4-H FIELD DAY! . . . More than you ever Imagined!

Here’s what some of our 4-H Clubs had to say about 4-H FIELD DAY:
(Results that were turned in, were sent to each 4-H Community Club Leader.)

TEMPLETON 4-H — On June 9, 2007 4-H Field Day was held at the Paso Robles Event Center. Field Day is thought of by many as a time “to tune-up” for the California Mid-State Fair in livestock showmanship and arts and crafts. The event featured competitions involving poultry, sheep, dogs, goats, rabbits, beef, arts and crafts and science exhibits, most of which will also be on display at the Fair. Several Templeton 4-H members, many of who competed in beef, poultry and rabbit shows, as well as the scarecrow contest, attended Field Day. “It’s a day to have fun,” said member Kayla Whitson. Chelsey Reichard showed her heifer, “Sweet Cheeks”. This is Chelsey’s second year in 4-H and she has had lots of fun. She didn’t end up placing in her class, but stated she had a “peachy” time. Kellen McMickle and Clinton Cabigas agreed that Field Day is a way to prepare themselves and their animals for the Mid-State Fair. They also mentioned 4-H was a good way to make money. Let’s hope that money goes for college, boys! — Savannah Hoagland

April Rose was the Chairperson for the Templeton 4H Scarecrow. The Scarecrow was created with recycled parts & many trips to the dump (see picture above). Huge Thanks to Mr. Rose and Mrs. Rose. The scarecrow was a Division Winner & also tied for The People’s Choice Award. Con-

BISHOP’S PEAK 4-H—June 9, 2007, people from all over the county woke early to flock to the fairgrounds for the County 4-H Field Day at the Mid-State Fairgrounds. They arrived and placed their livestock in the correct pens, and then they waited until they heard their class called. With high hopes and being a little nervous they walked proudly into the arena. Many things were happening at Field Day. There was dog, rabbit, poultry, hog, sheep, goat, and beef showing. There was also a silent auction, a poster contest, birdhouse, planters and scrapbooks on exhibit. The winner of the sheep showmanship was Jacob Flores of Bishop’s Peak 4-H. Also participating in the Field Day from Bishop’s Peak was Elizabeth Culpepper who showed a lamb and Morgan Bellocchi showed her rabbit. After the sheep showed there was a workshop on showmanship techniques. After that there was level testing for sheep, goat and swine project members.

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SLO County 4-H website is: http://clubs.ca4h.org/sanluisobispo/
State 4-H website: http://www.ca4h.org

Congratulations to JIM KERSCHNER
of Parkfield 4-H who, out of 19,674 entrants at the National Hoard’s Dairyman’s Judging Contest, received HONORABLE MENTION!
http://www.hoards.com/home.htm

This year, 4-H will receive the Golden Bear Award from the CA State Fair. Along with FFA, 4-H was chosen to receive this prestigious award in recognition for all you do on behalf of youth throughout the state. Congratulations! 4-H will be recognized at the California State Fair Gala on August 10, 2007. This black tie event is open to anyone (tickets must be purchased in advance). If you are interested in attending the event, you can purchase individual tickets for $100. We’d love to have a great turnout from 4-H staff, volunteers, youth and other supporters! Contact the CA 4-H Foundation for more information at (530) 757-8740, or cafourhnd@ucdavis.edu. You can view the State Fair press release at: http://apps.calexpo.com/fair/PressRelease/ViewPressRelease.asp?PRelId=144.

“EXTREME QUIZ JAM” - Quiz Jam is now a Team Event! Sun. July 29th in the covered Horse Arena @ the Mid State Fairgrounds 6:00pm Check in, 7:00pm - Competition/A team of 4 contestants will face six stations of hands on farm/ranch related challenges and questions. Please contact Cara Crye at Farm Supply at (805) 543-3751 to sign up. You’re not going to want to miss this!

The 2007 Golden Clover Awards are awarded in recognition for outstanding achievement and recognize 4-H members, volunteers, and groups in various categories. Nominate someone or nominate yourself! Award applications are available at: http://ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/goldenclover/index.asp and are due August 31, 2007.

The Young Farmers and Rancher Committee of the SLO Co. Farm Bureau gave away 500 sprouts at the 4-H Field Day. The great pumpkin contest will be held on Thurs., Oct. 18, from 6:30pm – 8:30pm at the SLO Farmers’ Market. Prizes include: 4-H - $250 Heaviest pumpkin - $750, 1st runner up - $500, 2nd runner up - $250. Most beautiful - $250, Most unusual - $250 More information and growing information can be found at http://www.slofarmbureau.org/Events/Great-Pumpkin.htm

No computer? Call the 4-H office 781-5943, for assistance.

