The 2005 County-wide 4-H Youth Leadership Camp (May 13—15, 2005 at Rancho El Chorro), was a smashing success. There were 46 campers, five counselors, four Collegiate 4-H members, three Youth Directors, two Adult Advisors, and two Adult Volunteers. All added up, we had 62 attendees.

Adult Volunteers were Phil Emerson, who was the superb chef that kept the rest of the attendees full and happy, and Al Clark, who was the leader of the scary stories at the campfire that successfully scared at least one person (me).

It was a great year with respect to the diversity of the activities, which ranged from a “Trust Hike,” where one person is blindfolded and their partner leads them (a favorite of the camp), to learning more about the 4-H Wheel while building paper airplanes. (To explain the airplanes, one writes a Life Skill trait in the middle of the piece of paper, as the airplane is folded one writes on the wing folds an experience that relates to the Life Skill trait.)

Campers enjoyed a session where they transformed themselves into human robots. This, they truly enjoyed, wishing to “share” their robots with others at the campfire. There were two recreational games: beach volley ball, with a BIG beach Ball;

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By Travis Emerson, 2005 YLC Logistical Director

A Privilege to Present

Hi. My name is Hannah Andrade. I can’t help smiling as I speak the words in front of the judges. My sister and I were doing a presentation on “How to Pick Out a Puppy and Train It” at Regional Presentation Day in Santa Barbara (March 19, 2005).

Before I knew it, our presentation was over. As we waited for the announcer to say our names, I felt proud. It didn’t matter if we got blue, this was our first year in 4-H and had never expected to make it to Regional Presentation Day. My sister and I were both proud.

Then I heard the girl up front call my name. I walked forward and took the papers from her.

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Pass It On…

SLO Co. Website:  www.clubs.ca4h.org/sanluisobispo/
California 4-H Website:  www.ca4h.org.
4-H USA website:  www.4husa.org
National 4-H website:  www.4-h.org.

State 4-H Web Server!  4-H Clubs may register for space on the State 4-H Web Server. Go to http://clubs.ca4h.org. for more information.

To all counties: youth taking livestock to the 2005 California State Fair, the NEW DNA collection requirements and the deadline dates for requesting DNA testing kits has been posted: www.bigfun.org.

The State 4-H Office and the National 4-H Supply Service are proud to announce that your orders from 4-H Supply Service can now benefit the California 4-H Youth Development Program! California is the first state to pilot the NEW 4-H Fair Share Program, which will return 10% of any merchandise ordered on the web to California 4-H. To ensure that your order will be counted towards the Fair Share total, go to: http://www.4-hmall.org/California/

National 4-H Week is October 2—8, 2005. The theme, Make a 4-H Connection, welcomes all to join and celebrate with the 4-H community where young people across America are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills. All media and marketing communications resources specifically for National 4-H Week will be available to state leaders, county educators and clubs by August 1, 2005. Go to www.4husa.org for materials and ideas on the 4-H Media and Marketing Communications Resources page.

The State 4-H Office needs 4-H members to help staff the 4-H display booth at the California State Fair, from August 12 - September 5. Small 4-H projects are welcome to accompany you (rabbits, arts/crafts, service dogs, record books, etc.) to give the public a “feel” for what types of projects are available. Parking and fair admission tickets will be given to 4-H members that sign up for a 2-hour shift (4-hour shift for adults). If you are interested, please contact Joan Ryan or Diane Martin at the Sacramento 4-H Office —(916) 875-6811. Fashion Revue & Presentation applications have been extended to July 30, 2005. Call Cottie Johnson for an application, 916/263-3045 or cjohnson@calexpo.com. Do you have any photos that “tell the story” of a 4-H program or project? State 4-H Office would like to use them at the State Fair display booth. Please mail photo(s) to: State 4-H Youth Development Office, Photo Library, One Hopkins Rd – DANR Building, UC Davis, CA 95616.

If you have no computer, call the 4-H Office at 781-5943 for assistance in obtaining any of the above information.
“World Class”  
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and crab soccer.

Another great aspect of the camp was the diversity of the arts and crafts session. Activities included Native American designs that were decorated with colored sand, Chinese tea lanterns decorated with Chinese dragons that campers colored with crayons, Australian koala bears were painted using q-tips, North American scrimshaw drawings were scratched into plaster rounds then brushed with paint, and large scary African face masks were decorated with felt tip pens. This session, in which everyone participated, embodied the camp theme of “Touring the 4-H World.”

Campfire was a smashing success, and included lively and creative skits, plenty of campfire songs and cheers, and—oh yeah, did we mention the scary stories? For a full two and a half hours, campers were mesmerized, laughing, singing and cheering. In all, the Youth Leadership Camp was a great success.

