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**Next General Meeting:**

**May 18 at 7 PM,  
Clifford School**



## President's Message

Hi Everyone!

I can't believe that it is our last business meeting of the year. The year went by fast. This month is my favorite meeting of the year - it's Bingo night! That means come ready with dollars to buy pizza and lots of bingo cards. Good luck to everyone!

This month is Hometown Days! Get ready to walk in the parade or ride on our float. We want our float to win 1<sup>st</sup> place so we need everyone's help to decorate it. Also make sure that you're signed up to work the dime toss or the information booth. We still need more glassware so please donate.

We'll be voting for the board positions at our meeting this month. We've got some great candidates this year. If you are interested in being on the board next year make sure to participate in the Junior Teen Leader project and get involved as much as possible. Good luck to everyone with their school finals and graduations! Until next month,

~Jeff Wilfong

At this month's meeting:  
Vote for club officers and  
enjoy pizza and bingo—  
\$1 buys a slice of pizza and a bingo card; each  
additional bingo card is \$1.  
The club will provide drinks and lots of fun prizes!  
Feel free to bring a prize to donate  
(worth \$5 or less).

## UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS

May 18 7PM May general meeting

May 22-23 Hometown Days!

Sat. 8:15-11 Float decorating and parade

Sat. & Sun. 10-5 Dime Toss and Information Booths open

May 29 State 4-H Field Day, UC Davis

June 6 7AM-3PM Lions Club Car Show

June 12-20 San Mateo County Fair

June 20 Cake Booth service at San Mateo County Fair

June 27 12-3 pm Club BBQ and Recognition & Awards Ceremony

June 28 7PM Club leads pledge at San Carlos City Council meeting

## **Line Up for the Hometown Days Parade**

Get ready for San Carlos Hometown Days! This annual celebration happens **May 22, 2010**. Next to fair, Hometown Days is the biggest event in our 4-H year. Every 4-H family is needed to make this year's celebration a success. This year's theme is "30 Years of Hometown Fun." To celebrate this theme we can bring our animals with us along the parade route and take a walk with them. Please be certain to provide water and a bowl for your animal. Small animals and poultry will be more comfortable in a kennel/cage.

Please wear your 4-H t-shirt, 4-H uniform, or 4-H colors—green and white. Be sure to wear comfortable shoes. Parade activities begin at **8:15 AM** when we gather on Cedar Street near the north end of the school playground to decorate our float. The parade steps off at 9:45 am from Central Middle School, follows a route through downtown San Carlos, and ends back at the school approximately an hour later. All club members are welcome to participate in the parade, and adults who are not helping set up the club booths should also plan to join in the fun.

So to review:

- Arrive at 8:15am on Saturday, May 22.
- Wear your 4-H t-shirt or uniform (including the hat).
- Wear comfortable walking shoes.
- Bring an animal to take for a walk; remember a leash, water, and a bowl.
- Bring a wagon or cage for your small animal.
- Bring water in a bottle for yourself.
- Bring extra decorations from your project and a way to secure them.

## **Bring Prizes for Bingo to the May Meeting!**

Look around your house and find a prize you can donate for Bingo! Value up to \$5. We've all got something we can contribute to the evening's fun. Bring them to the club meeting on May 18.

## **Club Officer Elections at May Meeting**

Elections for club officers will be held at the May general meeting. Only club members vote for officers. (Parents do not vote.) Membership in the Junior/Teen Leadership project for at least one year is a prerequisite for becoming a candidate. In addition, only candidates who submit a candidate statement to the club newsletter are eligible for election. Please become an informed voter; read the candidates' statements below before the meeting.

# Candidates' Statements

## Sergeant At Arms statement

Hello, my name is **Maeve Keegan**. This is my 4<sup>th</sup> year in 4-H and I have been a Junior Teen Leader for two years. This year I am running for Sergeant at arms. What does the Sergeant in Arms do you may ask? My job would be to keep order during our meetings so that we can get through them faster. This year I was a Junior Teen Leader for the Beginning 4-H project. I have learned many skills from that which will help me be a good Sergeant at Arms. Remember to vote for Maeve Keegan for Sergeant at Arms

## Outreach Coordinator statement

Hi, my name is **Peri Wong** and I am running for the office of Outreach. I love to be active and positive and I have a lot of leadership training. For the past four years I have been a delegate, cabin leader and now staff at the sectional leadership conference and a delegate at the state level.

