Record Book Judges Training: Wed., 8/12/15

2014-15 Record Books Due into the 4-H office on: Fri., 8/14/15

2014-15 Record Book Judging: Sat., 8/22/15

TREASURER’S BOOK (Mandatory): Fri., 8/14/15
SECRETARY’S BOOK: Fri., 8/14/15
REPORTER’S BOOK: Fri., 8/14/15

The Criteria Sheets are posted on the county website http://ucanr.edu/sites/slo4-h/Record_Book_Forms/

SLO County 4-H 2015 Life Skills Scholarships

The San Luis Obispo County 4-H Management Board is happy to offer three (3) Life Skills scholarships in the amount of $300 each. The Scholarship Application Areas are:

1. Citizenship/Community Service
2. Leadership
3. Life Skills

If you are a current 4-H member who is in good standing in SLO County who is planning to attend college this Fall, you are eligible to apply for all three of these scholarships; however, you will be awarded only one scholarship. In addition to general 4-H and academic information, the applicant is asked to address the following:

**Citizenship/Community Service:**
1. What types of citizenship/community service involvement did you participate in during your 4-H career?
2. Describe two or three citizenship/community service activities that were most significant to you. Explain how you think your citizenship/community service activities will influence your life in the future.

**Leadership:**
1. What leadership skills have you developed through your 4-H career and how were they developed?
2. Describe how you think your leadership skills will influence your life in the future.

**Life Skills:**
1. What life skills have you developed through your 4-H career and how were they developed?
2. Describe how you think these life skills will influence your life in the future.

To obtain an Application, go to [http://ucanr.edu/sites/slo4-h/Club_Forms/](http://ucanr.edu/sites/slo4-h/Club_Forms/) OR call the 4-H office at 781-5943. **Scholarship Applications are due in the 4-H office no later than Friday, August 28, 2015. Postmarks will not be accepted.** Good Luck :o)
National & State 4-H News

For more information from the STATE 4-H OFFICE, visit http://www.4h.ucanr.edu

SOUTH SECTIONAL NEWS: Go to link for exciting activities http://4h.ucanr.edu/Get_Involved/Councils/Sectional/South/

4-H Curricula: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Curriculum/

4-H Project Sheets: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Project_Sheets/

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- Read more about 4-H hats and changes in year completion pins and stripes at http://4h.ucanr.edu/About/Uniform/California_4-H_Hat/

- 4-H Day at the Oakland Raiders, Sunday, December 6th/1:05 Kickoff
Don’t miss it! $20 from each ticket sold benefits 4-H in your community! See more info and submission form: http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/216614.pdf

- 2016 Salute to Excellence 4-H Volunteer Awards — Don’t miss the opportunity to nominate exemplary 4-H Volunteers for the 2016 Salute to Excellence Awards Program. The National 4-H Salute to Excellence Volunteer Recognition Award recognizes 4-H volunteers who demonstrate exemplary service to 4-H, while promoting service through volunteerism as both an opportunity and a privilege. California will be nominating two volunteers to be considered as regional honorees. The regional honorees become nominees for the national award, and one volunteer in each category will be named the national honoree.

- Volunteer of the Year Award—served less than 10 years
- Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer Award—served greater than 10 yrs
There is no limitation on the number of nominees from each county. For more information visit: http://www.4-h.org/resourcelibrary/grants-awards/opportunities/salute-to-excellence/program-information/

- 4-H Healthy Living Club Assessment: Clubs are encouraged to use the Healthy Living Event Assessment for 4-H events and activities to ensure they are the healthiest they can be The Checklist is available at http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/213332.pdf

Katherine E. Soule, Ph.D.
Youth, Families, & Communities Advisor

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We Want You...at...Camp San Luis Obispo!

