



NEWS & VIEWS

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

SHARING THE 4-H FUN!

There was a lot of preparation going on before the 2006 San Luis Obispo County 4-H Presentation Day would actually begin. It was held on Saturday, February 11, 2006 at Cal Poly in San Luis Obispo. There was a total of 41 presentations and two Share the Fun skits. It seemed that everyone really made an extra effort this year. Good job everyone!

Medalists for the 2006 SLO Co. 4-H Presentation Day are:

Junior Division

Matthew Legaspi,
Carrisa Plains
Olivia Andrade,
Cerro Alto

Isabella Martinez,
Cerro Alto
Robin Righetti,
Edna
Arianna Shakibnia,
Edna

Leah O'Reilly,
Edna
Rachel Dewar,
Huasna Valley
David Paine,
Los Alegres

Nate Furbee,
Los Osos
Sam Goldeen,
Los Osos
Nico MacDougall,
Los Osos
Santina Olney,
Nipomo
Jared Abatti,
Nipomo Foothill
Justin Abatti,
Nipomo Foothill
Sammie Gomez,
Nipomo Foothill
Teale Harden,
Parkfield



Left: In "The Leader of OZ", Dorothy the lamb and her four friends discover the strength of Head, Heart, Hands and Health—4-H!

Right: "Cinderella" (left, Rachel Howell), tells the "4-H Leader" (right, Jennifer Oliver), all of her troubles and woes, hoping that the 4-H Leader can help her in "Cinderella—The Untold Story."



Hannah Andrade,
Cerro Alto
Jennifer Belcher,
Cerro Alto

Leslie Buckingham,
Edna

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Karen McLain Honored



For the last seven years, Karen McLain of McLain Photography had devoted her time and

creative energy to the SLO Co. 4-H Young Achiever program. Karen McLain stepped down this year from her role as photographer and storyboard creator. Pictured from left to right is Richard P. Enfield, County Director & 4-H Youth Development Advisor, Karen McLain, and Shawn Callaway, SLO Co. 4-H YDP Management Board Director. Karen was presented with a plaque of appreciation at her studio.

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Pass It On...

SLO Co. Website: www.clubs.ca4h.org/sanluisobispo/

4-H statewide SCHOLARSHIP information and applications are now available. High school seniors and those in college are eligible to apply. Scholarships are available in a number of various criteria and award amounts. Scholarship applications are **due April 30, 2006** and available at: <http://ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/index.asp>

2006-2007 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 info at <http://ca4h.org/leadership/ambassador/>. **Due March 31, 2006.**

The UC Davis Collegiate 4-H Club is pleased to present "**4-H You See Davis Days**" for high school students on April 20-22, 2006. This three-day, activity-filled event is an opportunity for participants to experience college life at UC Davis. Registration forms are due **March 20, 2006** and may be found at: <http://clubs.ca4h.org/collegiate4h/ucd/ysddays2006.htm>. For more information, contact Sara Leisgang at (408) 921-4201 or sbleisgang@ucdavis.edu

NEW State 4-H Field Day will be held on **Saturday, May 27, 2006 at UC Davis!** Bring the family for this fun day filled with *presentations, horticulture, judging, fashion, food, and fun!* **2006 State 4-H Presentation Day** will be a part of the **NEW State 4-H Field Day**. Registration is being conducted online at: <http://ca4h.org/wrp/spd/>. State 4-H Presentation Day participants must earn a gold medal at a sectional or regional competition to be eligible. 4-H members who "**Speak Out for Military Kids**" will be presented a special award on behalf of the U.S. military (for more information, click <http://ca4h.org/leadership/spd/SOMK.pdf>). **State 4-H Presentation registration deadline is May 22, 2006.** **State 4-H Fashion Revue** will also be a part of the **NEW State 4-H Field Day**. The contest is open to one county winner or alternate in each age division in each category, to be determined at county level. Primary members are not eligible to enter. **State 4-H Fashion Revue registrations due May 13, 2006.** For information, contact: Jane Durston at shelba@prodigy.net or Lil Draxler at (559) 583-7111 or moolu@wvwinc.net; or visit the web at: <http://ca4h.org/projresource/fashion/>

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



Horse Field Day

Mark your calendars!!

Sunday, June 4, 2006 at the Osumi Ranch in Arroyo Grande. In order for this event to be successful, it is asked that each club participating in Horse Field Day, that there be at least one adult volunteer to help out during the day. Kelly Osumi, Horse Field Day Chair has a big job in coordinating this event and your assistance would be greatly appreciated! Award sponsors and donations are needed, as well as helping in preparations and ensuring that things run smoothly on Horse Field Day. Please call Kelly Osumi, Horse Field Day Chair at 489-1112 and volunteer to help today!

