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If you have any questions or suggestions about the Clover Notes, please call Roy Hillstock at (626) 586-1972 or email at rhillstock@ucanr.edu. We welcome submissions, especially for Club News. Please submit articles by the 15th of the month to be posted in the following months' edition.

Contact the [Los Angeles 4-H Youth Development Office](#) or (626) 586-1972. For upcoming dates, please visit the [4-H Calendar](#). We look forward to continuing to serve you and your 4-H needs.

POLICY

The University of California 4-H Youth Development Program is open to any and all youth without regard to race, gender, religion or sexual orientation. The Affirmative Action policy outlines and guides our program efforts to be sure the program is open and accessible to all who want to participate. 4-H does not and has never endorsed quotas or programming based on a quota system. However, each club should reflect the community in which it is situated and mirror the families and people who live there. Clubs that do not reflect the community should at least demonstrate *All Reasonable Effort* (ARE) to show earnest and genuine attempts to reach youth and families not reflected in the club. According to the policy, ARE includes:

- Using all appropriate available mass media, including radio, newspaper, and television, to inform potential clientele of the program and of the opportunity to participate.
- Distributing announcements, flyers, and posters, as appropriate.
- Sending circulars and personal letters to individuals who are members of the underserved clientele group, including the dates and places of meetings or other planned activities, and inviting them to participate.
- Making personal visits to a representative number of the underserved potential clientele in a geographically defined area to encourage them to participate.
- While volunteer leaders may be asked to assist in these efforts, ultimate responsibility for compliance rests with 4-H YDP staff.

4-H is committed to diversity and that commitment is evidenced in the ongoing outreach efforts to extend the reach of the program to communities throughout Los Angeles County. For more information on the Affirmative Action policy or All Reasonable Effort please refer to the 4-H Policy handbook at:

<http://www.ca4h.org/policy/chapter3/index.asp#X>

- **2016 County Awards Day Results**

Noel Keller, LA County 4-H Incentives and Recognition Committee Chair

The County Awards Day program for 2015-2016 was held on Saturday, October 22 after the County Pet and Science Symposium at Belvedere Park in Los Angeles. For the event we thank the NSG district for providing the publicity, the SSG district for providing the refreshments, the SFV district for providing the program and the AV district for providing the decorations. We thank the Macy 4-H Club for providing the flag ceremony. Our LA County 4-H All Star Ambassadors were the program MC's. We thank all those who helped make this a special occasion. Congratulations to the following for their accomplishments.

For the following awards, the following abbreviations are used for clubs:

ERHP = Eagle Rock Highland Park

LV Racketteers = Leona Valley Racketteers

PVP = Palos Verdes Peninsula

RECORD BOOK AWARDS

Junior

Arts & Crafts

County Winner – Madison Duldulao, Quartz Hill

Beginning 4-H

County Winner – Kaitlyn Hanlon-Scardina,
Pomona Valley

Cavies

County Winner – Grace Higgins, PVP

Community Pride

Certificate of Achievement - Kaylee Tyler,
Neenach

Horse

County Winner – Carter Boeker, Canyon Coyotes

Pets and Small Animals

County Winner – Scarlet Magyer-Morris, PVP

Poultry

Silver Medalist – Vincent Vasquez, Canyon Coyotes

Rocketry

Silver Medalist – Kati VonBuck, Agoura Hills

Sheep

County Winner – Nathan Kerr, LV Racketteers

Swine

County Winner – Barbara Hull, Canyon Coyotes

Woodworking

County Winner – Robert Higgins, PVP

Intermediate

Arts and Crafts

Silver Medalist – Georgia Pike, PVP

Computers

County Winner – Alexander Nunley, PVP

Drama

County Winner – Mark Kasperson, Canyon Coyotes

Goats

Certificate of Achievement – Madison VonBuck,
Agoura Hills

Heritage Arts

County Winner – Andrew Nunley, PVP

Horses

County Winner – Nathaniel Boeker, Canyon
Coyotes

Silver Medalist - Abigail Kelly, Eastside Antelopes
Certificate of Achievement – Megan Arana, Agoura
Hills

