



4-H Memos



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2002 NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

4-H programs began in response to young people and their need for a better agricultural education. In 1902, a large percent of Americans lived on farms. The community club model engaged youth through "learning by doing." Organized outside of school, parents served as volunteer leaders partnering with educators to provide appropriate curriculum and materials. No one individual is credited with originating the 4-H program, rather it was founded through collective efforts over the course of a few years. However, it was in 1902, that A.B. Graham, Superintendent of Schools in Clark County, Ohio, organized a boys' and girls' agriculture club. In 1907, the first boys' and girls' demonstration clubs under USDA sponsorship were begun in Holmes County, Mississippi.

In 1907 or 1908, the first emblem was used nationally, designed by O.H. Benson. It was the three leaf clover representing head, heart, and hands. In 1911, Benson suggested a fourth leaf and H be added. Originally, the fourth H was to stand for hustle, but it was later changed to health.

By 1912, 96,000 youth were enrolled in 4-H club work and in 1914, the passage of the Smith-Lever Act established the Cooperative Extension Service of which 4-H is a part. In 1918, the first use of the term "4-H Club" appeared in a federal document.

Today 6.8 million youth, ages 5 to 19, are involved in 4-H. There are an estimated 60 million 4-H alumni. 4-H programs exist in all 3,150 counties, U.S. territories, and the District of Columbia. Nearly 35 percent of 4-H participants live in urban communities and about 30 percent represent minority, racial, cultural, and ethnic populations. As in 1902, 4-Hers today are involved in experiential learning in projects that are important and of interest to them. Today's project areas range from aerospace to zoology.

The San Diego County 4-H Program boasts 35 Clubs, 1,888 youth and 391 leaders in 2001-02.

San Diego 4-H Leaders' Council To Hold Youth Expo in Balboa Park

4-H The Power of YOUTH



It is with great pride that the San Diego County 4-H Leaders' Council announces the 100th Anniversary of 4-H. As part of our yearlong celebration, San Diego County Leaders' Council is sponsoring a Youth Expo in Balboa Park at the Organ Pavilion on Saturday, October 26 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Local youth organizations such as Girl Scouts, the YMCA and youth sports organizations have been invited to join the 4-H program in this exciting event. One of the major purposes of the Expo is to offer the San Diego community the opportunity to learn about the many youth organizations that are making a difference in the lives of young people today. This is an opportunity to showcase 4-H while celebrating this centennial birthday.

The Council is asking all Clubs for their participation in sponsoring a booth, with the goal being to have a well-rounded representation of different Club activities. Your Club can sponsor one booth as a Club event, or more than one project in your Club can sponsor individual booths. If you or your club is interested in participating in this event, please contact Paulette Sauln at 619-464-4394 or Debbie McAdams at 619-669-1954 for more information.

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4-H, FFA, Grange & Independent Exhibitor Info

To maintain the fine statewide cooperation that now exists between Cooperative Extension, high school vocational agriculture departments, the California State Grange, and the California Department of Food and Agriculture's Division of Fairs and Expositions, it is essential that all staff members, leaders, and advisors in these organizations be informed of the joint policy governing projects and enrollment of youth who participate in fairs and exhibitions as members of the 4-H, FFA, Grange or as independent exhibitors. We hope that all leaders, staff, teachers/advisors, fair and exposition officials, and members/exhibitors will observe these policies so that the best interests of all organizations and the member/exhibitors is served educationally.

None of the organizations, publicly or privately, have the right to determine the extent to which a member can participate in projects in either organization providing the minimum requirements are met for supervised project work. The member and parents should determine what projects should be undertaken in each organization or independently. Neither the agricultural instructor, the 4-H leader, or the Grange leader should discourage the member from following the choice agreed upon by the member and parents.

It is agreed that when an individual belongs to more than one organization, or exhibits as an independent, he/she must carry a different project in each organization/independent. To further clarify this policy, when a member maintains projects in 4-H, FFA, Grange or as an independent; the projects may not be in the same kind of livestock or crop. For example, an FFA beef project in vocational agriculture and a sheep project in 4-H would be acceptable; but a beef breeding project in FFA and a beef market project in 4-H would not be acceptable -- even if the animals were of different breeds. Beef, dairy cattle, and veal projects are recognized by the San Diego County 4-H Office as different projects. A member of an FFA chapter, Grange, or 4-H unit (club, group, etc.), or independent exhibitor may transfer projects from one organization/independent to another only once during a calendar year.

To be able to show a project at an endorsed fair and exposition or other sponsored event, it must be owned and supervised according to the following requirements:

Poultry - must be owned for not less than 30 days and be enrolled in the project for not less than 60 days.

Rabbits - must be owned for not less than 30 days and enrolled in the project for not less than 60 days.

All Feeder and Breeding Animals (except rabbits and poultry) - must be owned and supervised for not less than 60 days.

Market sheep, swine, veal and goats - must be owned and supervised for not less than 60 days.