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4-H Youth Development Advisor

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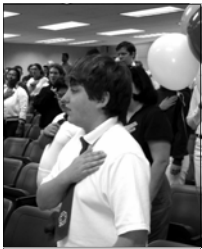
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Presentation Day Results

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Junior Division

Sebastion Andrus,
Poza
Kendall Featherstone,
Rio Rancheros



Tom Rehder of Nipomo 4-H recites the pledge of alle-

Kiah Featherstone,
Rio Rancheros
Alex Aguirre,
Santa Margarita
David Aguirre,
Santa

Margarita
Katie Patterson,
Santa Margarita
Lindsey Bridgman,
Templeton
Jasen Friedle,
Templeton

Junior Team Division

Lorine Allen &
Alex Attala, Edna
Christine Allen &
Abby Hollister, Edna

Brianna Birks &
Wyatt Birks, Estrella
Sigrid Derickson &
Gudrun Derickson,
Rio Rancheros
Danyele Rampone &
Kathrine St. Clair,
Rio Rancheros

Senior Division

David Allen,
Edna
Jeremy Moring,
Estrella
Lauren Beshears,
Los Osos
Tony Farao,
Nipomo Foothill
Whitney Harden,
Parkfield
Amanda Clark,
Santa Margarita



Reeanna Martinez, 05-06 All Star (far right), presents certificates to (left to right), Faith Paquette, Bonnie Roe and Priscilla Legaspi.



Jacob Abatti of Nipomo Foothill 4-H holds a captive audience.

Senior Team Division

Priscilla Legaspi, Bonnie Roe & Faith Paquette,
Carrisa Plains
Tyler Johnson &
Corbin O'Reilly,
Edna
JoAnna Hopkins &
Elizabeth Hurd,
Huasna Valley

Primary Participants

(received certificates only)
Lochlan Buckingham,
Edna
Jacob Abatti,
Nipomo Foothill

Share the Fun Skits

Estrella 4-H
"Cinderella—
The Untold Story"
Brianna Birks, Wyatt Birks, Rachell Howell, Sara Miller, Jeremy Mor-

ring, Jesse-Ray Moring, Meredith Masch, Jennifer Oliver, Amanda Riggen, and Johanna Work.

Huasna Valley 4-H
"The Leader of OZ"

Morgan Dewar, Rachel Dewar, Alexis Hartman, JoAnna Hopkins, Elizabeth Hurd, Bryce Von Ilten, Daniel Zimmerman, and Emily Zimmerman.

Thank you to the Rotary Club of SLO de Tolosa, Collegiate 4-H, adult volunteers, SLO Co. 4-H All Stars, SLO Co. 4-H Youth Ambassadors, and 4-H members who helped make Presentation Day a huge success! We could not have done it without you!



In "Cinderella—The Untold Story", Jeremy Moring played a fun, yet thoughtful Fairy Godfather.

Presentation Day Workshop

On Saturday, January 21, 2006, the SLO Co. Youth Ambassadors held a workshop at the 4-H Office on the different aspects of presentations. Oni Ludwig, Lisa Roden and Maria Saucedo covered the areas of

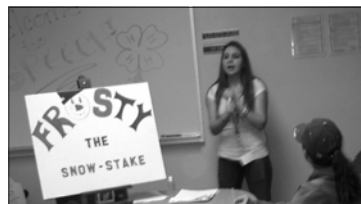


appearance, outline and preparations of presentations.

At left, Lisa Roden reviews the importance of one's appearance during a presentation or demonstration by having these attendees participate in a game of

hang man.

At right, Oni Ludwig discusses with her group about being knowledgeable in their subject, so they can answer any questions on their presentation.



Left, Maria Saucedo reviews with participants the fine art of props, display boards and other media to make a strong presentation.

Pop a Top for Ronald McDonald House

Hi there. My name is Jeremy Morring. I'm a sixteen year old member of Estrella 4-H club.

Iwant to let everyone know about a great way that you and your family or friends can help other kids and their families.

The Central Valley Ronald McDonald House provides a "home away from home" for families who have kids in the hospital, located right next to Children's Hospital of Central California. Families with ill or injured kids can stay in a beautiful room with a private bathroom and use a state of the art kitchen, laundry room, and library. It costs just

\$10.00 a night, for the families, and those who can't afford it can stay for free. This is all run on donations from folks like us!