I will be the best in this position because I am already very involved in the County and Sectional level. Also, I attend many out of county events and some state. For the club I'm a teen and project leader. Vote Peri for Outreach and this club can go far.

## Treasurer's statement

My name is **Tristan Knoth**. This is my eighth year in 4-H, and I am running for reelection as treasurer. You should vote for me because I am experienced and I'm extremely handsome. Last year, I learned a lot as treasurer, and I want to be treasurer again. I have done a lot of stuff in 4-H, including raising pigs, chickens, and goats. I learned a lot as treasurer last year, like how to write checks and pay bills and other important things. If you vote for me, the club won't go bankrupt. If you don't, we still probably won't go bankrupt, but I have lots of experience so the club's funds will be in excellent hands with me.

## Corresponding Secretary statement

My name is **Kelsey Hutcherson** and I am running for corresponding secretary for the San Carlo-Eaton Hills 4-H Club. I'm a junior at Carlmont High School and this is my second year in 4-H. Even though I'm a relatively new member, I attend the Junior Teen Leader meetings, help out at the general meetings, participate in activities like the JTL and zoo overnights, and I'm raising my second lamb. I'm in Honors English and I am a good writer. I would like to contribute more to the club by becoming an officer. I hope you will vote for me!

## Secretary statement

Hello 4-Hers my name is **Kate Lyn Sutherland**. For the past year I have been the Secretary of our wonderful club and I am planning to run for secretary again. I have been in 4-H for five years now and have been in projects like rabbits, cooking, wild flower hiking, forestry, cats, and this year I started the community service project. I believe you should reelect me because I love being your secretary, and before every meeting I go over

every person in our clubs name, that is 118 people! Now that I have been in the club so long 4-H isn't just a part of my life 4-H is my life, and I wouldn't have it any other way! Thanks for being an amazing club! Please vote for me for secretary!

### **Membership Chair statement**

Hello, my name is **Kathleen Marsters**, and I am running for the position of Membership Chair. I have been in 4-H for eight years. This is my third year in Junior/Teen Leaders and I am currently the teen leader for the advanced rabbits project. I am 16 years old and currently a junior at Carlmont High School. I was the corresponding secretary for our club for two years and I really enjoyed the experience. I hope to be elected to membership chair so that I can continue to get to know the members of our club. I look forward to talking with all of you at the general meetings.

### **Junior Farm Boss statement**

Hey 4-Hers! My name is **Jesse Taylor** and I am running for the position of Jr. Farm Boss. This is my 5th year in 4-H and I have experience at both the permanent and temporary San Carlos farms. I am currently raising a lamb at the temporary San Carlos farm and have previously raised 2 turkeys and a dairy goat, all of these experiences have taught me about responsibility and how the farm works. One of the biggest and most important jobs I will have next year is overseeing the reconstruction of the farm. I will organize people to help clean up during the summer and assign tasks during both spring and fall farm clean up. Hope you vote for me!!!

## **Celebrate Your 4-H Year!**

**Sunday, June 27, 12 - 3 pm**  
**1815 Cordilleras, Redwood City**  
**Annual Club BBQ, Recognition and Awards Ceremony,**  
**And a Short Business Meeting to Install New Officers**  
Fun! Games! Good food! Good Company! Swimming!  
Watch as Project Leaders Try to Convict Members in the  
Infamous Kangaroo Court!  
Please bring folding camp chairs or towels/blankets to sit on.

## **Record Books Are Due May 18 (for Fair Animals) and on June 27**

Members who plan to show animals at the San Mateo County Fair **MUST** have their record books at the May 18, 2010, General Meeting. All other members who hope to earn a pin and year stripe, can bring record books to the June 27 BBQ.

Member record books are due Sunday, June 27. Members who wish to exhibit in any category in the San Mateo County Fair in June must submit a record book. Please deliver completed record books to Bruce and Maeve Knoth at the Annual Recognition Event. Members who plan to enter their record books at the county level should inform Maeve when they turn in their record books.

The club website contains links to the state 4-H website, where you will find Word and PDF versions of the Personal Development Form and Project Report Form. If you missed our informative Record Book workshop, helpful materials will be available at the May general meeting.

If you are claiming credit for demonstrations, you must complete a Demonstrative Verification Form and submit it with your record book. Forms are available on the club website.