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**IMPORTANT**

RECORD BOOK UPDATE

Per Steven Worker at UC Davis:

On the PDR form under "Total Years in 4-H" 4-H members should include all of the years they have been enrolled in the 4-H Youth Development Program. This includes years as a primary member and/or years in another county or state.

No points earned are carried over to the PDR - just the years enrolled in 4-H."

-JoAnn Overbey, Awards Director

REMINDER: Record Books are DUE Friday, 8/17/07 by 5:00 p.m. in the 4-H office.

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SLO County 4-H Life Skill Scholarships

The San Luis Obispo County 4-H Management Board is happy to be able to offer three (3) scholarships in the amount of $300 each. The scholarship areas are:

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

If you are a current 4-H member in SLO County who is planning to attend college this fall, you are eligible to apply for one of these scholarships. In addition to general 4-H and academic information, each 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? 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? Describe how you think these life skills will influence your life in the future.

To obtain an application by mail or email, contact the 4-H office at 781-5943. Scholarship applications are due in the 4-H office no later than Friday, August 24th, 2007. These scholarships will be awarded at the SLO County 4-H Achievement Night, Saturday, October 13, 2007 at the SLO Veterans Hall.

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California Mid-State Fair

POLICY CHANGE for Livestock Barns

**IMPORTANT— PLEASE READ:**

The Mid-State Fair Livestock Barns will be closed to the general public at 10:00 p.m. and any access after 10:00 p.m. will require an Exhibitor Pass. This is a new policy this year, and all 4-H members, Project Leaders and Community Club Leaders need to be aware of it.

Per CEO, Vivian Robertson: “Yes the barns will be closed to the public each night at 10:00 pm. Only the main isle of the Beef Barn will be left open. In order for exhibitors to access their animals; they will have to show their Exhibitor ID (pass). No exceptions. Also if a parent is accompanying their child, they must have their Parent Pass as well.

If you have any other questions please call Wendy Bruce at the Paso Robles Event Center (805) 239-0655. — Vivian Robertson, CEO, Paso Robles Event Center
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There was a Chicken-Q for lunch. At the Q, chili, salad, bread and of course, barbeque chicken was on the plate! It was delicious!

Everybody had a good time and an opportunity to learn and experience new things. I encourage all 4-H members and prospective members to attend and participate in this wonderful annual event. If you are interested in joining Bishop’s Peak 4-H Club, please call Community Club Leader Sheryl Flores at 541-5654 for more information. Submitted by: Elizabeth Culpepper, Club Reporter
On May 20th, The Cerro Alto 4-H Dog Care and Obedience group, led by Sherry Martinez, held its very first "Mock Dog Show". Cerro Alto group members and members from the Rio Rancheros dog group attended, and participated in obedience and showmanship competitions. The Juniors Leaders of the dog care and obedience group were the "judges" of the showmanship category. Susan Wright, from “Pup Pup and Away Dog Grooming”, graciously volunteered as the obedience judge. We all had a fun day at Santa Margarita Park, watching the kids show and having refreshments. Everyone got in some practice showing their dogs, in preparation for Field Day (June 9th) and The California Mid State Fair. Submitted by Claire Edmonds, Cerro Alto 4-H Group

Los Osos 4-H Club Helps SWAP
By Yolanda Waddell, Education Chair

In January, we received a phone call from Bill Henry, a Los Osos 4-H Club parent who leads the club’s Outdoor Adventure Program. He explained that the club has several programs, and club members choose programs to be involved in. Participants in the Outdoor Adventure Program visit and learn about natural areas in San Luis Obispo county, and also do community service. Bill proposed that the group provide volunteer hours in the Elfin Forest, and asked that we give them a nature walk to help them be better acquainted with the plants, birds and habitats of the Forest.

Conservation Chair Pete Sarafian suggested that the 4-Hers could help to spread the remainder of a pile of wood chips that had been donated to SWAP for improvement of street-end entrances to the Elfin Forest. Education Chair Yolanda Waddell asked that some of the chips be used to cover a flat area inside the 11th Street entrance that has small bits of broken glass ground into the sandy soil. In earlier years, that spot had been used by weekend partiers who seemed to delight in breaking bottles after they were through drinking from them. Now the education committee would like to use it for school walk orientations.

