



# Clover Chatter

Sutter and Yuba Counties

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## Special Points

### of Interest

- New feature article starting with this issue—"Volunteers are the Heart of 4H" - "Up Close and Personal With Mary Hall and Sam Diaz"
- Camp evaluation results
- Send a note of thanks
- Program Rep. Willa Davis to visit Community Clubs
- How your club can help the hurricane victims



4-H - "To Make the Best Better"

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## Star Rank Judging

Nineteen Record Books for star rank were submitted for judging in September. Congratulations to all who earned their Bronze, Silver and Gold Stars. Those who have earned Gold Stars now have the opportunity to work toward Emerald Star Rank and All Star Rank.

Now that the new Program Year has begun, it's time to meet with your 4-H Club leaders to decide what you want your goals to be this year, both for personal development and star rank accomplishment.

Remember, record your 4-H participation in the categories you most need the points. Some activities can go in more than one place, so review the categories carefully to determine which one is the best for you.

Each effort may be counted only once, but it is possible, however, to accomplish more than one item at one event, such as at County Fair.

**Example:** P—Project exhibited (animal)

Z—Showmanship (showing that animal)

W—Individual Achievement (placing in Showmanship)

Refer to the [Star Rank Judging Guidelines](#) on the local 4-H website at [www.cesutter.ucdavis.edu](http://www.cesutter.ucdavis.edu) and in the "ABCs for Personal Development" column on page 2 of this issue for clarification about recording your 4-H participation. Ask your leaders for help, too, or call the 4-H Office.

## New Feature Article in "Clover Chatter"

Starting with this issue, there will be an article focusing on our volunteer leaders, both new and those who have been involved with the 4-H Youth Development Program for quite some time in Sutter and Yuba Counties. Turn to Page 3 to learn more about the two volunteers that were interviewed for this issue, Mary Hall from Yuba County and Sam Diaz from Sutter County.

### In Remembrance . . .

*Of our friend, Agnes Puckett, who served as Receptionist for our UCCE office since 1989. She always greeted you with a smile and a story. She was thoughtful, compassionate and very kind to everyone. We will miss her.*

## ABCs Of Personal Development

During October and in the past couple of months there are many projects, events and activities in which you could record points as follows:

- A & B: **Attendance at 80% or more** Community Club and Project meetings make you eligible for this.
- C: **Attendance at 4-H Summer Camp.**
- E: **Attendance at the WHY Conference this month.**
- F: **Committee Chairperson:** Did you lead your club's National 4-H Week activities?
- H: **Writing an article** promoting 4-H for the local newspaper or for your school newsletter.
- I: **Wearing your 4-H uniform to school** during 4-H Week or to church on 4-H Sunday earns you points.
- J: **Committee Member:** Each time you help plan or coordinate a 4-H activity, you are on a committee.
- K: **Prepare and Give Talk:** Have you given a talk about 4-H at a PTA, Community Service Club meeting, or elsewhere? If so, count it here.
- M: **Offices Held:** Think about serving in an official role this year!
- P: **Project Exhibit:** Exhibiting your project at any 4-H activity.
- Q: **Participation Other Than 4-H:** Participation in choir, youth groups and other community events.
- T: **Planned Group Activity:** Helping to plan club activities for National 4-H Week earn points here.

### FOOD FOR THOUGHT

*"The future depends on what we do in the present."*

Mahatma Gandhi

*"Knowing is not enough; we must apply. Willing is not enough; we must do."*

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

*"Our greatest glory is not in never falling but in rising every time we fall."*

Confucius

## Send a Note of Thanks for Free 4-H Calendars

A special thanks goes to Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company for their ongoing sponsorship of the *free, specially designed* 4-H calendars it provides to members and leaders of the Sutter-Yuba Counties 4-H Program. Please "make time" to send a note of thanks to: John and Ellie Cary, Pepsi-Cola Bottling Co., 750 Sutter Street, Yuba City, CA 95991. Show your appreciation for this generous donation to our program.

