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Next General Meeting:
Sept. 20 at 7pm,
Clifford School



President's Message

Hi 4-H'ers!

Summer is going by fast and it is almost time for the San Mateo County Fair. I encourage you to go see our club's livestock at the fair; check the junior livestock exhibit program in this newsletter for times and dates! Also, club members' projects such as cooking, sewing, and photography will be exhibited in Sequoia Hall.

Even if you don't have a project exhibited at the fair, you can support 4-H and have lots of fun, too by baking a cake and working in the 4-H Cake Booth or selling Pen Pride tickets at the fair. Keep reading the newsletter for more details.

The first regular club meeting will be Tuesday, September 20 at Clifford School at 7:00 p.m. The theme of the meeting will be "Been to Fair," so bring something that shows you went to the fair such as a ribbon, ID tag, trophy, Pen Pride ticket, or a picture of you at the fair.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at the fair when I get back from vacation!

Carson Sprock, President

End of the Year BBQ

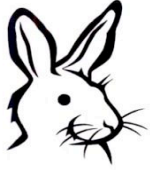
On June 4 our club held the annual end of the year BBQ!!! It was a little windy but we went swimming (one person got pushed in with all her clothes on!) and had a water balloon toss and an awesome water balloon fight. There was lots of food. The hot dogs and burgers were perfectly cooked. We had the Kangaroo Court and everyone was guilty and got blasted with Silly String. Thanks to everyone who helped out and special thanks to the Sprock's for opening their home to the club. (by Kelsey Moore)

The Farm

Our 4H farm is open once again and there are more animals than ever. There are 14 large animals there already. There are 3 pigs, 6 lambs, and 5 goats. The pigs and lambs run circles around the farm every night and are fun to watch. The goats just arrived and they are the cutest babies. At about 3 months old they weigh a little less than 40 pounds and are bottle-fed every day. The poultry will be arriving at the end of this month. There will be lots of chickens and maybe a duck. Even if you don't have an animal right now, come visit us at the farm to look at the projects you might want to do in the future. We are up there every day at 5:30 so come and check out the farm. (by Kelsey Moore)

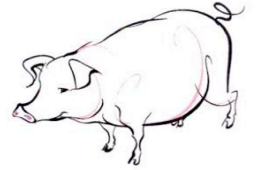
It's Fair Time!

The San Mateo County Fair opens Friday, August 12 at noon and continues through Sunday, August 21. Come enjoy the fair and support your 4-H friends by attending the junior livestock events and admiring the 4-H exhibits in Sequoia Hall (food, sewing, crafts, photography, art, and more), or enjoying the youth activities in Sequoia Hall. Use these schedules of junior livestock and Sequoia Hall events to plan a fun-filled visit to the fair.



2005 LIVESTOCK SCHEDULE

**All show times are approximate and are subject to change*



Wednesday, August 10

2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Pen & Barn decorating;
Move in tack

Thursday, August 11

2:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Animal Move in
Large Animal Weigh-in
followed by Poultry Weigh-in

Friday, August 12

8:00 a.m. - Facts & Fun Livestock Mandatory
Meeting in the Livestock Arena
4:00 p.m. - Ice Cream Social
6:00 p.m. - Dog Show

Saturday, August 13

10:00 a.m. - Horse Show
3:00 p.m. - Rabbit Bowl
6:00 p.m. - Avian Bowl

Sunday, 14 August

12:00 p.m. - Rabbit Showmanship followed by
Judging and Dress-up Contest
12:00 p.m. - Cavy Showmanship followed by
Judging and Dress-up Contest
2:00 p.m. - Jr. Judging

Monday, August 15

1:00 noon—Turkey Judging
3:00 p.m. - Poultry Judging & Showmanship

Tuesday, August 16

12 noon - Lads & Lassies
4:00 p.m. - Sheep Showmanship & Breeding Classes
6:00 p.m. - Sheep Market Classes

Wednesday, August 17

12:00 noon - Cavy Bowl
5:00 p.m. - Beef Showmanship & Breeding Classes
6:00 p.m. - Beef Market Classes

Thursday, August 18

12:00 noon - Dairy Goat followed by Market Goats
Pygmy Goat Judging & Showmanship
5:00 p.m. - Hog Showmanship
Hog Market Classes

Friday, August 19

12:00 noon - Small Animal Round Robin
3:00 p.m. - Large Animal Master Showmanship
Auction Ring Set up
8:00 p.m. - Junior Exhibitor Dance

