SIGN UP FOR 4-H FUN AT 4-H FIELD DAY!

4-H Field Day is scheduled for **Saturday, June 12, 2010, from 8:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.** at the Paso Robles Event Center. We hope every 4-H member will participate!

The **4-H Field Day Handbook** is available online at [slocounty4h.org](http://slocounty4h.org) under Applications. The Handbook contains event guidelines, entry criteria, the day’s schedule, contact information for questions, as well as, instructions to easily enter your still exhibit in the Mid-State Fair. **Entry forms are also available online.** If you don’t have access to a computer, your Community Club Leader has a few copies or you may request a copy by calling the 4-H office at 781-5943. **Please submit your entry forms with your entry fees directly to your Community Club Leader by your 4-H CLUB’S DEADLINE.** Your Community Club Leader will then turn in a Field Day Entries packet to the 4-H office on Friday, May 21, 2010 along with a Fee Record Sheet and one 4-H Club Check.

This year, we're trying something a little different. In addition to asking individuals to volunteer for a variety of jobs, clubs have volunteered to “adopt” a specific task. This has been incredibly helpful and we want to recognize these clubs and thank their membership in advance for taking on, managing and staffing these areas of responsibility:

- **Chicken-Q:** Creston 4-H Club, Tom Bordonaro, Community Club Leader
  Ed Sorrow, Organizational Lead
- **Snack Bar:** Templeton 4-H Club, Loretta Mazzo, Community Club Leader
- **Soda Booth:** Ranchita Canyon 4-H Club, Jennifer Kranich, Community Club Leader
- **Food Servers:** Cerro Alto 4-H Club, Evelyn Rockwell, Community Club Leader
- **Friday Set-Up:** El Paso de Robles 4-H Club, Cathy Mott, Community Club Leader

There’s still plenty to do on Field Day, so if you’d like to help out please ask your Community Club Leader for a Sign-Up sheet or call the 4-H office at 781-5943. **We need lots of adults and youth to help clean the Chicken-Q area beginning at 1:00 p.m. and adults to help park and direct traffic in the morning and afternoon.** We look forward to hearing from you and seeing you there. **THANK YOU!! This article continued on Page 3**

“All Stars Take to the Air” By Anthony Aguirre

The **first Mondays of the month at 8:30 a.m. the SLO County All Stars**, Anthony, Emily, and Alexis, take to the air on [Cat Country 96.1 FM radio](http://www.catcountry961.com). The fun and engaging, Mark and Becky feature us on their morning show. They are both very interested in helping to increase awareness about the 4-H program through their broadcasts and website link. During our monthly broadcasts, we tell the happenings in San Luis Obispo County 4-H and talk about the events that are open to the public.

In April, the three of us announced the need for volunteers to serve on the county 4-H Management Board. Emily mentioned that the 4-Hers in livestock projects are currently acquiring their animals for the fair. She knows because she purchased her beef animal just last week. We also talked about the 4-H SET booth at Children’s Day in the Plaza in San Luis Obispo, and about the Food and Arts Celebration and Fashion Odyssey. The All Stars will have an active role in both of these events. Be sure to tune in next month for more exciting updates! **(See pictures on Page 7).**

University of California, U.S. Department of Agriculture and San Luis Obispo County Cooperating.
National & State 4-H News

- Are you a 4-H member or volunteer with experience and interest in technology? Apply to the 2010-2011 California 4-H Technology Leadership Team (CTLT)! The CTLT increases the use and awareness of technology in the 4-H program through workshops, providing IT support, assistance to 4-H Clubs, and at statewide events. Candidates must be at least 16 years of age or older. Membership is a fourteen-month commitment, July 2010 through August 2011. The deadline to apply is May 31, 2010. More information is available at http://www.ca4h.org/compcorps/

- The State Leadership Conference 2010 “Operation 4-H” is now online at http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc/ Financial assistance will be allotted on an “as needed and available” basis and is not transferable. Applications are due May 15th. Delegates may request up to $330 of financial aid. Please direct questions to Quang “Hogan” Tong at 530-752-5644 or email at gtong@ucdavis.edu

- It’s time for Fashion Revue so be sure to let your county winners know where to register for State Fashion Revue. Online registration is being accepted at http://ucanr.org/sfr2010 until May 12. In order to ensure a smooth event, adult judges are needed who have experience in fashion, sewing, consumer education or related fields. Adults, parents of participants, or older teen volunteers may serve as door monitors. We need 40 judges and 12 room monitors. If you can help or have questions about State Fashion Revue, please contact Karli Draxler, SFR Registrar at chat2kd@unwiredbb.com or Sue Moore, staff liaison at samoore@ucdavis.edu. Can’t wait to see you there!

