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A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR 4-H MEMBERS, LEADERS & PARENTS IN SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY

Poultry and Rabbit Benefit Show

By Garret Roth, Templeton 4-H

The First Annual Poultry and Rabbit Benefit Show held at the Santa Barbara County Fairgrounds took place on Saturday, January 22, 2005.

Four Templeton 4-H Poultry members and one Santa Lucia 4-H member were among the junior members attending this event. They had to get up really early in the morning to make sure that the birds were cooped-in by 9:00 a.m. It was a long drive.

Not that they minded, but it was also a long and yet eventful day. They exhibited their birds and participated in Poultry Showmanship. They had to make sure that they were in the right place at the right time and, of course, there was the waiting. But, it was a very rewarding experience.

The Poultry and Rabbit Benefit Show had both Open and Junior members exhibiting over

300 birds. That's a lot. It was a double point show meaning each bird was judged by two separate judges. The judges were Dave Anderson and Frank Joseph. They learned a lot from the judges.

Pictured here from left to right are Templeton 4-H members: Ian Hayes, Garrett Roth, Carly Roth, Kayla Hildebrand (Santa Lucia 4-H), and Taylor Pilg. Kelly Roth in the background (Thank You and congratulations on your showmanship!). If you look at the photo closely, you will note that there are a lot of brightly colored ribbons and



best of all - big smiles.

They were not able to leave until 4:30 p.m. but that was okay. They were very happy with their accomplishments. They can hardly wait to exhibit and perform showmanship again.

Beef'n Up the Troops

By Alycia Ljepava, El Camino

The El Camino 4-H Club's Beef Project group wanted to show our appreciation to the local service men and women by sending them a little bit of home. So, we adopted an idea called "Beef'n Up the Troops", where we send beef jerky and other foods, and supplies to service people from our local area fighting in Iraq and Afghanistan.

We put out cans in local businesses and thanks to the community, we raised enough money to send out twenty boxes.

November 13, 2004, we started putting together the twenty care packages. Each one contained four packages of Ray's Own Brand beef jerky, Hot Lick's candy, head warmers, dried fruit, nuts, gum, (continued on page 6)

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Pass It On...

NEW: 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.

Must sell - Shorthorn steer for Paso Fair - Halter broke, has been clipped. Just have no time to work with him and finances force immediate sale. Excellent condition, growing well. Price negotiable. Please call Shannon at 459-8599.

For Sale: Charolais Show Steer. Somewhat halter broke, big and coming along well. Call Ayla at 710-4294 for more info.

Citizenship Programs: 2005 California Focus, June 17—21, 2005. Washington Focus, June thru July 2005. For more information go to <http://ca4h.org/4hinfo/calendar/> or call Pat English, 530/754-8250.

Ag & Environmental Sciences Field Day. March 5-6, 2005, UC Davis. Questions? Call Richard Engel, (530) 754-6249 or go to <http://www.aes.ucdavis.edu/Events/FieldDay.htm>.

2005-2006 4-H State Ambassador applications are available online. State Ambassadors are selected to represent the California 4-H Youth Development Program, plan the State Leadership Conference, and complete a service project. More info is available at <http://ca4h.org/leadership/ambassador/>. Applications due **March 31, 2005**.

Present a workshop at the **2005 4-H State Leadership Conference!** The conference will take place August 4-7, 2005 at UC Davis. More information is available at <http://ca4h.org/conference/slc/2005/>.

Workshop proposals are due March 11, 2005.

Scholarships! Friends of the California State Fair 2005 Scholarship Program—**Application Deadline March 25, 2005**. For more info call (916)274-5969 or email entryoffice@caexpo.com or go to www.bigfun.org. There are 42 potential scholarships to be awarded.

Disaster Relief for Tsunami Victims. Resources: UNICEF Youth Action Tsunami Relief: <http://www.unicefusa.org/youthaction>. Do Something Kids Tsunami Relief Fund: <http://www.dosomething.org/donations/kids-tsunami-relief-fund.php>.