Saturday, August 20

10:00 a.m. - Junior Livestock Auction

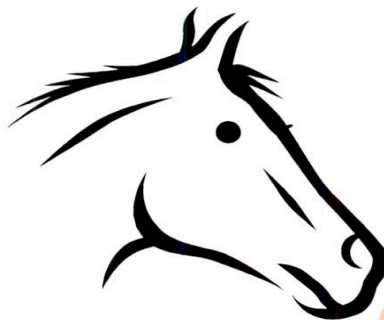
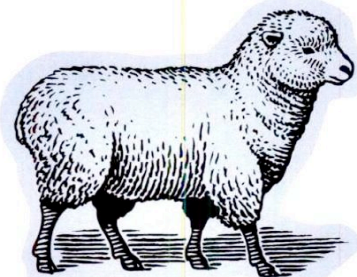
Sunday, August 21

1:00 p.m. - Award Ceremony in Arena
2:30 p.m. - Pee Wee Showmanship
3:00 p.m. - Over the Hill Showmanship
8:00 p.m. - Small and Breeding Animals Released

Monday, August 22

7:00 a.m. - Market Animals Released

Junior Livestock Auction
Saturday, August 20
10:00 a.m. - Show Ring



Sequoia Hall Youth Activities

Join us in Sequoia Hall for the 2005 San Mateo County Fair to celebrate Endless Summer. See entries made by the youth of our county. Learn a skill and take home something you make in a workshop. Participate in contests with prizes from local businesses. Finish the day with songs and dances.

Reserve a spot in a workshop by contacting the San Mateo County Expo Center & Fair office at 650.574.3247, e-mail at info@smexpo.com, or drop by our office Monday – Friday between 8am-5pm at 2495 S. Delaware St. (at the corner of 25th Ave.) San Mateo.

General Information for Workshops

- Hands-on workshops include a product to take home.
- All workshops cost \$1.00.
- Workshops are usually limited to 12 participants.
- Check in 10 minutes before the scheduled time.
- Available spaces are assigned on first come, first served basis.

General Information for Contests

- All contests are at 5 pm.
- Supplies are provided unless otherwise noted.
- Check in 10 minutes before the contest begins.
- There is no limit on the number of participants.

Schedule of Youth Activities

Friday, August 12

5 pm Today's Fun Contest
6 pm Decorate a visor – Join Margie to make yours
8 pm Japanese Dancers & Taiko Drummer

Saturday, August 13

1 pm Wheat Weaving – Make a piece with Jan
2 pm Exciting Electricity – Pete, kids, and circuits mix
5 pm Look Alike Contest – Prizes supplied by S. M. Credit Union
6 pm Monkey Fist Knot – Make a key ring with Kathy
8 pm Jazz-Ma-Tazz

Sunday, August 14

1 pm Crunchy Burrito – Help Samantha prepare a great snack
3 pm Go Fishing – At least make a fish with Jaclynn
5 pm Style Show – See the clothing made and worn by Sequoia Hall exhibitors
6 pm Fuse Bead Fun – Marilyn will direct you
8 pm P. S. Performers

Monday, August 15

1 pm Cake Decorating – Kathy from Kathy's Kreative Kakes will show you how
3 pm Build a Model – Keith from Talbots will provide K-Nex you build

5 pm Airplane Fly-Off – Make a paper airplane - Sponsored by Talbots Toyland
6 pm Summer Visors – Liz and Amanda supply the pieces
8 pm Hiram Bell & Kids On Uke
3 pm String Art – Marilyn will show you how
5 pm Jump Rope Contest
6 pm Wood Racers – Bob and friends are here to make yours run fast
8 pm TBA

Thursday, August 18

1 pm Folded Camp Shirt – Julie from Always Quilting will help you with a non-sewing project
3 pm Wire Wrapped Necklaces – Choose your stones and wrap with Heidi and friends
5 pm Summer Picnic Games
6 pm Summer Heat – Decorate a thermometer with Sue
8 pm TBA

Friday, August 19

1 pm Knotty Dolls – Make and dress a doll with Anne
3 pm Summer Flowers in Cross Stitch – Gloria will help you design yours
5 pm Limbo Contest
6 pm Surprise – Find out what Anna has for you this year
6 pm Wood Cut Outs – Join Audrey to paint yours
8 pm Hawaiian Music with Bell Group

