

San Carlos Eaton Hills

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November 2015

Next General Meeting:
November 17 at 7 p.m., Clifford School, Redwood City

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President's Message

Hello 4-H'ers,

With Thanksgiving almost here it's time to bring out the pie and cook some turkey. This month marks our annual toy drive to benefit the Saint Francis Center. This toy drive will help out our community and bring a smile to some kids' faces. With our club being more than 150 people, I hope we can all come together and make some kids smile this winter.

Also, this month we will start hearing from the different projects that have started this year. Make sure you are ready to practice your public speaking skills and bring some gifts for our toy drive.

--Laurel Nelson and Cormac Keegan

THIS MONTH'S THEME:

Bring a new unwrapped toy!



Upcoming Club Events

Tuesday, November 17	General Meeting	Clifford School MUR
Friday, November 20	Registration Deadline	C.A.L. Conference
Sunday, November 22	Farm Clean-up	4-H Farm
Tuesday, December 8	Holiday Caroling	Carlmont Gardens
Tuesday, December 15	General Meeting	Clifford School MUR



Toy/Gift Drive at the November Meeting

Our club is collecting toys for St. Francis Center in Redwood City. St. Francis Center provides a variety of services for very poor families. In December, the center's "Christmas Store" gives their client families an opportunity to select one or two toys for each child in the family. Often these are the only toys a child receives all year.

Please bring a new unwrapped present for a young child or teen to the November meeting. Here are some items the St. Francis Center would especially like:

For younger children:

- Trucks
- Dolls
- Art projects
- Toy pets (dogs and horses)
- Games

For teens and tweens:

- Hair clips and ties
- Blow dryers, curling irons, hair straighteners
- Jewelry or watches
- Cologne
- Scarves
- Sporting attire: caps, t-shirts and sweatshirts (No red or blue, please)
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For all the kids:

- Sporting goods of all kinds
- Indoor soccer equipment
- Volleyballs
- Basketballs
- Jump ropes
- Yoga mats
- Pull-up bars
- Whiffle balls and bats



The gifts must be new and unwrapped. Thank you for giving generously to make this holiday special for many needy families!

Say “Cheese”!

At the November meeting we will be taking a group photograph of all club members. The photo will be posted on the club website. We also use this photo in thank you notes to our supporters. Don't miss this meeting! Come prepared to smile!

County 4-H Awards Ceremony

This year the San Mateo/San Francisco County 4-H Awards Ceremony will take place on Monday, November 23 at 6 pm at Fox School in Belmont followed by the County Council meeting at 7.

All primary members and members who have earned stars for the 2014-2015 program year will be recognized. Adult volunteers with 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 years will also be honored.

Everyone is welcome to attend. There will be light snacks provided. The fabulous 4-Hers from the San Carlos Eaton Hills club who will be recognized at the event are:

Bronze Star: Jessica Klein, Anna Smith
Silver Star: Elise Wacha, Cormac Keegan
Gold Star: Rachel Elia
Platinum Star: Sebrienne Ferguson

Congratulations!

Holiday Caroling

It's time to put on your Santa and elf hats, enrobe yourself in garlands, and head over to Carlmont Gardens for caroling to the residents. Please assemble in the lobby around 6:15 p.m. as singing will start at 6:30 p.m., after the residents have had their dinner. Lyric sheets will be provided. Local celebrity guitarist, Jim Stevens, will be accompanying our singing.

When: Tuesday, December 8, 6:15 p.m.

Where: Carlmont Gardens
2140 Carlmont Drive (nearby cross street is Alameda)
Belmont

Make a Holiday Card at the November Meeting

At the November general meeting we will be making holiday greeting cards to give to the residents of the Carlmont Gardens Skilled Nursing Facility and Convalescent Home. Every club member is encouraged to contribute!



Member Reports

Automotive Project

This month the Automotive project held its first meeting. In the meeting we looked under a hood over a car. When looking under the hood we practiced checking different parts of the car like the trans fluid. Before we looked at the car we looked at the different types of fluids that go into the car. We used our sense of smell and sight to guess which fluid goes in where. We learned that there are many different colors of fluids that can go into the same fluid tank in the car. So when you are changing fluids make sure that the fluid color stays the same.

--Cormac Keegan

Dog Project

We have had two meetings of the San Mateo County Dog Project and I really enjoyed both of them. At the Dog Project we practiced things like sit, down, stay, halt and heal. My dog loves going to the project! --Susse Vorzimmer



Lamb Project

November 1st was the first Lamb Project meeting. We talked about when we would be getting the lambs, which would be around February or March. We talked about transportation, breeders, and feed. We learned that we all had to get our lambs from the same breeder, because of lamb safety purposes. We talked about lamb equipment, shearing, and grooming. We also talked about Biosecurity and our Farm rules. We learned about the dress code for Farm (boots, long-sleeved shirt, and jeans/long pants, which will have to stay at farm in order to keep disease from spreading). I can't wait to get my lamb! --Anna Basil

S.E.T.

I went to my first project meeting in 4-H. I am in SET and we did the egg drop. Every team had materials such as rubber bands, paperclips, paper, pipe cleaners, bendy straws, tape, etc. My team, named the Boiling Egg, cut a toilet paper roll in half and put the egg in the middle. Then

we took the pipe cleaners and put them inside straws, and wrapped them around the whole thing. A few more additions and finally we wrapped it in paper and for fun put a paper airplane on top. Our team made it to the 2nd round and I had it a great time. --*Matthew Campbell*

At the S.E.T. project we did a safety bingo and did an egg drop. Only three eggs survived the final drop but everyone did well. At first we dropped the egg from three feet and then six feet and then ten. But you really shouldn't be surprised that only three eggs survived the final drop because the final drop was off the balcony on the side of the library which is probably fifteen feet! The eggs were protected in MANY different ways.