- The EPA has announced the 4th Annual Rachel Carson Contest and is seeking entries for creative projects in the areas of poetry, photography, essays and dance. Entries need to be from a team of two or more. Entry deadline is June 16, 2010. For more information, visit: http://www.epa.gov/aging/resources/thesenseofwonder/index.htm

- 4-H Equine Advisory Committee chair person is sought. Jeanne George, 4-H YD Advisor for Tehama and Glenn counties has very ably served for a number of years as the 4-H Equine Advisory Committee chair and guided the statewide educational efforts of this group. Jeanne will retire this June, after nearly four decades of service to 4-H and the University. We all know her “boots” will be hard to fill, especially as chair of this important advisory committee. If you have any interest in leading or co-leading this committee, please contact the State 4-H Office, 530-754-8518 or Jeanne George, jilgeorge@ucdavis.edu

- To access a computer or websites call the 4-H office 781-5943.
**4-H NEWS**

**FUN** **4-H Field Day activities and opportunities** will include:

**ANIMAL SHOWMANSHIP AND STILL EXHIBITS.** This is a great opportunity for 4-H members to showcase information and skills they've learned as a club and project member. It also provides animal science project members a chance to practice showmanship skills in a fair-style environment. Please check the **Handbook** for instructions and check-in times. (NOTE: If you plan to show an animal or enter a still exhibit at 4-H Field Day please make sure you can stay until after 2:30 p.m. This is because the event is promoted to the public as ending at 2:30 p.m., therefore, animals and exhibits must remain in place until the event officially ends.)

**Special Notes:**

1) Please remember to bring animals to the event groomed and ready to show. Although they may be touched-up on the fairgrounds, **washing or clipping is not permitted.**

2) **Please help us prevent the spread of club lamb fungus.** Before you come to Field Day, please check your sheep thoroughly for any signs of fungus. Because it is very contagious and easily transmitted, if fungus is identified at anytime during 4-H Field Day, the infected animal and it's pen or trailer mates will need to be removed from the fairgrounds immediately.

3) **Attention BEEF PROJECT MEMBERS:** **HOOF TRIMMING WILL BE OFFERED at 4-H FIELD DAY.** However, you will need to sign up as an Animal Science Entry to 4-H FIELD DAY, in order to have your animal's hooves trimmed for $25.00 per head. You have to be entered in the Beef Division #350 in order for this service to be performed for the fee of $25.00. **A REMINDER: you will need to bring your own tools to clean up after your animal(s).** Thank you for your attention to this detail which is also mentioned on page 13 in the 4-H FIELD DAY HANDBOOK.

**SILENT AUCTION.** Please take a look at the wonderful items donated by each of our clubs and **make a bid** (or several) from **10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.**

**CLUB SHOWCASE.** Show and tell the public about your 4-H Club via a display (see page 9 of the Field Day Handbook for details).

**LEVEL TESTING.** will be offered in Large Animal Science and Poultry (see pages 8 and 9 for sign-up information and exciting new details).

**SET ACTIVITY.** There will be a Science, Engineering & Technology activity for all to enjoy beginning at 11:00 a.m. in Commercial Bldg. # 2 (see Page 10).

Many volunteers (adults and youth) are needed to make this event a success. Therefore, your Community Club Leader has volunteer sign-up sheets for each of the activities and areas. Remember, you don’t have to sign-up for the whole day--just an hour or two! So, if you can help on Friday, June 11th or Saturday, June 12th — please let us know....and SIGN UP!