Leader Recognition Award

The SLO Co. 4-H Adult Leadership Committee is seeking nominations of outstanding adult volunteer leaders from clubs, Project Leaders and/or 4-H members. The award is $210 to apply to the registration for the CA 4-H Leaders’ Forum at Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove on November 4—6, 2005.

Nomination Criteria: 1) has been a leader for 2 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 3 years.

If you are nominating someone, please check with them to make sure they will be able to attend the Forum! Awards to be announced at Achievement Night, September 17th, SLO Vets Hall, SLO.

Leader Recognition Award Applications are available at the 4-H Office (781-5943) and due July 22, 2005. If you have questions, please call Evelyn Rockwell, Adult Leadership Chair, 466-4383.

Community Service Award

The SLO Co. 4-H Citizenship/Community Service Program Development Committee wants nominations for three categories: A) Youth, B) Adult, and C) Family. This is your opportunity to point out someone within 4-H who you think does an outstanding job and is committed in Community Service.

All you need to do is write a half page to a page about why you think your nominee is deserving of the award, be sure to put the nominee’s name, address, and phone number. Then on a separate piece of paper, write your name, address, and phone number along with your nominee’s information.

Nominations are due: August 19, 2005. You can mail them: 4-H Office, 2156 Sierra Way, Suite C, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401. You can email them: jgarcia@co.slo.ca.us. Also, you can fax your nomination: 781-4316.

Questions can be directed to Karen Ludwig, Citizenship/Community Service Chair, 461-1977.

JULY 2005
SLO County 4-H Scholarships

The San Luis Obispo County 4-H YDP Management Board has three scholarships of $300 each. The scholarships are focused on:

- Citizenship/Community Service
- Leadership
- Life Skills

If you are a current 4-H member who is planning to attend college this fall, you are eligible to apply for one of these scholarships. The 4-H Office has applications available, Call, 781-5943, to have one mailed to you. (sorry, they are not available online for this year.) Please specify which application you want mailed to you. Scholarships due:

- Friday, August 12, 2005
- 4-H Office
- postmarks not accepted

Each scholarship will have section in for you to write about the focus of the scholarship. Citizenship/Community Service will ask you to list your involvement, which activities were most important to you and how you think it will influence your future. Leadership will ask how you developed your skills in 4-H and how will it influence your future. Life Skills will ask what skills you felt were most important, how they were developed and how you think those skills will influence your future.

A Privilege to Present

(continued from page 1) When I sat down, I looked at the papers. A gold stamp marked the first page. We are going to State Presentation Day with our presentation! We are headed to UC Davis!

My sister and I went to U.C. Davis in Sacramento for State Presentation Day! (Saturday, May 28, 2005) There were about 310 kids there and we had the privilege to get a gold pin for our hats! My sister and I had a great time and were able to see some really great presentations and skits. While we were there, we also went to visit the State Capitol and we visited Sutter’s Fort. Our grandparents came as well to watch us perform. I think all the 4-H kids should work hard to get to State Presentation Day because it’s really rewarding, a good experience and we had a great chance to improve our public speaking skills! Bye!

Presentation Day. After it was over, we were waiting for the awards to be given out and our room number to be called. When it was called, we walked up and then got back to our seats. Hannah looked at our score sheet and then said, “We got a gold!”

Then we went to Regionals, (Regional 4-H Presentation Day, Santa Barbara, March 19, 2005), the same thing happened! On April 20, 2005, Hannah and I went to the Rotary BBQ and presented there. Now we’re going to UC Davis to State 4-H Presentation Day (May 28, 2005).

I t’s weird, every time I do our presentation, I’m always really nervous before our presentation, but always really excited and energized after. It’s an awesome experience.

If you didn’t do a presentation this year, I really encourage that you do it next year. It’s our first year in 4-H, and I’m really glad we participated in (SLO Co. 4-H) Presentation Day this year.

I’m in Cerro Alto 4-H and this is my first year in Cerro Alto.

My sister and I went to State Presentation Day at UC Davis. We had a great time. We saw some great presentations. It was really, really fun. We earned a gold medal and a pin for our hats. I am really glad that we took the time to go. It was a really fun experience seeing our State capital, Sutter’s Fort, and doing our presentation.
Charity Begins at Home
By Rene Tierney,
Cerro Alto Project Leader

4-H really makes a difference in our community. Food drives, toy drives, charity fundraisers, local beautification projects, visiting elderly homes and pet shelters just to name a few. Way to go 4-H! However, there is one service project that really unites Cerro Alto and creates an awareness in our 4-H families of how fortunate they are to have adults volunteer their time on their behalf. Specifically the Community Club Leader.

