key Leader is member of the Program Development Board, who has the overall responsibility for the development and delivery of programs to 4-H members in the Youth Leadership area. The Key Leader is responsible for the function of the Youth Leadership Program Development Committee and for working with chairpersons of event/activity committees in the Youth Leadership area. The Key Leader functions as a critical link between the Youth Leadership event/activity committees, the Youth Leadership Program Development Committee, the 4-H Office Staff, and the Youth, Families, and Communities Advisor.

The event/activities that come under the Youth Leadership category are:

- Club Officer Training/Junior Teen Leader Training,
- County Leadership Development Events and Activities,
- Youth Leadership Conference,
- National 4-H Week,
- Other Activities/Events/Programs as developed.

Program Development Board Key Leader Positions require a two (2) year commitment and the ability to attend scheduled Program Development Board Meetings. For a complete position description, application and or any questions contact our 4-H Program Representative, Krysti Jerdin at 805-781-5950 or kjerdin@ucanr.edu
RECRUITING FOR NEW SLO COUNTY 4-H YDP KEY LEADER POSITION: SHOOTING SPORTS

Due to the popularity of the 4-H Shooting Sports program in San Luis Obispo County, the Youth, Families & Communities Advisor, Katherine E. Soule, Ph.D. is seeking applicants for a Shooting Sports Key Leader to provide countywide overview and oversight of our county’s Shooting Sports program. Program Development Board Key Leader Positions require a two (2) year commitment and the ability to attend scheduled Program Development Board Meetings. For a complete position description, application and or any questions contact our 4-H Program Representative, Krysti Jerdin at 805-781-5950 or kjerdin@ucanr.edu

State Ambassador Corner:

Greetings California 4-H! This is our inaugural State Ambassador Corner article! We would like to be able to keep everyone informed as to what it is that we are up to.

Our team has had a whirlwind year since starting in August. Some of our team was able to attend State Leader’s Forum. From State Leader’s Forum, we took ideas and concepts that we had learned and applied them to developing one of our workshops. We developed a Visibility workshop to present to youth to give ideas about how to increase 4-H visibility to businesses, corporations, and other community groups with similar messages and goals. The second workshop we developed was about record books. The workshop is a quick refresher about all things record book related and includes a survey to allow 4-H members to reflect and share their opinions about 4-H record books. We had the privilege of presenting these workshops at the sectional conferences this past winter.

We are well on our way to planning State Leadership Conference 2014: “Raiders of the Lost Leadership.” SLC 2014 will be August 14-17, 2014 at UC Santa Cruz. More information will be available on the state website later this spring.

We have had the chance to attend several other events lately. Rachel and Julianna attended Ag Day at the Capitol in March where they had the chance to mingle with state legislators and the general public. State Ambassadors Cole, Bobbi Jean, Siggy and Ashley attended the World Ag Expo in Tulare. The team also attended the state Camping Conference where they presented a Fun with a Purpose workshop. We are all looking forward to the rest of the year. See you at State Field Day!
iThrive Resources—from the State 4-H website

Junior and Teen Leaders enrolled in leadership projects across the state will have the opportunity to discover what it takes to set themselves on a trajectory toward achieving their full potential in life, or, in a word, thrive. Junior and Teen Leaders will have opportunities to practice and apply newly learned skills with other youth members.

4-H has created a set of leadership development tools based on Step-it-Up-2-Thrive concepts. These concepts and skills encapsulate many components of well-being – good health and positive demeanor, compassion for others, the ability to communicate, and skills to overcome challenges.

The iThrive Member Guide and the companion iChampion Adult Volunteer Leader Guide are now available. All of the activities in iThrive embrace the hands-on, inquiry-based model of learning for which 4-H is well-known.

For more information contact Krysti Jerdin, 4-H Program Representative at (805) 781-5950.

http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Volunteers/4-H_Thrive_Resources/iThrive_Activities/
At the Santa Margarita 4-H club General Meeting on Tuesday, March 18th, members participated in an all 4-H written test, which had different tests for primary members, junior members and senior members. We had a small amount of time to finish as many difficult questions as we could of varying difficulties, such as what a female rabbit is called and how many projects are in our 4-H club, and what year 4-H was founded. The winners, those with the highest score, will be announced at the next 4-H General Meeting and awarded.

