



Loma Vista 4-H Club Newsletter

JANUARY 2019

Stay tuned for more information about the upcoming county events. Be sure to check your email frequently because there will be more information sent out such as registration links, event times, and other information.

JANUARY News

Andrew and Ashley Pylar

Upcoming Events:

4-H Project Enrollment Deadline - December 31st

Loma Vista 4-H January Club Meeting - January 8th at Poinsettia Elementary School.

California 4-H Southern Youth Summit - January 18th-20th at Pathfinder Ranch in Mountain Center, California.

Ventura County 4-H Food Faire - February 2nd at Will Rogers Elementary School in Ventura, California.

Loma Vista 4-H February Club Meeting - February 12th at Poinsettia Elementary School.

Speaker "Dr. Mike" (DVM and head veterinarian for the VC Fair) - February 13th at the HAREC in Santa Paula, California.

Club Meeting Recap **December Club Meeting - Holiday Potluck Fundraiser**

At our last Loma Vista 4-H Club Meeting on December 11th, we held our Annual Holiday Potluck Fundraiser. Club members, families, and friends came to raise money and support the club so that we can continue to organize our amazing program, and to fund our club scholarship. Through the generous support of those who attended the auction, our club was able to raise \$2,200.



Above: from left to right, Brenna Caron, Ashley Pylar, Melissa Lalum, Paul Caron, Lori Caron

**Don't Miss
the Next
Club
Meeting**

January 8th

*7:00 PM at
Poinsettia
Elementary
School.*

*Join us for
our January
Club
Meeting.
Come in
your
pajama's
and bring
your favorite
book to
enjoy milk
and cookies,
storytime,
and more!*

There were three parts to the fundraiser: cash & carry, the silent auction, and the loud auction. Through cash & carry, families were able to purchase items made by the club's members in the various projects that our club offers, showcasing the talent of our club's members in most of the projects, as well as raising money for the club. Most of the items that were auctioned off in the silent and loud auctions, such as gift baskets, gift certificates, and other products were donated to the club by local businesses.



*Above: Adler Striegel, Oliva Blomquist,
and Melissa Lalum running the loud
auction part of the fundraiser*

exceeding our goal of \$2,000, and going a long way to supporting the club. It was also a lot of fun for the families that were there and a great way to end the year. Thank you to everyone who came to show their support for the club! Also, thank you to all the hardworking club officers and project leaders who helped to make the fundraiser happen!

*Right: Amelia Archer and Rachel
Lipscomb making place mats for the
community service table*



Community Service

January - Donate Books For CMH

By Amelia Archer, Community Service Officer

My community service project for January is magazine and book collecting. These magazines and books you donate (without your address on them) will go to Community Memorial Hospital (CMH) patients. The books and magazines will be placed throughout CMH's waiting rooms and patient rooms. Your magazines and books will be collected at the next meeting.

4-H Members Volunteer at Ventura Dog Show

By Rachel Lipscomb, Ring Steward Dog Show Volunteer

Do you like dogs? If you like dogs, big or small, or anywhere in between, you should definitely attend a dog show. On December 8th and 9th, I volunteered to work at a dog show at Camino Real Park in Ventura, California. There were about ten 4-H volunteers. Most of us worked at the Obedience and Rally Rings. The Obedience Ring allowed the dogs to demonstrate their ability to follow commands from their master. The Rally Ring showed their ability to follow hand signals.



Above: Samantha Robinson (from the Conejo/Simi Valley 4-H Club) and Ashley Pyler at the dog show

For more information about dog shows, visit the following link: [AKC Dog Shows](#)



Above: Posey (left) and her friend

I was assigned to Ring 1, an Obedience Ring. I was a human post, where the dogs walked around me. I was also a leash holder in the ring. After completing the figure-eight exercise, the dogs would go off their leash. The handler would give me the leash, which I'd set down on a table. At breaks, I saw other 4-H kids setting down gloves, setting up poles for Rally, and working in the Agility Rings.

In Ring 1, the handler was doing an off-leash part of the trial, when the dog she was handling jumped over the fence! "The dog jumped over the fence to see his buddy in the other ring," the handler explained. The day prior, a Newfoundland charged the fence in the same ring, with the same judge. What a coincidence! I was working the Practice Ring; a ring that people and dogs could practice in for 5 dollars for five minutes. I was waiting for another person to use the ring, so I was watching a tiny Papillion in her ring. There was a loud crash, and the same Newfoundland charged at the fence, separating the two rings. The Newfoundland was trying to play with the Papillion, but the owner didn't let him!