## Cake Booth at Fair

For those families who are looking to be involved with the fair but don't have an animal to show and don't quite know what to do...have I got a great opportunity for you: the cake booth! For those new to the club, every year our club is responsible for staffing and providing cakes for the cake booth for one day at the fair—this year it's Sunday, June 20. It is a really fun way to be part of the action of the fair for a day.

We ask that every family in our club donate two cakes for the booth. It's definitely not too early to start thinking about finding your favorite cake recipe. We also sell large cookies at the cake booth and they always sell out, so please stash some cookies in your freezer and bring them to the booth during the fair. 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 two boxes to bake two cakes.) Baking is easy and the results are uniform.
- Any flavor is fine, but we recommend you make one chocolate because it is the most popular flavor.
- Cakes must be frosted. Again, store-bought frosting is great. Avoid the whipped frosting, please, because it doesn't hold up.
- Frost when the cake is completely cooled.
- Cakes must be presentable, but need not be fancy.
- **Do not slice your cake.**
- Too busy to bake? Or the cake fell over? Please buy two-layer 8" or 9" store-bought cakes are perfectly fine.

Please sign-up at the May general meeting. Thalia Honethal is our cake booth coordinator. She can be reached at [ourano@sbcglobal.net](mailto:ourano@sbcglobal.net) and at 650-576-8032.

## **“Pen Pride” Booth at Fair!**

For more than 65 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 quite adept at escaping his pen! The Pen Pride steer always has a choice pen location in the livestock barn at fair and a special role in raising funds for our county's 4-H clubs. For a \$1 donation, fair-goers take a chance at guessing the steer's weight and winning fabulous prizes. The steer is officially weighed on the last day of fair. Because thousands of people enjoy playing this game, there are always several correct and close guesses with a prize for each.

All San Mateo county 4-H clubs participate in selling Pen Pride tickets, the entry forms for the guessing game. San Carlos/Eaton Hills club members already purchased a set of tickets as part of their registration dues. In addition to submitting these guesses, our members and parents help our club fulfill its responsibility for selling Pen Pride tickets to fair-goers. Selling tickets is easy and fun, and people always love to talk about the steer and 4-H. We are the biggest club in the county and as such, have to pull our fair share of Pen Pride duty. Every family is requested to sign up for a shift. We also need someone to coordinate the shifts. Watch your email for more information about this opportunity.

## **Fashion Review**

After spending many hours sewing at Robin's house last week, the kids in the sewing project finally got their garments done! Right in time for Fashion Revue! This was my second year and I made a silk dress and jacket. Overall Fashion Review is a great experience because it is just so much fun. You first get interviewed by three judges on how appropriate and well made your garment is. Then if they like it a lot they move you on to second-judging where all of the judges come together in a group and pick the gold medalist out of your age group. I won a gold medal for the 9-11 year olds. They then picked two people to go to State Fashion Review and I was one of them. Then we all had a fashion show. I also received the Paula Athey Fashion Review trophy that I had to apply for. I am very proud of myself and everyone in the Eaton Hill's sewing project and hope that other people try Fashion Review next year.

~ Laurel Nelson

## **Project Reports**

### **Bee Keeping**

I went to the bee keeping meeting at the farm. There I learned that drones did not have stingers. I was really lucky because I was holding a bee with my bare hands! Luckily someone told me that the drone that I was holding did not have a stinger. It was really cool to see some of the bees doing their own beesness ( business)! Thank you Mr. Hallamasek for being our project leader. Sincerely, one of your beesnees ( business) workers

~ Zia Moore

## Woodworking

The 4-H members of the Woodworking Project have been working very hard during the last month. Several of us made a wind chime out of bamboo on Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>. Other members were busy finishing up their fish trivet. Last Saturday, May 8<sup>th</sup> we met for the final time and made a Mother's Day present of a wooden and Plexiglas picture frame. We learned how to work with bamboo which is a grass, not a wood. We also learned how to: cut corner angles with a miter saw, use the drill press to make holes the correct depth for our fish eyes, and learned to use a wood plane correctly. I think everyone had a good time and learned a lot. Luckily no one got hurt working on any of the projects which made Mr. Warrick very happy.

