This year’s Food & Arts Celebration and Fashion Revue event was a great success, with more than 100 members participating in this fun-filled day! In addition to getting to see the many wonderful and original displays, enjoying a hot dog lunch, and watching the Fashion Revue program, a variety of group activities were offered to keep the creative juices flowing. Members created flower bouquets out of fruit, made “scrunchies” out of scrap material, participated in a judging contest, and designed and made quilt squares for Blankets of Hope. Blankets of Hope is an Emerald Star project organized by Claire and Kimberly Edmonds of Cerro Alto 4-H club, whereby the quilt squares are assembled into blankets for U.S. soldiers.

Corryn and Cierra La Rue, of Templeton 4-H Club, summarized their experience as follows: “We want to tell you all about Fun with Food and Arts in San Luis Obispo at Laguna Middle School on Saturday, May 3, 2008. It started with check in at 8:00am to 9:00am. We had a meeting that explained the day and then we broke into small groups that went to different rooms and did really fun activities. We made a fresh fruit bouquet, and made quilt squares for wounded soldiers. We even participated in a judging contest. There were so many things to look at, like decorated cakes, place settings, quilts and needle point. There were also bird houses and mini gardens too. And I can’t forget the food. The 4-H members entered their best recipes and brought samples to be judged. It was a really fun day. We can’t wait for next year!”

This event wouldn’t have happened without the organizational skills of Julia Stanfill, Event Chair and Home Economics Key Leader, Debbie Geaslen, Food & Arts Chair, and Diana Howell, Fashion Revue Chair. We thank them for their leadership. We also want to thank the Home Economics Committee members for their time and expertise, as well as the many volunteers who helped that day, including parents and Los Osos Rotarians!

Finally, a big CONGRATULATIONS to all our members who participated in the event this year, with a “special congratulations” to the Division Winners! (see Page 3)
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

- You are invited to participate in the "Walk for Health" at the California State Capitol on Saturday, June 28, 2008. Each California Focus county delegation is identifying sponsors for their "walk" and raising funds to support a health-related initiative or a health-related plan of action that they intend to carry out. Come and join us. We will be walking around the perimeter of the Capitol from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. More information and a sponsorship form are available at: http://www.ca4h.org/citizenship/focus/index.asp. Contact Pat English at pnenglish@ucdavis.edu or 530-754-8520 if you would like to participate.

- The 4-H Million Trees Project is spreading across the nation. The Pacifica 4-H Club in San Mateo County began this project to counter the affects of global warming. Their goal is to mobilize the approximately 7 million 4-H youth in the U.S. to plant 1,000,000 trees across the nation to help reduce atmospheric CO2. If your 4-H club wants to participate, go to www.4hmilliontrees.org and register. Then visit https://www.arborday.org/Shopping/Memberships/4h/ to become Arbor Day members and receive twelve trees at $1 each.

- This year’s 4-H State Leadership Conference, “Life is a Highway” will be held July 31 - August 3, 2008 at U.C. Davis. Registration materials are available and due June 13, 2008. More information about the Conference is available at http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc/index.asp.

- The California State Fair is fast approaching (Aug 15 - Sept 1) and The California 4-H Foundation is recruiting 4-H members and leaders to help staff the 4-H booth. This is a great opportunity to share with the public your 4-H experiences, projects (community service projects included), and leadership opportunities. Bring photo albums or record books. Parking passes and fair admission tickets will be provided to 4-H members & adults who sign up for a 2-hour shift. A maximum of 4 youth and 2 adults per shift will be allowed. To sign-up, please visit: http://www.ca4h.org/wrp/statefair/.

- Californians entering market livestock in the Livestock Show at the 2008 California State Fair must register for the DNA Reservation and Collection online at www.bigfun.org. The Fair requires DNA registration to verify ownership and prevent unlawful switching of animals before or during the competition. No market animal will be eligible for official entry unless this sample is obtained and an official Market Registration form has been completed by the deadline. For additional information visit: www.bigfun.org or contact the California State Fair Livestock Program Coordinator at 916-263-3109 or entryoffice@calexpo.com.

If you can’t access any websites or other information because you don’t have access to a computer—just call the 4-H office 781-5943 for assistance.
### 2008 FOOD & ARTS CELEBRATION & FASHION REVUE

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On Saturday, May 17, the SLO County Western Pleasure and English Horse Field Day was held at Osumi Ranch. The show was a great success with beginner, pony, junior and senior riders who came to compete and have fun in the disciplines of Western Pleasure and English.