**4-H Field Day is FUN and we hope to see you there!**

**4-H Shooting Sports Leader Certification for Archery**

A shooting sports training workshop for the Archery Discipline will be held in Bakersfield, CA on:

**Saturday, May 22,  8 AM - 5 PM and Sunday, May 23  8 AM - 5 PM**

Upon successful completion of the course, participants will be certified as archery trainers and can instruct archery club projects and camps programs, or certify local volunteers. Attendance at both days is required. The course will be held at the UC Extension Office, 1031 South Mt. Vernon Avenue, Bakersfield. The cost will be $20 and includes lunch on Saturday and class materials. For more information, contact Robert Claffy 661-829-1658 (evenings) or email rclaffy656@aol.com. You must contact him in advance to reserve a spot in the course.
**Walter Christensen Memorial Scholarship to attend the 2010 California 4-H State Leadership Conference**

**Walter Christensen Memorial Scholarship:** The SLO County 4-H Youth Development Program is the grateful beneficiary of donations received in memory of Walter Christensen, an early and long-time leader of Edna 4-H Club. His family has asked that the monies be used for scholarships for 4-H members to attend the California 4-H State Leadership Conference. As a result, we are happy to be able to offer several scholarships to 4-H members this year.

**Details about the Conference:** The California 4-H State Leadership Conference will be held at UC Davis from July 29 - August 1, 2010. The conference “Operation 4-H” brings together high school youth from across California in a four-day leadership training, networking, and learning experience, with the goal of helping youth to reach their full leadership potential. It also provides an excellent opportunity for youth to give input into statewide 4-H activities. More information about the conference is available online at [http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc/](http://www.ca4h.org/conference/slc/).

**Eligibility/Application Process:** 4-H members 14-18 years of age as of 7/29/10 are eligible to apply. Walter Christensen Memorial Scholarship Applications are available online at [slocounty4h.org](http://www.slocounty4h.org) and in the 4-H office. The 4-H Youth Development Management Board will designate a committee to select the scholarship recipients.

Completed applications must be received by the 4-H office by **May 30, 2010**. Please note, scholarships cover registration costs only, and transportation will be the responsibility of the member. However, depending on availability, chaperoned transportation may be offered.

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**The 2009-2010 SLO County 4-H All Star Team presents the 5th annual PRIMARY MEMBER FIELD DAY Saturday, May 22, 2010**

Continuing the All Star tradition, Anthony Aguirre, Emily Von Dollen, and Alexis Aguirre will be hosting this fun countywide event for our primary 4-H members (Ages 5—8).

**WHAT:** A morning of developing life skills through games and crafts, and meeting other 4-H members. (Snacks will be provided).

**TIME:** 9:00 a.m.–12:00 noon (Check-in will be from 8:30-9:00 a.m.)

**WHERE:** UCCE Auditorium, 2156 Sierra Way, San Luis Obispo

**RSVP:** by Friday, May 14th by calling the 4-H office at 781-5943

This event is free! A craft made at this event can be entered for 4-H Field Day by completing and submitting an entry form for Div. 553 along with the $1.50 entry fee at the end of this event. If you also want your craft entered for the Mid-State Fair just mark the box on the Still Exhibit Entry form. Then you will deliver your craft entry to Commercial Bldg. # 2 between 8:00 a.m.—9:00 a.m. at 4-H Field Day.
Are you interested in participating on a 4-H Statewide Advisory Committee? 4-H Youth, Adult Volunteers, County Staff and Administration are all encouraged to apply for this opportunity. The committees you may apply for are: Policy Advisory Committee, Incentives and Recognition Advisory Committee, Citizenship/Service Learning Council, International Exchange Support Advisory Committee, Equine Education Advisory Committee, Animal Science Education Advisory Committee, Camping Advisory Committee, CA 4-H Technology Leadership Team, and Healthy Living Advisory Committee. Applications for the 2010-2011 Statewide Advisory Committees are due postmarked by May 31, 2010. To download an application go to: http://www.ca4h.org/council/advisory.asp

You may contact the State 4-H Office for any questions, 530-754-8518.

4-H Youth Harness the Wind….

On Saturday, March 27th, 10 budding scientists and their adult partners built a wind turbine and learned how to make electricity by harnessing the wind. At the end of day — after setting magnets, wrapping wire, drilling holes and a little soldering — each of our 4-H’ers had a working wind turbine to take home! (We hope to see those wind turbines again at 4-H Field Day). We want to thank our adult volunteers for helping out and send a big “thank you” to Dennis and Sara Derickson for hosting the event and for generously sharing their tools that day.

