

# San Carlos Eaton Hills 4-H

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Next General  
Meeting:  
April 20 at 7 pm,  
Clifford School



## President's Message

Hello Everyone,

Spring has sprung and April has begun!

At this month's general meeting we will have our annual potluck. Junior Teen Leaders will bring lasagna but everyone else in the club is assigned another food, so make sure to check what course to bring and to bring yummy food.

Glassware, glassware, glassware, we are in great need of glassware for our upcoming Hometown Days booth. Please donate some glassware to our booth.

Big change! This month we will be having our elections for the positions of President and Vice-President of the club. Come to this meeting and make your vote heard, there are some wonderful candidates out there to support.

What will you be doing the weekend of Hometown Days? I know I will be working the information booth. I have worked this booth many times and every time that I do I have fun! The information booth is a good way to let the community know about our club and the 4-H program. So make sure to sign-up to work the information booth and the dime toss and **don't forget the parade!**

Reminder: San Mateo County 4-H Camp forms are due. Do not miss out on this amazing and fun experience; get your forms in now.

See you all soon,

~Jeff Wilfong

**At this month's meeting:  
Bring a dish to share  
Wear rain gear / pastels**

## UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS

Apr 20	7 PM April general meeting - Potluck Theme
Apr 24	4-H camp registration due
May 1	9 AM-noon Fashion Review/Crafts and Hobby Expo
May 2	Record Book help available
May 18	7 PM May General meeting - <b>COUNTS AS TWO</b>
May 22-23	Hometown Days activities
June 27	End-of-the-Year BBQ

### 4-H Summer Camp

Sign-up for 4-H summer camp. San Mateo County 4-H holds a summer camp at Jones Gulch for one week in June. This year, CAMP DINOSAUR runs from June 20-25. Check the county web site for registration information and ask Jeff Wilfong, our club president and camp director, for more details. 4-H camp is a resident camp for members ages 9 and up.

Please note: Use the following links ONLY when viewing this newsletter online.  
Apply Online: <http://ucanr.org/2010.4h.camp.initial.application>  
Print and Send Application: [2010 4-H Camp Initial Application](#)

## San Mateo County 4-H Fashion Revue and Hobby and Crafts Expo

**Saturday, May 1, 2010 12:00 PM**  
Crystal Springs United Methodist Church  
2145 Bunker Hill Dr. San Mateo

The second annual Crafts and Hobby Expo is on for **Saturday, May 1, 2010**. All non-fashion/non-food/non-animal projects are invited! 4-H'ers working on hobby or craft projects independently are welcome to enter those, also (no school projects, please). NNP Projects without end products, i.e. Air Rifle, Leadership, Community Service, Drama, Automotive, etc., are encouraged to enter presentation boards. \_The forms are due next **Thursday, April 23**. We will be running concurrently with Fashion Revue so expect to be there from 12:30 – 3 pm. There will be some workshops, perhaps fly casting, composting, and a craft workshop for participants at this event.

Please go here: <http://cesanmateo.ucdavis.edu/files/77600.pdf> to download the complete packet with entry forms and instructions. We also invite you to help plan and execute the event. Please contact Linda Litz at 650-591-5041 to let her know if you would like to help. Participants may want to bring reading material to read while they are waiting while the judging is taking place and perhaps water to drink outside of the changing room.

**Entries due on Friday, April 23rd, 2010 to Linda Litz no later than 4 pm**

## **Candidate Statements for Presidency and Vice-Presidency**

This year we are, at Jeff's suggestion, trying something new. We will elect the 2010-11 club president and vice-president at the April meeting and elect the rest of the executive board at the May meeting. Please take the time to read the candidate statements and think about your selection. Parents, please talk to your younger members about the process. What qualities does your member want in a president and vice-president? What have you noticed about the club officers this year? Be ready to make your choice at the meeting!

### **For President:**

When you think of 4H what do you think of? Animals? Cooking? Sewing? A clover? Well I think of the life lessons we learn through these experiences, like generosity, responsibility, and kindness. **I'm Rebecca Lewit, and I am running for President for the upcoming year.** I have been in the San Carlos Eaton Hills Club for eight years. In those **eight years I've experienced the atmosphere at our club and learned that it is like no** others in the county. I am so proud of our club and would only like to see the kindness and generosity within it continue. I am running for President this year because I believe that I can be a leader who can relate to the problems of our members and to the concerns of the adults. I would hope to host more countywide events like the upcoming Zoo sleepover to really bond our members and those from other counties. So when you are handed the upcoming ballot remember to check the box that has the name of someone who is truly proud to be a part of the San Carlos 4H community.  
Rebecca Lewit.

### **For Vice-President:**

Hello fellow 4-Hers! My name is Peter Warrick. I would like to become your vice-president of the San Carlos-Eaton Hills 4-H Club. I have been a member of the club for the past 6 years. During that time I have learned many things about 4-H and have participated in many 4-H activities. I have completed more than 20 projects including two involving goats at the fair, been a Junior or Teen leader for 9 projects, served as club treasurer for two years (2007/2008 and 2008/2009) and have recently become active in 4-H activities at the county level as well. I enjoy helping all 4-hers get their most out of this great organization. When you cast your ballot for President and Vice-President at the April meeting I would greatly appreciate a vote for me, Peter Warrick, the best V.P. you could wish for!