Ir. Master Gardener

County Winner – Nicoleene Yunker, PVP
Silver Medalist – Sophie Loewner, PVP

Leadership

Certificate of Achievement - Evan Lam, Macy

Leathercraft

Silver Medalist – Julia Brown, PVP

Pets and Small Animals

Silver Medalist – Shanel Tolliver, ERHP

Photography

County Winner – Victoria Morales, Macy

Poultry

County Winner – Isobel Cook, Canyon Coyotes
Silver Medalist - Christian Cook, Canyon Coyotes
Certificate of Achievement – Bryce Bozanic, PVP

Public Speaking

County Winner - Kaylin Kwan, Macy

Pygmy Goats

County Winner – Rebekah Kasperson, Canyon Coyotes

Rabbits

County Winner – Therese Benz, Canyon Coyotes
Silver Medalist – Arah Snodgrass, Eastside Antelopes

Swine

County Winner – Avery Gordon, Quartz Hill

Vegetable Gardening

Silver Medalist – Enrique Morales, Macy

Senior**Arts and Crafts**

County Winner – Holly Whipple, Westside
Silver Medalist – Liliana Brown, PVP

Baking

Silver Medalist – Evelyne Copeland, LV Racketteers

Beef

County Winner – Justin Miller, LV Racketteers
Silver Medalist – Megan Kitcko, Canyon Coyotes
Silver Medalist – Shelby Larsen, Quartz Hill

CLUB OFFICER BOOKS AWARDS**President**

Ethan Boeker, Canyon Coyotes – Gold Medal

Vice-President

Emma Wineland, Canyon Coyotes – Blue Seal

Secretary

Isobel Cook, Canyon Coyotes – Gold Medal

Treasurer

Michael Kasperson, Canyon Coyotes – Gold Medal

Reporter

Mark Kasperson, Canyon Coyotes – Green Seal

Historian

Akzila Neidhart and Rebekah Kasperson, Canyon Coyotes - Gold Medal

Clothing and Textiles

County Winner – Sara Conlon, PVP

Communication

County Winner – Michael Kasperson, Canyon Coyotes

Computers

County Winner – Kiran Ekanayake, PVP

Food Preservation

County Winner – Nicole Alger, Neenach
Silver Medalist – Quentin Potts, Canyon Coyotes

Goats

County Winner – Anika Whipple, Westside

Guide Dog

County Winner – Lucia Brown, PVP

Horses

Silver Medalist – Ethan Boeker, Canyon Coyotes

Leadership

County Winner – Dakotah Gordon, Quartz Hill

Photography

County Winner – Zella Roth, PVP

Poultry

County Winner – Katherine Shannon, Quartz Hill

Rabbits

County Winner – Noelani Duldulao, Quartz Hill

Shooting Sports

County Winner – Meg Carter, LV Racketteers
Silver Medalist – Becca Carter, LA Racketteers

Swine

County Winner – Emma Wineland, Canyon Coyotes

Other Officer

Nathaniel Boeker and Carter Boeker, Canyon Coyotes, Recreation – Gold Medal

Kiran Ekanayake, PVP, 2nd Vice President – Blue Seal

Kaitlyn Hanlon-Scardina, Pomona Valley, Safety Officer – Gold Medal

JUNIOR AND TEEN LEADER MERIT AWARDS

Teen Leader

Dakotah Godron, Quartz Hill

Noelani Duldulao, Quartz Hill

- **Senior Awards of Excellence, 2016**

Judylynn Pelling, LA County 4-H Incentives and Recognition Committee

New Award, Sr. Award of Excellence for Project Work

Congratulations to our Sr. Award of Excellence for Project Work, from Leona Valley Racketeers, Meg Carter.