Mount Up for Horse Level Testing!

The mounted portion of Horse Level Testing will be held on Sunday, May 16th at the Wranglerette Arena in Atascadero. Testing will begin at 9:00 a.m. and lunch will be available to purchase on site. Members must pre-register by May 7th to participate. Registration forms can be obtained from your Horse Project Leader, the 4-H office, or online at slocounty4h.org. Questions can be directed to Horse Project Resource Person Kelly Work at 453-3362, or Mounted Level Testing Facility Liaison Jennifer Thomas at 438-3040.

4-H Youth Harness the Wind....

4-H SET Science Engineering Technology

THE PRESIDENT’S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD

Reminder: The President’s Volunteer Service Award applications are due in the 4-H office by June 30th, 2010.

If you have questions on how to fill out your application contact Karen Ludwig, Community Service Key Leader, at 466-1216. If you have misplaced your application you may download one from slocounty4h.org under Applications.
4-H GOLDEN CLOVER AWARDS

The Golden Clover Awards recognize outstanding achievement of 4-H members, volunteers, and groups within the 4-H Youth Development Program. 4-H members, volunteers and groups may be nominated in various categories. One recipient is selected per category and awarded $500, a medallion and lapel pin. Award categories include: innovative ideas, fundraising, collaboration and outreach, special events, citizenship, mentoring, leadership, and others.

Our county is very fortunate to have many individuals who deserve to be recognized and honored publicly for the work they do. Please considering nominating and shining a light on persons you know who have contributed so much of themselves, their time and talents to make the 4-H program in San Luis Obispo County one of the best in the state.

**Deadline:** May 31, 2010 to the California 4-H Youth Development Office.

**Application/Details:** For an application and information about each of the award categories and eligibility, please go to [http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/goldenclover/](http://www.ca4h.org/4hresource/ir/goldenclover/)

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**Leader Recognition Award/ State 4-H Leaders’ Forum**

The SLO Co. 4-H Adult Leadership Committee is seeking nominations of outstanding adult volunteers to receive the 2010 Leader Recognition Award. The award is $208.92, which includes the conference fee, meals, and lodging for the State 4-H Leaders’ Forum at Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove on **November 5-7, 2010**. 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. This year’s forum, “Upgrade, S.E.T. Your System, GO!” will focus on the Science, Engineering, and Technology Initiative, and how S.E.T. can be integrated into existing projects and events.

This year five (5) nominees from San Luis Obispo county will be selected to receive the award.

**Nomination Criteria:**

1) has been a leader for two years and has re-enrolled for the new program year;
2) evidence of outstanding teaching/leadership skills;
3) has not received this award in the last three years.

Clubs, adult volunteers, and 4-H members may all nominate leaders for this wonderful award. Leaders may even elect to nominate themselves. If you are nominating someone, please check with them to make sure they will be able to attend the Forum! Leader Recognition Award Nomination Forms are available through your Community Club Leader and online at [slocounty4h.org](http://slocounty4h.org). Nominations are **due June 25, 2010** in the 4-H Office. If you have questions, please call Evelyn Rockwell at 466-4383.

Leaders need not be recipients of the Leader Recognition Award to attend 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/](http://ca4h.org/conference/slf/). Conference registrations are due by September 1, 2010.

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For more INFORMATION about S.E.T. UPDATES visit [http://ca4h.org/SET/updates/index.asp](http://ca4h.org/SET/updates/index.asp)
MAY 15th LEVEL TESTING EVENT AND . . .
NEW MASTER LEVEL TESTING PROGRAM

A special Level Testing event will be held on Saturday, May 15, 2010 at the UCEE Auditorium from 2-5 pm. Large Animal Science will offer testing for all levels of Beef, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goats, and Dairy Goats. Additionally, all 4-H members age nine and up are invited to participate in Poultry Level Testing, and primary members who choose to try the poultry test will receive a certificate of participation. Poultry study guides are available at slocounty4h.org, as well as, through the 4-H office. Large animal test material is taken directly from the corresponding 4-H curriculum books, which can be purchased through www.4-Hmall.org/curriculum.