Submitted by Valerie Best, Santa Margarita 4-H Club

My name is Christine Marie McMasters. I am the junior leader for the Edna 4-H Public Speaking Project.

At most of the Public Speaking Project meetings, we start off the meetings with an icebreaker. The icebreaker is a lively drama game. We always end up doubling over in laughter!!!

Once we’ve done the icebreaker, we start practicing the presentations that we will give at County, Sectionals, and State Presentation Days. We then receive feedback on how to improve our presentations from the other members of the group.

For our Community Service project, we visited “The Palms” at “The Villages”. We gave our presentations there in preparation for Sectionals. The elderly were very kind and gentle with giving us feedback. They thought that we were cute!

Our Public Speaking Project is a very fun and spunky group! We’d be delighted if you joined us! Submitted by: Christine Marie McMasters

Greetings from the Santa Margarita Swine group. While other project groups are just finishing their projects, the Swine Group is starting to get busy. Before we know it, it will be time to head to the California Mid-State Fair. At the start of the 4-H year, we had an introductory meeting, we learned about the new members of our group, was told what would be expected of us, and played swine trivia. At our second meeting we discussed the eight different swine breeds, decided who would be the Jr. and Teen Leaders for the year, and we also discussed our T-shirt design and “build a pig pen” design contest. The T-shirt design contest was won by Bailey and the “build a pig pen” design contest was won by Kendall. At the next meeting our junior and teen leaders gave various presentations. The first presentation was on food and nutrition by Oren, the next presentation was by Luis on pig by-products, then there was a presentation/demonstration on how to give a pig a shot by Chloe. The last presentation was by Analisa on different swine diseases and ailments you might come across in a swine project. On March 29, the Santa Margarita swine group went to Billy Barnes in Bakersfield to buy their show hogs. A total of ten swine members attended. Afterwards we brought the pigs home and got them settled in. Now it’s time to feed, work, and grow to get ready for fair. Submitted by: Analisa Cavaletto, Teen Leader, Swine Group

On April 18, 2014, members of the Cerro Alto 4-H Dairy Goat Project met to make Easter baskets for the children staying at the ECHO homeless shelter. Members donated candy, toys, baskets, gift cards, and Easter eggs. Six overflowing Easter baskets were given to the children staying at ECHO homeless shelter on Easter. There was so much candy that another basket full of eggs filled with candy was presented for the adults. Submitted by: Ava Gibler  Pictured from left to right: Emily, Kira, Cosette, Emily, Joshua, Ava

On March 5th, the Santa Margarita 4-H Club Foster Bag Sewing Committee met to make drawstring bags for the SLO County Foster Child Program. Nine youth members showed up for the sew-in, including: Erica Best, Committee Chair; Kensington Witt, Chelsea Stilts, Chloe Stilts, Gudrun Derickson, Sigrid Derickson, Elizabeth Schaefer and Baruch Schaefer. Together, they have made 52 bags toward their 100-bag goal, and continue working toward that end. The bags will be filled with donated items and given to foster children to make the first night away from home a little easier. Items will include: hair brush, nightlight, shampoo, bar soap/body wash, small stuffed animal (Beanie Baby size), deodorant, journal/pens, fun book/magazine. To donate items to this project, contact the Committee Chair at (805) 345-9066 to arrange for pickup. Submitted by: Erica Best (see photo on next page)
Hi, my name is Kierra McColm. I am one of the Reporters for the El Camino 4-H group. The El Camino 4-H group participated in the Sectional Presentation Day on March 8th and we are happy to report that four of our members, Kaitlyn Missamore, Katie Howell, Celeste Dowlan and Ethan Suprinski received Gold and now they are moving onto State competition. We are all excited! Submitted by: Kierra McColm, Reporter

The Morro Bay 4-H Small Animal Project and the Rabbit Group participated in the Small Animal Skills Day in Atascadero. The members of the groups watched the different clinics that were offered throughout the day on how to show a variety of animals such as rabbits, cavy, chickens, and dogs. Alexander McKee and Sierra Wolfrom competed in Rabbit Showmanship and each placed third in their division. New rabbit member, Amber Cummings, came to learn how to show rabbits in a clinic and watch the other members of her group compete in showmanship. There was a rabbit costume contest and everyone who participated got an award. Alexander McKee entered a poster. Level testing was offered for each species. It was a really fun day and you had a lot of time to learn about showmanship.