It was so much fun with everyone working together and helping each other. Thank you to all the members as well as non-4H members who made the show and snack shack a smooth ride!

This was our second year to have a equine "Knowledge Bowl" during lunch and were able to use the new buzz in system that was so graciously donated by Farm Bureau. Teams and individuals were able to try and be the first to "buzz" in to answer questions regarding equine anatomy, health, feeds and housing.

Thank you to all the sponsors and to the members who solicited them. The show is not possible without all of your support!

Happy Trails,
Kelly Osumi

Congratulations to the following Champion and Reserve Champion Riders:

**Western Pleasure Senior**
Champion: Joanna Hopkins Huasna Valley
Reserve: Lorine Allen Edna

**Western Pleasure Junior**
Champion: Christa Osumi Adobe Nipomo
Reserve: Madeline Ferrante Edna

**Western Pleasure Pony**
Champion: Christina Gamarra Edna
Reserve: Kiana Worth Adobe Nipomo

**Western Pleasure Beginner Rider**
Champion Casey Mauta Pozo

**English Senior**
Champion: Lorine Allen Edna;
Reserve: Joanna Hopkins Huasna Valley

**English Junior**
Champion: Candace Johnston Cerro Alto
Reserve: Madeline Ferrante Edna

**English Pony**
Champion: Sophie Johnston Cerro Alto
Reserve: Jenna Winslow Rio Rancheros
Leader Recognition Award/ State 4-H Leaders’ Forum

The SLO Co. 4-H Adult Leadership Committee is seeking nominations of outstanding adult volunteers to receive the 2008 Leader Recognition Award. The award is $236, which includes the conference fee, meals, and lodging for the State 4-H Leaders’ Forum at Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove on November 7-9, 2008. The Leaders’ Forum offers volunteers an opportunity to enjoy the camaraderie of other 4-H volunteers, share ideas, and learn new skills in their choice of fun workshops—all in a beautiful ocean side setting.

This year six nominees from San Luis Obispo county will be selected to receive the award.

Nomination Criteria:

1) has been a leader for two years and has reenrolled for the new program year;
2) evidence of outstanding teaching/leadership skills;
3) has not been nominated for this award in the last three years.

Clubs, adult volunteers, and 4-H members may all nominate leaders for this wonderful award. Leaders may even elect to nominate themselves. If you are nominating someone, please check with them to make sure they will be able to attend the Forum! Leader Recognition Award Nomination Forms are available through your Community Club Leader and at the 4-H office 781-5943. Nominations are due June 27, 2008 in the 4-H office. If you have questions, please call Evelyn Rockwell at 466-4383.

Leaders need not be recipients of the Leader Recognition Award to attend the State Leaders’ Forum.

All 4-H leaders are eligible and encouraged to attend. More information about the forum is available online at http://ca4h.org/conference/slf/.

Conference registrations are due by September 5, 2008.
ADULT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

EXCITING NEW VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: 4-H EXCHANGE PROGRAM KEY LEADER

Do you have a gift for reaching out to people? Do you like to organize events? Are you interested in learning about other 4-H programs and what they can share with us? If so, you may be just the person to take the lead in pursuing 4-H domestic and international exchange opportunities on behalf of SLO County. Recently, we received two inquiries about a potential 4-H exchange with our SLO County 4-H. However, in order to pursue these opportunities we need an adult volunteer willing to take on this task.

This is a new Key Leader position on the SLO County 4-H Program Development Board. The board meets approximately four times a year and is responsible for program policy and direction, and coordinating activities and events between various program areas. The individual would serve a two-year term as 4-H Exchange Program Key Leader.

If this sounds like something you would like to do, or if you are interested in finding out more about this new volunteer position, please call Cindy Hansen, 4-H Program Representative, at 781-5950. We look forward to talking with you soon!

