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Next General Meeting: Sept. 17 at 7PM, Clifford School, Redwood City

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President's Message

Hello 4-H'ers,

Welcome new members and welcome back returning members! My name is Jesse Taylor and I, along with Maeve Keegan, will be your Presidents this year.

I am so thrilled to have the opportunity to show all of our members the things that have made me fall in love 4-H over the last eight years. One of the most important things that 4-H has taught me to do is to be willing to try new things. When I first joined 4-H I was very, very shy but the older members encouraged me to meet new people and do things I had never done before. I followed their advice and started doing project reports in front of the whole club and met people who I have been friends with ever since. Eventually, I didn't need encouragement anymore and I tried new things on my own like going to the county-wide Veterinary Science project which didn't have a single other kid I knew. Now, after 8 years of 4-H, I try new things all the time. I've raised every animal that's allowed at the farm and I speak publicly at every meeting.

By far the biggest marker of how much 4-H has taught me and allowed me to grow is the fact that I was elected president this year. I wanted to share my story to show that no matter who you are there is always room for growth and 4-H is just the place to do it! I look forward to an exciting year of fun and learning!

--Jesse Taylor

This Month's Theme: Welcome Newcomers Wear Green

UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS

Sept. 17	7 PM September General Meeting ~ Clifford MUR
Sept. 23	7 PM County Counsel Meeting, San Bruno Farm
Oct. 1	7 PM Returning Parents Meeting ~ Clifford Library
Oct. 2	7 PM New Parents Meeting ~ Clifford Library
Oct. 4	Junior Fair Board applications due, http://ucanr.org/sites/smsf4h/files/152055.pdf
Oct. 8	7 PM Project Leaders Meeting ~ Clifford Library
Oct. 15	7 PM October General Meeting and Project Fair

It's Time to Register Again



Returning youth members and adult leaders *must* re-register for 4-H *immediately*. Fees for youth members will be \$55.00, with no fee for adult leaders. Please bring your checks and health forms to the SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEETING so we can complete this task immediately. We encourage all 4-H parents to register as volunteers. Registered adult volunteers receive liability protection for all 4-H sponsored events (such as driving for field trips and visiting the farm). The 4-H fee covers State and County dues, insurance for 4-H members at 4-H events, and insurance and fees for parent volunteers. Once these expenses have been covered, the rest is used by our club to pay for food and supplies for meetings and special events (such as the annual barbeque). You can learn more about our budget at the October general meeting when the club members approve the budget for the coming year. All retuning members must be fully registered and paid by October 31, 2013, to be considered "in good standing" for the 2014 San Mateo County Fair. Got questions? Then contact our registrar volunteer Bill Sharratt at bill.sharratt@gmail.com.

Thank you, The Knoths

Returning Parents Meeting October 1, 2013

Welcome back to another great 4-H year! 4-H cannot exist without parent participation. Our members have requested some exciting, new projects that require parent support in order to happen. We need new, enthusiastic leaders and assistants! Please attend this meeting to learn what our club is planning and how you can contribute to a fun and meaningful 4-H year.

Returning parents, do you have a child who might raise an animal on our farm this spring? If so, you <u>must</u> come to this meeting. Once we go over general business of the year, we will dismiss those parents not involved with farm animals, and hold a special planning meeting regarding farm animals.

Thank you,

The Knoths



New Parents Information Meeting, October 2, 2013

Do you know of any families who are interested in learning more about 4-H? Invite the potential 4-Hers and their parents to attend our Club's General Meeting on September 12, and invite their parents to attend the new parents' information meeting on October 2, 2013, at the Clifford School Library. This meeting (*for parents only, please*) will inform them about our Club's programs and activities, and we will try to answer all their questions about 4-H. For more information, call Bruce or Maeve Knoth at 654-4975.

This Year's Projects

Many thanks go to the parent volunteers who have enthusiastically offered to lead projects for the 2013-14 year. If you would like to lead or co-lead a project for this year, please promptly contact Katherine Schembri at kathandnora@aol.com.

4-H Members: Please think about the projects you are interested in. Sign-ups will be at the Project Fair, after our General Meeting, on Tuesday, **October 15, 2013**. It looks like it's going to be another epic year!