Presentation Day was in February at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. Morro Bay 4-H members Alexander McKee and Sierra Wolfrom presented as a team on how to show a rabbit. They did very well and got a Gold medal. This gave them the opportunity to advance to Sectional competition, where they got a Blue ribbon. Everyone who got a gold medal and their family was invited to an awards BBQ to show their appreciation. Presentation Day was a fun day filled with different presenters giving members an opportunity to find out about all the different projects that are offered in SLO county. Submitted by Sierra Wolfrom, Reporter

Indeed, many heads turned, and participants and coaches responded with "WHO won?" when Edna 4-H Dairy Judging Team was announced as the winning team, taking home top honors at the Western Classic Judging Contest in the 4-H Division, in Hanford, CA on March 1st, 2014.

Placing 1st with over fifteen teams competing, it’s even more impressive that this 3 member team claimed victory without needing to drop a 4th members score! Congratulations go out to team members Anneke Vander Horst, AnnaSara Bridgeford, and Willem Vander Horst on their success!! Following their 1st place victory, the team capped the day by touring the nearby and beautiful Summerhill Goat Dairy, and then enjoying ice cream sundaes at Superior Dairy Ice Cream Parlor. Submitted by Katrina Vander Horst, Edna 4-H Reporter

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The Santa Margarita 4-H Club Foster Bag Sewing Committee is making and filling 100 emergency grab bags for San Luis Obispo County Foster Child Program. Several area youth attended the March sew-in including: (back row, left to right) Lyla Jespersen, Committee Chair-Erica Best, Sigrid Derickson, Gudrun Dericksen, and (front row, left to right) Kensington Witt, Chloe Stilts, Chelsea Stilts.
4hOnline Enrollment continued year-round—Contact 4-H Community Club Leader

### SLO County 4-H Youth Development Program Calendar 2013 –2014

#### MAY 2014
- 2 2014-15 County All Star Applications Due Date
- 2 Dairy Goat Showmanship Clinic, Paso Robles Fairgrounds
- 3 Mid-State Dairy Goat Show, Paso Robles Fairgrounds
- 4 4-H Horse Proj. Western & English Field Day
- 8 UC Davis “Be A Scientist Day”
- 9 4-H Field Day Entry Forms Due from Community Club Leaders only
- 13 Clay Roberts Seminar, Laguna Middle School, SLO
- 24 4-H SLO Hikers Hike, San Simeon Trail
- 28 Silent Auction Baskets due in 4-H Office
- 31 **County 4-H Field Day, Paso Robles Event Ctr.**
  - **SILENT AUCTION, Paso Robles Event Center**
  - **Chicken-Q BBQ, Paso Robles Event Center**
  - **State 4-H Field Day, UC Davis**

#### JUNE 2014
- 5 Treats for Our Troops Emerald Star Proj. End Date
- 7 4-H Horse Project Mounted Level Testing
- 16-20 Science Camp, Cal Poly, SLO
- 18 Mgmt. Board Meeting. UC Aud., SLO

#### JULY 2014
- 11 President’s Community Service Award Forms Due
- 9-13 Santa Barbara County Fair, Santa Maria Fairpark
- 16-27 California Mid-State Fair, Paso Robles Event Center
- 26 4-H SLO Hikers Hike—Lopez Lake, Arroyo Grande

#### AUGUST 2014
- 13 4-H Judges County Record Book Training UC Aud.
- 15 4-H Record Books & Officer Books Due
- 23 County Record Book Judging Day, SLO