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COVER 4-H SCIENCE PROJECTS DURING NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

(Nederland, Colo.) Four years ago John Benson realized his interest in electricity by trying some very risky sewing pin-electrical outlet experimentation. Thankfully, about the same time his mom, Fey, also realized his interest and suggested that John join the local 4-H club to channel his creative "energy". This year John is 12-years old, and his Solar Panel Project recently won grand prize in the electricity category at the Colorado State Fair.

John is one of six million young people nationwide who is inspired to innovate, create, and explore through 4-H—on October 8, 2008, the 4-H Youth Development Program is launching the first annual 4-H National Youth Science Day to help inspire even more.

In celebration of the first-ever 4-H National Youth Science day, local youth will participate in a never-before-seen event that will get young people not only involved, but also excited about science.

Launched in support of 4-H's new public service campaign, "One Million New Ideas," the special event seeks to further promote 4-H's long-term goal of attracting one million new youth to 4-H science, engineering, and technology programs by the year 2013.

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