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Next General Meeting:
April 14 th at 7:00 PM, Clifford School, Redwood City

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President's Message

April is a big month for San Carlos 4H. First, we are receiving a proclamation from the city of San Carlos thanking us for our contribution to the community. On Monday, April 27th come to the City Council Chambers to accept the proclamation, as well as enjoy free ice cream after (we don't have to stay for the whole city council meeting!).

Secondly, our general meeting in April is our annual Capture the Flag game. We will have a brief business meeting and then adjourn to play capture the flag outside across the Clifford campus.

Finally, entries for the fair are due in early May. If you didn't already know, at the county fair there are opportunities to enter anything you might have made or done in the past year. I will enter photography, but there are categories for cooking, sewing, Legos, piano playing, writing, compost making and pretty much anything else you can think of.

That's all for April! Remember to wear comfortable shoes to run around in on Tuesday.

--Anya

This Month's Theme:

Bring glassware for the Dime-toss Booth!



UPCOMING DATES

April 14-7pm General Meeting
April 18- 9 am Life Skills Festival and Field Day
April 26- County Animal Challenge
April 27- 7 pm 4-H to the San Carlos City Council
April 28- 7 pm Farm to Fair meeting, Clifford Library
May 3- Drop-in Record Book help
May 16-17- Hometown Days
May 20- 7 pm May and June General Meetings

Farm Animals Family Meeting, Clifford Library, April 28

April 28 at 7 PM, meeting is at Clifford Library. Are you bringing an animal to the County Fair? If so, this meeting is a **MANDATORY** event as we get our club organized for those busy days. Questions, then call Maria Smith (650) 867-9773

Record Books- Due May 19!

All record books will be collected at the May General Meeting. This is an especially important deadline for members who are bringing animals to the County Fair. The Fair requires that you be in "good standing" to take your animals through the gate and we must have your record book for that to be true! All members are encouraged to turn in a record book. If you would like any help, please call Maeve and Bruce (654-4975). We encourage you to make an appointment to drop by our house and work on your book with our help. May 3 is one opportunity to drop in at the Knoth house and get help (please let us know you are coming) but if that date does not work for you, don't hesitate to ask about other times and dates. We are happy to help.

May Meeting -Save the Date-Two Meetings in One!

For our May general meeting, **May 19, 2015**, we will hold two club meetings back to back. Mark your calendar now. This way we will complete ten club meetings before the County Fair begins in early June. If you need 80% attendance because you plan on showing an animal at the Fair, be sure to attend the May meeting!



Cookie Contest Winners

The winners of the "Best Cookies" are as follows:

Best cookie: Ava Messina with the chocolate chip bars!!

2nd place goes to Viva, Susse, and Verik Vorzimmer for their chocolate chip cookie

3rd place goes to Taylor Meeks for her oatmeal choice chip cookie

For junior judging winners are first place- Halle Donovan, second place- Noelle Barganier, tied for third place- Viva Vorzimmer, Colin Nehrenheim, Rachel Elia, and Quincy Thuener!

Congratulations to all! Be sure to come to the April meeting to claim your prize!

Hometown Days Coming in May!

Our 4-H Club has a great tradition of participating in Hometown Days and we look forward to another great year.

Donna Howe, Adam Dobrer and Jeanine Musch will coordinate our parade float. Plan on coming to Central Middle School at 8:30AM, on Saturday, May 17, to decorate our float for the parade. Stay to walk in the parade at 10:00.

On Saturday and Sunday, our club will have both an Information Booth and a Dime Toss. Kash Donovan, Robyn Garrido and Christine Barganier are coordinating the Information Booth so please see them to volunteer to work for a slot.

Sarah McCaughey is organizing the Dime Toss with the help of Lisa Weaver who has been storing our glassware all year!

****Plan on having a busy and fun 4-H weekend. Bring your calendar to the April meeting so you can sign up for your favorite time slots!****

Hometown Days Dime Toss Booth-Glassware Needed

Hometown Days is fast approaching! This year, the dates are May 16 & 17. Please gather your CLEAN glasses, plates, cups, vases - essentially anything that will collect a dime - and bring them to the next meeting. Or, you can drop them off at the Weaver home at 1625 Greenwood Avenue in San Carlos. (You may leave them on the front porch.) We will be circulating the Dime Toss Sign-Up Sheet. Sign up for one (or more) two-hour shifts on either day. It's a lot of fun!