Market beef - must be owned and supervised for not less than 120 days.

Horses - must be owned/leased and supervised for not less than 120 days.

We are in general agreement that members are expected to care for, prepare for show, and exhibit their own animals while at the fair or livestock show. However because of the educational nature of livestock shows it is appropriate on occasion for parents, leaders, or other youth eligible to exhibit at that show to provide assistance. Assistance should always be given only when the exhibitor is present and actively engaged.

We are opposed to inter-organization competition. We agree that separate classes for 4-H, FFA, Grange, and independents should be maintained and strengthened. However, we recognize that in some circumstances combined classes may be appropriate. When combined classes are established, that decision should be reached with input and agreement by 4-H, FFA, Grange and independent representatives participating in the affected show.

This was entered into by 4-H, FFA, Grange and the California Department of Food and Agriculture, Division of Fairs and Expositions at the end of 1998. Please note that for the purposes of the San Diego County 4-H office "supervision" in the preceding information means:

"A 4-H member in good standing who is officially enrolled with the county 4-H office in the project they are showing under. The 4-H member must fulfill any club or project requirements expected of all club and project members for fair participation."

Please read and understand the fair rules section for every fair you plan on attending to make sure you are in compliance with this policy.

Updates From the State 4-H Office

- ⇒ **Power of YOUTH**
Reemphasize the power of Youth Pledge Campaign by making a special drive in communities to raise the number of pledges and encouraging people who have pledged to complete and post that completion. For more information log on to www.4hcentennial.org/owerofyouth/.
- ⇒ **USDA/CSREES** is seeking 4-H Centennial artwork for use in the 4-H Programs of Excellence 2002 publication. Artwork must be submitted in electronic form by **November 1**. Email Allan Smith at asmith@intranet.reeusda.gov for more information.
- ⇒ Applications for the **2003 National 4-H Conference** being accepted until October 30, 2002. Eight 4-H members, one volunteer leader and one 4-H staff will be selected to represent California in Chevy Chase, Maryland, March 30- April 6, 2003. Information and applications are available on the web at <http://ca4h.org/conference/n4hc/2003/>.
- ⇒ **CAST** launches science and agriculture essay contest for students in grades 6 through 8. The 500 word essays should be submitted online at <http://www.cast-science.org> by November 1, 2002. The national winner, along with his/her parents and a teacher, will receive an expense-paid trip to Washington, DC, March 20-23, 2003, during National Agriculture week. The winner will also receive a \$3,000 savings bond.
- ⇒ **The National Science Foundation** is inviting applications for projects to give middle and high school students and teachers information technology (IT) skills and knowledge. The deadline to submit grants is October 31, 2002. Information is available on the web at : <http://www.nsf.gov/pubsys/ods/getpub.cfm?nsf02147>.
- ⇒ The deadline for the **CFAITC ESSAY CONTEST** is **November 1**. It is open to grades 3 through 8. Download the entry form at: www.cfaitc.org.

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP CAMP

Junior Leadership Camp will be held November 8, 9, and 10, 2002. Delegates are 6th, 7th and 8th graders only. Session leaders are in the 9th grade or above only. Chaperones must be at least 25 years of age and must be approved 4-H leaders.

Costs: \$40.00 Delegates
 \$20.00 Session Leaders
 Free Chaperones

Clubs must turn in delegate applications with chaperone applications together as a group, along with one club check, to be accepted.

All Camp applications/Chaperone applications are due in the 4-H Office no later than October 25 at 5:00 p.m. Call the 4-H Office at 858-694-2861 for applications.

San Diego County 4-H Leaders' Council Budget 2002-2003

(Approved by County Council on 9/9/02)

PHILOSOPHY: Provide broad support for the largest number of 4-Hers for the promotion of leadership and recognition of achievement.

INCOME

Donations	1,000
Fundraiser	30,000
Insurance	7,000
Interest	400
Reduction of surplus	5,686
State Leadership Conference	16,700
County Program Fee	8,500
State Program Fee	7,000

TOTAL PROJECTED INCOME: \$76,286.00



EXPENDITURES

Member and Incentive Awards	4,000
County Events	5,500
Discretionary Fund	4,950
Leadership (Leader and Chaperone Scholarships)	5,500
Insurance	7,000
State Program Fee	7,000
Equipment	500
Fundraisers	18,000
4-H Promotion	2,200
Enrollment Scholarship Fund	500
Starter Fund	200
Regional Leaders' Council	200
State Leadership Conference	20,000
Horse Advisory Committee	492
Small Animal Advisory Committee	244

TOTAL PROJECTED EXPENSES \$76,286.00

For a detailed explanation of the San Diego County 4-H Leaders' Council budget please contact Council Treasurer Drew Middleton at 858-756-2004 or attend the monthly County Council meetings held the first Monday of each month.

September 9, 2002 County Council Meeting Minutes

President Paulette Sauln called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

Secretary's & Treasures Reports were read and were both approved.