Right: Participant competing in Open Obedience



Link to
California 4-H
Record Book
Forms for
Junior,
Intermediate,
and Senior
Members
<http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/218973.doc>

Link to
Leadership
Development
Report
<http://4h.ucanr.edu/files/220273.docx>

There was a booth called Hospitality, that served snacks and lunch for the volunteers. My favorite snacks were donuts and hot cocoa. The woman who ran Hospitality was extremely kind, and ordered Domino's Pizza for the volunteers. She provided chips that were exclusively for the 4-H people!



Above: Rachel Lipscomb running a leash in agility

After lunch, everyone from 4-H went to help in the Agility Rings. I helped set up jumps. My favorite jump to set up was the jump with two vertical poles touching the ground below, and two horizontal poles on top. In Agility Rings, you can "run" the leash. This is where the handlers fling a leash to you, and you grab it. You then wait for the dog to get to a certain obstacle, and then run the leash to a table, and go back to the start of the course.

The best time I had at the dog show was when I was running the leash, and a 2-year-old Corgi entered the ring. That Corgi was a true agility dog. He flew through the course. The Corgi was so good that when I was running the leash, I stopped in my tracks, not because I didn't want to mess him up when he came near me, but because his orange fur blurred over the jump. The Corgi then went through a tunnel. When I got over to the table at the end of the course, the Corgi was on his last jump. The Corgi didn't make a single mistake.

In conclusion, you should definitely sign up to volunteer for a dog show next time you have an opportunity. Not only could you help our community, but you are allowed to pet the dogs if the handler allows it. You might even be able to spot a Corgi "running the park" on the course.

Project Spotlight:

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Poultry Project

*By Ashley Pyler,
Poultry Project Junior Leader*

The Loma Vista 4-H Club offers a wide variety of projects to its members, including the Poultry Project. Our club has offered a Poultry Project since the year 2014. The project is currently in its 5th year of operation, making it one

*Coming soon:
Spring 2019.
Join us for our
Annual Small
Animal Field
Day Event.
There will be
poultry
showmanship,
poultry
obstacle
courses, and
other fun
events with
small animals.*

of the longest lasting projects in the club. In the past 5 years, the project has taught many 4-H members different information about poultry.

The Poultry Project has been a very informative and enjoyable project for its project members. They have learned many different things about poultry. From learning about chicken diseases, to running chickens on an obstacle

course, it has been taught in the Loma Vista 4-H Club's Poultry Project. At one of the project meetings this year, the members even got to learn how to bathe chickens. This was the project's third year teaching a chicken bathing lesson.

The lesson started with the members learning when and why chickens are bathed. Then, the Poultry Project Leader gave a demonstration on chicken bathing. Once the project leader finished giving her demonstration, all of the project's members got to try chicken bathing themselves. This was a very educational opportunity for the project members to learn about poultry, and they all had a blast while learning about chickens.



Above: Poultry Project Members participating in chicken bathing



Above: Holly, a baby chick raised in the project

The Poultry Project offers many hands-on opportunities like this to teach its members information about poultry in a fun, but education way. Another hands-on opportunity that the project members got to enjoy was an unforgettable activity that the project participated in last year.

The project got 36 baby chicks that the project leader got to foster for 2 1/2 months. When the project members first got to see the chicks, they were only 5 days old. These chicks were to be sold at the Seaside Feather Fanciers Poultry Club's Fundraiser. The

Poultry Project Leader kept the chicks in her backyard, and the project members would see the chicks periodically to help take care of them, socialize them to get them accustomed to people, and be amazed by how much they had grown since the last time they had seen them.

Overall, the members of the Poultry Project have thoroughly enjoyed several unforgettable experiences while learning more about poultry. These members have acquired certain memories that they can cherish for a lifetime, all thanks

Loma Vista 4-H Club Officers

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Kai Miyashiro

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Adler Striegel

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Ruby Snowber

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Lucas Malone

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Ashley Pylar

Andrew Pylar

Community Service:

Amelia Archer

Healthy Living:

Piper Snowber

Historian:

Reyna Lane

Alexander Blomquist

Refreshments:

Allen Lane

Sergeant at Arms:

Olivia Blomquist

Supplies:

Adeline Vertucci

to being a part of the Poultry Project. The project members really appreciate that they had this special opportunity, and would like to extend a big thank you to the project leader, Ms. Jonra Cross. She founded our club's Poultry Project in 2014, and has been with the project as a project leader since then. She has given the project members many amazing opportunities that they will never forget.

Loma Vista 4-H'ers Enjoy Being Club Officers for the First Time

By Alexander Blomquist, Co-Historian

This year is my first year being a club officer. My position is Historian. My job is to take pictures and records, and prepare a slideshow or picture book for the end of the year. I make things that will last through the years, and will be able to be shown to future generations of 4-H'ers. I really enjoy being an officer for the first time. My favorite part about this position is taking the photos. I love to take many photos that everyone will see and remember that year. Also, I like thinking "out of the box" ideas to keep records. I am having fun being a 4-H officer, and I look forward to any other leadership roles I may take on in the future.