Hey fellow 4-H'ers,  
My name is Nicole Case and I am running to be Vice President. As many of you have noticed, this is my first year and I have learned the 4-H ways very fast. This year I have been working on raising 2 Lambs which has taught me tremendous responsibility and commitment. The same characteristics I plan on having if I am elected for VP. I am also running for VP at my school, which shows I enjoy being a leader and helping others in a big community. I am a Junior Teen Leader currently and would love to step up my responsibilities to this club.  
Vote for me for VP!!

Sincerely, Nicole Case

My name is Victorina Jeffers and I am running for the position of Vice President for the 2010-2011 term. I believe that I am the girl for the job because I have been a committed member of the San Carlos Eaton Hills 4H club since 2003. For the past two years, I have served as Sergeant-At-Arms and Membership. While serving these positions, I have gained leadership qualities that I am ready to utilize as your Vice President. I will make an excellent Vice President because ever since I joined, 4H has been an important part of my life. I am also highly determined to help drive the club through the year and provide authority and direction when needed. As Vice President, I am prepared to support the President when advice is necessary and fill in when they are absent. Also, I will make the club stronger and be punctual and reliable in my endeavors. I am looking forward to serving you as the Vice President of 4H, next year. Thank you. Vote for Victorina!

## **Hometown Days are Almost Here**

Hometown Days is almost here. We had a great response at the March meeting so all our slots at the Information Booth and the Dime Toss are filled, but watch your email for more details. We will need animals and interesting 4-H items to display at the Information Booth.

Everyone should plan on participating in the Hometown Days parade on Saturday morning, May 16, by working on creating the parade float, or working at the dime toss or helping with the information booth. Project Leaders: Consider making large decorative items or posters or banners for our float at your project meetings. You can drop them off **at Shelle Lucas's house**, at 1573 Chestnut Street, between St. Francis and White Oak Way in San Carlos. We will have informational flyers to pass out to spectators as we travel along the parade route.

We need help. We are looking for a canopy that we can use for the dime toss booth at Hometowns Days this May. If anyone has an easy-to-assemble canopy stored away in their garage that we can borrow for the weekend, please let me know.

Thank you! Heather Sutherland

## **The Dime Toss Needs You**

**We can't make any money, unless we have glassware. If every 4-H family brings in a box filled with assorted glassware, we will have enough. So, please scour your closets, ask your neighbors and relatives, stop in your favorite thrift store, buy plates, cups and mugs at a yard sale...Do whatever it takes to collect 20-25 pieces of glassware for our booth. Please bring your contributions to the April General Meeting or drop them by the Weaver house at 2145 Greenwood Avenue, San Carlos.**

## **Record Books Due May 18—Get a jump on them!**

All members are encouraged to turn in record books each year. These books are a tremendous way to demonstrate your growth in 4-H and they are *required* for members entering animals in the county fair. **This year the Knoths will hold a “drop-in” record book workshop on the afternoon and evening of May 2** at their home in San Carlos (519 Prospect Street). If you would like help filling out the forms, please call and let us know

when you can come by. Bring your calendar, your forms, any photos, and other materials to our house, spread out on the dining room table and get your record book done. RSVP 654-4975.

## **Dinner is served!**

This Tuesday evening, prior to the general meeting, the Junior Teen Leaders are 'hosting' a potluck dinner. The JTLs will provide the main course - **lasagna** - the rest of us will potluck the salad, bread and dessert.

There are more details to come in the newsletter, but here's what to plan for:

Members who's last names begin with **A-K bring a salad**

Members who's last names begin with **L-R bring bread**

Members who's last names begin with **S-Z bring dessert**

The club will provide the beverage, cups, salad dressing, and napkins. In an effort to reduce the waste we generate, we ask that you **bring your own plate and eating utensils**.

Come early at 6:45 and enjoy 'breaking the bread' with your fellow 4hers!

Questions? Reply back to me...

Susie

PS parents in attendance are invited to eat too!

## **San Mateo County Fair is Coming in June:**

### **What are you entering?**

The Fair is not just for animal project members. What have you made this year in 4-H? What have you learned? There is a category at Fair for just about everything so start thinking now about what exhibits you want to display. All exhibitors get free entrance tickets so you can admire your work, taste some cake at the 4-H cake booth, come meet our club animals, and ride the carnival rides one summer afternoon. Watch your 4-H e-mail for more information about entry deadlines.



### **Cake Booth at the Fair**

Each year our club is responsible for staffing and supplying delicious cakes to be sold at the cake booth at the fair one day in August. **It's a great opportunity for 4-Hers** who are not showing an animal, or even those who are, to get **involved with the fair and it's** always a fun time.

Look for a sign-up sheet for baking cakes and working the booth at the general meeting on May 18th.

We are looking for fair ticket donations to the club that we can hand out to our cake booth and pen pride volunteers. If you are entering multiple items in the fair and end up with extra tickets please let Thalia Hoenthal, the cake booth coordinator, know.