--*Varick Vorzimmer*



Rabbit Socialization

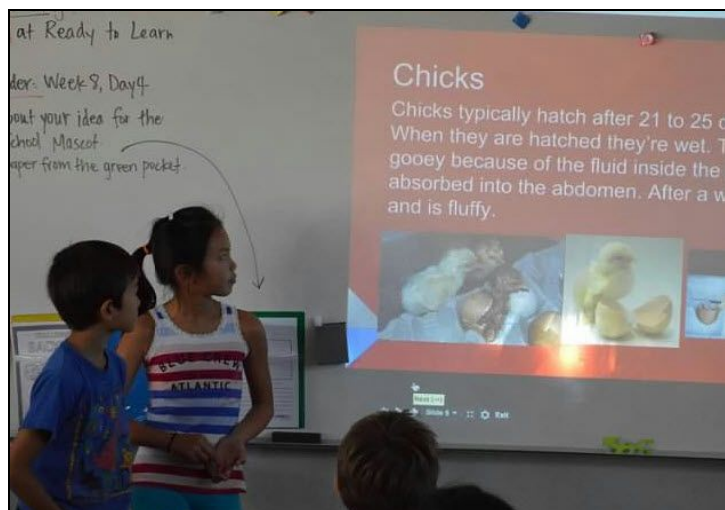
It was another good shift at the SPCA on Saturday, November 7th. We brought delicious greens, apple slices and treat bags from home to give to the SPCA bunnies. Brown paper lunch bags were filled with quality hay and a few pieces of dried fruit. We sealed the bags with edible string. This provides lots of entertainment and a nutritious snack for the rabbits. They had a great time batting the bags around looking for the treat. A shy rabbit named Shelly, my current favorite SPCA rabbit, enjoyed digging into the bag with her narrow face. It is very rewarding to watch shy rabbits open up. --*Andrew Gould*

Horse Project

Last weekend I attended the first horse project meeting of this year! It was super fun and I learned a lot. We learned some safety rules and how to carry a halter. We went into the pasture and found a horse to halter and lead. We talked about personal space rules and learned how to use them with the horses. Lastly, we haltered and lead our horses. It was a fun meeting!

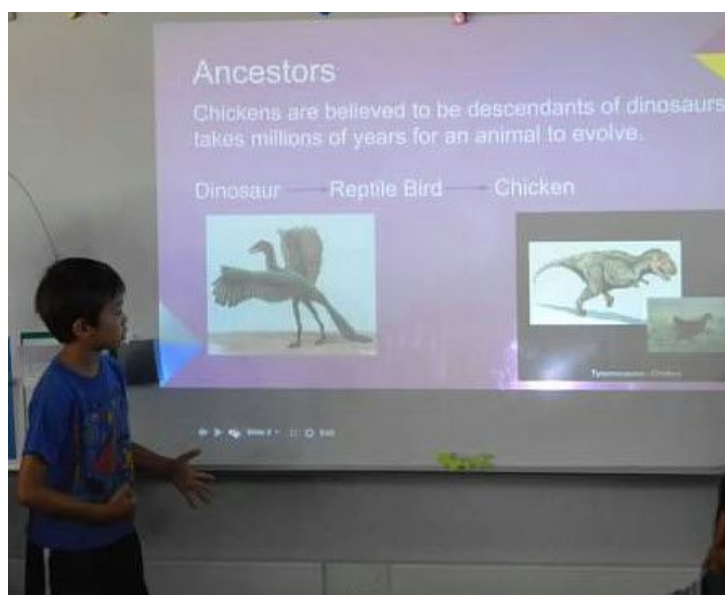
--*Viva Vorzimmer*





My chickens went to school!

On the 22 of October I gave a presentation to two 3rd grade classes at my old elementary school. I brought my chickens Cinnamon, a Golden Laced Wynnadotte, and Cardamom, a Blue Orpington. I showed a video of the chicken embryo development. I answered some questions and the most funniest one I thought was "Why are chickens born without clothing?" I had so much fun presenting and I hope to do it again next year. --Tia Chan



A few weeks ago, on October 22, I had a presentation on chickens with my sister, Tia. I shared the presentation to two 3rd grade classes. I brought my chickens. I talked about the ancestors and the supplies. I had fun doing it. --Zerach Chan

Record Book Corner

Now that our project season has started, set aside five minutes after every project meeting you attend to record what you did at the meeting. Do this for each of your projects.

- Record the Date.
- Record the Level (this means was it **L**=Club Level meeting or perhaps a **C**=County meeting).
- Record the total number of hours (round to the half hour).
- Describe what you did.

Download a Project report form from the [4-H website](#). Click on "Annual Project Report (2015-2016)" under **Individually separated forms** section in the middle.

Questions? Email Lisa Demers at lisademers77@gmail.com.



County Calendar Events

C.A.L. Conference Youth Registration Deadline	11/20/2015
San Francisco/San Mateo County 4-H Awards Ceremony	11/23/2015
4-H Day at Oakland Raiders	12/6/2015
C.A.L. Conference	1/22/2016

For a complete list of events, visit the [4-H County Web site](#) calendar page.

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

Check out *Highlights*, the San Mateo County 4-H monthly online newsletter. You can download and view the newsletter [here](#) or you can subscribe to receive the newsletter in your email every month:

- 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.

Next newsletter deadline: Tuesday, December 8, 2015

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