"**4-H You See Davis Days**" is for high school students on April 14-16, 2005. This three-day, activity-filled event is an opportunity for participants to experience college life at UC Davis. **Registration forms are due March 31, 2005** and may be found at: <http://clubs.ca4h.org/collegiate4h/ucd/>

If you have no computer, call the 4-H Office at 781-5943 for assistance in obtaining any of the above information.

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Touring the 4-H World



May 13 - 15, 2005

2005 4-H Youth Leadership Camp

Camp Rancho El Chorro (2450 Pennington Creek Road, San Luis Obispo)

- \$75 Registration fee for campers & counselors
- Campers – 4-H members, 9-13 year olds before 01/01/2005
- Counselors – 4-H members, 15-19 year olds before 01/01/2005



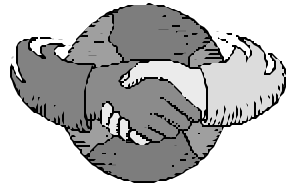
You can expect:

fun-filled recreation

educational sessions

rustic cabins to stay in

having a 4-H Good Time!



If you are as excited as we are...

*call the 4-H Office at 781-5943 to have a
Camper Registration or Counselor Application
mailed or emailed to you!*



Get Your Passports Out!



ALL STAR What It Takes...

The All Star rank is the highest rank which a 4-H member may attain at the county level. Being an All Star provides an opportunity for older members to receive recognition for outstanding service. The All Stars serve as ambassadors for the SLO County 4-H YD Program; they represent 4-H at county, regional, and state activities; they coordinate certain county-wide activities; and they serve as positive role models for youth and adults. To be eligible for the All Star rank, a 4-H member must:

- *Be 14 years of age or older by January 1, 2005 but not 19 years of age prior to January 1.*
- *Have been in 4-H for three years or more.*
- *Have attained a Gold Star rank by May 13, 2005.*
- *Demonstrate leadership abilities, citizenship concern and maturity of judgment?*

Each candidate for the All Star rank will be required to submit an All Star application and participate in an individual and group interview. All Star applications may be obtained from the 4-H Office, call 781-5943 or email jgarcia@co.slo.ca.us.

Applications Due: May 13, 2005—4-H Office

Tell Your 4-H Story!

National 4-H Supply Service wants to know how you think 4-H benefits America -- **your story could be in the 2007 National 4-H Calendar**. Sending in a submission may even get you a **free \$10 gift certificate towards your next 4-H Source Book purchase!** The 2007 calendar theme is "How 4-H Benefits America". 4-H members, volunteers, parents, staff and partners are invited to submit personal testimonials that tell the "what, when, where, why, and how" so the general public can understand how 4-H benefits America. Please limit your entry to 125 words. E-mail, fax or mail your stories to: Maria Cascioli, National 4-H Supply Service, 7100 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD 20815. Phone: (301) 961-2948, Fax: (301) 961-2937, E-mail: mcascioli@fourhcouncil.edu. **Story deadline: April 30, 2005.**