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SLO County 4-H YDP
Program Development Board Members

Evelyn Rockwell, Adult Leadership Key Leader
Karen Ludwig, Community Service Key Leader
Julia Stanfill, Home Economics Key Leader
Sherry Martinez, Youth Leadership Key Leader

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National Directory of 4-H Educational Materials is now available. This directory is a searchable, national database of 4-H educational materials currently available through the Cooperative Extension System. It will include National 4-H curriculum, state curriculum, supplementary materials and guides all created within the land grant university system and intended either for a youth audience or for adults working with youth. The directory is online and can be accessed at www.4-hdirectory.org

FARM SUPPLY’S EXTREME QUIZ JAM at the MID-STATE FAIR

EXTREME Quiz Jam is a timed, 4-person team event. Each team will face six stations with agriculture related challenges. Each station will test either their physical or mental skills! This is a very fun, high energy event. We take the first 200 participants. Every participant gets a hat and delicious Frito Boat.

WHEN: Sunday, July 27, 2008
WHERE: in the Covered Horse Arena at the Mid-State fairgrounds.

Sign Up Sheets will be sent to the 4-H office or you can contact: Cara Crye, Farm Supply Company Marketing Coordinator at (805) 543-3751.

San Luis Obispo County 4-H Members who went to the 2008 State 4-H Presentation Day, Fashion Revue, and Field Day on May 31st at UC DAVIS, send in a note about your experience to the 4-H office for the newsletter! We also extend belated Good Luck wishes to: Janeen and Jack Moore from the El Camino 4-H Club. Your Community Club Leader, Jana Ljepava informed the 4-H office of our error. Please accept our apologies for the omission of your names from last month’s newsletter wishing all of our County Participants Good Luck at the State Presentation Day.

Belated GOOD LUCK wishes are also sent to Mary Allen of Edna 4-H for the STATE FASHION REVUE!
MEMBER OPPORTUNITIES

California 4-H State Leadership Conference
“LIFE IS A HIGHWAY”

The California 4-H State Leadership Conference will take place July 31 - August 3, 2008 at UC Davis. The conference brings together high school age youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience, and has as its goal helping youth to reach their full leadership potential. It also provides an excellent opportunity for youth to give input into statewide 4-H activities. All high school age 4-H members may attend the conference. To learn more, or to obtain a registration packet, go to www.ca4h.org/conference/slc. Completed packets along with the $385 registration fee are due in the county office (781-5943) on June 13, 2008.

Community Service Award

The Community Service Program Development Committee wants your nomination(s) of an outstanding 4-H Youth, Adult or Family to receive a 2008 Community Service Award. Nominations can be submitted by any 4-H member or volunteer. If you know an individual or family who continuously gives of themselves, now is your chance to help them receive the recognition they deserve! The nominations will be reviewed, and then one award will be presented for each category: Youth, Adult, and Family at our 4-H Achievement Night on October 11th at the Veteran’s Hall in San Luis Obispo at 7:00 p.m.

How to nominate someone:
Please write a half to one page letter explaining why you think your nominee deserves the award. In order to maintain fairness in the selection process, do not include your nominee’s name in the letter. Then, on a separate piece of paper, write the name of the person or family you are nominating and your name, address, and phone number.

Please feel free to nominate as many individuals or families you feel deserve this award. Nominations are due in the 4-H Office by July 15, 2008. You can mail them to the 4-H Office at 2156 Sierra Way, Suite C, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401, or email them to imaggiore@co.slo.ca.us. Alternatively, you can also FAX your nomination to 781-4316. If you have any questions about the Community Service Award, please call Karen Ludwig, Community Service Committee Chair, at 461-1977.

THE PRESIDENT’S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD

Reminder: The President’s Volunteer Service Award applications are due in the 4-H office by Monday, June 30th, 2008.

If you have questions on how to fill out your application contact Karen Ludwig, Community Service Key Leader, at 712-8217. If you have misplaced your application, call the 4-H office at 781-5943 or go to: www.slocounty4h.org/upcoming.html

DUE DATE: Monday, JUNE 30, 2008
2008 RECORD BOOK HELPFUL HINTS

If you are interested in submitting your 2008 Record Book for Judging at the County Level, please make sure you have the **County Level Record Book Check Sheet Form Rev 01/07**. This form along with other updated Record Book Information can be obtained from the SLO County 4-H website: [www.slocounty4h.org/upcoming.html](http://www.slocounty4h.org/upcoming.html).

There is also a **SAMPLE PDR form** that you can print from the [www.slocounty4h.org](http://www.slocounty4h.org) website. If you need any further clarification on how to fill out your Personal Development Report (PDR) form or for any other questions, please contact JoAnn Overbey, Awards Director at 528-8232.