We are looking for a few good 4-H adult men, women, and 4-H high school aged members! The first National 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop to ever be held in California will take place at Camp San Luis Obispo. This event trains 4-H leaders to return to their home states and counties and become leader trainers. **As part of their course work, they must participate in a hands-on teaching exercise.** We are recruiting certified 4-H adult leaders and 4-H Teen Leaders (high school aged youth) to serve as students for these future instructors. **You don’t need to know anything about shooting sports.**

Their goal is to teach you.

The training session **will take place on Friday, October 2, 2015 from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.** The disciplines offered that day will include: archery, hunting skills, muzzle loading, pistol, rifle, and shotgun.

If you would like to participate please contact Katherine E. Soule, Ph.D. at kesoule@ucanr.edu

Access to the Post
The front gate guards will have a list of names of those who have contacted me. Only those names on the list will be allowed access to the facility. Privately owned vehicles are allowed on post but the driver must present a valid driver’s license, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance.
"Hello! My name is Dagmar Derickson, and I am the newest addition to the UC ANR 4-H YDP San Luis Obispo County crew! I started my 4-H career when I was eight as a primary member, and continued though high school until becoming an Adult volunteer during my time in college. I have always been very involved in and passionate about the 4H Youth Development Program. As well as being a 4H member alumnus, I received my Bachelors from Cal Poly in Business Administration with a concentration in Human Resources and Management this past March. After I graduated, I set out on a three month journey to explore Western Europe. I returned a couple weeks ago to begin my next journey at the San Luis Obispo County 4-H office as the 4-H Program Rep. I am looking forward to meeting and getting to know everyone! Please feel free stop by and say hello!"

A big welcome goes out to Kim Mott the new 4-H Program Development Board Youth Leadership Key Leader! Kim was a long time member of the Cerro Alto 4-H Club where she enjoyed participating in 4-H as a youth member. As an adult and parent, who own children have spent the past 15 years also in Cerro Alto 4-H. In addition Kim has been a Leadership Development Project Leader, served as the snack bar chair for Field Day, led trainings at Adult Leadership trainings, and attended State Leaders Forum. Kim is currently the Sheep Leader for Carrisa Plains 4-H.

A big welcome goes out to Cyndy Later the new 4-H Program Development Board Community Service Key Leader! Cyndy has been a part of the Canyon Country 4-H Club for 14 years; during that time, she has had the role of parent, assistant leader of the Dog Care and Training Project and assisted the Community Club Leader in a variety of tasks.

WELCOME Dagmar, Kim and Cyndy to your new roles with the San Luis Obispo County 4-H Youth Development Program!
Hello 4-H Members and Families!

The San Luis Obispo County 4-H office uses an online registration program called 4hOnline for our Re-Enrollment and New Enrollment processes for the statewide 4-H youth development program.

FOR RE-ENROLLING MEMBERS: It is important that you do not create a new profile because you already have a data profile in the 4hOnline database. Please see the instructions on how to re-enroll in 4-H on our website. The instructions on how to re-enroll online for your 4-H club for the 2015-2016 4-H Program Year are on the county website at:

http://ucanr.edu/sites/slo4-h/Club_Forms/

NOTE: After you log into https://ca.4honline.com you will need to use the email address that is on file with the County 4-H office. This is usually the email address where you receive the 4-H newsletter. If your email address does not work in 4hOnline, try typing it in ALL CAPS. If you are still having trouble logging into the 4hOnline system, contact the 4-H Office at 781-5943 — or — via the email address: dharris@co.slo.ca.us

Fees: The re-enrollment and new enrollment fees for the 2015-16 4-H Program Year are: **$50 for Youth members** ($38.00 State 4-H Insurance Fee plus a $12 County 4-H Program Fee); and **$14.00 for Adult Project Leaders.** NOTE: Fee Payments can not be made online—you will need to give your 4-H insurance fee payment to your 4-H Community Club Leader along with your Medical Treatment Authorization forms that you print out from 4hOnline.