This special event will also include a re-test opportunity for Horse Written Level Testing. Horse Project members who were unable to make the written level testing in February, or who did not pass their test and would like to try again — may do so. Testing is not available to Horse Project members who have already advanced one written level this year, as the horse program policy allows only one level per year.

This year we are launching a new program called Master Level Testing. Master Level Testing is designed to recognize members who pursue a diverse education in several species of large livestock. Here’s how it works: If you are a member of the Beef, Sheep, Swine, Meat Goat, or Dairy Goat projects, you may sign up to test in any of these five project areas! (For example, if you are in the sheep project you may sign up to take a swine, beef, or goat level test.) Once a member passes Level 1 in all four species (Beef, Sheep, Swine, and either Meat or Dairy Goat) they will receive an extra special pin for their achievement. This program will be offered at all three levels, with the eventual goal of achieving Level 3 in all four species. To help you on your Master Level Testing journey, you can sign up to take not one, but two tests at our May event! There will be a second opportunity to take two tests at Field Day on June 12, potentially allowing 4-H members to achieve Master Level 1 during this 4-H program year.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, May 11th, by calling the 4-H office at 781-5943, or emailing jmaggiore@co.slo.ca.us — Make sure to indicate the species you will be taking and what level you will be testing at for each one. If you have any questions please call the 4-H office or the following Division “Gurus”: Large Animal Science & Master Level Testing - Lisa Rockwell-Harpster, 772-3123, Poultry - Amanda Clark, 466-7214, Horse - Julie Maggiore, 781-5941.
DATE: January 13, 2010

TO: 4-H Community Leaders, 4-H Project Leaders, Sheep Exhibitors and Parents

FROM: Vivian Robertson
CEO, California Mid-State Fair

Due to blatant disregard of adhering to State Rules during the 2009 California Mid-State Fair, please be aware of new policy that has been put in place for the 2010 Fair.

Most specifically, the violation of the State Rule that was not discovered until too late pertained to market lambs and tail docks. Please be aware that the existing State Rule regarding sheep tail docking will be monitored very closely and strictly enforced upon arrival at the 2010 Fair. The State Rule specifically mandates the following rule: to qualify to exhibit, market lambs and breeding sheep must be docked such that the tail (dock) is healed and can be lifted from the exterior. Lambs that have no dock will not be eligible. Breeding animals born before January 1, 2000 are exempt. This rule will be strictly enforced in 2010 and the official veterinarian designated by the 16th DAA shall make the final determination. All lambs will be checked; market lambs will be examined prior to weighing on the scale, and breeding sheep will be checked in the pens. If a sheep (market lamb or breeding sheep) does not meet the State Rule standards, it will be sent home immediately and disqualified from show competition.

Additionally, the following is a new rule adopted as policy for the 2010 Fair: All lambs must have no more than a 3-day fleece and be fully shorn prior to arrival on the Fairgrounds. No wool will be allowed to be left on any areas of the sheep. Lambs will pass through a “check station” for inspection of the tail and examined for any fungus, prior to being allowed on the scale. The official Fair Veterinarian designated by the 16th DAA shall make the final decision. Any lambs showing evidence of fungus shall be immediately rejected and sent off of the Fairgrounds.

Please ensure that all leaders, parents, exhibitors, and breeders are informed of these new rules prior to purchasing your 2010 Fair animals.
On March 14th Ranchita Canyon 4-H helped the Rotary Club serve crab at their annual Crab Fest in Paso Robles. It was so much fun seeing the smiles on everyone’s faces. Our marvelous waiting skills earned us some generous tips from the crab lovers. We had a lot of fun and can’t wait to help out again next year.

“10 dollars, 15 dollars, do I hear 20”, that is what we heard at our March meeting, our annual Cookie auction. The Cookie Auction is Ranchita Canyon 4-H’s biggest fundraiser. We had 90 sweet treats to auction off including Chocolate cake, Apple dumplings, and the highest raising treat, Lemon Bars. We have a lot of fun and enjoy this fundraiser every year. We can’t wait for next year’s Cookie Auction. Submitted by, Maureen Pushea

The Cerro Alto Leadership project held their monthly meeting on January 25th. The members split into two groups; one group worked on plans for a future Cerro Alto 4-H Open House, the second group made videos on why you should join 4-H.

