4-H Donation Campaign

The 4-H Youth Development Program in San Luis Obispo County is challenging 5,000 Central Coast Residents to donate $5.00 each during our 5-for-5 campaign the first week of May. Help 4-H in SLO County provide educational programs that promote Leadership, Science Engineering & Technology, Citizenship, Healthy Living and essential life skills to ensure our local youth thrive!

When
Donate during the first week in May
May 1st-7th, 2016

How
You can donate in any of these five ways:

1. Any Heritage Oaks Bank Location
2. Any Farm Supply Location
3. PayPal (www.ucanr.edu/sites/slo4-h/5for5/)
4. In-Person &
5. Mail (2156 Sierra Way, Suite C, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401)

Learn more at ucanr.edu/sites/slo4-h/5for5/
National & State 4-H News
For more information from the STATE 4-H OFFICE, visit http://www.4h.ucanr.edu

SOUTH SECTIONAL NEWS: Go to link for exciting activities http://4h.ucanr.edu/Get_Involved/Councils/Sectional/South/

4-H Curricula: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Curriculum/

4-H Project Sheets: http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Project_Sheets/

The STATE 4-H Updates E-Newsletter is posted on the public website at: http://4h.ucanr.edu/News/Newsletter

- 4-H ANIMAL SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM: May 23-25, 2016 and it will take place at the UC Davis, School of Veterinary Medicine. The symposium is a Train-the-Trainer Professional Development approach for 4-H Staff, Key 4-H Volunteers on important topics and skills related to animal welfare and animal health. The event will provide foundational training on the new Animal Welfare Proficiencies. The Symposium is NOT OPEN to 4-H youth members, but a CAREER FAIR will take place during the evening of May 23rd. 4-H Youth are invited to attend to learn about potential careers in the animal science and Ag Industries. For more information visit: http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/Symposium/

- STATE LEADERS FORUM will be held November 11-13, 2016 at the Flamingo Hotel in Santa Rosa in Sonoma County for Information visit http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SLF/ Registration Opens on April 1st.

- Planning a Service Learning Project in your Community? Use the Service Learning Toolkit to help you plan your project. http://4h.ucanr.edu/Projects/Citizenship/service_learning/Toolkit/

- CA FOCUS June 17-21, 2016 — Sacramento Participants make new friends from across CA while they experience California’s government in action by participating in the legislative, political, and judicial processes. For more information about this exciting Citizenship Opportunity please visit: http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/CF/

DEADLINE is MAY 2nd to Register!

The State 4-H Office would like to see a Representative from each county at CA Focus! Will it be you?
Do you consider yourself as a Leader?
Do you like the Spotlight?
Do you want to become a SLO County 4-H ALL STAR?
We are REACHING OUT FOR 2016-2017 4-H ALL STARS!

The All Star Rank is the highest rank which a 4-H member may attain at the County level.

Being a San Luis Obispo County 4-H All Star provides an opportunity for high school members to receive recognition for outstanding service. The All Stars serve as Ambassadors for the San Luis Obispo County 4-H Youth Development Program; they represent 4-H at County, Sectional, and State activities; they coordinate certain county-wide activities; and they serve as positive role models for our 4-H youth!

To be eligible for the County All Star rank, a 4-H member must:
- be 14 years of age or older by January 1, 2016
- been a participant in 4-H for 3 years or more
- have attained a Gold Star rank by 4/15/16
- 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 online at http://ucanr.edu/sites/slo4-h/Club_Forms/ or from the 4-H office, call 781-5943

DUE DATE: Friday, May 20th, 2016

CONGRATULATIONS to
OLIVIA SNODGRASS our 4-H County All Star has been selected as a CA 4-H STATE AMBASSADOR for the 2016-2017 4-H Year!