Training sessions have been held for your 4-H Community Club Leader and/or Volunteer Enrollment Coordinator (VEC) for your 4-H club for this online enrollment registration site:

https://ca.4honline.com
NEW STATE 4-H UNIFORM GUIDELINES

The California 4-H Youth Development Program has adopted the following 4-H Uniform Guidelines. Implementation of these guidelines will begin during the 2015-2016 4-H program year.

The uniform is made up of the following garments:

1. Official green 4-H hat branded with the University of California, Agriculture and Natural Resources (UC ANR) and the 4-H clover logo mark. These can be purchased through Leslie Carman 4-H Supplies as of August 31, 2015.

2. A plain white shirt with a collar. Any length of sleeve, including sleeveless is acceptable. Alternate Casual Uniform: For casual events, members may wear their club or county t-shirt, without the hat, provided that t-shirt has the proper use of the 4-H emblem according to the California 4-H Branding Toolkit. See http://4h.ucanr.edu/Resources/Branding_Toolkit/

3. Members have a choice of bottoms, appropriate to the event or activity, as specified in the California 4-H Dress Guidelines. See http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/210170.pdf

4. OPTIONAL: A traditional 4-H tie or scarf worn with the collared white shirt. The tie and scarf are both worn under the collar. Both boys and girls can wear either the scarf or the tie. These can be purchased through Leslie Carman 4-H Supplies.

The 4-H uniform guidelines follow the protocols in the California 4-H Dress Guidelines that apply to all 4-H members.

REMINDER: There is no uniform requirement in the 4-H YDP and a uniform cannot be required for participation in any 4-H YDP sponsored activity, event, meeting or occasion.

4-H Members participating in fairs are advised to follow the fair rules established by the sponsoring organization.
4-H SLO SCIENTIST PROGRAM

Become a 4-H SLO SCIENTIST Volunteer Facilitator!

Training Session to be offered on Wednesday, 9/23/15
4:00 p.m. — 6:00 p.m. in the UCCE Auditorium

San Luis Obispo County 4-H SLO Scientist Youth/Adult Science Clubs are looking for adult volunteers and teen leaders to help facilitate hands-on science activities for their enthusiastic members. This is a great opportunity to become involved with children and adults in the community!

- The SLO Scientist Club is made up of seven to ten teams
- Meets two evenings a month
- Explores such topics as earthquakes, soil and water, chemical reactions, food and plant science
- Materials are provided
- You don’t need to be an expert in the field of Scientific Topics

For more information about volunteering for this terrific program, please contact Heather Dauer, San Luis Obispo County 4-H SLO Scientist Project Coordinator at 781-5943.

IT CAME FROM PLANTED EARTH

We all enjoy food, but where does it come from? You will take a journey in the world of agriculture and discover how soil, water, plants, and animals are important for your survival.

Science With Snails

You are the chief investigator in the world of snails as you embark on a journey of wonder, awe, and amazing feats!

Oak Woodland Wildlife

Explore trees and forests in a wonderful series of activities that looks at one of our most important natural resources.

Beyond Duck, Cover & Hold

You will shake, rattle, and roll as you explore earthquakes, seismic waves, and seismograms. Discover if your community is ready for an earth moving experience!

From Ridges to Rivers: Watershed Explorations

Where does water come from? Where does it go? Go with the flow in activities that splash you with great ideas and fun!
Exciting New 4-H SLO Scientist Projects
Starting this Fall and Winter!

Are you interested in participating in some cool hands-on science activities? Would you enjoy having fun with science along with a parent or other favorite adult in your life as a science team with several other teams? (A science team consists of 8 to 12 year old youth who participate together with a favorite adult.) Then joining a SLO Scientist project could be for you!

From Robotics to Watershed Explorations to Ornithology/BirdSleuthing, the 4-H SLO Scientist program offers an array of fascinating topics to be explored by you! We emphasize teaching youth how to BE scientists, giving them real experiences to help them learn how to observe, investigate and experiment as well as fostering family dynamics of mutual respect.

