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Next General Meeting:
January 19 at 7 p.m., Clifford School, Redwood City

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President's Message

Happy New Year 4-Hers!

With a new year comes the same 4-H season. But this doesn't mean there aren't new things to discover. One upcoming event to put on your calendar is Demonstration Day. This year Demonstration Day will be held on February 13. There are many different events to participate in such as junior judging, the interview contest, and wonderful demonstrations, speeches, and presentations. This is one day you can't miss out on!

For this month's meeting we will have our ever-so-famous Pizza and Bingo. Pizza will be sold for \$1 and bingo cards will be sold for \$1, so tell your parents to bring extra money because the more pizza you eat the more fun it will be. There will be many prizes so bring your lucky socks and hope to win.

--Cormac and Laurel

THIS MONTH'S THEME:

Bring bingo prizes!



Upcoming Club Events

Tuesday, January 19	General Meeting	Clifford School MUR
Tuesday, January 26	Record Book 101	Clifford School Library
Tuesday, February 9	General Meeting	Clifford School MUR

Join us for Pizza and Bingo!

Our annual Pizza and Bingo meeting is upon us. Bring an appetite, a few \$1 bills and a fun prize. One dollar buys a slice of pizza and a bingo card. Additional bingo cards are \$1 each. The club will provide free drinks. Please contribute a small prize to our prize table. Prizes should cost less than \$5.00.

Record Book 101

Want a guiding hand about Record Books? We will have an introductory meeting January 26 at 7 p.m. in the Clifford School library to go over the basic aspects of a record book and help you keep track of the information you need. This meeting is for members and parents.

Special Meeting Date for February

Because some schools have a February vacation week, we have changed the February meeting from the usual third Tuesday. Please mark your calendar for Tuesday, February 9 for the 2016 February General Meeting. This will be our annual potluck meeting. Watch your e-mail for further details.

Lions Club Crab Feed

The Lions Club is holding their annual Crab Feed on Saturday, January 30 from 5:30-7:30. Please support the Lions Club by attending this great event! Tickets are available from Scott Marsters at (650) 450-0990 or at sam@gene.com.



Bolster 4-H Through SVGives!

Love our club? Thrilled with 4-H? We are working to strengthen 4-H county-wide by building upon 4-H's reputation as a premier life skills, community service and Science, Engineering and Technology program for youth. A critical part of our effort is bolstering the County Council's budget. With a stronger budget we can bring more youth into our county-wide program and reach populations we are not reaching now. We will be taking advantage of the valley's "SVGives" campaign, which is a one-day event focused on raising money for vital local non-profit organizations. In the next few months, expect to see a preliminary fundraising letter and social media and email communications as we build up to the SVGives date of May 3. We're also looking for donors interested in kicking the campaign off with matching fund seed donations of \$500 or \$1000. Please let me know if you have questions or would like to be one of our critical first donors. --*Bruce Knoth*

Attend Presentation Day

County Presentation Day is a great opportunity to get your feet wet with county 4-H events, meet kids from other clubs and practice your public speaking. 4-H members of all ages can contribute. Maybe you just want to watch presentations and be a junior judge (earn record book credit!). Maybe you want to learn about giving presentations next year. Maybe you are going to present. Maybe you want to enter the interview contest. There are opportunities for you. Please read the information below and follow the links to sign up.

What: [4-H County Presentation Day](#)
When: Saturday, February 13, 2016
Where: College of San Mateo
How: [Register](#) by February 1



Donate to Dime Toss

Happy New Year! Maybe as part of your New Year's resolution, you've resolved to clean out some cupboards and shelves in your home and/or office. If you do, please save your old glasses, plates, vases and any other vessels that could be used in our Dime Toss Booth at Hometown Days in May. Please box up your clean items and bring them with you to our January meeting. We'd love to take them off your hands! --*The Dime Toss Committee*

Member Reports

Beginning Archery

At the last archery meeting, we learned how Olympic archers shoot, and a few people tried it after our coach suggested it. All our shots were totally off target! a few of my arrows even got dented because they hit the wall behind the targets! We had a competition, but it was a tie, so we picked the best archers on each of our teams, and they shot for us. The team I was on, Team 2, won. -- *Anna Basil*



Beekeeping

Today we processed honey. Unfortunately, Mr. Enthoven's hive collapsed due to mite pests and cold. The frames needed to be cleaned so that he could start again. The first step in processing the honey is scraping the wax caps from the frames as shown in the photo. Next the frames were loaded into a honey extractor, which you spin to release the honey into the drum. Then the honey is filtered through a fine net, which removes all the wax. That honey is bottled, distributed, and enjoyed.