### FFA and 4-H Policy/Updates

**Important Reminder:** There is an agreement between FFA and 4-H that requires having different projects if an individual participates in both organizations. Specifically, the rule states that "... *when an individual belongs to more than one organization, or exhibits as an independent, he/she must carry a different ownership/entrepreneurial project in each organization/independent. . . . The projects may not be in the same kind of livestock or crop production classification.*" For more information, contact the 4-H Office.

### New 4-H Program Rep. to Visit Community Clubs

4-H Program Rep., Willa Davis, wants to get to know you. She will be stopping into Community Club meetings in October and November to say, "Hi!" Please give her a warm 4-H welcome when she visits.

### 2005/2006 Enrollment Updates

Remember, it's important to complete and turn in new enrollment forms for the 2005/2006 program year. The old forms that ask for the number of years a person has been in 4-H will not be accepted. Other enrollment "*things to know*" are:

- All enrollment forms must go to the Community Club Leader. Forms turned into the 4-H Office by individuals will not be accepted.
- The Community Club Leader must turn in all enrollment forms to the 4-H Office by November 1, 2005.
- Fees for the 2005-2006 4-H Program Year are as follows: Youth = \$25.00

Adult Volunteers = \$4.00

Enroll early so you can start another fabulous year of developing leadership, citizenship and life skills through fun "*learn by doing*" project work in 4-H!



## Up Close and Personal With Mary Hall and Sam Diaz

Mary Hall has been involved with the Sutter-Yuba Counties 4-H Program for over 25 years in the Hallwood Club. She started as a sewing project leader and has responded to the call to lead a variety of projects and activities throughout the years. This year, she also serves as Advisor for the Hi 4-H Club, Secretary for the Bi-County Council, and is Chair of a variety of committees.

Mary says she has stayed involved in the program because of the joy she feels as she watches the kids develop their life skills and mature into adults and parents themselves. She believes that *commitment* is the most important characteristic that a 4-H leader can possess, as well as liking to work with kids and wanting to help them develop the leadership, citizenship and life skills that are the cornerstones of the 4-H Youth Development Program.

Mary's recommendation to new 4-H volunteer leaders is, "*Become knowledgeable about the whole program and stick with it!*"

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Sam Diaz is President for Sutter County on the Bi-County Council. Sam started in 4-H as a swine project leader five years ago with the Barry Club when he wanted to support his children who had enrolled in 4-H. He says he has continued to be involved and has taken on greater leadership responsibilities because, "*it's a very rewarding experience,*" and that it's great to see how appreciative the youth members are when they see camp and other improvements that benefit them. He continues, "*it's nice to know that I make some kind of contribution to their future.*"

Sam also stated that the most important traits that a 4-H Volunteer Leader can possess are moral values, patience, and community pride. And, he says, that's what makes our 4-H Program stand out above other ones—we demonstrate a great deal of pride in all our projects, we have great leaders, and the organization itself continues to grow and develop.

"*Get involved and don't be shy,*" is Sam's advice to new leaders. "*We welcome your fresh ideas.*"



## Hi 4-H Corner

The Hi 4-H Club is taking orders for poinsettias to raise funds to pay the expenses for the club members' "Exchange with Virginia" next summer. In addition to the traditional red poinsettias, you can also order them in colors of white, pink, marbled and Jingle bells.

Help our youth in learning about another part of our country by supporting their fundraising efforts. Contact a Hi 4-H member in your area or call Mary Hall at 743-2490 and she will connect you with a Hi 4-H'er. "*Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way . . .*"

## FYI

### Hurricane Relief Challenge By Glenn County 4-H Teen Council

Glenn County 4-H Teen Council is challenging all California 4-H clubs to participate in the "Hurricane 4-H Relief Fund" by donating \$100.00 or more per club. The 4-H Foundations in Mississippi and Louisiana are trying to assist all 4-H members and their families, and 4-H staff in those states. The Teen Council will be taking donations through October 28th. Make donations payable to "Glenn County 4-H Council" with a notation on the check for "Hurricane Relief Fund".

**PLEASE NOTE:** Anyone who does NOT want their phone # or e-mail address distributed, please notify the 4-H Office immediately.

### Camp Evaluation Results

Contact your Community Club leader or the 4-H Office to learn the outcome of the 9/8/05 evaluation meeting.