It began 8 years ago, some families noted the dedication and countless hours that our Community Club Leader puts in every year to make our children’s 4-H experience possible. Think about it, general meetings, parties, field trips, project leader trainings, recruitment, club record book education and judging, fund raisers, and community service projects. NOT to mention paperwork! New and returning enrollment forms, entry forms and deadlines for club/county 4-H events, fair entries, and all the club information “DUE” in the 4-H Office. The amount of hours given by Community Club Leaders is staggering to say the least.

We didn’t really acknowledge this giving person until 8 years ago. Thus, the First Annual Community Club Leader Appreciation Day was born. We asked our Club Leader, Mrs. Rockwell, “How can we say ‘Thank You!’ “Well, …”, she said. Her yard is her love and need I say more?

And so, it began, someone steps up and forms a committee each year. We mow, pull weeds, rejuvenate tired planter beds, prune, trim and plant new shrubs and flowers. Every year adults with special talents step up. This year, a father, who is a professional arborist, pruned all her trees and a mom with a cleaning business cleaned Mrs. Rockwell’s master bathroom until it was sparkling. Every year is a little different and of tremendous help to Mrs. Rockwell.

We all have a fun day. Sure, we work hard but we are also getting to know one another. We laugh, tell jokes and even have occasional water fights. Hehe. After the day is over, everyone feels really good about helping their club leader and they have a “hands on” appreciation for those who give of their time.

Remember to consider that charity and appreciation should begin at home... even our 4-H home. So, do you want to make a difference? Cerro Alto 4-H gives a resounding “YES!”

Relay 4 Life

Have you ever heard of the Relay for Life? Or how about ACS? The Relay for Life of Paso Robles is an event put on by the American Cancer Society (ACS) to raise funds to aid in the fight against cancer. It is a 24 hour walkathon held at the Mid-State Fairgrounds in Paso Robles. During this event at least one person from each team must be on the track, (walking, running, jump roping, etc), continuously for 24 hours because cancer never sleeps.

I’m working towards putting together a 4-H team for the Relay for Life of Paso Robles that will be held on Saturday & Sunday, August 20 –21, 2005. The requirements are that you must be in high school or above (in order to spend the night) and you will need to raise $100. For more information and/or to sign-up, please contact Sonia Slavinski at 238-9028 or sign-up online by going to http://clubs.ca4h.org/sanluisobispo/relay4life.htm and follow the link. Adult chaperones are needed too. Kids under high school age are welcomed to raise money and enjoy the events during the day.

Please sign-up A.S.A.P. because the team is filling up fast!
Open Forum Members & Leaders

Agenda—Welcome and Introductions

Shawn Callaway called the meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

Julia Stanfill.


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Agenda—Welcome and Introductions

Report from Richard Enfield: Nothing discussed.

Report from Sharon Kersch: Richard has been appointed County Director effective July 1, 2005. A part-time permanent County employee position for the 4-H office is waiting to be approved. A UC 4-H representative has been approved for at least one year.

4-H All Star Report & Collegiate 4-H Report: All Star Oni Ludwig - Food & Arts Celebration/Fashion Revue was great. The Primary Member Field Day was also a success. Kelly Bishop, Collegiate 4-H—two upcoming events; a fundraiser at the State 4-H Presentation Day (BBQ lunch) and plans for the State Leadership Conference. Collegiate 4-H members will register with SLO County if not already registered in their hometowns. This is to cover liability issues.

Program Development: Adult Leadership: Evelyn Rockwell - Community Club Leaders training cancelled. Looking into Community Leader contracts updated to make it mandatory to attend trainings. Next training will be in November at Cal Poly. A guest speaker has been selected and there may be a speaker fee. Letters will be sent out regarding Asilomar Scholarships. This year, $1000 has been allocated for Western Regional Leaders Forum. Evelyn wants half of that to go to Asilomar scholarships so more people can attend.

Community Service: Karen Ludwig - no changes to budget. 4-H partnership with Duke Energy in Morro Bay. It is a monthly global community service project beginning in September. Suggested sign-ups for 4-Hers to work with Duke Energy. Presidential Community Service Award applications must be in the 4-H Office by June 30th – no exceptions.

Home Economics: Julia Stanfill—Food & Arts Celebration/Fashion Revue was a success. There were 82 entries in food and arts, 25 quilts and 27 garments. The budget for next year remains the same. They plan to schedule first aid training, babysitting certifications and inventory the resource library to set up a more inviting way to

serve those seeking information.