By Olivia Blomquist, Sergeant-At-Arms

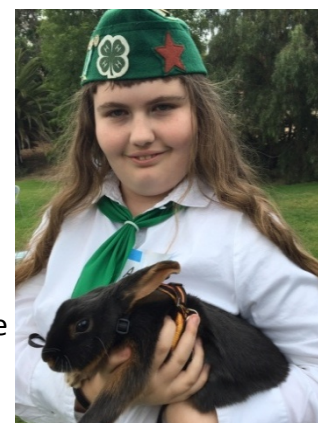
This is my first year being a club officer, and I love my position as Sergeant-At-Arms. My jobs are to assist the president with club duties, make a guessing jar for each meeting, lead the American Pledge and the 4-H Pledge at each meeting, hand out gifts to the winners of the guessing jar, and politely keep order during the meetings. I am also available to help officers and club advisors with errands and responsibilities, creating a smooth meeting process. My favorite part about being a club officer is that I get to make the guessing jar. I also like to see the smiles on the kids who guessed right for the guessing jar. I also love to lead both the 4-H and American Pledges.

Club Officers' Corner

In the Club Officers' Corner you can get to know what our Club Officers do, as well as get to know more about them. Enjoy learning about our club's officers with the articles below!

Ashley Pylar - Communications Officer

The Communications Officer writes the monthly club newsletter, sends the newsletter to the club webmaster, and fills in for the secretary in their absence. Our club's Communications Officer is Ashley Pylar. Ashley is a homeschooled 7th grader. She has been in 4-H for 5 years, and her favorite project has been poultry. Outside of 4-H, she is also part of American Heritage Girls (a faith-based scouting organization), takes piano lessons, and is a volunteer for the Santa Barbara Zoo as a Junior

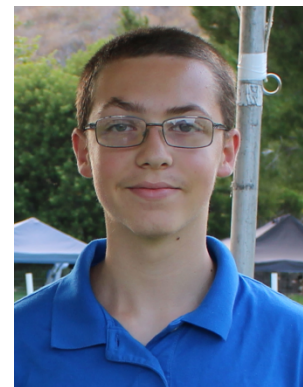


For more information about Ventura County 4-H events, visit the county website at: [http://ceventura.ucanr.edu/Families - Communities /4-H/](http://ceventura.ucanr.edu/Families_-_Communities/4-H/)

Camp Counselor. Ashley enjoys collecting baseball cards, listening to music, reading, and learning American Sign Language. She is hoping to pursue a career as a veterinarian or a pediatrician.

Andrew Pylar - Communications Officer

Sometimes, a lot of 4-H members in the club want club officer positions, so certain positions are then run by two 4-H kids. Our club's other Communications Officer is Andrew Pylar. Andrew is a homeschooled 11th grader along with taking some courses at Oxnard Community College. He has been in 4-H for 2 years, and his favorite project has been archery. Outside of 4-H, he is also part of Boy Scouts, and Naval Junior ROTC at Hueneme High School. Andrew enjoys genealogy, photography, and drawing. He is hoping to pursue a career as a research physicist after a career in the United States Navy.



Learn About 4-H Famous 4-H Alumni

By Ashley Pylar

The 4-H Program has been around since the early 1900's, and it has had many activities that its youth members can participate in, making them stronger people, and leaders. The program has given youth opportunities in leadership, presenting, and earning honorable awards such as the 4-H Emerald Star. All of those things are what people who hold themselves to a very high standard would be interested in. The 4-H Program has impacted the lives of many people. 1 in 7 U.S. adults were a part of the 4-H program sometime in their childhood. Many 4-H Alumni who graduated from high school became very accomplished individuals. Below are the names of famous politicians, scientists, artists, athletes, entertainment stars, and other celebrities who all got their start by being involved with the 4-H Program as a youth member.

Politicians

[James "Jimmy" Carter Jr.](#) (1924-Present), 39th President of the U.S.

[Albert "Al" Gore](#) (1948-Present), 45th Vice President of the U.S.

[Walter Mondale](#) (1928-Present), 42nd Vice President of the U.S.

[Mitch McConnell Jr.](#) (1942-Present), U.S. Senate Majority Leader.

[Jeff Sessions](#) (1946-Present), Former U.S. Attorney General.



Jimmy Carter

For a more complete list of 4-H Alumni, visit the following link: [Famous 4-H Alumni](#)

First Ladies

[Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis](#) (1929-1994), Former First Lady of the U.S.

[Rosalynn Carter](#) (1927-Present), Former First Lady of the U.S.

