A Night Among the Stars

Saturday, September 17th was the San Luis Obispo County 4-H Achievement Night. The 04-05 All Stars rolled out the red carpet and decorated the Vet’s Hall very tastefully with simple stars, balloons and just enough background to make one feel like they might be at the actual Oscars.

Memorable moments during the grand affair: the standing ovation from the 4-H leaders, members and their families for Silver Streak representatives, Elmer Meier (left in photo) and Catherine Oster (middle in photo) as Oni Ludwig, All Star (right in photo) presented them with the Friends of 4-H Award. (Silver Streaks is a senior program that provides services to non-profit organizations, they have been processing the News & Views for the past 4 years.)

Four young ladies (Katie Tierney, Cortney Tierney, Maria Saucedo, & Oni Ludwig) were presented the President’s Volunteer Service Award gold medal. They each put in over 250 hours of community service.

Forty years of service! Madalene Farris was presented with a framed certificate, a 40 year service pin and a gift. However, the gift that Madalene really treasured was letter from one of her past project members which was read to the audience at Achievement Night. The writer expressed their appreciation for the 4-H program and that Madalene made her 4-H experience memorable and that she is passing on the life skills she learned from Madalene on to her children.

Of course, the giggle moment, when little Sarah Stahl, County Line continued on page 4

Santa Margarita 4-H Oak Trail Project

Santa Margarita 4-H Oak Trail Project members Paul McKinney, Amanda Clark, Katy Forte and Joe Forte along with project leader Bev Gingg and project assistant Alisa Runstrom, met at Santa Margarita Ranch trail site on August 17, 2005, to plan oak educational activities for the Santa Margarita School students who will be involved in pilot testing “Learning Among the Oaks” program later this fall. Paul, Amanda, Katy and Joe are all students at Atascadero High School and longtime 4-H members. The program will provide unique field learning experiences designed to promote understanding of not only oak woodland biology and ecology but also cattle continued on page 5
Pass It On…

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

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.

National 4-H Week is October 2—8, 2005.  The theme, Make a 4-H Connection, all media and marketing communications resources specifically for National 4-H Week are available now.  Go to www.4husa.org for materials and ideas on the 4-H Media and Marketing Communications Resources page.

Young Achiever Display!  October 3—7, 2005.  Look up the SLO Co. 4-H Young Achievers at the New Government Center on Monterey Street (next to the Freemont Theatre) in San Luis Obispo!

Livestock Leaders & Educators Symposium, Saturday, October 29, 2005, at the San Joaquine Fair, 1658 S. Airport Way, Stockton.  Registration begins: 8:00 a.m. and program begins: 9:00 a.m.  Admission for Adults—$30.00 and Youth $10.00.  Handouts only provided if you register by October 23rd.  For registration or more info call: (209) 466-5041; email: fun@sanjoaquinfair.com; or website: www.sanjoaquinfair.com.

Wanted!  2005 Achievement Night Video.  If anyone has videod all or part of Achievement Night, of special interest is the intro of the All Stars walking down the aisle, please call the 4-H Office, 781-5943.

Cavies Project.  Contact Ruth Metzler, Cavy Project Leader for Los Amigos 4-H in Orcutt (Santa Barbara County), if you are interested in starting a Cavy Project.  Call 938-5738, email ruth@californiacavys.com, or website http://www.californiacavys.com/4hcavies.html.

2006 SLO Co. 4-H Presentation Day!  For those of you who keep track of County 4-H events, please update your calendars.  2006 Presentation Day will be on Saturday, February 11, 2006 and tentatively schedule to be held at Cal Poly.  More info in future News & Views.

Thank YOU!  For all of your efforts on Saturday, September 17th.  Coastal Cleanup Day was a success.  About 4,000 pounds of trash was collected from the SLO County beaches.  In all, the total of found trash and recyclables were down by one-third, compared to last year’s clean totals.  Great work and THANKS for your help!  Miranda, SLO County Coastal Cleanup Day Coordinator.

No computer?  Call the 4-H Office, 781-5943, for assistance.
~ RABBIT ROMP ~
Saturday, October 15, 2005
Del Mar Elementary School
Sign up — 9:15 a.m.
Event — 9:45 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

How do I do showmanship?
What breed of rabbit should I buy?
How do I take care of my rabbit?

These questions and more will be answered at this first annual day of fun and information all about rabbits. There will be samples from Templeton Feed, a raffle, a knowledge contest, and a rabbit flea market for those interested in buying or selling used equipment for rabbits. A pizza lunch will be available for $5.00, otherwise this event is FREE!

This event is sponsored by The Garden Gallery of Morro Bay and Estero/Morro Bay 4-H. If you would like to be listed on a Rabbit Breeders List, would like to help, or want more information, please contact Catherine Baynham at 772-8852 or raybay@slonet.org.