### CANCELLATION REMINDER

**Due to unforeseen circumstances, the 4-H Program will not be participating at the Sierra Landscaping Expo on Oct. 22nd and 23rd.**

### Access "Clover Chatter" Online!

You can now access "Clover Chatter" online. You can also retrieve 4-H Record Book forms, including Star Rank Judging Guidelines, from the Sutter-Yuba Counties 4-H Program website—[http://cesutter.ucdavis.edu/Youth\\_Development](http://cesutter.ucdavis.edu/Youth_Development). **Also, please submit information to Willa Davis at the 4-H Office by Oct. 15th for the November Clover Chatter. Thanks!**

## COMING EVENTS, WORKSHOPS, ACTIVITIES, AND MEETINGS

October 1st

**2nd Annual Kick-Off Dinner and Auction, 6:00 p.m. at Sheriff's Training Center (formerly Whitaker Hall) in Yuba City—Adults Only**

**National 4-H Week ~ October 2-8**  
***"Make the 4-H Connection"***



and by now, your clubs have participated in a window display contest that helped to promote 4-H throughout Sutter and Yuba Counties. Thanks to all who took part in this important club and program service. The contest winning club will be presented their trophy on Achievement Night on October 19th.

**WHY (Why Help Youth)**  
**Leadership Conference 2005**  
**October 7-9 at Camp Wente**  
**Willits, Mendocino County**

**Animal Science Projects**  
**Curriculum Development on Ethical Decision-Making**

4-H curriculum development project invites members and leaders to share their stories and experiences where ethical issues have been raised. **Send your stories by Oct. 17th** to: Martin Smith, Veterinary Medicine Extension, University of California, One Shields Ave., Davis, CA 95616

**ACHIVEMENT NIGHT**

**OCTOBER 19, 2005, 6:30 P.M.**

**SHERIFF'S TRAINING CENTER, YUBA CITY**

Achievement Night is a Bi-County celebration of the outstanding accomplishments of our youth members, leaders and clubs. **Areas of Recognition will include:**

- '5' Presentation Pin Awards
- Junior and Teen Leadership Certificates
- County Record Book Winners and Medalists
- Alfred Garcia Awards for Sutter County
- Special Leader Awards
- Charters and Seals
- Secretary and Treasurer Book Seals
- Alumni Certificates and Pins

**This is a Potluck Dinner, so each family is asked to bring the following:**

**Last Name      A-M: Hot Dish & Salad**

**Initials:        N-Z: Hot Dish & Dessert**

Please bring enough to feed 10 people. The following has been offered by the listed clubs: drinks-Barry, bread-Sutter Buttes, and decorations-Wheatland. The 4-H Office will supply cups, plates and silverware. **Please write your name on your serving dish and utensil. See you there!**

**Volunteer Training in**  
**4-H Rifle Shooting Sports**

**October 21-22, 2005**

**Hopland Research Center**

**Call the Ukiah 4-H Office at**

**(707) 463-4495 or the Ft. Bragg 4-H**

**Office at (707) 961-2508**

**for more information**



## COMING EVENTS, WORKSHOPS, ACTIVITIES, AND MEETINGS (cont'd)

### “Fashion Revue” Workshop

**Sunday, October 23rd**

**1:00p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the 4-H Office**

All Clothing Project members and leaders are invited to attend. Professional experts will be on hand to give tips and advice about hair styles, make-up, modeling and poise, and hand and nail care.

**Also, at 6:00 p.m. on October 6th at the 4-H Office**, there will be a planning meeting for the 10/23 workshop and for Fashion Revue scheduled in Spring. All leaders, including Jr./Teen leaders are invited.

### Livestock Leaders & Educators Symposium

**Saturday, October 29th**

Registration begins at 8:00 a.m.

at the San Joaquin Fairgrounds.

