

San Carlos Eaton Hills 4-H

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Next General Meeting:

April 18 at 7pm,
Clifford School

President's Message

Hello everyone,

Ok, this month is bingo month. So be prepared for early adjournment and pizza. The business part of the meeting will be short so we can cut straight to the food and bingo! Pizza is \$1.00 a slice and your first bingo card is free, others are \$1.00. Drinks will also be \$1.00. There are lots of cool prizes bought by the teen leaders.

See you at the meeting.

Carson Sprock, President



This month's theme:

Wear pastels

Pizza and Bingo Night after the meeting!

First slice of pizza and 1 bingo card - \$1.00

Additional slices of pizza - \$1.00 each

Additional bingo cards - \$1.00 each

Drinks - \$1.00 each

Cool prizes for the lucky winners!

Get Out Your Boots And Shovels!

Spring Farm Clean-Up Saturday — April 22 — 9 a.m.

All 4Hers are encouraged to participate in our spring farm clean-up. This is a fun event for all 4Hers, not just the farm animal project members. Hot chocolate, coffee, and doughnuts will be provided. Bring gloves, disposable dust masks, etc. We have many jobs to do, especially after the winter rains, and the farm needs everyone, including parents!

This is a mandatory event for every member who is in a farm animal project: goats, sheep, pigs, poultry (chickens and turkeys), and bee-keeping. Attendance will be taken. If you have an excused absence, as defined in the Club attendance policy, please inform your project leader and Eric Grimsby, the Farm Boss, and you will be assigned make-up farm work.

Club Record Book Workshop

Tuesday — April 25 — 7 to 8 p.m. Clifford School Library

Are you overwhelmed by the thought of figuring out what activities to put on your Personal Development Form and where to put them? Are you thinking to yourself, “What is a Personal Development Form and why should I care?” Are you wondering whether a less complicated form exists for a primary member? Are you trying to figure out why you should even bother with a record book? Come to the Club’s annual Record Book Workshop, and Janae Novotny will try to answer your questions, simplify the record book process for you, and give you our annual Super Top Secret record book map.

Tour Alcatraz at Night with our County All Stars!

Saturday — April 29 — 4 p.m.

The San Mateo County All Stars have organized a night tour of Alcatraz for 4-H members and their families on Saturday, April 29. The cost for individuals over 12 is about \$33.50 and the cost for children 12 and under is about \$22.50. This amount includes the round-trip ferry ride. If you are interested in joining the tour or if you need more information, contact one of these individuals *as soon as possible*: Penny Richardson (368-6896 or pennyinrc@aol.com), Samantha or Nick Haw (571-6299).

San Mateo County 4-H Summer Camp

June 18-23 at Jones Gulch YMCA Camp Facilities

For youth ages 9 – 19 – you do not have to be a 4-H member. \$250 for 4-H members. \$275 for non-members.

Watch for registration forms in *Highlights* and on the County website (www.cesanmateo.ucdavis.edu/)

We Need YOU to Volunteer!

Our Lemonade and Cookie Booth for Hometown Days, May 20-21st, is now fully staffed, but we still have some open slots for the Information Booth. Please consult your calendars to see if one of these spots might have YOUR NAME on it:

Information Booth Needs:

Saturday, May 20th

1:00-2:30 4-Her (any age) + small animal

2:30-4:00 Teen + small animal

Sunday, May 21st

1:00-2:30 4-Her (any age) + Parent

Please contact Sandra Bernhard, s.bernhard@sbcglobal.net or 592-3558, to reserve your choice. Also, remember that we would certainly welcome even more 4-Hers, parents, and small animals in the Information Booth at any time, so drop by and give voice--whether a cluck or a squeak--to your 4-H experience!

If you have already signed up, thank you! You can check your time or see what slots are still open by visiting the schedule posted on our website: <http://clubs.ca4h.org/sanmateo/sancarlos/newsletters.htm>. You'll find the link to Hometown Days Sign-ups at the top of the home page.

Club Events Calendar

April 22	9 a.m.	Farm Clean-Up
April 25	7 – 8 p.m.	Record Book Workshop – Clifford School Library
May 16	7 p.m.	General Membership Meeting – Cookie Judging, Officer Elections
May 21-22		Hometown Days – Burton Park, San Carlos
June 11	12 – 4 p.m.	Annual BBQ, Recognition & Awards Program
July 27	4 – 8 p.m.	“Hot Harvest Nights” – 4-H Information Booth at San Carlos Farmers Market, Laurel Street
July 29	6 – 8 p.m.	San Carlos-Eaton Hills 4-H hosts San Mateo County 4-H Annual Awards Dinner, San Carlos Adult Center

San Mateo County Fair August 11-20, 2006

Theme: "Come Celebrate . . . 150 Years of San Mateo County!"

Important Fair Dates for Junior Livestock Exhibitors

Date and Location	Event
June 24, Saturday, 9 a.m. Gate E – Expo Center Barn Area	Market Hog, Sheep, Goat and Feeder animals ear tagging and pre-fair check-in. <i><u>Entry forms with all required signatures and fees due at check-in.</u></i>
July 29, Saturday, 9 a.m. Expo Center Barn Area	All animal exhibitors, parent, and leaders – Barn Set-Up Day
August 9, Wednesday, 2 p.m. – 8 p.m. Expo Center Barn Area	Pen & Barn Decorating
August 10, Thursday Expo Center Barn Area	Animal arrival and weighing
August 11, Friday, 8 a.m. Livestock Arena	Fair, Facts, and Fun Livestock Exhibitors Meeting – mandatory for all exhibitors and leaders. Information, photo ID's distributed.

The 4-H Hat

The 4-H Hat is a source of pride in the California 4-H Youth Development Program. California is the only state to have a 4-H Club Hat. California members use their hats to display achievement stars, stripes, pins, and medals. Only 4-H emblems should be worn on the hat, which should reflect the dignity of the 4-H Youth Development Program. A 4-H hat is not required for membership in 4-H or participation in any 4-H program and activity. Fairs do not fall under the jurisdiction of the 4-H program, and they often have their own clothing requirements for junior exhibitors.

Keep Those Cake Domes!

Please begin saving those plastic cake domes that come free with the purchase of many commercial cakes. The club will need 60 clean cake domes to box cakes for our shift in the Cake Booth at the San Mateo County Fair in August. Plastic domes are easier to clean and recycle than cardboard boxes, and they keep cakes fresh longer. We have discovered, however, that they are expensive to purchase separately, and the grocery stores are increasingly reluctant to donate them.

Go ahead and keep the first 2 domes for your own anticipated contributions to the cake booth (thank you! :)). As you collect more, please give them to Sandra Bernhard at any club meeting. Wow, what any easy way to help!

Find Out About 4-H at the County Level

You can subscribe to Highlights, the San Mateo County 4-H monthly newsletter, online or through the mail. To receive an email notification when a new issue of the newsletter is available:

1. Go to this Internet address: <http://www.cesanmateo.ucdavis.edu/>
2. Click on “4-H Youth Development Program”.
3. In the little purple box, click on “4-H Highlights”.
4. Enter 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.

Next newsletter deadline: May 9

Email your articles to Betsy Parkhurst: betsyus@sbcglobal.net