**Note:** Record Book Covers can be purchased from LESLIE CARMEN 4-H SUPPLIES at (888) 466-9433 or via their website at www.4hsupplies.com or from National 4-H Mall website: [www.4-hmall.org](http://www.4-hmall.org).

400 GIANT PUMPKIN sprouts will be handed out at the 4-H FIELD DAY in front of the Exhibits Building from 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. by the SLO County Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee. From that day, until October 15th, you will have the opportunity to grow your Giant Pumpkin and enter it into the SLO County Great Pumpkin Contest on October 16th in Downtown San Luis Obispo’s Farmer’s Market to win big prizes. For more information on the contest and growing tips visit [www.slofarmbureau.org](http://www.slofarmbureau.org) or contact Brian Evans at (805) 471-3503.

GOT 4-H SPIRIT?

For those of you who attended the Food & Arts Celebration and Fashion Revue—you might remember singing the 4-H SPIRIT song co-written by a couple of our 4-H Adult Volunteers from *Los Osos 4-H Club*, Sharon Bruce and Jeanne Buchanan. We thought we would publish their song for all 4-H clubs to use at their meetings! Perhaps you can change the song for your Project Group meetings or . . . ? So, tune up your voices, stand proud, and start a sing-a-long!

**Verse 1:**
So here we are

(Audience repeats)
on this bea-u-ti-ful day

(Audience repeats)
at Food Arts & Fashion

(Audience repeats)
in the month of May!

(Audience repeats)

Repeat verse all together.

**Verse 2:**
I like to cook,

(Audience repeats:  I like to cook)
I like to sew,

(Audience repeats:  I like to sew)
I like to build

(Audience repeats:  I like to build)
Oh, don't you know

(Oh, don't you know)

Repeat verse all together.

**Verse 3:**
I love 4-H

(Audience repeats:  I love 4-H)
I got the spirit

(Audience repeats:  I got the spirit)
Go Green & White

(Audience repeats:  Go Green & White)
Oh, can you hear it?

(Audience repeats:  Oh, can you hear it?)

Repeat verse all together.
SANTA MARGARITA 4-H CLUB: On Friday, May 2nd, a multi-4-H club Poultry Showmanship practice was held in south Atascadero at the home of the Poultry Project Leader, Amanda Clark. The 4-H club members present were from Santa Margarita, Los Osos, Rolling Hills, and Estrella Poultry Groups. Members wore their 4-H white uniforms and practiced showmanship skills with their chicken. Teen leader Anthony Aguirre, demonstrated the steps involved in Showmanship to the novice group. Amanda Clark judged the skills of the primary, Junior and Intermediate levels. At the end, Participation ribbons were awarded and everyone enjoyed brownies and lemonade. Submitted by: Anthony Aguirre Teen Leader Santa Margarita 4-H

POZO 4-H CLUB: Members served tasty hors d’oeuvres at the Cattlemen’s Western Art Show on Friday, April 11th. The 4-H members walked around the Art Show with trays of food serving the guests. “This is one of our community service activities performed annually by club members and it is a great opportunity for the group to help out the Cattlemen’s Association,” said Dorothy Wagster, Pozo 4-H Community Club Leader. The attendees enjoy having the young 4-H members help serve the food. Participants included: Connor, Joseph, and Alexis Whiteford, Patrick Wagster, Taylor Toole, Mary and Emily Thomas, Kortney Russell, Casey Nauta, Karly Michels, Kaden McQuitty, Jordan Johnson, Joe Johnson, Cody Golding, Sara and Katie Gaskill and Sebastion Andrus.

RABBIT SHOW & QUIZ JAM

The Pozo Rabbit Project members held a Quiz Jam and showed their rabbits at the Cerro Alto Rabbit Show on April 12th. All 4-H members who attended were given an opportunity to compete in the Quiz Jam. The quiz is given to test their knowledge of rabbits. “The Quiz Jam is a great opportunity for the 4-H members to show how much they know about rabbits, said Tamara Johnson, Pozo’s Rabbit Leader and organizer of the Quiz Jam. Members who showed their rabbits and helped with the Quiz Jam included: Alexis Whiteford, Jordan and Morgan Johnson, and Kaden McQuitty. Sebastian Andrus also helped with the Quiz Jam.