In order to make the DIME TOSS a success, we also need you to collect glassware for prizes. Check your cupboards, ask your neighbors, talk to your grandparents. We need each member to donate 5 pieces of miscellaneous cups, glasses, plates etc. Also, check out the local thrift shops if you don't have enough at home! Bring your items to the meetings, or drop off at the Weaver home at 2145 Greenwood Avenue in San Carlos.

-- Lisa and Sarah, The Dime Toss Committee

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. This year our day is **Sunday, June 14.**

This is 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 year-end meeting on May 19, 2013. The cake booth coordinators are Jason Gische, Christine Barganier and Suzanne Crevelt.

We are also 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 Maeve or Bruce Knoth know.

Show Your Club and Civic Pride! Eat Ice Cream! April 27

On April 27 our 4-H Club will attend the first part of the San Carlos City Council Meeting to lead the flag salute and to share with the city some of our amazing community involvement. Club members will report to council about our recent activities and we will thank the City for its support of our farm and our club. The city is presenting the Community Detectives project, and our club, with a proclamation acknowledging our contributions to the community. It is important to make a big showing. We are 140 members strong. Let's ALL come out for this brief meeting. When we have presented, we

will leave the chambers and convene for a quick ice cream treat. See you on April 27 sporting a club t-shirt. Council Chambers are at 600 Elm Street.



County Wide Animal Challenge- April 26, 2015

The Animal Challenge is a county event where teams from local 4-H clubs compete against one another in the Small Animal, Large Animal, or Small and Large animal categories. Members complete by answering written questions about animal behavior, care, etc. All ages are welcome and no animal project experience is required! Check the county 4-H web page for more details and registration information.

Life Skills Festival and Field Day - April 18, 2015 Messiah Lutheran Church - 9:00am-2:30pm

This year's Life Skills Festival and Field Day event combines three events previously held at different times: the Favorite Food Day, Arts and Crafts Expo, and Fashion Revue competitions.

Attendees not participating in the competitions are invited to observe the sessions and participate in games, demonstrations, and workshops from 11:00am-2:30pm. Please help us celebrate the Festival by bringing a friend and a potluck dish to share! Look for more details on the county web page.

San Mateo County Fair: What Are You Showing?

Maybe you are thinking that the County Fair is just for 4-H'ers who are raising animals? Wrong! Do you build with Lego's? Do you like to make models? Could you bake a favorite cookie? How about setting a beautiful table? Check out the Fair premium book and see what strikes your fancy at www.sanmateocountyfair.com .

Let's have 100% club participation this year!



Member Reports

Presentation Day

Hello. My name is Evelyn Rossi and this year I got a gold at Presentation Day. So, I was able to move onto Sectionals. This year I did an Interpretive Reading from the book, Chomp by Carl Hiasen. Interpretive Reading is where you pick a section of a novel and read it out loud in a creative way. Sectionals was located at UC Davis. Sectionals is a lot bigger than the county Presentation Day. There was a lot more variety in the Presentations. I also competed in the Interview Contest; it was a lot harder than when I did it at the County Presentation Day. I got a gold in the Interview Contest. I did not get a Gold in the Interpretive Reading. But I'm excited to try again next year.

--Elisabeth Rossi

Hands Across the Generations

During the last meeting 8 kids came. We decorated cookies and made flowers with the seniors. The seniors were very creative on the cookies and the flowers. A bakery that one of the kids' grandparents owned donated the cookies. Sidney's mom set up the flowers; I think that that was very nice of her. I enjoyed talking to the seniors. One even them helped start the 4-h Farm! How cool is that! In the end, we had a sing-along.

The next meeting is our last meeting; we are going to have animals and gardening. I can't wait!

--Lillian Yi

On April 1st I went to a 4h General Meeting in Half Moon Bay, because I wasn't able to make it to the February meeting at Clifford. It was much smaller than our meetings, and there were only about 20 kids present. The meeting was about half an hour long, and we talked about:

- a) 4h camp (they handed out scholarships);
- b) Fair registration (due April 6th);
- c) How ear tagging is on April 11th from 3-6pm for those with hogs, sheep, and goats; and
- d) About the Life skills festival is on April 18th.

At the end of the meeting, the leaders told us to look under our seats, and the person who had a piece of blue tape under theirs got a chocolate bunny. Overall, it was fun!

--Samantha Campbell

Community Detectives

At the last Community Detectives meeting, we met at Burton Park and repainted picnic benches green. It was lots of fun to participate in the parks well-being. We even got to help repaint the horseshoe pit. We hope that all the people at the park enjoy the newly painted benches

--Elise Wacha



UPCOMING COUNTY EVENTS

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