Meg Carter completed 5 excellent projects as well as being a teen leader this year. In 12 years in 4-H she has completed 43 project years. Major projects have been swine, 9 years; shooting sports, 8 years each in pistol, shotgun and rifle. Leadership and teen leader has also been a major project. About her work as a teen leader, her leader said, "Meg was an outstanding leader, ensuring that all shooters felt relaxed, confident and welcome. She assisted all with improving their knowledge and skills." She was also club president and participated in local, district and county events. Project work greatly enhances a 4-H member's personal development. In Meg's own words from her record book, "Three words that I believe describe the person that I am are dedicated, generous and down-to-earth. Once an opportunity arises that I can show my individualism toward the whole, I grasp at the chance. I wish to make a difference by volunteering and community service, and as I go to college to further my education, specializing in criminology, law and society, I will strive to help make the bad see good, and to make to good be better. Congratulations, Meg Carter.

Sr. Award of Excellence for Community Service

Congratulations to our Sr. Award of Excellence award winner for Community Service, from Palos Verdes Peninsula, Zella Roth.

Zella Roth completed 73 citizenship and community service activities during her 9 years in 4-H. Nine of those activities were completed this past year. This year Zella realized that she has a passion for teaching. She enjoys working with children and has been a counselor at summer camp for the past 2 years. She worked as a Junior Docent at her local aquarium during the summer and enjoyed teaching children about sea life and how to preserve the ocean. When she learned about the project called Stow It Don't Throw It, for reducing the amount of monofilaments in the ocean, Zella decided to start and run a club at her school to raise community awareness about it. She made the effort an Emerald Star project, encouraging 4-H members to get involved in the project. We also know Zella for her accomplishments in leadership and photography. Congratulations, Zella Roth.

Sr. Award of Excellence for Leadership

Congratulations to our Sr. Award of Excellence award winner for Leadership, from Quartz Hill, Dakotah Gordon.

Dakotah Gordon was teen leader for 3 projects, Arts & Crafts, Cake Decorating, and swine plus the leadership project. She served on the Swine Education Board Committee, fund raiser committee and rummage sale. Dakotah planned record book training for District and taught how to easily fill information into record books. She made hand-outs for members and leaders. To quote the flyer for this event, "Confused about record books? What are they all about anyways? Come and find out at our Record Book Training Class. Learn about the format, understand the rules and get all of your questions answered." These workshops worked. The quality of our record books improved as result of the attendance at the workshops, or use of these materials. All this was accomplished despite a sprained tendon and torn ligament in her right wrist and then a problem her other wrist. It shows nothing can stop a committed leader. Congratulations, Dakotah Gordon.

Sr. Award of Excellence for Achievement

Congratulations to our Sr. Award of Excellence award winner for Achievement, from Quartz Hill, Katherine Shannon.

The award for achievement means excellence in all areas, project, community service, and leadership. Katherine Shannon has outstanding project records for 10 projects. She also has been a teen leader, 2 vice-presidencies, 4 committee chairmanships, and served on 16 committees. In community service, Katherine was always ready to help friends and club members. Twenty-five hours were spent as a volunteer at Saddle Up Therapeutic Riding Stable. Many hours of volunteer work were spent with equestrian, rabbit and pygmy goat groups. This is not her first year for outstanding records, all her records from past years are outstanding. It is not surprising Katherine is an L.A. County All Star Ambassador. She quoted John Quincy Adams in her records, "If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more, and become more, then you are a leader." Congratulations Katherine Shannon.

There were no Sr. Awards of Excellence for S.E.T. (science, engineering, technology), or Healthy Living this year. Now is the time to begin working in all these areas. Maybe you will be our winner next year.

- **Officer Books For County Recognition**

Roy Hillstock, County Staff

4-H Club Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and all other 4-H Club Officers, the 2016-2017 Officer Book Recognition Program information is available. Log on the [L.A. County's 4-H website](#) to download the information and forms. All club officers can earn Gold Medals for their submitted 4-H Officer Books showing the work done in that role. Download the information, keep good records and submit your Officer Book at the end of the program year.

- **Plan Ahead and Start your Records NOW**

Noel Keller, LA County Incentives and Recognition Committee Chair

The 2016-2017 4-H year is moving forward. Decide what your goals are in 4-H for this year. Use the **Member Planning Sheet** found under FORMS on the county website to record your plan for the year. During the year, look at your plan and see how you are doing.

