PRESENTATION DAY
February 10, 2007

Presentation Day is approaching fast and we encourage 4-H and SLO Scientist members to participate in the 2007 San Luis Obispo County 4-H Presentation Day on Saturday, February 10, 2007 on the Cal Poly Campus in the Ag Engineering building!

We believe Presentation Day is perhaps the most important 4-H event of the year. Taking part in Presentation Day is excellent practice for learning public speaking and teaching skills.

In fact, members who plan and present presentations are experiencing at least five important life skills: (1) Planning/Organizing, (2) Learning to Learn, (3) Critical Thinking, (4) Social Skills and (5) Communication. Our goal is for every member who gives a presentation to feel good about the experience and feel recognized for his/her accomplishments.

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LEADER APPRECIATION & TRAINING DAY
Saturday, January 27, 2007
2156 Sierra Way, San Luis Obispo
UCCE Auditorium 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

As most of you know, the Leader Appreciation & Training Day previously scheduled for November 11, 2006, was cancelled. It has now been re-scheduled for January 27, 2007.

LEADER'S, don't miss out on this great day of informative sessions, sharing with fellow 4-H leaders, and being recognized for the wonderful work you are doing with our youth!

A variety of sessions will be offered throughout the day. Listed below are just some of the sessions that will be available:

- Working with Junior and Teen Leaders
- The New Record Book Process for 2006-07
- How to Make Your Projects GREAT (“must have” Information for Leaders)
- Key 4-H Updates
- Roundtable Discussion

Come join us---get to know one another, ask questions, voice concerns, share and exchange information with leaders with years of experience—enjoy the day. We hope to see you there! The program will be held in the UCCE Auditorium at the address above. Registration will be held from 8:30-9:00 a.m. Program starts promptly at 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be provided! Please RSVP by January 19, 2007 to the 4-H office at 781-5943, or to Evelyn Rockwell, Adult Leadership Key Leader, at 466-4383.

University of California, U.S. Department of Agriculture and San Luis Obispo County Cooperating.
• Make a $1 donation to the National 4-H Council by purchasing your movie ticket to Charlotte's Web on the Buy Movie Tickets link at www.fourhcouncil.edu. For every ticket purchased by Jan. 31, 2007, Paramount Pictures & Walden Media's production of Charlotte's Web, Hollywood Movie Money will donate $1 (included in the $2 per ticket processing fee) to support our state's 4-H program.

• State 4-H Equine Field Day will be held on Sat., March 17, 2007 at the Animal Science Pavilion at CSU Fresno starting at 8:30 a.m. Pre-Registration is due by March 1, 2007. Cost is $20. Pre-paid boxed lunches will be available for $10 each. Event Contact person is Jeanne George, State 4-H Equine Advisor at (530) 527-3101.

• 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop—Archery Discipline will be held at the Kern Co. UCCE Office in Bakersfield on Sat., March 24, 2007 8am—5pm and Sun. March 25, 2007 8am—Noon. For more information, contact: Robert Claffy at (661) 829-1658. Cost is $20 which includes lunch and class materials.

• The 2007 National 4-H Shooting Sports Teen Ambassador application form is now posted on the National website at: http://www.4-hshootingsports.org/. Look under “About” ...“Teen Ambassadors”. Applications are due February 1, 2007.

• 2007-2008 4-H State Ambassador applications are now available online. 4-H State Ambassadors are selected to represent the California 4-H Youth Development Program, plan the State Leadership Conference, and complete a service project. More information is available at http://ca4h.org/leadership/ambassador/. Applications due Mar. 31.

• The 2007 State 4-H Fashion Revue, May 26, 2007 at UC Davis—part of State Field Day. It is open to one county winner, in each age division, in each category. Age divisions are Jr: age 9-11, Intermediate: age 12-13, & Sr: age 14 and up, as of 1/1/07. Entry categories are Traditional, Recycled, Purchased, Embellished, Needle Arts and Handbag Challenge. Information from 2006 and a brief handout for 2007 are available at http://ca4h.org/proresource/fashion/index.asp. Contact Sue Moore or to volunteer at: samoore@ucdavis.edu.