4-H Management Board Minutes

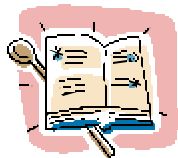
January 19, 2005

Meeting called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Shawn Callaway, Director. **4-H All Star Report:** Natori Coleman gave an update on the Presentation Day Workshop that she chaired and the All Stars helped her with on Saturday, January 15, 2005. There were approximately 36 members who attended the event. Oni Ludwig discussed the All Star Team's plans to set up a 4-H Information Booth at the Children's Day in the Plaza on April 9, 2005. Maria Saucedo gave a report on the Asset Development Conference held on Friday, January 14, 2005, here in San Luis Obispo. There was a lot of information made available, great speakers and over 300 people attended the event. Kellan Candee talked about the Primary Member Field Day, that the All Stars are planning for Saturday, April 30, 2005. They plan to help the Primary Members who attend to make projects that they can enter at SLO County 4-H Field Day and their respective fairs. JoAnn Overbey made a request for funds to purchase a pop-up tent to be used at county events. They are looking into the cost of a pop-up tent. **Treasurer's Report:** Shawn Callaway presented the quarterly Treasurer's Report in Evelyn Rockwell's absence. **Secretary's Report:** Deanna Teixeira was absent. Correspondence was shared with the board. **Regional/State 4-H Council Report:** Recent meetings cancelled due to weather. No report to present. **Director Reports:** *Visibility* - Dana Azevedo managed to work with a company and have a "I Support 4-H" magnet made as a fundraiser. These magnets are big and are available for purchase at the 4-H Office. There are \$5.00 each, there is discussion about giving a discount for larger number of purchases. A letter will be going out to the Community Club Leaders regarding the magnets and the upcoming Silent Auction at Field Day. Each club will be asked to provide one basket of goodies for the auction. More information to follow. Director - Shawn Callaway shared that he plans to visit clubs in the next few months to talk about Field Day and Chicken-Q. A Field Day meeting is planned to be scheduled in February 2005. **4-H Office Report:** Richard updated the board about the opening for a UC Farm Advisor/Assistant. **Disbanded Club Equipment Committee:** Shawn Callaway appointed a committee to look into establishing guidelines for the county to use in regards to available equipment when a club disbands. Carla Borchard will chair the committee and report back the recommendations to the board. **Meeting Adjourned:** 7:10 p.m. **Next Meeting:** March 16, 2005, 5:30 p.m.

Food & Arts Celebration

Saturday, May 7, 2005—Laguna Middle School, SLO

“Healthy Lives in 2005”



Yes, the Food & Arts Celebration is BACK! If you are in any of the following projects:

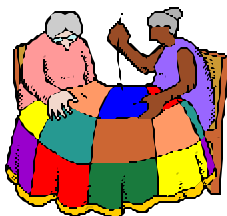
- Foods—Nutrition
- Foods—Preservation
- Arts & Crafts
- Cake Decorating
- Any Animal Science
- Quilting/Home Arts & Furnishing
- Photography
- Rocketry
- Camping & Outdoor

YOU can participate in the Food & Arts Celebration!

That’s not all! Did you note that “**Arts**” is in the title?

That’s right! **Arts & Crafts** is once again a part of this celebration. This category is open to all projects that relate to art. What will you enter? A cookie jar? A drawing?

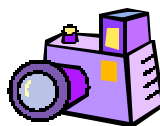
Since there is a theme this year, “Healthy Lives in 2005”, doesn’t that theme just scream—**Nutrition Poster**! This category is open to all projects listed to the above. Display your nutrition



knowledge for all to see.

Let’s not forget **Photography**, that is another category that is available this year. Do you have a picture in mind already? This would be a great time to enter it!

Quilting is a growing project in 4-H, and whether you have a complete quilt or one you are still constructing—enter it in the celebration!



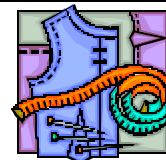
Now, **Decorating Cakes** will be open *only* to Food-Nutrition and

Cake Decorating project members (past and present). Is your idea look to good to eat?

Are we forgetting anything? Oops! The **FOOD and Place Settings**! As long as the food item is related to your project, you can enter it. Does your dish make you think of colors, a theme, and what you will need to put together a place setting? This would be a great time to show off your creative idea.

Entry forms and questions can be addressed at the 4-H Office, 781-5943. Entries are due in the 4-H Office (or postmarked) on **April 25, 2005**. There will be no entry fees for this event.

Fashion Revue



Are you looking forward to Fashion Revue? We are too! Will you enter an outfit? Pajamas? Casual wear? Or something more dressy? It’s up to you.