[Pat Nixon](#) (1912-1993), Former First Lady of the U.S.



Jackie Kennedy

Astronauts

[Alan Shepard](#) (1923-1998), NASA Astronaut and First American in space.

[Peggy Whitson](#) (1960-Present), NASA Astronaut and Biochemistry Researcher.

[Ellison Onizuka](#) (1946-1986), NASA Astronaut & First Asian American in space.



Alan Shepard

Science & Education

[George Beadle](#) (1903-1989), Geneticist and Nobel Prize Winner.

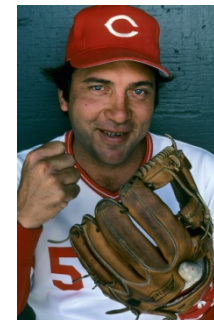
[Daniel McFadden](#) (1937-Present), Econometrician and Nobel Prize Winner.

[Drew Gilpin Faust](#) (1947-Present), 1st Female President of Harvard University.

[Howard R. Lamar](#) (1923-Present), Current President of Yale University.

Arts & Literature

[Jim Davis](#) (1945-Present), Famous Cartoonist and Creator of Garfield.



Johnny Bench

Athletes

[Johnny Bench](#) (1947-Present), MLB Catcher and 10-time Gold Glove Winner.

[Archie Manning](#) (1949-Present), Former NFL Quarterback.

[Dan Reeves](#) (1944-Present), Former NFL Running Back.

[Steve Cauthen](#) (1960-Present), Former Horse Racing Jockey and Youngest Triple Crown Winner Ever.

Entertainment

[Johnny Carson](#) (1925-2005), Former Host of the Tonight Show.

[Florence Henderson](#) (1934-2016), Actress, famous as Mrs. Brady on the Brady Bunch.

[David Letterman](#) (1947-Present), Former Host of the Late Show.

[Julia Roberts](#) (1967-Present), Oscar Winning Actress.

[Sissy Spacek](#) (1949-Present), Oscar Winning Actress.



Julia Roberts

If you have any questions about this month's Healthy Living Challenge, please feel free to contact the club's Healthy Living Officer Piper Snowber at: piper.snowber@gmail.com

Music

[Johnny Cash](#) (1932-2003), Singer and 18-time Grammy Award Winner.

[Faith Hill](#) (1967-Present), Singer who sold over 40 million albums worldwide.

[Reba McEntire](#) (1955-Present), Grammy Award Winning Singer.

[John Denver](#) (1943-1997), Singer and Songwriter.

[Dolly Parton](#) (1946-Present), Singer and Humanitarian.



Dolly Parton

Healthy Living Challenge

January's Challenge

By Piper Snowber, Healthy Living Officer

Hello, I'm Piper, and I am your Healthy Living Officer. My job is to set goals/challenges at each meeting for you guys, the members to accomplish to help you become healthier. This month, the goal/challenge is to try to unplug! Watching so much TV, playing video games, and going on your phone prevent people from getting exercise. So maybe instead of scrolling through Instagram, or watching that next episode on netflix, try going on a run, walking your dog, going on a hike, or even try reading a book! Exercise doesn't always have to be playing a sport or working out at the gym, it can even be reading, writing, or doing a puzzle. This can give your brain a workout as well! So try putting down your phone every once in a while, and enjoy time with your family, nature, and getting the exercise you need to be healthy!

Loma Vista 4-H Club Annual Fundraiser Donors

Thank you to the following local businesses, 4-H families, and friends who helped to make our fundraiser in December a success. Please support these businesses that supported our fundraiser.

Thank you!



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Ventura

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[The Calico Cat Bookshop](#)

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Ventura

Kelly Lowry Massage

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[Dominick's Italian Restaurant](#)

Oxnard

[Michael Kelley Salon](#)

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[Tandy Leather](#)

Oxnard

If you want to submit an article to the newsletter, then you can send it to:

newsletter@lomavista4h.com

We'll gladly take any articles you write about your 4-H experience, and don't forget, it counts as a Communication point in your Record Book!

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islandpackers.com

[Patagonia](http://Patagonia.com)
Ventura

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[iSurf](http://isurfschool.com)
isurfschool.com

[Real Cheap Sports](http://Real Cheap Sports.com)
Ventura

[Ultimate Escape Rooms](http://Ultimate Escape Rooms.com)
Solvang

Bellmore Family
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Snowber Family
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Amie Brown
Friend of 4-H

Lane Family
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Adler Striegel
Loma Vista 4-H

Ivone Cagnacci
Friend of 4-H

Miyashiro Family
Loma Vista 4-H

[Underwood Family Farms](http://Underwood Family Farms.com)
Moorpark

Anna Garbe
Friend of 4-H

McClanahan/Vertucci Family
Loma Vista 4-H

