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SAN CARLOS EATON HILLS 4-H

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Upcoming Club Events

General Meeting

Tuesday, September 20 Clifford School MUR

New Parents Meeting

Monday, September 26 Clifford School Library

Returning Parents Meeting

Tuesday, September 27 Clifford School Library

Project Leaders Meeting

Tuesday, October 11 Clifford School Library

General Meeting

Tuesday, October 18 Clifford School MUR

General Meeting

Tuesday, November 15 Clifford School MUR

General Meeting

Tuesday, December 13 Clifford School MUR

President's Message

Hello 4-H'ers,

Welcome to the San Carlos 4-H Club! I am your president for the 2016-2017 4-H year. I know that this 4-H year will be very exciting and give every member opportunities to grow and learn new things, just as I have been able to for the last eight years.

Throughout the year, this newsletter is the best way to stay informed about what is happening every month, as there will be information about upcoming events, what members are doing in their 4-H projects, and much more.

With the September meeting around the corner, remember to dress up in 4-H colors, which are green and white (the best colors:-)). Make sure your parents can sit back and relax and let the teens do the rest. This will help the kids grow in leadership and help meet new people in the club.

I look forward to meeting all of you at our first meeting of the year!

-- Sebrianne Ferguson

SEPTEMBER THEME: Wear Green and White!





Returning Parents Meeting Sept. 27

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 *must* 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.

New Parents Information Meeting Sept. 26

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 20, and invite their parents to attend the New Parents Information Meeting on September 26 at the Clifford School Library.

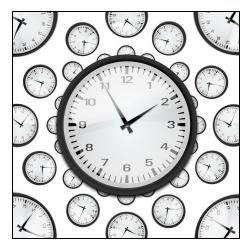


This meeting (*for parents only, please*) will inform them about our Club's programs and activities, and we will try to answer all their questions about 4-H. For more information, call Linda Wacha at (650) 245-0318.

FOLLOW YOUR PATH!

You have to do your own growing no matter how tall your grandfather was. --Abraham Lincoln

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 \$62.00, 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.

You can learn more about our budget at the October general meeting when the club members approve the budget for the coming year. All returning members must be fully registered and paid by October 31, 2016, to be considered "in good standing" for the 2017 San Mateo County Fair. Got questions? Contact our registrar Jason Gische at igische@yahoo.com.

This Year's Projects

Many thanks go to the parent volunteers who have enthusiastically offered to lead projects for the 2016-2017 year. If you would like to lead or co-lead a project this year, please promptly contact Beth Enthoven at beth@enthoven.org or at (650) 207-3735.

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 18.

Why should you volunteer?

"We could never accomplish all that we have accomplished and we will never achieve all that we dream without you! What you do matters, how you do it matters!!! Hence, what we do in life, echoes in eternity!" --Fellow 4-H member on why 4-H matters!

Candidate Statement

Hi! My name is Alice Demers and I am running for the position of club photographer. I believe I am best suited for this position because photography is something I have been interested in for a long time. For the last couple of years I have been entering photos in the county fair, so I have plenty of experience. Please vote and thank you!!

Countywide Adult Volunteer Training October 22

Join adults and teen leaders from around the county for 4-H volunteer training, Saturday, October 22. There will be training tracks for new and for experienced volunteers. Topics include "Getting Started as a 4-H Volunteer," "Leading Projects and Improving the Project Experience," "Hands-On Learning" (with real hands-on activities at the workshop), and officer training for club officers. There will be Live Scan there for people who need to be finger-printed.

Location: Messiah Lutheran Church (1835 Valota Road, Redwood City)

Date and Time: October 22, 2016, doors open at 8:30, start at 9 AM. Finish at 12:00.

Mark your calendars now!

Painting Help Wanted!

We are looking for <u>teenagers</u> to help paint the chicken barn at the farm. If you are interested please email Anna Smith at anna.kathrine.smith@gmail.com.

Member Reports

San Mateo County Fair

I entered some of my 4-H projects into the San Mateo County Fair. I entered a cutting board, a necklace/medallion, a eggshell collage, a knitted pink nudibranch, and a wildflower display board. Actually the wildflower board was entered by the entire Wildflower Hiking project. It looks pretty jiffy. It won a first place award. I also got a first place award for my cutting board. It is always fun to enter things into the County Fair. --Logan Spinalli





Taking part in the San Mateo County Fair last year was an amazing experience. I raised a market lamb and received 3rd place in showmanship and 4th place in market. I received Best of Division with my dog, Shadow. That allowed me to compete in the small animal round robin (showing a pygmy goat, rabbit, chicken, and dog) and got 6th place. On top of all the skills and memories I got from participating in the county fair, I also made many new friends. I hope to see many new faces there this year and am so excited to be returning again year after year. --Elise Wacha

Cake Booth

My mom and I worked the cake booth together, and we made a peanut butter chocolate cake to sell. It sold out fast! --Kian Jenks

4-H Summer Camp

Over the summer I went to the 4-H camp. It was super fun. At 4-H camp they had different activities. Some of them are swimming, archery, rock wall climbing and zip line. That's only a few of them! One morning some kids and I did the polar ice swim. The polar ice swim is when you get up really early in the morning to jump into a freezing cold pool and stay in



there for 5 minutes. If you ask me to describe the polar ice swim in one word, the word would be "cold"! I can't wait to go back next summer! --Tia Chan



Over this summer I went to the 4-H camp. My favorite thing was playing games in the yurt. I did a lot of things like swimming, arts and crafts, playing cards, zip lining, canoeing, and more. The camp had special events that are really fun. There was a camp fire where you sing songs and have nightly games. Camp was really fun and I can't wait until next year! --Zerach Chan



So much fun you want to plan for Summer Camp 2017?

Next year's 4-H Summer Camp will run from Sunday, July 16 to Friday, July 21, 2017. It will be at Wasiata Campground at YMCA Jones Gulch in La Honda. Registration will be open April 17 to June 16, 2017.

County Calendar Events

County Council Meeting 9/26/2016 **National Shooting Sports Workshop** 9/29/2016 National 4-H Youth Science Day 10/5/2016 WHY (We Help Youth) Conference 10/7-10/9/2016 Countywide Volunteer Training 10/22/2016 Life Skills Day **TBD** Presentation Day **TBD** San Mateo County Field Day 4/16/2017

For a complete list of events, visit the <u>4-H County Web site</u> 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: Monday, October 10, 2016

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

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