Record your 4-H activities as the year goes along. Don't wait until July to record what you did in 4-H. If you wait, you will probably forget some of your accomplishments. The **2016-2017 Record Book ID Form and Guidelines** are on the county website under APPLICATIONS/AWARDS. A new **2016-2017 Record Book Manual** has been released by the state. Be sure to reference this manual and use its forms for your records this year. If you have any questions, please contact a member of the county I&R Committee or Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com).

- **Club Goal Planning – Due By December 1, 2016**

Noel Keller, LA County 4-H Incentives and Recognition Committee Chair

Goal setting and following through to achieve the goals are an important part of the 4-H experience. Each year clubs are encouraged to set goals for the program year. The county offers a program to set club goals and to be rewarded for achieving the goals. At the beginning of the year, clubs are encouraged to use the 4-H Club Program Planning Guide, located on the county website, to plan their program year. Their plan can then be submitted with the LA County 4-H Club Program Planning Submission Form (also located on the county website) to the county I&R Committee (Noel Keller, 421 E. Juilliard Drive, Claremont, CA 91711). At the end of the program year, the club evaluates how they did meeting their goals and submits an end-of-the-year report to the county I&R Committee for review and awarding of an achievement seal for the club charter.

The date to submit your club goals has been extended to December 1, 2016. For more information about this program and/or questions, please contact Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com).

- **Open positions on the LA County 4-H Leaders' Council – Youth and Adults**

Noel Keller, LA County 4-H Leaders' Council Vice-President

Now is the time to get involved in planning a fun, educational LA County 4-H program. Join the county leaders' council as an officer. Experience is not necessary, just an interest in having an enriched program of 4-H activities for our youth. The council only meets four times a year and the meeting locations vary around the county. You are not required to attend all the meetings. You can send in your report, if necessary. **Most council positions can be held by youth/adult partnerships.**

At this time, we have the following open council positions:

Parliamentarian/Policy Secretary
Reporter/Historian
Home Economics Chair

Please contact Noel Keller (nkeller91711@gmail.com) if you are interested in any of the above vacant offices on the council. We need all the districts represented on the county council. Remember that senior youth can hold offices on the council. An adult and a senior youth could share a council office. We need you. How would you like to help? There are only three county council meetings left this 4-H year.

- **County Incentives and Recognition Committee (I&R)**

Noel Keller, LA County Incentives and Recognition Committee Chair

The County Incentives and Recognition Committee is pleased to report that the committee now has full LA County 4-H district representation on the committee, as follows:

NSG – Noel Keller, Pomona Valley	SFV – Carrie DeYoung, San Fernando Valley
NSG – Judylynn Pelling, ERHP	SFV – Amy Lockman, Agoura Hills
SSG – Dee Keese, PVP	AV – Laura Shannon, Quartz Hill
SSG – Peter Michel, PVP	AV – Dannon Shaughnessy, Quartz Hill/Westside

For the committee meeting in October, a conference call format was used successfully. If you have questions, suggestions or comments on the county incentives and recognition program, please contact any I&R Committee Member. Our next meeting is scheduled as a conference call on Tuesday, November 29.

- **NSG Achievement Day**
Noel Keller, NSG District Council Secretary

The NSG District held its Achievement Day on Sunday, Oct. 30. Along with presenting awards to the district members, we also did a service project, did a drone science activity and had a cake walk to raise money for district activities.

- **Teen Involvement Conference – January 20-22, 2017**
Noel Keller, LA County 4-H Leaders' Council Vice-President

Attention LA County Senior members – start planning to attend TIC (Teen Involvement Conference) in January at Pathfinder Ranch in San Bernardino County. This three day youth leadership conference offers opportunities for 4-H youth to grow through a series of educational workshops, team building activities, motivational speakers, section level youth leadership possibilities, community service and more. Camille Norczyk is one of the Youth Conference Co-Directors and Kelly Dowlan is the Adult Conference Director.. The Southern Area TIC event planning committee is planning the event and details are available on their TIC webpage (www.oc4h.org/events/TIC/). This is a great opportunity to get involved in 4-H above the county level and meet other Southern California 4-Hers. 4-H teens from all Areas in the state are welcome to attend. Plan to come to TIC in January. Mark your calendar. Registration for the event is now open. Early Bird registration for this event must be postmarked by December 12.