Cost: \$30.00 - Adults; \$10.00 - Youth

(lunch provided if registered by October 23rd)

**For more information, visit  
<http://www.fun@sanjoaquinfair.com>**

### New Leader Orientations

Eleven Project and Resource Leaders attended the “New Leader Orientation” on Monday, September 19, 2005 conducted by Isela Valdez, Youth Development Advisor. If you didn’t make it to the September 19th orientation, you have three more opportunities to participate. They are:

**Tuesday, October 25th at 7:00 p.m.  
Thursday, November 17th at 7:00 p.m., and  
Saturday, January 7th at 9:00 a.m.**

So, “Mark your calendar” and “Thanks for caring.”

### Dean Memorial Legacy Fund

This endowment provides up to \$2,500.00 to 4-H members and their leaders who apply on behalf of their club to expand the reach of 4-H, increase public awareness, or to develop new and innovative projects.

**Applications Due October 31, 2005**

**For More Information and to Submit Applications, Contact Steven Worker at  
[smworker@ucdavis.edu](mailto:smworker@ucdavis.edu) or (530) 754-5809**

### Prudential Spirit of Community Award

Local Honorees Receive: Certificate of Recognition from their School or Organization.

State Honorees Receive: \$1,000.00 engraved silver medallion and an all expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C.

National Honorees Receive: \$5,000.00, engraved gold medallion, and a trophy for their school or organization.

For more information and to obtain an application, go to : **[www.prudential.com/spirit](http://www.prudential.com/spirit)**.

### Yuba-Sutter Farm Bureau's

**1st Annual Pumpkin Carving and  
Decorating Contest Sponsored by  
Sutter Orchard Supply**

**Saturday, October 29th**

Deliver COMPLETED Pumpkins by 12:00 noon to  
the Farm Bureau Office

475 N. Palora Avenue, Yuba City

**Pick up entry form and rules at the 4-H Office**

### SAVE THE DATE—Bi-County Craft Day

**Saturday, Nov. 12th, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m., 4-H Office**

# Tentative Sutter/Yuba Counties

## 2005-2006 4-H Annual Event Calendar

| EVENT                                     | DATE                                                                                                                   |
|-------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| New Leader Orientations                   | September 19, 2005 7:00 p.m.<br>October 25, 2005 7:00 p.m.<br>November 17, 2005 7:00 p.m.<br>January 7, 2006 9:00 a.m. |
| Bi-County Council Meetings                | 2nd Thursday of every month, 7:00 p.m., 4-H Office                                                                     |
| Star Rank Judging Submissions             | January 6, 2006<br>May 5, 2006<br>September 8, 2006                                                                    |
| Kick-Off Dinner and Auction (Adults Only) | October 1, 2005, 6:00 p.m., Sheriff's Training Center (formerly Whitaker Hall), Yuba City                              |
| National 4-H Week                         | October 2 - 8, 2005                                                                                                    |
| WHY Conference                            | October 2 - 9, 2005                                                                                                    |
| Bi-County Achievement Night               | October 19, 2005, 6:30 p.m., Sheriff's Training Center, Yuba City                                                      |
| State Leaders Forum                       | November 4-6, 2005, Asilomar, Pacific Grove                                                                            |
| Bi-County Craft Days                      | November 12, 2005, 9:00 a.m., 4-H Office<br>February 2006, Date TBA                                                    |
| Bi-County Presentation Day                | January 25, 2006, 7:00 p.m.<br>February 22, 2006, 7:00 p.m.<br>March 11, 2006, 9:00 a.m.<br>May 13, 2006 @ Spring Fair |
| Chico Swine Day                           | February 4, 2005 @ CSU, Chico                                                                                          |
| Chico Sheep Day                           | February 25, 2006 @ CSU, Chico                                                                                         |
| Fashion Revue                             | TBA                                                                                                                    |
| Sectional (Regional) Presentation Day     | TBA                                                                                                                    |
| Grand National                            | April 7-15, 2006, Cow Palace, San Francisco                                                                            |
| Spring Fair                               | May 6, 2006, Set Up Day<br>May 13, 2006, Spring Fair                                                                   |
| 4-H Camp                                  | June 2006, Dates TBA                                                                                                   |
| Record Book Judging                       | TBA                                                                                                                    |