Bill used his pickup truck to haul the chips from 15th Street to 11th Street. On a Saturday in March, SWAP Chair Ron Rasmussen and Education Chair Yolanda Waddell met Bill Henry, four Outdoor Adventure Program members and a 4-H dad to carry out the project. Within an hour, all of the chips were taken from the truck by bucket brigade and spread over the glass-infested area. Following that, Yolanda Waddell took the 4-H members on a nature walk through the Elfin Forest. Thanks to Bill Henry and the Los Osos 4-H Club members for filling a need for the SWAP Conservation and Education Committees.

CERRO ALTO “MOCK DOG SHOW”

California State 4-H Presentation Day was held on March 24, 2007 at UC Davis in Sacramento. 300 kids from all over the state attended this event. The day was composed of judging events and awards ceremonies and much more. “About 21 kids were in each room and in each room there were three judges,” said Kayla Whitson from Templeton 4-H. Kayla’s presentation subject was “Warbles,” which are the larva of the Heel Fly that affects cattle and deer. She was one point shy from achieving the National Level in Washington, D.C. when her younger sister Kristen Whitson, also from Templeton 4-H, beat her. Both achieved medals, Kayla’s red and Kristen’s blue. “It was extremely fun and I recommend that more kids from the 4-H groups go to this fun-filled day. It’s very nerve-racking but you get over it,” said Kayla when asked to describe 4-H Presentation Day. — Written by: Savannah Hoagland, Templeton 4-H
NIPOMO 4-H Community Service group held a fundraiser on Sat., June 16th at Scolari’s Market in Pismo Beach. The club served up Root beer Floats that were donated by the store. They also sold homemade baked goods baked by 4-H families and homemade strawberry jam made by the Food Preservation group. The group raised $485 to help with their “Relay for Life” cancer event. The “Relay for Life” will be held July 21st at St. Joseph’s High School in Santa Maria. 

Pictured Left to Right: Ricardo Gonzales, Santina Olney, Arriana Jones, Jessica Miller & Lauren Jones.

Members of the Templeton 4-H Club Community Service Project - 2 project event- Memorial Day — met on Sunday May 20th at the Templeton Legion Hall. We attached red paper poppies to the 243 white crosses. The poppies honor the war dead and honor the living victims of war. The Legion Members’ wives asked our club to help them with this project. We needed to wrap four paper poppies and fluff the flowers. We worked hard and finished the project.

On the Morning of May 26th, 2007 the Templeton 4-H members and other community members, helped the Templeton Legion members place white cross markers and American Flags next to the graves of the veterans lying in rest at the Templeton Cemetery. It was a meaningful gathering of community members respecting the memory of people that served to protect our country and all the rights we all enjoy.
Community Service Award

The Community Service Committee wants your nomination(s) of an outstanding 4-H youth, adult or family to receive a 2007 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 in the Youth, Adult, and Family categories at Achievement Night in October.

How to nominate someone:

Please write a half-page 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 your name, address, and phone number, along with the name of the person or family you are nominating.

Please feel free to nominate as many individuals or families you feel deserve this award. Nominations are due in the 4-H office Attn: Julie Maggiore by July 15, 2007 or email them to jmaggiore@co.slo.ca.us. Alternatively, you can 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 712-8217.

State 4-H Leaders’ Forum

The 2007 State 4-H Leaders’ Forum will be held at Asilomar Conference Grounds in Pacific Grove, CA on November 16-18, 2007. 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!

The nomination deadline for the 2007 Leader Recognition Award has passed, but it’s not too late to register for 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/. To receive a discounted rate of $215 on the conference fee, meals, and lodging, make sure to register by August 1st, 2007.

AG DAY

On Friday, May 25th the Ranchita Canyon 4-H group was invited to Virginia Peterson Elementary School to participate in their Ag Day. We had presentations on several different projects that 4-H offers. Ashleigh, Robbie and Devin spoke to the 5th graders on Livestock Judging, Clayton brought a lamb, Nevada and Karlee brought a horse, Stephanie brought a rabbit, Sabrina, Chase & Sammie brought a dog and I brought baby chicks. The Harris Family even brought their stagecoach. All of the kids learned a lot about 4-H and about the different animals. We all had a lot of fun! Submitted by: Megan Clark, 4-H Young Achiever.
### SLO County 4-H Youth Development Program Calendar 2007

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