Science & Tech: Suzi Kingsley — Children’s Day in the Plaza, 4-H Youth Leadership Camp and Natural History Association Fair in Morro Bay. Budget request for a slight increase. SLO Tree Committee grant proposal includes a youth component – a trail built on Santa Margarita Ranch. SLO Scientist’s field trips have been great – new brochure coming.

Small Animal: JoAnn Overbey nothing to report – budget to remain the same.

Treasurer’s Report: The balance as of 05/18/05 was $12,730.70. The 2003-2004 taxes are filed. Primary Field Day cost $295.12, board to decide where that money will come from. Evelyn motioned to take it out of “Go Seek” fund. Ruben seconded the motion.

Field Day Committee Report & Update: Shawn Callaway - everything on track with the fairgrounds. Security is set but contract is not yet signed. Silent Auction looks good and plans for next year may include a live auction.

Director’s Reports: Dana Azevedo would like to see new positions for 4-H members created to report to board for visibility and fundraising. It was overwhelmingly accepted and Dana will try for next year.

Visibility Reports: The magnets are selling well.

Fundraising Report: Ken Dewar—Chicken Q tickets would cost about $212 to print a coupon on the back. There is a lot of interest in ad space for our program next year. It was discussed to advertise that 4-H can be named in wills and trusts. Board voted on a shirt logo. Funds for the shirts will come out of visibility.


4-H Office Report: Richard Enfield—SLO County 4-H has 1,514 members and 366 leaders and we are in the top 5 for membership in the state. Meeting adjourned 7:25 p.m. Next Management Board meeting—Wednesday, June 15, 2005 at 5:00 p.m., UCCE Auditorium.
Once again, record book forms are disappearing from the 4-H Office supply shelves, and emails are coming in with questions about the forms posted on the website. Whew! For your information, the website, http://clubs.ca4h.org/sanluisobispo, does have the current record book forms. **Old and New record book forms will be accepted for county judging.**

Reminder that record books must be judged at the club level first. The Community Club Leader and/or their record book designee(s) are responsible for selecting and turning in record books for county record book judging.

**County Record Book Judges Training**

**Wednesday, August 10, 2005**

**6:30 p.m.—UCCE Auditorium**

2156 Sierra Way, Suite C, SLO

If you are an adult who has participated in the club level judging (this year included) and would like to participate in the County Record Book Judging, you must attend this training. It is asked that you only participate if you intend to judge the entire day. If you have participated in last year’s county training, you do not have to attend this year. **The 4-H Office has a list of those who attended last year.**

**Record Books are DUE:**

**Friday, August 12, 2005**

**Before 5:00 p.m.**

4-H Office, 2156 Sierra Way, Suite C

County Record Book Judging is scheduled:

**Saturday, August 20, 2005**

**8:00 a.m. to ??**

4-H Office

Questions about Record Book Judging or Record Book forms can be directed to JoAnn Overbey, Awards Director, 528-8232.

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**“I Support 4-H” Magnets!**

Have you seen this magnet?

Thanks to Dana Azevedo, Visibility Director, magnets are now available at the 4-H Office. Magnets are 6-3/4 inches high and 5-3/4 inches wide. The magnets cost $5.00 each. **(Sorry, no bulk rate.)**

You can come by the 4-H Office (2156 Sierra Way, Suite C, San Luis Obispo) to purchase your own magnet(s), Monday—Friday, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Support 4-H by sporting a “I Support 4-H” magnet on your car, refrigerator or whatever you wish. It’s a great gift to put in that “buyers basket” too. All proceeds from this fundraiser benefit SLO County 4-H Youth Development Programs.

If you have questions or would like to make payment/mailing arrangements, please call the 4-H Office at 781-5943.

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**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY 4-H ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2005 7:00 P.M. SLO VET’S HALL 801 GRAND AVENUE SAN LUIS OBISPO**
SLO Co. 4-H Program Calendar 2005

July 2005
1  DUE: Presidential Freedom Scholarships
8  DUE: 2005-06 Re-Enrollments, Waiting List, CCL Update, CCL Agreement, and Report of 4-H Outreach Efforts
10-17 Santa Barbara County Fair, Santa Maria Fairplex, Santa Maria
22  DUE: Leader Recognition Scholarship Nominations, 4-H Office
27-8/7 Mid-State Fair, Paso Robles

August 2005
7/27-7 Mid-State Fair, Paso Robles
4-7 State Leadership Conference, UC Davis
10  County Record Book Judges Training, 6:30 p.m., UCCE Auditorium, SLO
12  DUE: Nominations (adult, youth & family)—Community Service Award
20-24 CA 4-H Horse Classic, Murieta Equine Complex, Rancho Murieta
19-9/8 California State Fair, Sacramento
20  SLO County Record Book Judging, 4-H Office
27  State Project Competition Judging, UC Davis