The Leadership project is a great project because the members learn to go outside their comfort zone through games and activities such as icebreakers, event planning, skits, public speaking, and community outreaches just to name a few. The Leadership project is helping to develop youth to become future leaders and it is just a lot of fun! Submitted by: Sawyer Smith

On January 9th, the Cerro Alto 4-H Outdoor Adventure group went for a 2.3 mile hike at the Johnson Ranch Trail. It is an easy hike going over creeks and through some of the hills of San Luis Obispo. After the hike, the members went to the Leader’s house, had cookies and worked on Record Books. The members of the Outdoor Adventure group encourage you to do this fun hike. We look forward to our next Adventure! Submitted by: Brittney Tierney

Templeton 4-H Poultry group met with Santa Margarita’s 4-H Poultry group on January 21st at the Templeton American Legion Hall. Brenda Bryant arranged for a representative from King Feed to do a talk. Sierra Bryant gave a pro introduction for our speaker. All Poultry Keepers would benefit from his presentation. Did you know that scratch should be a rare treat? Did you know Oyster shells should be offered separate from other foods? We were informed that Atascadero Hay and Feed carries King Feed products. Our Templeton members brought plates of cookies and brownies to share with our Santa Margarita guest. We all signed a Thank You card to present to the speaker. Submitted by: Larry Rose, Templeton 4-H Reporter

On February 24th, 17 members of the Cerro Alto 4-H Horse project met at the SLO 4-H Auditorium for the written portion of Horse Level Testing. The testing room was packed full with 4-H Horse project members from clubs all over the county. The members tested for Levels 1—4, and everyone from Cerro Alto passed! This is a very big deal due to the fact that testing for Horse Project Levels are only offered once a year. The tests challenge the members’ knowledge of Western and English tack, how to be safe on your horse, anatomy of the horse, different gaits of the horse, etc. Congratulations to everyone who participated in Horse Level Testing! Submitted by: Sawyer Smith

The Santa Margarita 4-H Club chose deployed United States Soldiers as their Community Service Project for February. The members collected several items for the troops, including granola bars, beef jerky, gum, toothpaste and toothbrushes. Also several members wrote letters thanking our soldiers for their service to our country. Submitted by: Mikaela Jensen, Reporter
4-H MEMBER OPPORTUNITIES

State 4-H Field Day - May 29, 2010 at UC Davis

The State 4-H Field Day is an event for the entire family! 4-H members, siblings and parents can participate in numerous activities that take place during the event, held at UC Davis each year. The event is open to all California 4-H members (any age), siblings, 4-H volunteers, and parents! NOTE: Some activities at the Field Day require qualification and pre-registration - see listing of events below: 4-H members receiving a gold medal at a Sectional 4-H Presentation Day are eligible to present at the State 4-H Presentation Day. 4-H members receiving the “County Winner” award in their category and age division at their county 4-H Fashion Revue are eligible to show at the State 4-H Fashion Revue.

Registration materials for events are available online at http://www.ca4h.org/projresource/fieldday/

For directions and all other information about State 4-H Field Day please open the 10 page PDF document entitled County Information Packet (PDF) at the link above.

For Questions: Please call the Field Day Hotline at (530) 752-4790

Events held at the State 4-H Field Day:

• State 4-H Presentation Day (Pre-registration due May 24, 2010)
• State 4-H Fashion Revue (Pre-registration due May 12, 2010)
• Plant Science Contest (Pre-registration due May 24, 2010)
• Judging Contest (no pre-registration required)
• 2011 Logo Design Contest (no pre-registration required)
• Exhibits and Displays (Pre-registration due April 2, 2010)
• Photography Contest (Pre-registration due May 7, 2010)
• Film Festival (Pre-registration due by May 7, 2010)

ATTENTION: JUDGES & ROOM HOSTS ARE NEEDED FROM OUR COUNTY — Please register at the Link above. Based upon current registrations, All Presentations will end by 7:00 p.m.

The organizers for this event need more JUDGES & ROOM HOSTS — Please register if you can help.

THANK YOU!

Volunteers Needed

SLO County 4-H YDP Management Board

We are currently recruiting for two positions on the 4-H Youth Development Management Board: Fundraising Director and Section Council Delegate.