Saturday, August 20

1 pm Stamping for Fun – Join Elaine for several projects
3 pm Beads and Things – Lauren likes beads and so will you
5 pm Hula Hoop Contest
6 pm Origami On Display – Fold away with Ming
8 pm Zun Zun Tunes

Sunday, August 21

1 pm Award Ceremony – Show ring
2 pm Science Fun – Drop in on Robin, our wizard, for fun projects
4 pm Mexicano Folklorico

Pen Pride

Each year for more than 50 years, San Mateo County 4-H clubs have taken a turn raising a special steer, “Peninsula Pen Pride.” In 2002, our club raised “Houdini,” a beautiful Black Angus, who was, as we quickly discovered, quite adept at escaping his pen! This year at the county fair you can expect to see “Louie,” a Black Angus steer raised by Half Moon Bay 4-H. The Pen Pride steer has the choice pen location in the livestock barn and a special role in raising funds for the San Mateo County 4-H clubs. For \$1.00, fairgoers take a chance at guessing the steer's weight and winning fabulous prizes. Louie, whose current size is a mystery, will be officially weighed on the last day of the fair.

Because thousands of people enjoy playing this game, there will certainly be several correct and near guesses with a prize for each. All county 4-H clubs participate in selling Pen Pride “tickets,” the entry forms for the game. San Carlos club members have already bought a set of 5 tickets as part of their registration dues. In addition to

making your own guesses, it's important to help our club take its turn selling Pen Pride tickets to fairgoers. Selling Pen Pride tickets is easy and fun, as people always have questions about the steer and 4-H. It's a great way to represent 4-H; be sure to wear your 4-H t-shirt or uniform with pride.

Check the schedule below to see if and when you have already volunteered to help out. If you can't make the time, please find a substitute family. Contact Maggie Gomez (593-1649) with your questions and, of course, there is still time to volunteer!

**Sunday, August 14, 2005 Name: 2- 4H members
and 1 parent per slot**

12 Noon - 1:15 p.m.	Dale Sprock Janae Novotny Carson Sprock
1:15 - 2:30 p.m.	Eric & Judy Grimsby Danielle Grimsby Nikolaus Grimsby
2:30 - 3:45 p.m.	Caitlyn Pons Gabriella Pons Cutler Pons Mike Pons
3:45 - 5:00 p.m.	Ann Williams Hannah Williams
5:00 - 6:45 p.m.	Vicki Lewit Rebecca Lewit Robert Lewit
6:45 - 7:30 p.m.	Tessa Martino Emma Martino Tati Martino Ashley Martino
7:30 - 8:45 p.m.	Martha Moore Kelsey Moore Maggie Gomez Kristine Gomez
8:45 - 10:00 p.m.	Cathy Somerton Julia Herndon

(by Maggie Gomez)

It's Time to Bake!

The 4-H Cake Booth at the county fair is a traditional favorite, famous for offering good treats at a fair price. This year our club is responsible for staffing and supplying the booth on Friday, August 19. We need **each 4-H family to bake 2 cakes** and help us sell them and 4-H to fairgoers. (This obligation was announced several times in print and at our general meetings.) Please call Gaye Donovan (593-3363) to schedule your family's shift for Friday, the 19th. (Remember to wear your 4-H t-shirt!)

Make this a fun family activity by following these cake-baking guidelines:

- Cakes must be 8" or 9" round, 2-layer cakes. No square or rectangular cakes.
 - Box mixes are preferred. (You will need 2 boxes to bake 2 cakes.) Baking is easy and the results are uniform.
 - Cakes must be frosted. Again, store-bought frosting is great. Avoid the whipped frosting, though, as it doesn't hold up.
 - Frost when the cake is completely cooled.
 - Any flavor is fine, but we recommend 1 chocolate and 1 variety mix.
 - Cakes must be presentable, but need not be fancy.
 - Do not slice your cake.
 - Get cake boxes from Gaye Donovan ahead of time (724 Cedar St.; 593-3363). We will also have them at the farm.
 - Deliver the cakes on **Thursday, August 18**, to Janae Novotny Sprock (2607 Graceland Ave, S.C.; 369-5422).
 - To busy to bake? Two-layer, 8" or 9" round store-bought cakes are acceptable.
- (by Sandra Bernhard)

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2. Click on "4-H Youth Development Program".
3. In the little purple box, click on "4-H Highlights".
4. Submit your email address in the box.

If you prefer to receive *Highlights* by mail, please call Marilyn Johnson at 726-9059, ext.106 or email mjjohnson@ucdavis.edu with your mailing information.

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