• The State 4-H International Program announces 2 summer exchange opportunities for 4-H members and leaders – The Japanese Exchange Hosting Program & the Outbound Ambassador to Australia Program. California will be hosting Japanese teens from Sun. 7/22 to Sat. 8/18/07. Or are you interested in traveling to Australia for 1 month on an agricultural exchange? Contact Pat English at 530-754-8520 or pnenglish@ucdavis.edu

No computer? Call the 4-H Office 781-5943, for assistance.
Attention all 4-H CCLs and Project Leaders!!!

4-H Information and Training On-Line

http://ca4h.org/volunteer/index.asp

Announcing a brand new and attractive website (which is very user friendly) that provides important information for first time 4-H leaders as well as refresher information for long time volunteers!

Topics include:

- Normal Youth Development;
- Group Management--dealing with conflict, discipline, and rule-making;
- Ideas about helping kids to learn by doing;
- Helping kids learn adult responsibilities; and
- Working with parents & other adult leaders.

Please take a minute to check out this website.

It's fun and informative, and you'll be glad you did!

4-H PRESENTATION DAY—continued

All presentations, must be based on a project that the child is currently enrolled in through our county 4-H Program.

Entries must be mailed/postmarked and/or faxed to the 4-H office at (805) 781-4316 no later than Friday, February 2, 2007. * Late entries will not be accepted — No Exceptions.*

The day’s schedule is listed below:

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If you are a SLO SCIENTIST 4-H member, the 4-H Science and Technology Program Development Committee is encouraging participation in 4-H Science Presentations. The Science Presentation Awards Program was inaugurated in 1994 to support, encourage, and reward the efforts of young scientists. Curiosity about the world around us can provide the starting point for a great investigation.

Take this chance to be a FactsHound or Super Sleuth and earn your Golden Snail! A FactsHound presenter “digs up” facts on a subject and presents it. As a Super Sleuth, you will use “the scientific method” to prove or disprove a hypothesis. Both of these types of presentations will be judged for regular presentation awards. For more information about the Science and Technology portion of 4-H Presentation Day, please contact Suzi Kingsley, Science and Technology Key Leader at (805) 995-1574.

Judges, Room Monitors and Runners are also needed. Please call Karen Ludwig at (805) 712-8217 if you can help. Registration information for Presentation Day has been mailed to Community Club Leaders. If you would like a registration form, please call the 4-H Office, 781-5943.
4-H Field Day and Chicken Q is scheduled for Saturday, June 9, 2007.

This all day event will have animal showmanship, level testing in some areas, arts & crafts contests and much more! Attendance is usually 500 or more!

Prices this year are:
- Quarter page $25.00
- Half page $50.00
- Whole page $100.00

Recruitment Opportunity
Visibility Director
SLO County 4-H Management Board

The overall purpose of the Management Board is to oversee the management aspects of the San Luis Obispo County 4-H Youth Development Program. Overseeing will include both policy making, and basic management decisions relating to the 4-H program. The board is responsible for some specific areas, one of these areas is Visibility. The Visibility Director is responsible for providing leadership and managing the visibility and public relations efforts of the SLO County 4-H Youth Development Program.

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 newspaper articles, coordinating 4-H events public events throughout the county. This challenging position is a 2 year term, that takes about 4-6 hours a month, and this person would attend six Management Board meetings a year. To apply call the 4-H office (805) 781-5943.

Volunteers Needed

Yes, we know it’s only JANUARY, but planning is now underway for our June 9, 2007 4-H Field Day and Chicken-Q!

Every year we’re fortunate to have so many of our members and adult volunteers step up and help out in whatever way they’re needed--the event couldn’t happen without them.

This year, in addition to all the “regular work” and Division Chairs, two new Division Chairs are being added--for Set Up and Tear Down. If you, or someone you know, would be willing to wear one of these very important hats please call the 4-H office at 781-5943.

If you’re new to the program, this is a great way to join in and meet new people. And you won’t be alone, Shawn Callaway & Evelyn Rockwell have graciously agreed to serve as Event Chair and Operations Manager, respectively, and are sure to teach you “everything you need to know.” We hope to hear from you soon!