~ Peter Warrick

## Hobby Crafts



We dug shallow holes in sand then placed a wick tied to a skewer in the center. Mrs. Jeffers poured the wax in the hole for us. We placed seashells on top after the wax cooled a little. We played in the water while the wax cooled.

~ The Girls

## **Cat Project**

The cat project is having another meeting but this time it we are taking a tour around the phs/spca. We have learned a lot about cats so now we get to see them (besides my cats). This is the second time that we are going to a cat shelter but this one is cooler because it is going to be our last meeting of the year so we are going to have a lot of fun can't wait till we go.

~ Sarah Sutherland

## **Shearing My First Sheep**

Last week I helped Nicole Nielsen shear her Baby Doll Sheep Shaun. The sheep had to have their wool cut because it was getting hot out. I have seen many 4-Hers shear their sheep but this was my first time. It was fun but very time consuming. And the sheep looked like they were having a "bad-hair day"! But I thought I did pretty good for my first time. I also helped with washing the wool so it can be spun into yarn. We used Dawn soap in the bathtub to wash the wool many times over and over again. Maybe I can make the yarn into a wool hat!

~ Laurel Nelson

## **Pledge of Allegiance for City Council**

Our 4H club will lead the Pledge of Allegiance at the San Carlos City Council Meeting on June 28th. We'll tell them and show them how great our club is in the process! Please attend - we'd like a large turnout to represent our club. We'll be in the meeting for about 15 minutes and then we'll have ice cream cones in the park.

Where: San Carlos City Hall - Elm Street and San Carlos Avenue, 7 PM

This may be the last event of the 4H year! (Just after our picnic).

- Bruce

## **For Sale**

We still have 1 dwarf hamster looking for a good home - the other 2 have already been adopted:) They are cute, furry & cuddly! They are free & we will include the cage & any other supplies we have. Call me if you have questions or you're interested. Laurie Crook @ 650-593 - 7150



# San Carlos Lion's Club Car Show Volunteer List June 6<sup>th</sup> 7

a.m. – 3 p.m.

## Raffle Ticket Sales

1 Family 7-11 \_\_\_\_\_  
1 Family 11-3           Paragas Family ?

## Root Beer Floats

1 Family 10-12:30   Taylor Family  
1 Family 10-12:30   Cox Family  
1 Family 12:30-3     Weaver Family  
1 Family 12:30-3     Weaver Family

## Take Tickets & Pass out Food

1 Family 10-12:30   Stewart Family  
1 Family 10-12:30   Biggers Family  
1 Family 12:30-3    Hutcherson Family  
1 Family 12:30-3    Lewit Family

## Silent Auction

1 Family 8-11 \_\_\_\_\_  
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1 Family 8-11 \_\_\_\_\_  
1 Family 11-2 \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Soda Sales

1 Family 8-10:30 \_\_\_\_\_  
1 Family 10:30-1     Keegan Family  
1 Family 1-3         Bowler Family

## Goodie Bags

1 Family 7- 10        Wilfong Family  
1 Family 7- 10 \_\_\_\_\_

## Floaters to help Chairman

1 Family 7-10 \_\_\_\_\_  
1 Family 10-1        Knoth Family

1 Family 1-3 \_\_\_\_\_

Clean up 3-5 p.m.

1 Family                      Nelson Family ?  
1 Family \_\_\_\_\_  
1 Family \_\_\_\_\_  
1 Family \_\_\_\_\_  
1 Family \_\_\_\_\_

4H Table with Crafts & Animals with Donation Jar

1 Family 8-11 \_\_\_\_\_  
1 Family 11-2              Grimsby Family

Please take a moment to consider your time to volunteer for this benefit event which helps our club.

~ Scot Marster, San Carlos Lions Club

## Junior Fair Board

The San Mateo County Fair Jr. Fair Board has had three meetings so far, In those meetings we have discussed many important things regarding this year's fair. This year's fair should be really fun because this year the animal barn is going to have a western theme. Also this year there will be a fashion show modeling entered clothes (more information is in the fair book) held by the Jr. Fair Board. We will be holding special events during fair just for those that have animals in fair like a dance, ice cream social, and more fun things that you will just have to wait to see! This year's fair is going to be a blast so everyone should come see the fair, from June 12<sup>th</sup> to June 20<sup>th</sup> even if you don't have an animal in the fair.

~ Kate Lyn Sutherland

## Next newsletter deadline: September, 2010

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