Winners of the Quiz Jam included:
Jr. Division:
1st - Marissa Shock, Huasna Valley; 2nd (3-way tie) - Anastasia Ruttschow, Morro Bay and Sarah Rutland, Huasna Valley, and Elise Gubbins, Edna; 3rd – Sarah Sandoval, Morro Bay.


Senior Division: 3rd Kimberly Edmonds, Cerro Alto.

Congratulations to all the Rabbit Quiz Jam winners!

ROLLING HILLS 4-H Club helps protect Oak Saplings at CAMP ROBERTS. The Community Club Leader, Mary Mitchell-Leitcher reported: “Yes it was hot, [Saturday, May 17, 2008] but what a wonderful experience! I hope more club members will come to the next one. Steven Pryor is doing a lot of good up at Camp Roberts and I, for one, was glad to help even if it was just a little help.”
ADULT VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

SLO County 4-H YDP Management Board Open Positions

We are currently recruiting for three positions on the 4-H Youth Development Management Board.

The Visibility Director is responsible for managing and providing leadership to the visibility and public relations efforts of the SLO County 4-H YDP. Although experience in the areas of public relations, visibility or marketing would be helpful, it is not required for this volunteer position. Program Visibility may include submission of newspaper articles and coordination of 4-H public events throughout the county. This interesting and challenging position serves a two-year term as a member of the 4-H Management Board.

The positions of 4-H Management Board Director and 4-H Assistant Management Board Director will be open as of July 1, 2008. Shawn Callaway has served as Board Director for the past four years, and Carla Borchard has served as Assistant Board Director since September 2004. Both Shawn and Carla have done an excellent job in their respective positions, and the board has truly benefited from their 4-H knowledge and background and years of experience. Shawn will continue to serve on the board in the position of Past Board Director when his term as Board Director ends June 30, 2008.

The purpose of the 4-H Management Board is to oversee the management aspects of the San Luis Obispo County 4-H Youth Development Program. Overseeing includes both policy making and the implementation of the policy, as well as basic management decisions relating to the program. In addition to basic management responsibilities, the board is responsible for the following specific areas: awards, finances, fundraising, leader complaints, liaison with fairs, liaison with regional and local councils, and visibility. The members of the board work closely with one another and with the 4-H Youth Development Advisor.

If you are interested in applying for a position on the 4-H Management Board, or if you have any questions about these positions, we look forward to talking with you. Please call the 4-H office at 781-5943.

SLO County 4-H YDP Management Board Members
Shawn Callaway, Board Director (through 6/30/08)
Carla Borchard, Asst. Board Director (through 6/30/08)
Ruben Cavanillas, Section Council Delegate
Ken Dewar, Fundraising Director
Sarah Lukes, All Star
JoAnn Oberbey, Awards Director and All Star Advisor
Evelyn Rockwell, Budget Director
Mike Scott, Collegiate 4-H Representative
Ruth Sutherland, Past Board Director (through 6/30/08)
Deanna Teixeira, Secretary
Melani Teixeira, All Star

SLO County 4-H YDP Program Development Board Key Leader Positions Open

Large Animal Science Key Leader. Anyone experienced in a large animal project (beef, sheep, swine, goats, or horses) is invited to apply for Large Animal Science Key Leader. This position serves on the 4-H Program Development Board, which meets approximately four times a year. The individual would serve a two-year term and be a member of the 4-H Program Development Board representing Large Animal Science. The Board meets approximately four times a year. Experience in a large animal project is preferred. The Key Leader is responsible for the development and delivery of large animal science programs to 4-H members and adult volunteer leaders, chairs the Large Animal Science Program Development Committee, which consists of representatives of the large animal sciences, & works with chairperson(s) of events/activities in areas related to large animal science. In addition, this position serves as the liaison between the Large Animal Science Program Development Committee and 4-H County office staff.

Science & Technology Key Leader. Do you have an interest in science? If so, we encourage you to consider serving a two-year term as Science & Technology Key Leader. This position serves on the 4-H Program Development Board, which meets approximately four times a year. The individual would chair the Science & Technology Program Development Committee and support county-wide science programs such as SLO Scientists. The individual would serve as liaison to chairperson(s) of 4-H events/activities in areas related to science, such as science entries at Presentation Day and 4-H Field Day. In addition, this position serves as the liaison between the Science & Technology Program Development Committee and 4-H County office staff. This is an exciting position where you can make a difference by helping to incorporate and strengthen science skills in the 4-H Program.