New 4-H Club in San Mateo County (Tell us what you love about 4-H!)

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of 4-H in California, "Centennial 4-H Club" is being formed to serve the southern San Mateo County area. We'd like to hear about YOUR favorite 4-H experience or project! Send a few words about why you do 4-H to Julie Wong at girlfig2u@yahoo.com, or the old-fashioned way at 271 Hedge Road, Menlo Park, CA 94025. Hand-drawn pictures welcome too!

Centennial 4-H goes live in late September. Want more information? Contact Julie Wong girlfig2u@yahoo.com or Sarah Wolking jandsathome@gmail.com.



San Mateo County Fair Awards Recap

Congratulations to all who showed and participated at the San Mateo County Fair this year. Our club was very well represented. The following is a list of the top awards that were awarded to San Carlos Eaton Hills 4-H Club members during the 2013 Junior Livestock Award Ceremony on June 16th:

Madison Mills – Reserve Best Bird in Show (show birds)

Emma Loaiza – Grand Champion Meat Pen Chickens

Quincy Thuener – 1st place Novice Poultry Showmanship

Daphne Schwartz – 1st place Junior Poultry Showmanship

Nicole Nielson – Reserve Best In Show Heifer

Sarah Sutherland – Grand Champion Market Lamb

The awards were presented by members of the Junior Fair Board of which 7 of the 19 members were from San Carlos Eaton Hills 4-H!



Congratulations to all!

San Mateo County Fair

I went to the San Mateo County Fair and it was really fun. I worked at the cake booth with my friends. We were asked to go outside with a sign to advertise the cake sales and we had lots of fun doing it. We drew attention to the sign and talked people in to buying our cakes. Everybody loved our cakes. Come sign up for cake booth shifts. Try it...you'll like it!

--Elise Wacha

Hey you parents! (Show your child this article)

Do you like to have fun? Make friends? Get volunteer hours for school? If you do, consider joining the Service project this October!

This year's project will be structured completely based on what we want to accomplish. In previous years we have raised money and books to start a library in Africa, volunteered at a homeless shelter, and donated over \$1000 dollars to Red Cross to be used for hurricane relief in Haiti.

This project will be open to all members 5-19 years old. We envision having volunteer opportunities appropriate for all ages, including both a drive to benefit a charity of our choice, and hands on service.

Join this project to see what difference you can make in the world

-- Anya Knoth

Member Reports

State Leadership Conference

SLC (State Leadership Conference) was so much fun this year! It was held at UC Davis and the theme was There's No Place Like Home. There were many interesting workshops to choose from that took place all weekend. The workshops I took were Butterfly Magic, Determining Intestinal Parasites In Livestock, Raptor Center Tour and Primate Center Tour. On the first day of the conference I participated in a service learning project where we built owl boxes. I had a great time meeting new people from all over California and getting closer with the people in my county. I went to SLC this year because I went last year and I had so much fun that I wanted to go again. I will definitely go again next year! We had some great motivational speakers and I learned a lot from them. One thing I learned is that in order to make a change we have to be the catalyst to make it happen. I can't wait to share more of what I learned at SLC with my 4-H club. I would love it if we could get more people to attend from our county next year.

--Sarah Sutherland



First Annual Archery Competition

I competed in my first archery competition. We shot at 10, 20 and 30 yards. Some of the distances were harder than others. I had a great time competing. I look forward to competing again next year.

--Elise Wacha

COUNTY CALENDAR EVENTS

September 30 th 2013-2014 Directory Artwork Submissions Due

October 9 th 4-H National Youth Science Day Map Corps Project

November 3rd 4-H day at the Raiders -\$20.00 of each ticket sold goes to 4-H Contact

Amy McGuire for details (530) 745-1523

Want to Find Out About 4-H at the County Level?

You can subscribe to *Highlights*, the San Mateo County 4-H monthly online newsletter. To do this:

Go to www.cesanmateo.ucdavis.edu/

Click on "4-H Youth Development Program".

In the little purple box, click on "4-H Highlights".

Submit your email address in the box.

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Next newsletter deadline: Wednesday, October 9, 2013

Email newsletter articles to Christine Barganier cmbargan@comcast.net- thanks.