Hello, San Luis Obispo County 4-H members! I have been a member of the Huasna Valley 4-H club in San Luis Obispo County for ten years. Through 4-H, I have served as a junior and teen leader, raised swine and poultry for the county fair, and recently achieved my Platinum and Emerald Stars. In past years, I have served as my club’s reporter, secretary, treasurer, and president. In the 2015-16 year, I also had the opportunity to contribute to my county 4-H program as a San Luis Obispo County All Star. My experiences in the 4-H program have truly helped me grow in confidence, public speaking ability, and leadership skills. I appreciate the support and encouragement from the adult leaders at the 4-H office, as well as, 4-H members across the county.

I’m looking forward to the opportunity to represent 4-H as CA State Ambassador in the year ahead!

Sincerely, Olivia Snodgrass

The California 4-H State Ambassador position is one of the highest service opportunities and recognition attainable in the University of California 4-H Youth Development Program.
2016 4-H Field Day
Saturday, June 4th, 2016
Paso Robles Event Center
Countywide Community Service Project
"BAGS, BOOKS & BEARS"

You can receive Community Service credit by helping out with our "Bags, Books and Bears" Activity.

**ACTIVITY:**
- Bring a small children’s book and/or a small stuffed bear/animal to 4-H Field Day to the Community Service Donation Station outside of the east side of Estrella Hall at the Paso Robles Event Center.
- After you complete your Large or Small Animal Showmanship or during the Still Exhibits Judging Period, you can come to this area and decorate a canvas bag with artwork of your choice, then;
- Stuff the decorated canvas bag (sized at 8” x 9”) with a donated book and small stuffed bear/animal.

Your decorated “Bags, Books and Bears” will be donated to the Maxine Lewis Shelter in San Luis Obispo and to the HEAD START & EARLY HEAD START Program.

If you have any questions, please contact the 4-H Office at (805) 781-5943.
Cal Poly Electrical Engineering Camp 2016
June 13th - June 17th

Who: Students in Middle school or High school who are interested in learning more about electrical engineering and Cal Poly.

What: A weeklong day camp that involves electrical engineering projects, campus tours, and fun activities!

When: June 13th - June 17th 2016 from 9am - 4pm each day

Where: Cal Poly Electrical Engineering department (building 20A)

Why: Gets students excited about learning and engineering principles. Students can also make friends with other students of similar interests.

Price: Registration costs $250. This includes engineering projects, recreational activities, and the use of Cal Poly facilities and equipment.

*You can visit the Cal Poly EE website for more information

Register Here! ↓
https://calpoly.irisregistration.com/Site/ee-summer-camp-2016
4-H SLO Scientist Activities at Children’s Day in the Plaza!

Although the forecast called for much-needed spring rains on Saturday, April 9th, lovely weather prevailed and the 38th Annual Children’s Day in the Plaza was held in San Luis Obispo’s Mission Plaza without a hitch! Themed “Passport to the Arts,” this popular outdoor event featured science activities, dancing, singing, painting, musical instruments, community resources, food and more...all geared toward children and families.

Our 4-H All Stars and 4-H volunteers were quite busy at our 4-H booth throughout this exciting day assisting children with a selection of fun and educational hands-on SLO Scientist activities related to soil science, chemistry and local watershed explorations, which are all provided as part of our 4-H SLO Scientist program.

Many, many thanks go to 4-H All Stars Gudrun Derickson, Amanda Weddle and Mark Luna as well as 4-H volunteers David Aguirre and Dave Dauer for their wonderful efforts in assisting with our hands-on science activities throughout the event. Dagmar Derickson, 4-H Program Lead, provided pertinent information about our San Luis Obispo County to many interested parents and families throughout the day.
Shooting Sports Project Leader Course

What: Rifle Discipline
When: Saturday, May 14, 2016 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
      Sunday, May 15, 2016 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

WHERE: San Luis Obispo Sportsmen Association's Houge Range.
       3272 Gilardi Rd, San Luis Obispo, CA 93405
       Only 14 spots are available for the training.<-

Participants must attend both days of training to receive Certification.
Upon successful completion of the course, the participant will be certified as a Rifle Trainer and can lead a Rifle Project at the Club level or serve as County Trainer to certify other leaders. Teen leaders are invited but must attend with an adult.