Carmen Rodriguez gave report on the Centennial Activities. A brochure has been created. A quote for over 1,000 copies was discussed. Pictures of kids with sponsors are needed. A D.J. was discussed and he is willing to give us a 33% discount. Committee needs to bring a Budget to council to be approved. It was voted however, that we print 1,000 brochures and the D.J. price was not to be more than \$500. The Youth Expo event is to take place on October 26, 2002 at Balboa Park-Organ Pavilion. The event starts at 10 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Clubs will need to help set up at 8:00 a.m. and to breakdown at 3:00 p.m. Drew is to bring 30 tables and 60 chairs. Paulette sent letters to 26 organizations. Individual areas need to take letters to your local communities and distribute them. Small animals will be involved-dogs/rabbits can be brought. Kristina and the Pet Therapy group will also be there. No food booth.

Paulette Sauln gave a report on **Sectional Record Books**. A lot of very impressive books were submitted. We sent 1 rabbit book and 1 horse book. Paulette judged record books for the State.

The 2002-2003 **Calendar** was discussed. Watch your 4-H Memos sent each month for dates.

Drew explained **County Council Budget**. The budget was discussed and approved.

Erica Crippen gave **Teen Council Report**. The new program will include a keynote speaker at each meeting. A letter was read that was written by Katie Neglia regarding the Livestock proposals for next years fair. A **Del Mar Fair Board meeting** is to be held on Sept. 10, 2002 at 1:30-2:00 at the fairgrounds. She let everyone know that we needed to be heard about the rules that were to be changed. Junior Leadership Camp at Camp Featherstone was discussed. Elections of new teen council officers were held.

2002-2003 officers are: Amanda Nelson, President, Michelle Bryne, Vice President, Alicia Hill, Secretary, and Erica Crippen, Treasurer.

Committee Reports:

Horse Advisory: Meeting Sept. 26 at 7 p.m. County Offices

Small Animal: TBA

Dog: No Report

Large Animal: Oct. 7 before council meeting. Call Debbie McAdams

Candy Sales: Next Meeting the candy rep. will attend.

Home Arts Festival: Chair needed for this committee.

Awards and Incentives: Chair was needed. Carmen will chair committee.

Record Books: Finished judging books; it took a lot of time. Volunteers needed to do judging from EVERY club. Need to make changes in the record books. Older kids who have done books need to take an active roll in this committee.

Officer Training Day- October 5 at Village Community Presbyterian Church. Keynote Speaker- David Corbin.

Community Club Leaders need to get list of officers to council ASAP.

Staff Report: Area meeting dates need to be reported to Scott ASAP.

Harvest for Kids-Posters for display of State Leadership and National Conversation- Contact Lynanne.

State Leaders Forum -Asilomar 2002, Nov. 8-10

Each County will have a basket as a fundraiser to be auctioned. Each basket has items known for county. Opportunity drawing.

Jr. Leadership Camp- Chaperones are needed. There will be a limited number of kids who may attend. Every club needs 2 names for 2 chaperones.

Erica is continuing to take donations for the 4-H Pines fire victims. Call Erica at (619) 442-5390. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Next meeting is on Oct. 14 at 6:30 p.m.-County Offices.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Torres, County Council Recording Secretary

SAN DIEGO COUNTY 4-H CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	PHONE or CODE
October 5 6 6-12 7 11 14 15 17 19&26 24 26 30	4-H Club Officer Day San Diego AIDS Walk National 4-H Week Leaders Council Meeting Double-Take Lock In Teen Council State Advisory Meeting National Satellite Conference Creeks, Wetlands Conference National Satellite Conference Youth Expo National 4-H Conference Apps	Village Comm. Presbyterian San Diego 6:30 p.m. 4-H Office Escondido YMCA 6:30 p.m. 4-H Office 4-H Office 1:30-4:00 P.M. Bay Area 4-H Office 1:30-4:00 P.M. Balboa Park 4-H Office	Scott 858-495-5190 619-291-WALK (9255) Gate Code 8341# Debbie 619-669-1954 Gate Code 8341# Martha 510-231-9566 Gate Code 8341# 858-694-2861
November 1 1 2 & 16 4 8-10 8-10 11	Member Enrollment Forms Due CAST Essay due Creeks, Wetlands Conference County Council Meeting Jr. Leadership Camp State Leader Form Teen Council	4-H Office www.ag-communicators.org Bay Area 6:30 p.m. 4-H Office Featherstone Camp Asilomar 6:30 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 8341# Jamie 202-675-8333 x10 Martha 510-231-9566 Gate Code 8341# Drew 858-756-2004 Kent 805-934-1851 Gate Code 8341#
December 2 9	Council Exec Committee Teen Council	6:30 p.m. 4-H Office 6:30 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 8341# Gate Code 8341#
January 6 13	County Council Meeting Teen Council Meeting	6:30 p.m. 4-H Office 6:30 p.m. 4-H Office	Gate Code 8341# Gate Code 8341#

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