For more information about how you can join a 4-H SLO Scientist group, or to become a teen leader or Adult Volunteer Facilitator to lead a 4-H SLO Scientist group, please contact Heather Dauer, San Luis Obispo County 4-H SLO Scientist Project Coordinator at (805) 781-5943.

**Science Leadership Training** for those interested in learning to lead experiential and inquiry-based programming for groups of children in an informal setting will be offered in San Luis Obispo on Wednesday afternoon, September 23 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Please contact Heather Dauer at 781-5943 for more information and to sign up for this valuable program through University of California Cooperative Extension and the 4-H SLO Scientist program.
Be a part of the San Luis Obispo County 4-H Management Board:

4-H Management Board (MB)
—> Secretary Position is Open
—> Visibility Director Position is Open

Program Development Board (PDB) Key Leader Open Positions are:
—> Adult Leadership Key Leader
—> Shooting Sports Key Leader

These Leader Positions require a two (2) year commitment and the ability to attend scheduled Program Development Board & Management Board Meetings.

For a complete position description, application and or any questions contact our 4-H Program Rep., Dagmar Derickson at 781-5941 or via email at: dderickson@ucanr.edu

DID YOU KNOW that San Luis Obispo County 4-H is part of the State 4-H South Section 4-H Council along with 8 other counties?

The South Section 4-H Council holds events, provide resources, and share state 4-H information to the nine counties of the south section. Any adult volunteer, 4-H youth member age 13+, and guests are welcome to participate at council meetings along with get involved in one of the section committees. This is a great way to get involved in a higher level of the 4-H program.

Jody Birks, of Estrella 4-H Club is our 4-H Management Board South Section Delegate who attends these meetings and brings back to our 4-H Management Board lots of good information as to what is happening in South Section Council 4-H! If you would like to know more, contact the 4-H Office at (805) 781-5943 or visit their website and sign up for email notices at: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Get_Involved/Councils/Sectional/South/
STATE LEADERS FORUM
November 6—8, 2015
SAN DIEGO

The State 4-H Leaders Forum provides a weekend retreat for 4-H volunteers across California to gather for networking, education, relaxation, and fun.

Volunteers of all ages, experiences, and locations share this opportunity to further their volunteering "career," find new inspirations, and bring new ideas home to their counties and clubs. The conference is sponsored by the State 4-H Leaders’ Council and the 4-H section planning the conference.

Some of the best, most practical learning for 4-H leaders happens here. You’ll come home loaded with ideas and activities and the enthusiasm to implement them. Your County 4-H Program becomes stronger because of your participation. You will return with a deeper understanding of the 4-H mission, a stronger sense of what has to happen to accomplish it, and an expanded capacity to make it happen.

SLF is going to be held at Crowne Plaza San Diego-Mission Valley, 2270 Hotel Circle North, San Diego, CA 92108

Got questions? Contact the following:
Mary Ann Smith | Co-Chair
masmith4hleader@gmail.com
(760) 554-0998

Kay Strothman | Registrar
joenkay@earthlink.net
(714) 898-3891

http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SLF/

This training is for any and all who come in contact with food while in their homes, business, volunteer capacities and community gatherings. By attending this training, you will be aware of safe food handling techniques to help eliminate and prevent food borne illness at your next gathering.

Please register by Wednesday, August 12th.

What: “Make it Safe, Keep it Safe” (MISKIS) Training
When: Tuesday, August 18th
Time: 9:00am to 12:00pm
Where: UCCE Auditorium
2156 Sierra Way,
SLO, CA 93401

Fee: $10.00 for supplies and materials
To Register: Call Christine Nelson at 805-781-5944 to reserve a seat (a minimum of 12 participants are required for conducting this training).
4-H SHOOTING SPORTS NEWS

The position of San Luis Obispo County 4-H Program Development Board
Shooting Sports Key Leader position is OPEN.
We have an Interim Key Leader, but the position is still Open.

Contact the 4-H Office at (805) 781-5943 if you would like an application and description.