## October 2005



**1 Saturday**  
Kick-Off Dinner  
6:00 p.m., Sheriff's  
Training Center  
(formerly Whitaker  
Hall), Yuba City

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| <b>2 Sunday</b><br>Begins National 4-H<br>Week (2-8) and WHY<br>Conference (2-9) | <b>3 Monday</b><br>Arboga, Browns Val-<br>ley, Dist. 10, East<br>Nicolaus, & Hallwood<br>Community Clubs<br>meet | <b>4 Tuesday</b><br>Able Riders Commu-<br>nity Club meets                           | <b>5 Wednesday</b><br>Franklin Community<br>Club meets                                  | <b>6 Thursday</b>                                                  | <b>7 Friday</b> | <b>8</b>  |
| <b>9</b>                                                                         | <b>10</b><br>Plumas and Wheat-<br>land Community<br>Clubs meet                                                   | <b>11</b><br>Able Riders and<br>Sutter Buttes Commu-<br>nity Clubs meet             | <b>12</b><br>Pleasant Grove and<br>Rocky Hills Commu-<br>nity Clubs meet                | <b>13</b><br>Bi-County Council<br>Meeting<br>7:00 p.m., 4-H Office | <b>14</b>       | <b>15</b> |
| <b>16</b><br>Guide Dogs Commu-<br>nity Club meets                                | <b>17</b>                                                                                                        | <b>18</b><br>Able Riders, Denten-<br>ter and Smartsville<br>Community Clubs<br>meet | <b>19</b><br>Achievement Night<br>6:30 p.m., Sheriff's<br>Training Center, Yuba<br>City | <b>20</b><br>Barry and Yuba Hills<br>Community Clubs<br>meet       | <b>21</b>       | <b>22</b> |
| <b>23/30</b>                                                                     | <b>24</b><br>Live Oak Community<br>Club meets<br><br><b>31 Halloween</b>                                         | <b>25</b><br>New Leader<br>Orientation<br>7:00 p.m., 4-H Office                     | <b>26</b>                                                                               | <b>27</b>                                                          | <b>28</b>       | <b>29</b> |

## November 2005



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|                                                                  |                                                                                                                  | <b>1 Tuesday</b><br><u>Enrollments from<br/>clubs due at 4-H Office</u><br><br>Able Riders Commu-<br>nity Club meets | <b>2 Wednesday</b><br>Franklin Community<br>Club meets                  | <b>3 Thursday</b>                                                                                                      | <b>4 Friday</b><br>State Leaders Forum,<br>Asilomar Conf. Center | <b>5 Saturday</b><br>State Leaders Forum,<br>Asilomar Conf. Center |
| <b>6 Sunday</b><br>State Leaders Forum,<br>Asilomar Conf. Center | <b>7 Monday</b><br>Arboga, Browns Val-<br>ley, Dist. 10, East<br>Nicolaus, & Hallwood<br>Community Clubs<br>meet | <b>8</b><br>Able Riders and<br>Sutter Buttes Commu-<br>nity Clubs meet                                               | <b>9</b><br>Pleasant Grove and<br>Rocky Hills Commu-<br>nity Clubs meet | <b>10</b><br>Bi-County Council<br>Meeting<br>7:00 p.m., 4-H Office                                                     | <b>11</b>                                                        | <b>12</b><br>Craft Day<br>9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.<br>4-H Office      |
| <b>13</b>                                                        | <b>14</b><br>Plumas and Wheat-<br>land Community<br>Clubs meet                                                   | <b>15</b><br>Able Riders, Denten-<br>ter and Smartsville<br>Community Clubs<br>meet                                  | <b>16</b><br>Hi 4-H Community<br>Club meets                             | <b>17</b><br>Barry and Yuba Hills<br>Community Clubs<br>meet<br><br>New Leader<br>Orientation<br>7:00 p.m., 4-H Office | <b>18</b>                                                        | <b>19</b>                                                          |
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| <b>27</b>                                                        | <b>28</b><br>Live Oak Community<br>Club meets                                                                    | <b>29</b><br>Able Riders Commu-<br>nity Club meets                                                                   | <b>30</b>                                                               |                                                                                                                        |                                                                  |                                                                    |