Directions to Del Mar Elementary School:
Highway One to north Morro Bay. Turn uphill at the San Jacinto stoplight. Make an immediate left onto Main Street. Go 1 block and make a right on Sequoia Street. Del Mar Elementary will be on your left.

LEADER APPRECIATION & TRAINING DAY
Saturday, November 12, 2005
Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo
Registration: 8:30 a.m. — 9:00 a.m.

PROJECT LEADERS DON’T MISS OUT!

Schedule:
9:00 a.m.
Opening Ceremony
Special Motivational Speaker
Ron Hamilton from Tuolumne County
10:30 a.m.
Ethics Session
11:30 — 12:15 p.m.
Free Lunch
12:30 — 2:15 p.m.
Rotating Sessions:
Home Economics Projects
Small Animal Science
Large Animal Science
Community Club Leader
2:30 p.m.
Closing Appreciation Ceremony

RSVP by November 1, 2005!
To RSVP or for more info call, 4-H Office, 781 — 5943 or Evelyn Rockwell, Adult Leadership Key Leader, 466-4383.
Call Now and Save the Date!

More information will be sent to Community Club Leaders only. No registration forms will be mailed out, RSVP by phone or email (jgarcia@co.slo.ca.us).
A Night Among the County Winner Stars

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was presented, “We have a little lost sheep.” Sarah was overlooked and yet, bravely took the stage —by herself—to accept her sheep medal.

Now, presenting… “The County Winner is...”

Bicycles

WES MCALAINE, Cambria

Beef—Breeding

EMILY ZIMMERMAN, Huasna Valley

Beef—Market

ASHLEY JUDGE, Edna

Camping & Outdoor Adventure

TYLER FIELDING, Cerro Alto

Clothing & Textiles

AMANDA SOUCHEK, El Camino

Communications

AARON ZIMMERMAN, Huasna Valley

Dog Care & Training

TANYA CARTER, Adobe Nipomo

Field Crops & Management

MICHAEL EVANS, Cambria

Foods—Nutrition

ELIZABETH TOMPKINS, El Camino

Food Preservation

SANTINA OLNEY, Nipomo

Gardening

BRENT EDELMAN, El Paso de Robles (pictured at left)

Goat—Dairy

KATIE TIERNEY, Cerro Alto

Guide Dogs

RACHEL DEWAR, Huasna Valley

Horse & Pony

SIERRA PHILLIPS, Edna

Junior Leadership

KATY FORTE,
Santa Margarita

Teen Leadership

JENIECE COOPER,
Cerro Alto

Leadership Development

CORTNEY TIERNEY, Cerro Alto

Llamas

AUSTIN RYAN, Nipomo Foothill

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Community Service

DANIELLE AMES, Cerro Alto

Creative Arts & Crafts

LAUREN JONES, Adobe Nipomo

Cultural Arts

KATY TEIXEIRA, Adobe Nipomo

Dairy Cattle

JULIA SMALL, Nipomo

Pets & Small Animals

JOLENE KEYSER, Estero/Morro Bay

Poultry & Game Birds

ALEC MORRISON, Los Alegres

Quilting

ERIN MILLER, Cerro Alto

Rabbits

REEANNA MARTINEZ, Cerro Alto

Sheep—Breeding

ONI LUDWIG, Cerro Alto

Sheep—Market

KEELY OSWALD, El Camino

Shooting Sports

SETH HALL, Cerro Alto

Swine—Market

KIEFER SCROGGINS, Cerro Alto

Welding

ALEXIS LEAGE, Edna

CONGRATULATIONS!
The SLO County 4-H YD Program Management Board decided to revamp the Senior All Star program. Thus creating the Ambassador program. The SLO Co. 4-H Ambassadors will be coordinating public relations activities for the SLO Co. 4-H Youth Development Program as well as some other projects to benefit the County 4-H program. Their first agenda item was a Harvest Festival booth in Arroyo Grande (September 24 & 25).

Pictured left to right are Ambassadors, Natori Coleman and Oni Ludwig; Ambassador Advisor, Karen Ludwig; and Ambassadors Lisa Roden and Maria Saucedo. They are looking forward to spreading the Power of 4-H YOUth!
Wanted! Field Day Event Chair!

The San Luis Obispo County 4-H Field Day is our biggest event for our County 4-H members. In order for this event to be successful, an Event Chair is urgently needed, so that planning for the 2006 SLO Co. 4-H Field Day can begin. Event planning experience is helpful but not required. If you are interested or want more information, please contact the 4-H Office, 781 – 5943 or email jgarcia@co.slo.ca.us.

Attention Community Club Leaders:

We know that many of our clubs have already responded to the need created by Hurricane Katrina, and that there are many, many ways to help. However, we received the following information in the 4-H office and want to pass it along:

The Glenn County 4-H Teen Council has challenged all of the 4-H Clubs in the State of California to donate $100.00 to the Hurricane Katrina 4-H Relief Fund for the 4-H Foundations in Mississippi and Louisiana. All the money raised will be split equally between these two 4-H programs and used to assist 4-H members and their families, as well as the 4-H staff.