4-H Shooting Sports Workshops
Winton, CA – Merced County
Archery Discipline  Class 2: September 12 & 13, 2015th

If you have an interest in sharing your archery skills with youth, consider becoming a 4-H archery leader. There will be two 4-H archery leader certification trainings offered in Merced County. The first class will be held Saturday, July 11th, 9 AM –4 PM, and Sunday, July 12th, 9 AM- 1pm. The second class will be held Saturday, September 12th, 9 AM –4 PM, and Sunday, September 13th, 9 AM- 1pm. Both classes will take place at the Safety First Shooting Association, River Oaks Range, 11584 Shaffer Rd, Winton, in Merced County. This class is being hosted by Merced County 4-H. You must become a 4-H leader or member and attend both days to receive certification to teach archery at the project, club and camp levels. The course will include a PowerPoint lecture, review of equipment, practice shooting and teaching, and a written test. The cost is $30 per person to include a resource binder, with Saturday and Sunday light breakfast refreshment’s. Junior and teen leaders are invited but must attend with an adult or have a certified archery adult leader they will be helping back home.

Driving directions to the range are at http://www.safetyfirstshooting.org/html/directions.html. Tent or Dry RV camping is an option.

To register, please complete and mail the “CA 4-H Shooting Sports Training Request and Registration Form” available at http://www.ca4h.org/files/2123.pdf, and an adult or youth 4-H medical release form and a $35 check payable to “Merced County 4-H Council” and mail to UCCE, 2145 Wardrobe Ave, Merced, 95341. Registration is due Friday, June 26th, and space is limited to 25 attendees. For more information call Darlene McIntyre at 209-385-7418 or email her at dlm McIntyre@ucanr.edu

4-H Shooting Sports Workshops
Winton, CA – Merced County
Rifle Discipline  Class 1: August 8 & 9, 2015
Class 2: October 10 & 11, 2015

If you have an interest in sharing your shooting skills with youth, consider becoming a 4-H shooting sports leader. There will be a two 4-H rifle leader certification trainings offered in Merced County. The first class will be held Saturday, August 8th, 9 AM –4 PM, and Sunday, August 9th, 9 AM- 1pm. The second class will be held Saturday, October 10th, 9 AM –4 PM, and Sunday, October 11th, 9 AM- 1pm. Both classes will be held at the Safety First Shooting Association, River Oaks Range, 11584 Shaffer Rd, Winton, in Merced County. This class is being hosted by Merced County 4-H. You must become a 4-H leader or member and attend both days to receive certification to teach rifle at the project, club and camp levels. The course will include a PowerPoint lecture, review of equipment, practice shooting and teaching, and a written test. The cost is $35 per person to include a resource binder, with Saturday and Sunday light breakfast refreshment’s. Junior and teen leaders are invited but must attend with an adult or have a certified archery adult leader they will be helping back home.

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In the 4-H Survey, you asked for a new website - it is now located at:

http://ucanr.edu/slo4h
4-H National Youth Science Day

4-H National Youth Science Day (NYSD) is an exciting, interactive learning experience that engages thousands of youth across the country in conducting the National Science Experiment. **4-H National Youth Science Day will take place on Wednesday, October 7, 2015.**

The 2015 experiment is *Motion Commotion*, designed by Oregon 4-H. The experiment explores motion through the relationship of speed and stopping distance, physics, reaction time and safety. Oregon 4-H designed the experiment in partnership with Vernier Software and Technology.

Get Your Experiment Kit

The 2015 National Science Experiment kit is currently available for pre-sale on the 4-H Mall website. Pre-order now through mid-July for exclusive savings: [www.4-HMall.org](http://www.4-HMall.org)

About 4-H National Youth Science Day

4-H NYSD is the world's largest, youth-led science experiment. The 2015 National Science Experiment, *Motion Commotion*, will enable youth to explore the physics of motion and distracted driving. This exciting activity will combine a speeding car collision and a distracted driving demonstration in a simulated activity that investigates the physical and human factors of motion. This annual youth science experiment will be held on **Wednesday, October 7, 2015**, and will bring 4-H'ers together from all around the nation to complete this single, innovative activity.
National 4-H Shooting Sports Announcement

2015 National 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop
September 29 – October 3, 2015
Camp San Luis Obispo
(San Luis Obispo County)

For those counties that want to strengthen their shooting sports programs or counties that want to start one, this is the event you need to attend.