In Fashion Revue a garment is judged for construction and/or

modeling of a garment that is made by a 4-H member. It is fun to come out and see what fashions, materials, colors, and accessories will be walking down the runway at Fashion Revue along with those big smiles.

Entry forms and questions can be addressed at the 4-H Office, 781-5943. Entries are due in the 4-H Office (or postmarked) on **April 25, 2005**. There will be no entry fees for this event. We look forward to seeing you there!

More Pass It On...

Beef Camp. March 19-20, 2005 at Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. Sheep/Swine Camp will be in April 2005. Date to be announced. For more info, call Carla at 543-3751. Sponsored by Farm Supply.

Hoard's Dairyman Cow Judging Contest. Entry deadline is March 24, 2005. Prizes! Call the 4-H Office, 781-5943, for info. (Livestock Judging.)

National 4-H Council needs Winning Photos for the **2007 4-H Calendar**. More info: http://www.4-hmall.org/4H_Mall/PhotoContest2006.asp. Deadline is March 1, 2005.

21st Annual 4-H Statewide Postal Shoot, sponsored by the Siskiyou County 4-H Council. **Entries must be postmarked by March 11, 2005.** More info at: <http://ca4h.org/projresource/shootingsports/index.asp>.

2005 California State Fair Poster Contest! The contest runs from February 1 - March 31, 2005 with an entry fee of \$5.00. Contest details and official entry form are available at: <http://www.bigfun.org/html/competitions.aspx#new2005>. For more info, e-mail: postercontest@caexpo.com.

Dog Days in the Park

Canyon Country 4-H will host a 4-H Dog Show at the annual Dog Days In The Park sponsored by SLODOG. The show will take place Sunday, April 17, 2005, at Santa Rosa Park beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Classes offered will be Obedience Sub-Novice Primary (5-8 yrs), Junior (9-12 yrs), Intermediate (13-15 yrs.), Senior (16-19 yrs), Novice and Grad-Novice, Showmanship Primary (5-8 yrs.) 1st Year Member, Junior (9-12 yrs.), Intermediate (13-15 yrs.) and Senior (16-19 yrs.).

Entry forms will be mailed to all dog project leaders in March. **Pre-Entry is required**, no entries will be accepted the day of the event. Entry fees will be \$4.00 per class entered. If you have any questions, please call Christy Friedmann, Canyon Country 4-H Dog Leader at 438-5851.

NEW! Save The Date!

Saturday, April 30, 2005

Primary Member Field Day

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

UCCE Auditorium—2156 Sierra Way, SLO

Yes, this Field Day is for Primary Members only. The SLO County 4-H All Stars will be providing sessions that will provide the resources for Primary Members to work and finish a project that they will be able to enter and exhibit their fair. Event packets will be mailed to Community Club Leaders and Primary Members in March.

Ladies Lead Changes

The Mid-State Fair has made the following change to Ladies Lead. There will be two divisions: 1) exhibitors who make at least 60% of their outfit and 2) exhibitors who had it made by someone else (includes buying it). The outfit must be at least 70% wool and clothing may range from a scarf to a two piece outfit. . Questions? Please call Joni Bennion at 239-0655.

Beef'n Up the Troops

(continued from page 1) tooth brushes and tooth paste, pens and paper, and some other items.

It went well the first time and we received letters and e-mails from very grateful soldiers, So we are going to send over more care packages and we are asking for your help again. We're putting the cans back out, so you will find a donation can at Farm Supply in Arroyo Grande.

If you know someone that's serving over seas and have their address, we would like to send them a care package, or if you'd like more info about Beef'n up the Troops, please e-mail us at ECBeefnuptroops@aol.com.



L to R: Alycia Ljepava, Amanda Willems, Keely Oswald

FIELD DAY & CHICKEN-Q 2005

SATURDAY, JUNE 11, 2005 – MID-STATE FAIRGROUNDS

First, let's talk about Chicken-Q. **Chicken-Q tickets are \$7.00 each.** You get a mouth-watering piece of **Stan's BBQ Chicken**, a generous helping of **Ranch-Style Beans**, a side of crisp **salad** with your choice of **dressing**, savory **garlic bread**, and one free **soft drink!**



It's a great deal!