-- *Andrew Gould*

Beekeeping Project — Making Honey!

At the Beekeeping Project meeting, I made honey for the first time! We started by taking out the trays full of honey from the hive and scraping the wax caps off the cells of the honeycomb, using a capping knife and a capping comb. It was interesting to see how older honey in the combs was darker, and newer honey was lighter. After scraping the wax caps off the honeycombs, we put several trays at a time into a honey extractor. This is like a big, round metal drum, which is spun by a crank. As it turns the trays, it spins the honey out of the honeycombs into the sides of the drum. The honey comes out of the drum through a spigot at the bottom into a bucket lined with cheesecloth, which filters out the remaining wax. Finally, with the honey all filtered, we filled honey jars. Each of us got to take home a jar of honey. The process was a lot of fun, and the honey is really delicious! --

Lily Basil



Beginning Cooking

At the December Beginning Cooking Project meeting we made Christmas cookies.

-- Bebe Hildreth



Dog Project

In the dog project we learned about dog breeds and what groups they belong to. We had a sit-stay contest to see who's dog could sit the longest. My dog Ollie tied for first place and we won a Kong toy! On January 30th the project will be going to the dog show at the Cow Palace in South San Francisco. The dog show is open to the public and so you should consider going! I went two years ago and you get to talk to all the breeders and pet some of the dogs as well as watch the show. Also there are vendors there where you can buy dog related items. -- *Quincy Thuener*



Generations

In the Generations project we had our first interaction with the seniors. We helped them make holiday cards, ornaments, and candy bags to keep or to give to loved ones. There was a big turnout of helpers and seniors who participated in this holiday event. Thank you to all the adults who helped the seniors and who brought the supplies for us to use. Hope you had a wonderful holiday. --*Taylor Meeks*

JTL Project

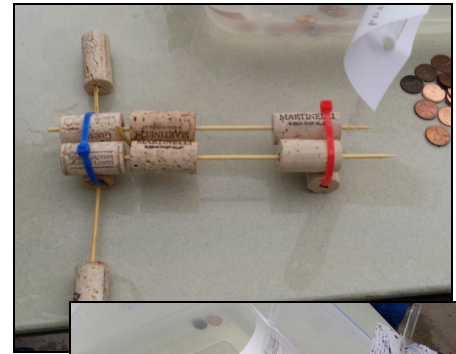
This week we did oral reports. Some of the topics were plates, spoons, stuffed animals, and oranges. The items were numbered, and we decided on our criteria, then placed them in order of quality based on our criteria. The purpose was to be able to speak clearly, confidently, and have good posture. We were given positive - and negative - feedback, based on our reports. -- *Anna Basil*

Science, Engineering and Technology

Yesterday I attended the SET meeting on flotation. The general idea of the lesson was buoyancy. We built aluminium boats and cork rafts. We tested how many pennies we could load onto the rafts before they sunk. The best design could hold 104 pennies. I learned that balance is very important. When a ship is light, it tips easily. Another important concept I learned is that when a ship goes in the water, the water is displaced and rises, but a counteracting force pushes up on the ship helping it to float. -- *Andrew Gould*



For the January SET project meeting we learned about buoyancy. First we took a sheet of aluminum foil that was 18" x 18" and made those into large rafts, put them in water, and counted how many pennies they could hold before sinking. The best held 355 pennies. Then we took a 4" x 4" piece of foil and made those into smaller rafts. After the same testing the best held 48 pennies. Then we made boats out of wine corks, put our foil rafts on them and tested those. There were quite a few designs, and the best held 104 pennies before sinking. So we verified that cork adds additional buoyancy, and that scattering the pennies over the surface of the foil is better than putting them all in one place.
-- Jackson Magie



Woodworking

In woodworking we made a birdhouse. The tools we used were the nail gun, the sanding block and the drill. I painted it blue and I will put it in my backyard.
--Roen Thuener

For my woodworking project I learned how to use a couple of tools. When we were done my friend and I made a wooden box. We got to sand it so it would be smooth. My friend took home the box. --Zerach Chan



County Calendar Events

C.A.L. Conference	1/22/2016
County Council Meeting	1/25/2016
Presentation Day	2/13/2016
Equine Field Day	2/20/2016
Leadership Education and Development Conference	2/20/2016
Life Skills and Hobbies Meeting	2/22/2016

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, February 5, 2015

Email newsletter articles and photos to jamievorzimmer@gmail.com. Thank you!