The Fundraising Director is responsible for providing leadership to and managing the fundraising efforts of the board on behalf of the 4-H program. The Director also chairs the Fundraising Committee, which is responsible for short and long range goal setting, planning, and program implementation related to fundraising.

The Section Council Delegate represents San Luis Obispo County on the South Sectional 4-H Leaders’ Council and serves as the link between the council and the SLO County 4-H YDP Management Board. The Leaders’ Council meets four times a year and assists in coordinating Sectional events that are leader planned; such as TIC, Field Days and the State Leaders’ Forum.

If you would be interested in applying for one of these positions or if you have any questions, we hope to hear from you soon! Please call the 4-H office at 781-5943
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4-H YDP Makes Appearance at Children’s Day in the Plaza

Our 4-H county program was well represented at the San Luis Obispo Children’s Day in the Plaza on Saturday, April 10. It was a perfect visibility opportunity for 4-H. We had an informational display board and pamphlets for people to take. The children were able to decorate clover shaped cookies, most of which were baked and donated by these 4-H Clubs: Cambria, Cerro Alto, County Line and Ranchita Canyon. THANK YOU 4-H MEMBERS FOR ALL OF THE COOKIES THAT YOU MADE! Many SET (Science, Engineering, and Technology program) activities were also presented. The bridge building experiment that used gumdrops and toothpicks was quite popular. Kids built the bridges and tested them to see how much weight the bridges could support. At the SLO Scientists part of the booth, the kids were able to perform wheat grinding, chemical reactions in a bottle, and watched watershed demonstrations. There was a helpful crew of 4-H volunteer leaders and members manning the booths and educating families about the county’s 4-H Youth Development Program. County Visibility Director: Evelyn Ruscki; SLO Scientist Facilitators: Gary Corsiglia and Julie Fallon; and Science & Technology Key Leader: Brian Aunger were running the booth with useful assistance from Allison Hines from Creston 4-H and Morgan and Jordan Johnson from Pozo 4-H as well as two of the County All Stars, Anthony and Alexis Aguirre. There was a lot of activity at the 4-H booth throughout the day. Children’s Day in the Plaza is an effective venue for 4-H to reach out to the public.

For more information from the STATE 4-H OFFICE, visit http://ca4h.org/4hresource/updates/
## SLO County 4-H Youth Development Program Calendar 2010

### MAY 2010
- **7** Pre-Register Deadline for Horse Mounted Lvl Test
- **11** RSVP Deadline for Master Level Testing Event
- **14** Primary Member Field Day RSVPs Due to 4-H Ofc
- **15** **Master Level Testing Event**, 2:00p.m.-5:00 p.m. UCCE Auditorium, SLO
- **16** Horse Mounted Level Testing, Wranglerette Arena
- **21** **All 4-H Club Field Day Forms & Chicken-Q Monies DUE from Community Club Leaders**
- **22** Primary Members Field Day, UCCE Auditorium, SLO
- **29** **STATE 4-H FIELD DAY,** UC DAVIS
- **30** Walter Christensen Scholarship Application DUE
- **31** Statewide Advisory Committee Apps Due

### JUNE 2010
- **1** Silent Auction Baskets DUE to 4-H Office
- **12** 4-H Field Day/ Chicken-Q Paso Robles Event Ctr
- **25-29** California Citizenship Focus, Sacramento, CA

### JULY 2010
- **9** 2010-11 Re-enrollment Forms Due to 4-H Ofc
- **14 - 8/1** CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR
- **14 - 18** SANTA BARBARA COUNTY FAIR
- **21 - 8/1** MID-STATE FAIR
- **29 - 8/1** State 4-H Leadership Conference, UC Davis

### AUGUST 2010
- **6** Record Books Due at the 4-H office
- **11** Record Book JUDGES TRAINING, UCCE Auditorium, SLO 6:30 Dinner, 7 pm Training Starts
- **14** RECORD BOOK JUDGING DAY

### OCTOBER 2010
- **2** SLO County’s 4-H ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT 7 pm, SLO Vet’s Hall 801 Grand Ave., SLO
- **17** Officer & J r./Teen Leader Training Workshop SLO Vet’s Hall 801 Grand Ave., SLO