ANIMAL SCIENCE ENTRIES

The entry form covers Large Animal Science and Small Animal Science. A couple of guideline changes for Large Animal from last year. 1) You will be judged on showmanship only, not grooming. 2) You can only show **one** large animal per division (i.e., one steer in Division 350-Beef). Or you can show one steer (Division 350-Beef) and one sheep (Division 353-Sheep). But only **one** animal in a division.

Large Animal Science Divisions

- 350—Beef
- 351—Dairy Goats
- 352—Meat Goats
- 353—Sheep
- 354—Swine



Small Animal Science Divisions

- 450—Dog Care & Training
- 451—Poultry
- 452—Rabbit

STILL EXHIBIT ENTRIES

This year you may only enter **one** item in the Birdhouse and Cookie Jar Divisions. You may only enter up to **two** items in Creative Arts & Crafts, Leathercraft, and Plant Science Divisions.



can be large or small, creative or

traditional, anything goes in the creation of your club scarecrow.

Still Exhibit Divisions

- 550—Birdhouse Decorating
- 551—Cookie Jar Decorating
- 552—Creative Arts & Crafts
- 553—Leathercraft
- 650—Plant Science
- 850—Scarecrow Contest

FIELD DAY HANDBOOK

Reminder to read the handbook carefully. All Field Day rules and guidelines are in the handbook. The handbook will also contain a tentative schedule of events for Field Day.

Field Day Handbooks and Entry Forms will be mailed to Community Club Leaders in March. If you have any additional questions, please call the 4-H Office at 781-5943 or email jgarcia@co.slo.ca.us. Stay tuned for more!



Field Day—June 11, 2005

Silent Auction

Back by popular demand for the 2005 Field Day - Silent Auction! This year there will be a Silent Auction Committee and Dana Azevedo, Silent Auction Chair would like to have enthusiastic individuals on the committee, who would like to solicit items and/or donations from businesses throughout the county and help put together and decorate baskets.

Clubs, Clubs, Clubs—your help is needed! Dana would like to see each club donate a

basket for the Silent Auction. It can be big or small, simple or fancy, fun or gourmet, anything is appreciated – plan your basket now. Empty basket lying around?

The Silent Auction Committee is looking for empty baskets to fill.

If you are interested in being a part of the Silent Auction Committee or wish to donate an item or basket, please call the 4-H Office, 781-5943.



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SLO Co. 4-H Program Calendar

2005

March 2005

- 1 **DUE:** Photos for 2007 4-H Calendar
- 5-6 **Ag & Environmental Sciences Field Day,** UC Davis
- 11 **DUE:** Entries for 4-H Statewide Postal Shoot
- 16 **SLO Co. 4-H Management Board Meeting,** UCCE Auditorium, 5:30 p.m.
- 19 **Regional Presentation Day,** Earl Warren Show Grounds, Santa Barbara
- 19-20 **Beef Camp,** Cal Poly, SLO
- 24 **DUE:** Hoard's Dairyman Judging Contest Entries
- 25 **DUE:** Friends of the CA State Fair Scholarship Applications
- 31 **DUE:** State Ambassador Application

31-4/6 **National 4-H Conference,** Chevy Chase, MD

April 2005

- 3/31-6 **National 4-H Conference,** Chevy Chase, MD
- TBA **Sheep/Swine Camp,** CalPoly
- 9 **Cerro Alto 4-H Youth Rabbit Show,** Mid-State Fairgrounds, Paso Robles
- 9 **South Section Leaders Council Meeting,** Mt. Sac
- 14-17 **You See Davis Days,** UC Davis
- 15-17 **South Section Leaders' Forum,** Location TBA
- 23 **State 4-H Leaders Council,** Southern California