To qualify for this training, you must have completed the following items:
• Enroll in https://ca.4honline.com in your resident county as an Adult Volunteer
• Complete the DOJ LiveScan process in your resident county, and
• Complete the Volunteer Orientation post-test

If you are already enrolled as a 4-H Adult Volunteer, you do not need to complete the above steps.

Lunch will also be provided both days.

Participants are encouraged to bring their own eye and ear protection if desired, but it is not necessary. Please bring your completed medical release form with you on the first morning of class.

Registration Link: http://ucanr.edu/survey/survey.cfm?surveynumber=17502

For questions about the course, contact Jack Crane at (805) 458-4223 or Jack@accuair.com
On Saturday, April 16th the Cerro Alto 4-H Dog Project attended the Canyon Country Dog Show held at Santa Rosa Park in San Luis Obispo. The event started at 8 am with 4-H'ers from other groups showing up in their white uniforms and signing in for the Show. Overall, about 30 members showed up and had a fun time showing their dogs. It was a wonderful day and everyone had a fun time.

In the first picture on right, Peyton and her dog Astro are doing the figure 8 in Obedience. In the first picture on bottom, Katie and her dog Ace placed 3rd in the Obedience class. In the second picture on bottom, Weston and his dog Riley just finished Showmanship. In the last picture on bottom, Celtin and his dog Addie, Addie and her dog Marley, and Elsie and her dog Chloe are waiting to hear their scores for Obedience.

Submitted by: Sara Seay
4-H SLO Scientists Tour the SciTechatorium!

As an enhancement to their 4-H SLO Scientist programs, the San Luis Obispo “Robotics” group, led by co-facilitators Aaron York and Julie Fallon, and the Santa Margarita “Imagineering” SLO Scientist families, led by SLO Scientist facilitator, John McCabe, had two unique opportunities this spring to tour the interactive children’s science museum, the SciTechatorium, located at the Bellevue-Santa Fe Charter School near Avila Beach.

The museum’s director and science teacher, Christian Strauli, gave fascinating presentations to the SLO Scientist groups. Student docents from the school were on hand to offer educational demonstrations and answer questions about the various exhibits. At the SciTechatorium, 4-H SLO Scientist members and families enthusiastically participated in a wide array of hands-on science exhibits and activities including the fields of electricity, space science, physics and chemistry and geological wonders with an emphasis to encourage and strengthen science exploration and investigation.

Many thanks to Kate York for arranging this terrific opportunity to tour the museum and Christian Strauli and the student docents at Bellevue-Santa Fe School who made the visit an amazing learning experience for our 4-H SLO Scientists in the fields of science and technology!
Several 4-Hers enjoyed a 4-H Y.E.S. (Youth Experience Session) Event "Birding with Audubon at Learning Among the Oaks" on Saturday, April 16. Audubon Birding Educators, Land Conservancy Docents and youth “Oak Ambassadors” led this exciting, interactive springtime nature hike in Santa Margarita. A shuttle and binoculars were provided by Audubon. Cornell Lab of Ornithology provided additional funding.

Birds sightings included Tree Swallows, Acorn Woodpeckers, Yellow-billed Magpie, Oak Titmouse and a Lark Sparrow. Butterflies fluttering about included Western Tiger Swallowtail, California Ringlet and Variable Checkerspot.

Enjoy venturing into oak woodlands to watch and listen to birds and other wildlife? With amazing partners like Learning Among the Oaks and Audubon, we hope to offer this as a special 4-H Y.E.S. Event in years to come! Keep an eye on the calendar for next spring.

For a variety of monthly hiking opportunities available to 4-Hers and friends, visit 4-H SLO Hikers at http://cesanluisobispo.ucanr.edu/YouthFamilyCommunities/4-H_SLO_Hikers/Upcoming_Hikes/
Cal Poly Hosts the Cerro Alto Rabbit Show

The Cerro Alto Rabbit Project was held at the Cal Poly Farm Shop on Saturday, April 2, 2016.