The families that stay in the "house" are only steps away from their kids, and can be there to comfort and care for them on a 24 hour basis. Moms, Dads, brothers and sisters can stay at the house while the child in the hospital gets treatment. *(It gives the family one MAJOR less thing to worry about.)*

By saving those little pop-tops off your can of soda, cat food, soup, or other canned goods, you can provide these families with a place to stay while their child gets better.

Ronald McDonald House gets paid for every pound of pop-tops and all the money goes to the

house, to pay for food and other costs. They only take the pop-tops because they are the purest form of aluminum on the can, and people who like to recycle can still recycle the can part.

Please pop-a-top for the families! You can collect them in zip-loc bags and call me, Jeremy Morring, at (805) 227-4489 and I'll pick them up anytime you say! It's the right thing to do!

Thank you.

(This community service project has been approved by the Community Service/Citizenship Key Leader, Karen Ludwig.

Yes, for those of you who are aware, pop-tops are also being collected for St. Jude's Ranch. Feel free to donate pop-tops as you wish.)



Record Book Workshop



Saturday, March 4, 2006

9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

UCCE Auditorium

2156 Sierra Way, San Luis Obispo

The San Luis Obispo County 4-H All Stars will be demonstrating how to successfully complete the following Record Books: Personal Development Report, Market Livestock, Small Livestock, Avian Science (Poultry), Annual 4-H Project Report, Community Service, Jr./Teen Leadership, and Primary Member Personal Development Report.

Schedule:

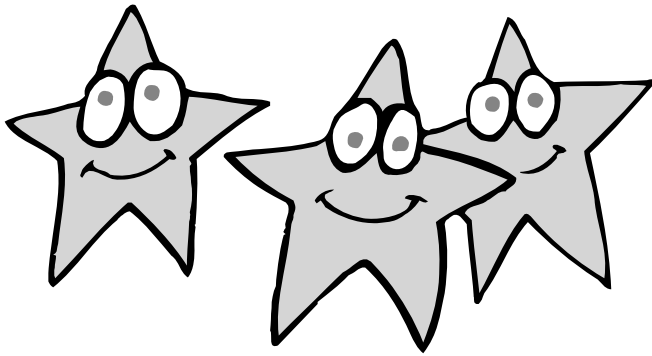
9:00—11:00 a.m.	Sessions
11:00—11:20 a.m.	Snacktime
11:30—1:00 p.m.	Sessions

Snacks will be provided by the All Stars. This is definitely a day to look forward to! If you have questions, call the 4-H Office, 781-5943 or email jgarcia@co.slo.ca.us.

Canyon Country 4-H to Host 4-H Dog Show

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 23, 2006 at Santa Rosa Park at 9:30 a.m.** Classes offered to 4-H Dog Project members will be: **Obedience:** Sub-Novice Primary (5-8 yrs), Junior (9-12 yrs), Intermediate (13-15 yrs.), Senior (16-19 yrs), Novice, Grad-Novice and Open; **Showmanship:** Primary (5-8 yrs.) 1st Year Member, Junior (9-12 yrs.), Intermediate (13-15 yrs.) and Senior (16-19 yrs.). **Pre-Entry is required**, no entries will be accepted the day of the event. Entry fees will be \$5.00 per class.

SLODOG will also be giving the Canine Good Citizen (CGC) test. Pre-Entry is required for this also. If you are interested in taking the CGC test or have questions regarding the Dog Show, please contact Christy Friedmann, Canyon Country 4-H Dog Project Leader at 438-5851.



SLO Co. 4-H All Star!

How about You?

The All Star rank is the highest rank which a 4-H member may attain at the count level. Being an All Star provides an opportunity for high school members to receive recognition for outstanding service. The All Stars serve as ambassadors for the SLO County 4-H Youth Development 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, 2006, but not 19 years of age prior to January 1, 2007

Have participated in 4-H for three years or more

Have attained a Gold Star rank by April 14, 2006

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.

Due: April 14, 2006—4-H Office

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Emerald Star Program

The Emerald Star Program offers 4-H members the opportunity to develop leadership skills beyond the club level. It is not a prerequisite to apply for the All Star rank.

To apply for an Emerald Star, you must:

Be 14 years of age or older by January 1 of the current project year

Hold the rank of Gold Star

An Emerald Star project plan must be submitted for approval prior to starting the project and must be evaluated at the completion of the project. You must also be prepared to handle any financial costs required to complete the project.