Each week the money collected during that week will go to the two foundations. Along with the checks, a list of the clubs who have donated, as well as their addresses, will be sent so that they can be recognized for their contribution. Donations should be made payable to: “Glenn County 4-H Council”, with the notation “Hurricane Relief Fund” and mailed to: Glenn County 4-H Council, c/o University of California Cooperative Extension, P.O. Box 697, Orland, CA 95963. Donations will be accepted through October 28, 2005, with the total to be announced on National Make a Difference Day, October 29, 2005.

Photographer Needed

Karen McLain, of Karen McLain Photography, has given a great deal of her time and talents to the 4-H Youth Development Program through our Young Achievers Program. For seven years she has created beautiful storyboards for our Young Achievers, which are displayed in our county libraries, and the New County Government Center during National 4-H Week, October 2-8, 2005. However, Karen has decided she will no longer participate in the program. Therefore, if you know, or are aware of a photographer who may be interested, please call the 4-H office at 781-5943 for more info.

Animal Project Scholarship

The dentist office of Steven Flood, D.D.S., has generously donated $336.00 to the 4-H Youth Development Program, with a request that it go toward the purchase of an animal and/or supplies. Therefore, this scholarship is available to any 4-H member who is currently in or plans to register for an animal project. You can apply for the scholarship by sending a one-page letter to the 4-H office describing your project and the reason for your request. The deadline for submitting an application is Friday, October 21, 2005. If you have any questions, please call Cindy Hansen, 4-H Program Representative at the 4-H office, 781-5943.

‘Make a Difference’ Day

Saturday, Oct. 22, 2005

Breakfast Kick-off 8:30 a.m. - SLO Veterans’ Hall
Community Projects: 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

As a national day of service, people across the United States volunteer for a day on projects in their communities. The Cal Poly Community Center and United Way are organizing projects and looking for volunteers to join the effort. Breakfast and lunch are provided for volunteers. For more info, or to sign up for Make a Difference Day, contact Harmony Quismundo-Newman at 756-5120 or e-mail hquismun@calpoly.edu.
SLO County 4-H Program Development Board

Adult Volunteer Positions Open

There are two challenging positions open to adult volunteers. Positions are usually a two year term that takes about 4 to 6 hours a month and attend four Program Development Board meetings during the program year. Positions open are:

Large Animal Science Key Leader. Experience in a large animal project (beef, sheep, swine, goats, or horses) is encouraged. This position is responsible for the development and delivery of large animal science programs to 4-H members and adult volunteer leaders in the large animal science area (beef, sheep, swine, goats, horses). Also, responsible for the functions of the Large Animal Science Program Development Committee and works with the chairperson(s) of events and/or activities and their committees that involve the large animal science area (SLO Co. 4-H Field Day, Food & Arts Celebration, Livestock Judging, workshops, etc.). In addition, this position will function as a critical link between the Large Animal Science Program Development Committee and the 4-H Program Representative and 4-H Youth Development Advisor.

Youth Leadership Key Leader. Overall responsibility for the development and delivery of programs to 4-H members in the youth leadership area. Responsible for the function of the Youth Leadership Program Development Committee and for working with the chairpersons of event/activity committees in the youth leadership area (club officer training, presentation day, jr./teen leader training, etc.). Functions as a critical linkage between youth leadership event/activity committees, Youth Leadership Program Development Committee and 4-H Youth Development Advisor.

If you are interested or have any questions about these positions, please contact the 4-H Office at 781-5943 or email—jgarcia@co.slo.ca.us.

Oak Trail Project

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ranching and land stewardship.

The program has been made possible by a grant to the UC Integrated Hardwood Range Management Program from the California Wildlife Conservation board and the support and cooperation of Santa Margarita Ranch owners. Other collaborators include the University of California Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development Program, Santa Margarita School, the Land Conservancy of SLO County and the SLO County Farm Bureau’s Agricultural Education Committee.

Horse Project Meeting

& Horse Field Day Meeting
Tuesday, November 8, 2005
6:30 to 7:30 pm
UCCE Auditorium, SLO (4-H Office)

All Horse Project Leaders, parents, project members and interested friends are encouraged to attend! Your participation will determine the success of the SLO County 4-H Horse Project. Topics to be discussed: What is the California 4-H Horse Classic? How does my child/project member qualify to attend Horse Classic? What 4-H horse events can my project members compete in? Horse level testing, project meeting ideas, safety planning and SLO County Horse Handbook discussion and distribution. This meeting will serve to guide the Horse Project activities for the year! Horse Field Day needs motivated individuals to chair, plan, organize, and make this event happen! For information, questions or suggestions, please call Karen Flemion, Horse Project Leader at 927-0280 or 909-8230.
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