It is open to staff and 4-H adult volunteers who are at least 21 years of age. This training allows the participants to become certified in one of six different disciplines: archery, hunting, muzzle loading, pistol, rifle, or shotgun. A coordinator course will also be offered for those who want to learn more about administering a county program.

Please note, this is not for 4-H adult volunteer who are interested in running a project or summer camp program.

This is for 4-H adult volunteers who want to become instructors to strengthen the County and State Shooting Sports Programs. Successful completion of this course allows these participants to hold Certification Workshops.

Early bird registration is $195 per person. This fee includes all course material and meals and housing for the duration of the course! The course will end on the evening of October 2nd and participants can spend the night and depart on the morning of the 3rd after breakfast.

For more information contact John Borba at (661) 868-6216 or email: jaborba@ucanr.edu
Flags and Crosses for Memorial Day
By Alison Maxwell

On May 23, members from Templeton 4-H had the opportunity to participate in the annual community service activity of placing flags and crosses next to the graves of Veterans in the Templeton Cemetery. The large group of members who came to honor the service of the veterans split up into small groups and placed a cross and a flag in front of every grave of a veteran, even if that meant crawling in the wet grass to find the tiniest of grave markers. This is a wonderful community service event and members always leave with that great feeling in their hearts.

June Templeton 4-H General Meeting
By Alison Maxwell

On June 3, Templeton held a monthly General Meeting at the Templeton Legion Hall. This year, the club leader, Loretta Mazzo, asked members to turn in their Record Books at this meeting so she could determine who would be allowed to enter into the Mid-State Fair. Members who turned in their Record Books and wish to participate in the Mid-State Fair must turn in their entry forms by June 9.

The officers of the club announced some of the top places that members of Templeton 4-H received at 4-H Field Day on May 30. The SLO Scientist Program is looking for teen leaders and adult volunteers to help with events and help the members of the program enjoy their learning and experience to the fullest. At this meeting, the Photography Project did a demonstration and members in the project presented pictures they have entered or will be entering in shows this year. For the recreation game, the 4-H Olympics continued and members had to keep a beach ball in the air without letting it touch the ground.
4hOnline Enrollment Opens 7/1/15 — Contact 4-H Community Club Leader

NEW 4-H WEBSITE URL: http://ucanr.edu/sites/slo4-h/

SLO County 4-H Youth Development Program Calendar 2015—2016

**AUGUST 2015**

12 Record Book Judges Training 6:30 pm UC AUD
12 Deadline to Register for MISKIS Training on 8/18
14 2014-15 Record Books Due & Reporter, Sec'y Books
14 Treasurer's Manual Due—Mandatory per State 4-H
18 MISKIS Training, UC Auditorium, SLO 9-Noon
22 County Record Book Judging Day
28 Life Skills Scholarships Due

**OCTOBER 2015**

2 National 4-H Shooting Sports Training,
   RSVP if you would like to be taught a skill
   Camp San Luis Obispo (pg. 3)
7 National Youth Science Day (NYSD) (p.13)
10 COUNTY 4-H ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT, 7pm
   Veterans Hall 801 Grand Avenue, San Luis Obispo

**SEPTEMBER 2015**

15 4-H Program Development Board Meeting
16 4-H Management Board Meeting
23 SLO SCIENTIST Facilitator Training—SLO
29-10/3 National 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop
   Camp San Luis Obispo (pg. 14)

**NOVEMBER 2015**

6-8 State Leaders Forum (SLF) San Diego (p. 10)