- **State Fashion Revue – May 27, 2017**
Noel Keller, South Section 4-H Leaders' Council President

The State Fashion Revue “The Road to Fashion” will be held on Saturday, May 27, 2017 in Davis. Information about this event with its categories and challenges is now available on the State 4-H website. The State Fashion Revue will be held in conjunction with the State Field Day. Southern Area Fashion Revue and LA County Fashion Revue will have the same categories as state.

- **Share Your 4-H Experiences**
Roy Hillstock, 4-H Staff

4-H'ers, share your 4-H experiences by submitting articles to be published in Clover Notes. Articles may include club news, photos, community service projects, and/or anything you or your club would like to share. Submit your articles by the 15th of the month to be published in the following month's edition of Clover Notes to Roy Hillstock, rlhillstock@ucanr.edu.

- **4-H Dates and Deadlines are available on the [Los Angeles County, 4-H Calendar](#).**

STATE

DATES & DEADLINES

Statewide 4-H Calendar Updates

Date / Event Name

November 4 - November 6, 2016	4-H Mindfulness Retreat
November 5 - November 6, 2016	Archery Leader Training
November 5 - November 6, 2016	Rifle Leader Training
November 11 - November 13, 2016	State Leader's Forum
November 19 - November 20, 2016	Shotgun Leader Training
November 19 - November 20, 2016	Pistol Leader Training
December 10 - December 11, 2016	Muzzle Loading Leader Training
January 27 - January 29, 2017	LCORT (Leadership Conference of Regional Teens)
March 21, 2017	Legacy Awards in Washington- D.C.
March 25 - March 30, 2017	National 4-H Conference
June 16 - June 20, 2017	California Focus
June 24 - July 1, 2017	Citizenship Washington Focus #4HCWF
July 16 - July 20, 2017	Leadership Washington Focus 2017 #4HLWF

Deadlines

November 2, 2016	National 4-H Conference - Application
November 11, 2016	Pistol Leader Training Registration for 11/19-11/20
November 11, 2016	Shotgun Leader Training Registration for 11/19-11/20
December 2, 2016	Muzzle Loading Leader Training Registration for 12/10-12/11

Additional State Updates can be found at: <http://4h.ucanr.edu/News/Calendar>

4-H All-Stars:

Holly Whipple, Westside 4-H Club
Camille Norczyk, Greenleaf 4-H Club
Jessica Fint, SFV 4-H Club
Abigail Wright, Greenleaf 4-H Club
Katherine Shannon, Quartz Hill 4-H Club
Kiran Ekanayake, PVP 4-H Club

Jr. All-Stars:

Alexa Sutter, PVP 4-H Club
Alexander Nunley, PVP 4-H Club
Andrew Nunley, PVP 4-H Club
Ashlyn Spaziano, Greenleaf 4-H Club
Elizabeth Wright, Greenleaf 4-H Club
Catherine Nunley, PVP 4-H Club
Jayce Gomez, Macy 4-H Club
Leilani Hung, Macy 4-H Club
Julius Treadwell, Pomona Valley 4-H Club
Katherine Cao, Pomona Valley 4-H Club
Katie Hsu, PVP 4-H Club
Leila Nuryen, PVP 4-H Club
Sarah Yeck, PVP 4-H Club
Ryan Hamm, PVP 4-H Club
Enrique Morales, Macy 4-H Club
Kaylin Kwan, Macy 4-H Club
Lilliana Brown, PVP 4-H Club
Megan Okamoto, Pomona Valley 4-H Club
Michelle Sylvest, PVP 4-H Club
Nicole Kwan, Macy 4-H Club
Rebecca Klose, PVP 4-H Club
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