## **Cookie Judging Results- Congratulations to all participants!**

What a spread. Thank you to all who brought cookies, and thank you to all who judged. It was fun to hear from Fair judge Michael Schmitt about how he looks at cookies he is preparing to judge. Make sure you stick your head in the food pavilion at the fair this summer and say hello to Michael. We will announce the winners for both the cookie judging and the junior judging at the April meeting.

## **Report from Junior Grand National at the Cow Palace**

This past weekend, April 4, I showed my market and dairy goat as an independent at the cow palace. It was a great experience. Even though I did not do well in the shows I had a great time because it's not just about winning for me it's the learning experience.  
~ Nikolaus Grimsby

## **Project Reports**

### **Community service project update**

The community service project just had our final meeting of the year last Thursday. We made posters that will be used at information booth and dime toss booths. The posters are going to be used to help us try to gather donations from the public to help us in the rebuilding of our farm. Each booth will have a donation jar as well. While you are working in the booths remember to ask for farm donations as well.  
~ Sarah Sutherland

### **Manga Art Project**

Our last meeting featured guest artist, Monica C. from Vallejo. She showed us how simple it was to draw a character's profile by first drawing a V shape for the chin then working your way up to the nose and around for the head. Details like eyes, mouth, hair, and ear follow after the basic shape is drawn. She showed us how different emotions can be shown by making simple changes to the eyes. For our next meeting we are planning to visit Japantown in San Francisco.  
~ By Isabella

### **Sheep**

The Nielsens and their sheep Shaun and Cheryl were invited to attend the Fashion for Compassion charity luncheon and animal fashion show at the Marriott Airport Hotel in Burlingame on Sunday April 11th. It was quite an adventure bringing sheep into a fancy hotel. Sheep have never been treated so good! They walked the runway in designer raincoats along with an array of dressed up dogs and one monitor lizard. We had a great time and hope to participate again next year as well. Shaun and Cheryl have been having

a great time going out on the town. Some of the other charities they have been helping out with include Heifer International, Rileys's Place, Ronald McDonald House at Stanford and Haven Family House. ~ Robin Nielsen

## **My Day at Sectional Presentation Day**

**By Laurel Nelson**

I got a gold medal at our county Presentation Day in February. There were people presenting from all over like from Sacramento, Napa, and San Joaquin Valley. It was really interesting to see what kind of presentations people thought of like how to make a stir fry dish, how to play rock music on a guitar, and how to raise a herd of goats. My presentation was How to Correctly Put an English saddle on a Horse. To make my presentation even better, I added a head and tail to my demonstration tube so it looked like a horse and I dressed like I was going riding. I am ecstatic to say that I got a **Gold Medal** at Sectional and I am now moving on to State Presentation Day on April 10; I drove up to UC Davis for the Northern Sectional Presentation Day.

## **Lions Club Car Show "Parade Your Pride" is on June 6**

Members, please take a moment to write down a time to help the Lions Club for their annual car show on June 6, 2010, at Sparky's Garage in San Carlos. The Lions Club is donating the proceeds from this year's show to our club. It is beneficial for all members and a parent to participate in volunteering a few hours to assist in tasks assigned. This activity is accountable for community service for your record book. The Lions Club will need help with selling raffle tickets, selling root beer floats, pass out goodie bags, some clean up help, floaters to assist the chairman and a silent auction. Plus you have the benefit of seeing all the great cars with fantastic paint schemes and the elements of customized auto body engineering along with the muscled horsepower from shiny engines. You may be a gear/petrol head and not know it! Sign-up sheets will be circulated at the April and May general meetings.

Thank you. ~ Scott Marsters

## **A little unclear on our upcoming 4H months? Here's an overview:**

Event	Who	Date	Coordinator/Contact
April Club Meeting	All	Tues, 4/20 - Clifford	Potluck - someone want to coordinate?
Farm to Fair Meeting	Fair Animal Families	4/27 - Clifford	
Record Book Drop In	Anyone needing help	5/2 - Knoth's house	Knoths
May Club Meeting	All	5/18 - Clifford	

Fair Registration Deadline (non-animal)	All entrants	5/19	County Fair: <a href="#">Entry Forms</a>
<a href="#">Hometown Days</a>	All	5/22, 5/23 - San Carlos	Parade: Lucas/Cinti,
Fair Barn Setup	Farm Families (and others)	6/5 - Fairgrounds	Knoth
<a href="#">Lions Club Car Show</a>	All who can help (non-farm in particular)	6/6 - Sparky's Garage	Shelle Lucas
<a href="#">County Fair</a>	Everyone - have a good time!	6/12 - 6/20	
Fair Cake Booth (fundraiser)	All - Bake cakes and volunteer to help!	6/20	Thalia Hoenthal
Pen Pride Ticket Booth at Fair	All - volunteers needed!	TBD	Vicki Lewitt
Picnic	All!	6/27	Coordinator needed!

## **Next newsletter deadline: May 11, 2010**

We welcome and encourage articles written by members. Email articles to Shelle McGee-Lucas at [straycatgt@comcast.net](mailto:straycatgt@comcast.net)