To place your ad, you need to submit complete artwork and text or your business card to the 4-H office, 2156 Sierra Way, Suite C, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401. You can also send your ad via email to: dharris@co.slo.ca.us.

Please have your ad formatted in a .pdf, .jpg, or Word document format. ADS MUST BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE. Cash, check or money order accepted only.

Please have checks or money orders payable to: “SLO County 4-H YDP”, ADS DUE for printing on Friday, February 16, 2006. Questions or assistance with your ad, please call the 4-H office at 781-5943.
Estrella 4-H — Estrella 4-H is all about Community Service! On Saturday October 28th, Estrella 4-H held its annual Halloween Party for the residents at Vineyard Hills Health Center (V.H.H.C.) Costumes were worn & Slim Jim, the Clown, was there to make all kinds of balloon animals for the nearly 100 residents of one of the largest care facilities in the North Co.

Charlie and Rosie Atkins, Taylor & Victoria Smeltzer, Taylor Harrington and her sisters, Hannah and Justin Martinez, Jesse-Ray Morring, and many others were in charge of games, and refreshments. Our own SLO County All-Star, Jeremy Morring, was dressed as the 4-H Fairy Godfather, and helped make sure the carnival went smoothly!

Estrella 4-H has officially adopted V.H.H.C. for its Community Service outreach with their “Operation Cookies and Cards” program. Members make deliveries once a month, making sure that the residents are supplied with freshly baked treats. Their annual “Door Decorating & Caroling” project was held on December 2nd. Stay tuned for more exciting news from the Estrella 4-H Community Service Project!

Templeton 4H - collected food for the Food Bank on Sunday, November 12th from 11:00 Am till 3:00pm, in front Vons in Atascadero. The five children that participated were: Kayla Whitson, Kristen Whitson, Savannah Hoagland, Liam Hoagland and Melissa Rylee. They collected over 300 lbs. of food. The food bins were overflowing! Pictured below: Kayla Whitson & Melissa Rylee.

A Toys for Tots THANK YOU to all of our 4-H clubs who donated toys, blankets, & games for this year’s toy drive! We are also proud of our clubs who chose to display their 4-H is FUN Spirit within their communities this past holiday season with their town holiday parades, home visits, etc!

San Luis Obispo County’s 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IS GENEROUS & GIVING!
Money Issues: Fundraising

When planning a fundraising event, please remember that the following county and state 4-H YDP rules must be adhered to:

- **NO raffles, wagering, or gambling.**
  
  A raffle is an activity that requires no skill in order to win a prize. Prizes are awarded through the purchase of chances. Public non-profit agencies, such as the University of California 4-H YDP, are not legally permitted to conduct lotteries, raffles, bingo or other games of chance (Proposition 17);

- **ALL funds must be deposited into a 4-H YDP club account:** and

- **All equipment and materials become the property of the 4-H youth development program.**

All fundraising activities are to be reviewed by 4-H office staff. An effort should be made to plan activities that further the educational & research goals of the 4-H Youth Development Program.

When not paid for by fundraising, asking each child to bring the necessary funds to each meeting can cover expenses for project activities. However, be sure to discuss project costs with parents at the beginning of the program year.

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The California 4-H Camping Conference was held November 3-5, 2006, at the Pinecrest Camp Conference Center, in the San Bernardino Mountains. Sherry & Reeanne Martinez, & Pam and Jeremy Morring attended the event on behalf of San Luis Obispo County.

Connie Coutellier, a world-renowned camp consultant and author, was on hand to share her knowledge of camping adventures and camp direction. Sessions on Camp Management, Teambuilding, Adventure Activities, Community CPR/First Aid, Nature Programs, and Certification for Archery Instructors were offered.

**YOUNG ACHIEVER APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2007!**
JACKPOT AND PROSPECTOR SHOWS

The 4-H Youth Development Program places an emphasis on learning and practicing animal project lessons and this emphasis forms the basis for 4-H projects and educational goals. The ownership and project participation entry requirements of jackpot/prospector shows and the handling of premium funds are not consistent with University and 4-H YDP policies and practices.

