

June 30, 2005

Dear Donald Duck,

Hello, my name is Mickey Mouse. I am 16 years old and am involved in the Santa Maria FFA organization. This is my 3<sup>rd</sup> year in FFA and my 2<sup>nd</sup> year in the sheep project. Besides sheep, I am also involved with the dairy products judging team and enjoy performing community service projects. I have spent a lot of time on these projects and will be exhibiting a market lamb at the upcoming Santa Barbara County Fair.

This year I named my lamb Nibbles, because he tries to eat everything that he can get his teeth on. I have raised him for 2 months now, feeding him twice a day and walking him down our driveway and back until we're both tired. He weighs a hefty 130 lbs., almost 55 lbs. more than when I got him! We are both excited about the fair and can't wait to go!

I am attending Santa Maria High School where I was in Mr. Ayon's Agriculture class. I really enjoy being part of the FFA and it has given me great opportunities. Outside of FFA I have played youth football and was part of the volleyball team. I am glad to have been so involved with many things this year.

I would now like to take this opportunity to invite you to the Santa Barbara County Fair and their Junior Livestock Auction. The fair opens on Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> and ends Sunday, July 17<sup>th</sup>. The Junior Livestock auction begins at 8am on Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup>, however sheep sell last this year and probably will begin selling around 6pm. Lunch and dinner is always served for auction buyers!

I would like to thank you for all of your support of the 4-H and FFA. Without people like you, these programs would not be possible. Thank you for your time and I hope to see you at fair!

Sincerely,

Mickey Mouse