Small Animal Science Key Leader. Anyone experienced in a small animal project (dog, rabbit, avian, cavie) is invited to apply for Small Animal Science Key Leader. The individual would serve a two-year term and be a member of the 4-H Program Development Board representing Small Animal Science. The Board meets approximately four times a year. Experience in a small animal project is preferred. The Key Leader is responsible for the development and delivery of small animal science programs to 4-H members and adult volunteer leaders, chairs the Small Animal Science Program Development Committee, which consists of representatives of the small animal sciences, and works with chairperson(s) of events/activities in areas related to small animal science. In addition, this position serves as the liaison between the Small Animal Science Program Development Committee and 4-H County office staff.

If you are interested in serving in one of these positions, or have any questions, please contact the 4-H office at 781-5943, or email Cindy Hansen at chansen@co.slo.ca.us.

(See PDB on p. 6)
Creston 4-H Hunter Safety
By Ben Clark, 4-H Club Member

John Jamrog agreed to teach us Hunter Safety when I started this 4-H Shooting Sports group because some of the people that joined had not even shot a firearm before. It was very fun and it only took three, 4-hour days, (March 27th-29th) to complete.

John taught us everything from how to safely hold a gun to wildlife management. We even had a black powder and archery expert, Jack, come and show us how to use black powder rifles and bow and arrows.

On the third day, aside from taking the written test, he let us go to our homemade shooting course and shoot targets with 22’s to see if we could handle firearms responsibly. He taught us so well that everyone passed the test! Even the youngest student, he was only eight years old! John Jamrog was a very awesome teacher; he made everything very, very fun!

Templeton 4-H: The annual Spring Fling Carnival, Talent Show and Book Sale event took place at Vineyard Elementary School, Friday, April 28, 2008. Our 4-H Community Pride Volunteers helped run several of the games. Members present were: Liam Hoagland, Larry Rose, Daniika Viborg, Katie Kennedy, Alyssa Daigle, Madeline Whisler, Katie White, Cierra and Corryn LaRue, Jason Friedle, and Brianna Belmonte. Parents present were: Nancy Hoagland, Cindy Pilg, Mrs. LaRue, Candice Daigle, and Romayne Rose. PTA President, Michelle Belmonte was pleased so many of us from 4-H were there to help make it such a successful event.

Submitted by: Larry Rose

TEMPLETON: Members of Templeton 4-H Club joined with members of Templeton Boy Scout Troop 434 to host a visit with the ladies of the Vineyard Hill Senior Home. The event took place in the afternoon of April 13, 2008. Tami Reece of our 4-H Cooking group made several delicious treats for our gathering. We also brought several herb teas. Our 4-H leaders located real china tea pots, tea cups and dessert plates to make it a special occasion. The Pilg family brought enough potted live marigolds for each person to take back to their room. I believe the most appreciated part of the party was the time we spent visiting the residents. We personally introduced ourselves. Several of us shared photos of our animals or projects to all who attended. Members who attended were: April and Larry Rose, Kimberly Blanco and Taylor Pilg. Parents who attended were: Melissa Blanco, Cindy Pilg, Romayne Rose and Linda Pedotti of Cambria 4-H.

Submitted by: Larry Rose

CHRISTMAS IN JULY— Templeton 4-H Member Caitlin Ruscki is asking for the community’s support in her mission to help teenagers who live in foster care in SLO County. Caitlin has launched a project to give teens within the foster care system a gift card and a personalized note reminding them that — there are people that care about them. “I learned that most teenagers don’t get Christmas presents or they get left out at toy drives and stuff, so I decided to give a gift card to them.” Caitlin officially launched this project on May 7th with a presentation to her 4-H Club. She has also bought two gift cards out of her own funds and has started on her handwritten notes to accompany the gift cards. Those who donate can write a note of their own to accompany the gift card. Checks will also be accepted as a donation. Caitlin’s goal is to collect 100 gift cards for her “Christmas in July” project. Gift cards must be received by Tuesday, July 15. Those interested in making a donation should mail gift cards or a check to:

CHRISTMAS IN JULY
c/o Templeton 4-H Club
P.O. Box 1, Templeton, CA, 93465
**SLO County 4-H Youth Development Program Calendar 2008**

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