A jackpot/prospector show is defined as one in which entry fees are charged and cash prizes or premiums are awarded from the accumulated entry fees or other matching funds.

Youth may participate as individuals in jackpot/prospector shows with their project animals. However, youth may not participate as 4-H members, nor will their participation be recognized as a 4-H experience. Coverage under the 4-H accident/illness insurance program and protection under the University’s liability program will not be extended to include jackpot/prospector shows.

Welcome New 4-H Clubs!

We are happy to announce the addition of two new clubs to the San Luis Obispo County 4-H Youth Development Program.

Arroyo Summit 4-H Club is located in the Arroyo Grande area, and the Community Club Leader is Shelley Davis. Shelley can be reached at (805) 481-6897.

Ranchita Canyon 4-H Club is located in the north Paso Robles area, and the Community Club Leaders are Jennifer Kranich & Kerry Bowen. They can be reached at (805) 467-2630.

Please join us in welcoming these new leaders and club members! We appreciate all the work they have done, and wish them great success!

2007 CALIFORNIA FOCUS Citizenship/Service Study Program*

Registration Due Dates: California Focus by Jan. 29, 2007

Program Dates are:

California Focus: June 22-26, 2007

*The State 4-H office is extending the deadline for application for financial assistance to the 2007 California Focus Program. Information and applications can be found on-line at: http://ca4h.org/citizenship/focus/FinAsst2007.pdf and must be postmarked by January 16, 2007.

Registrations for California Focus will be open until Monday, January 29, 2007.

HORSE PROJECT NEWS

Our Horse Project members have been busy! On November 18, 2006, they met at Osumi Ranch to practice skills for the mounted portion of level testing, to be given later this spring. It was a real learning experience for everyone.

On December 2, 2006, Work Ranch in San Miguel hosted our first countywide Horse Play Day, to great success! Over 70 members, project leaders and their families attended six educational sessions, led by local experts, in a variety of topics related to horse care and training. Following a BBQ lunch, members had fun participating in arena events, while others took advantage of the open spaces to go on a guided trail ride.

A big “thank you” to Kelly Osumi and Kelly Work for organizing and hosting these two events.
### SLO County 4-H Program

**January 2007**

- **6-7** CA 4-H Computer Corps Orientation
- **16** YOUNG ACHIEVER Applications Due!
- **11-15** West Region Leader’s Forum, Phoenix, AZ
- **16** Program Development Board Mtg., 4-H Ofc
- **17** Management Board Mtg., 4-H Ofc
- **19-21** So. Section Teen Involvement Conf. (TIC)
- **27** Leadership Appreciation & Training Day, UCCE Auditorium, 2156 Sierra Way, SLO
- **29** CALIF Focus Registration Deadline

**February 2007**

- **1** Nat’l 4-H Shooting Sports Teen Ambassador Application Due Date
- **2** PRESENTATION DAY APPLICATIONS DUE!
- **10** SLO Co. 4-H Presentation Day, Cal Poly
- **15-18** Nat’l Collegiate 4-H Conference, LA
- **TBA** Avian Science Day, UC Davis
- **TBA** Western Bonanza, Mid-State Fairgrounds
- **TBA** CA 4-H Horse Leadership Conference
- **24-30** Nat’l 4-H Conference, Chevy Chase, MD

**March 2007**

- **17** So. Section Presentation Day, S. Barbara
- **17** State 4-H Equine Field Day, CSU Fresno
- **20** Program Development Board Mtg, 4-H Ofc
- **21** Management Board Mtg, 4-H Ofc
- **24-25** 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop, Bak. CA
- **31** 4-H State Ambassador Applications Due

**April 2007**

- **7** Cerro Alto 4-H Youth Rabbit Show, Paso Robles Event Center
- **18** Joint Mgmt.Bd/Program Dev.Bd. Mtg, 4-H Ofc
- **21** Primary Members Field Day, UCCE Aud.
- **21** State 4-H Livestock Judging , CSU Fresno
- **23** Record Book Training/Updates
  - 7pm The Grange Hall, Paso Robles
- **26** Record Book Training/Updates
  - 7pm UCCE Auditorium
- **28** State 4-H Leaders’ Council, So. Calif.