You can submit an Emerald Star project plan any-time during the project year (July 1 through June 30). Keep in mind that if you wish to obtain your Emerald Star by SLO Co. 4-H Achievement Night (Saturday, October 7, 2006), the project **must be completed by August 31, 2006**.

Emerald Star projects will be evaluated for it's value to the SLO Co. 4-H Youth Development Program, value to the community, it's practicality and feasibility. Project plan examples may include: an event or activity involving three or more clubs, a community activity involving a group to serve the need of an individual or an educational purpose, or a major expansion/revision of a currently existing event/activity.

To get an Emerald Star Project Form, please call the 4-H Office at 781-5943 or email jgarcia@co.slo.ca.us. If you have questions about the Emerald Star Program, please contact JoAnn Overbey, Awards Director at 528-8232.

CONGRATULTIONS JIM STANFILL!!

Los Osos 4-H Community Club Leader, Jim Stanfill was awarded **2005 Los Osos Citizen of the Year** on Saturday, February 21, 2006. Jim was honored for his extensive volunteer work with 4-H and the Rotary Club, and for his work on the Chamber's Board of Directors. We are proud that Jim is a part of the 4-H Team! You Go, JIM!

SLO County 4-H YDP
FIELD DAY

This event is scheduled for Saturday, **June 10, 2006**. All 4-H Members are invited to this "mini" 4-H fair that we call "Field Day."

There will be animal showmanship, level testing in some areas, arts & crafts contests and much more is being planned for this all day event!

Advertise in the 2006 4-H Field Day Premium Book!

At this time, advertising space is available for the Premium Book. To place your ad, you need to submit complete art work and wording or 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: jgarcia@co.slo.ca.us. Please have your ad in a pdf, jpg or word document format. Prices:

Quarter page	\$ 25.00
Half page	\$ 50.00
Whole page	\$100.00

ADS MUST BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE or at the time of submission of ad. Cash, check or money order accepted only. Checks and money orders should be made out to: "SLO County 4-H YDP". Ads are DUE: **Friday, March 10, 2006**. Questions or assistance with your ad, please call the 4-H Office at 781-5943.

Silent Auction

Ken Dewar, Fundraising Director, of the SLO Co. 4-H Management Board, wants YOU to be a member of the Silent Auction Committee for 4-H Field Day! For more information about what you can do for the Silent Auction, call Ken at 543-0180 (business phone, you can leave a message) or the 4-H Office, 781-5943. Volunteer now!

Once again, all 4-H clubs in SLO County are being asked to provide at least one basket of donated items for the 2006 Silent Auction. With your club's generosity and support, the 2006 Silent Auction is bound to be an even bigger hit this year at Field Day!

Primary Member Workshop

Saturday, April 29, 2006

UCCE Auditorium

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Cost: \$5.00



A workshop for Primary Members (5 through 8 years of age) is being offered by the SLO Co. 4-H Youth Ambassadors on Saturday,

April 29, 2006 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon at the UCCE Auditorium, 2156 Sierra Way, San Luis Obispo.

4-H Primary Members will have an opportunity to create crafts that they can enter at this year's SLO Co. 4-H Field Day and/or either the Santa Barbara County Fair or the Mid-State Fair. Activities will include painting a birdhouse, leather-crafts, and making a key chain.

Please put this date on your calendar now. It promises to be a great day, full of fun, learning and meeting new people.

Snacks will be provided, however, there will be a \$5.00 fee to offset materials costs. For more information, please call the 4-H Office at 781-5943. A registration flyer will be mailed to all Primary Members in March. **RSVP by April 21, 2006.**

4-H Junior/Teen Leadership and Club Officer Training!

Saturday, March 25, 2006

UCCE Auditorium

2156 Sierra Way, SLO

SCHEDULE:

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Junior/Teen Leadership

12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Club Officer training

This event is sponsored by the Youth Leadership Program Development Committee. If you have any questions about this event, please call Sherry Martinez, Youth Leadership Key Leader at 438-3506.

Please RSVP for this training by Friday, March 17, 2006. To RSVP, call the 4-H Office at 781-5943 or email – jgarcia@co.slo.ca.us and provide the first and last name(s), name of 4-H club and age(s) of 4-H members who wish to attend.