The show was ARBA sanctioned and a double youth rabbit show. It was sponsored by the Central Valley Rabbit Breeders Association.

4-H rabbit project groups throughout the Central Coast, participated in the showmanship category. The beauty category was open to all youth with registered rabbits.

Congratulations to Morro Bay 4-H member, Julianna J. Julianna placed 4th in the Showmanship category.

Submitted by Julianna J., Morro Bay 4-H Reporter

Morro Bay 4-H to hold Farm Olympics

Members of Morro Bay 4-H have been planning what promises to be a Fun filled day for family and friends, at the Morro Bay 4-H Farm. There will be a variety of games, a community service project, and a judging event.

Participants will also enjoy a pulled-pork lunch. Please come join the fun!

The event will run from 12:00-4:00pm on May 15, 2016. The farm is located on Chorro Creek Road, off of Highway I, in Morro Bay. For more information contact Tammy Haas@morrobay4hclub@yahoo.com

Morro Bay 4-H Annual Bowling Party Held at Cal Poly

The Morro Bay 4-H Club held its annual bowling party on March 13, 2016. It was held at the Mustang Bowling Alley on the Cal Poly campus. Members and their families enjoyed pizza after a fun time competing in bowling.
Estrella 4-H Easter Party

Every year Estrella 4-H gives three parties for the residents of Vineyard Health Center: Halloween, Christmas and Easter. On March 19, Estrella 4-H threw an Easter Party for them. We passed out treats and drinks. We wanted to let them know we all love them. Many were unable to attend the party so we went around to all the rooms to wish them a happy Easter. The rest of us stayed at the party and made new friends.

Submitted by MaKayla McD., Estrella 4H Club Reporter
Breakfast Burritos for The Prado Day Center!

On March 22nd under the project leader Jen M., members of the Canyon Country 4-H had a blast assembling 132 breakfast burritos to help those that are homeless in San Luis Obispo County. Hundreds of people are homeless and many of the homeless participants at the Prado Day Center are women and children. The center is open from 8:30am to 4:30pm everyday of the year and provides a safe haven for those in need along with other services that they may be in need of. Submitted by: Tatiann G.

Canyon Country Food and Nutrition Group made over 125 delicious breakfast burritos at their March monthly meeting for the Prado Day Center in SLO. The breakfast burritos were made from donations from the members and delivered by our leader, Jen and her daughters Alex and Sydney.
EL CAMINO 4-H: The Pig Group went to level testing and shared with the group the difference between each ear tag, each breed, and vaccination.
Submitted by: Gina M.

Member Aaliyah A. from El Camino 4-H Rabbit group went on April 2, 2016 to the Cerro Alto Rabbit Show. She showed her Jersey Wooley doe and Jersey Wooley buck.

She received 1st place for each in Best of Breed. She also received 1st place for Best of Opposite.

GOOD JOB Aaliyah!

Submitted by: Gina M.
Sectional Presentation Day -

On February 26th, we had five members from **Nipomo 4-H** give presentations at the Sectional Presentation Day, held in Los Alamos. Ashley R, Leila M., Emma C., Maycee M., and Fiona S. all received Gold and will be going on to the State Presentation Day at U.C. Davis on May 28, 2016.

We all had a lot of fun and are excited to be going to the State competition.

*Submitted by Emma C. and Leila M.*

Thank you to Gerrie at Whole Foods in SLO for a wonderful tour of our local store.

**Canyon Country Food and Nutrition Group** enjoyed learning about products being certified organic, made fresh peanut butter from peanuts and of course enjoyed some yummy snacks.
4hOnline Enrollment is Year-Round — Contact a 4-H Community Club Leader

SLO County 4-H Youth Development Program Calendar 2016

COUNTY 4-H WEBSITE URL: http://ucanr.edu/slo4h/

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