SLO Scientist Open House

Thursday, March 23, 2006 — 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Hopefully, you already have the date and time of **March 23, 2006 at 6:30 p.m.** written in ink on your calendar. If not, this is a reminder that our first ever **SLO Scientist Open House** is scheduled for that day and time at the UCCE Auditorium in San Luis Obispo!

Please come to the open house. Join our SLO Scientist Facilitators in performing hands-on science experiments and activities, which are offered as part of our SLO Scientist Program. Meet and ask questions of our SLO Scientist volunteer leaders and Heather Dauer, our SLO Scientist Program Coordinator. Find out how to join or start a SLO Scientist group in your area or club. Or just meet other families in the 4-H Program while enjoying some punch and cookies. Either way, it's guaranteed to be a fun, interesting and interactive way to see what a SLO Scientist club meeting is really like.

As you now know from last month's News & Views, SLO Scientist is a youth/adult 4-H Science club

sponsored by the University of California Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development Program. With the help of a trained volunteer, teams get to conduct science-based experiments and explore, investigate and observe together. Science clubs meet up to eight times over a period of a few month and each meeting focuses on a unique science topic.

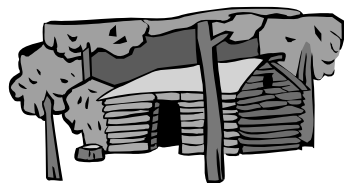
For more detailed information about the SLO Scientist Program or what to expect at the SLO Scientist Open House, please refer back to the February 2006 issue of News & Views or call the 4-H Office at 781-5943.



WHEN: **Thursday, March 23, 2006**
TIME: **6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**
(it's okay to arrive anytime)
WHERE: **UCCE Auditorium**
2156 Sierra Way, SLO
QUESTIONS? 4-H office at 781-5943

Youth Leadership Camp

May 12—14, 2006
El Rancho Del Chorro



Stay tuned for more info to come in News & Views!

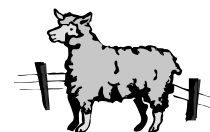
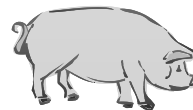
Sheep & Swine Camp

Santa Margarita Feed & Farm Supply is sponsoring the Sheep and Swine Camp this year. This camp will help you in selecting and taking care of that potential prize-winning sheep or swine.

Sheep

Saturday, March 25, 2006
Registration: 8:30 a.m.
Event: 9:00 a.m. — 2:00 a.m.
Cal Poly Beef Pavilion
Event is Free!

There will be a sheep sale towards the end of the day.



Swine

Sunday, March 26, 2006
Registration: 8:30 a.m.
Event: 9:00 a.m. — 2:00 a.m.
Cal Poly Beef Pavilion
Event is Free!
There will be a swine sale towards the end of the day.

There will be lunch tickets for sale at a slight charge. For more information, please call the Santa Margarita Feed & Farm Supply office at 438-5619.

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SLO Co. 4-H Program Calendar

2006

MARCH 2006

- 1-5 **Western Regional 4-H Leaders' Forum,**
Salt Lake City, UT
- 4 **SLO Co. 4-H Record Book Workshop,**
UCCE Auditorium
- 15 **SLO Co. 4-H Management Board
Meeting**
- 17 **DUE: RSVP for Jr/Teen Leadership
Workshop & Club Officer Training**
- 18 **Regional (South Section) 4-H
Presentation Day, Cal Poly**
- 20 **DUE: Registrations for "4-H You See
Davis Days", UC Davis**
- 23 **SLO Scientist Open House,**
UCCE Auditorium, 6:30—7:30 p.m.
- 25 **Jr/Teen Leadership Workshop & Club
Officer Training, UCCE Auditorium**
- 25-26 **Sheep & Swine Camp, Cal Poly**
- 25-31 **National 4-H Conference, Maryland**

- 31 **DUE: Applications for CA 4-H
Ambassador**

APRIL 2006

- 8 **Cerro Alto 4-H Youth Rabbit Show,**
Mid-State Fairgrounds, Paso Robles
- 8 **South Section Leaders Council Meeting,**
Mt. Sac
- 14 **DUE: SLO Co. 4-H All Star applications,
& Primary Member Workshop
registrations, 4-H Office before 5:00 p.m.**
- 19 **SLO Co. 4-H Management Board &
Program Development Board Joint
Meeting**
- 20-22 **You See Davis Days, UC Davis**
- 21 **DUE: Entry Forms for Food & Arts
Celebration/Fashion Revue, 4-H Office**
- 23 **Canyon Country 4-H Dog Show, Santa
Rosa Park, San Luis Obispo**