# SAN CARLOS EATON HILLS 4-H

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#### Upcoming Club Events

General Meeting Tuesday, April 18, 7 p.m. Clifford School MUR

Mandatory Farm Clean-Up Sunday, April 23 99 Oak Creek Lane

Farm-to-Fair Meeting Tuesday, April 25, 7 p.m. Clifford School Library

Farm Open House Sunday, May 7, 1-3 p.m. 99 Oak Creek Lane

General Meeting Tuesday, May 16, 7 p.m. Clifford School MUR

Hometown Days Parade & Booths Saturday, May 20 - Sunday, May 21 Burton Park

San Mateo County Fair Saturday, June 10 - Sunday, June 18

#### **President's Message**

Dear San Carlos 4-H,

Do you ever get bored or fall asleep sitting in our general meetings listening to me and the other officers talk for minutes on end? Do you ever have the urge to get up and go run outside?

Well, fear not, because that is what we'll be doing at this meeting! Official business and announcements will be kept to a minimum, and we will all go outside to play a fun game called Capture the Flag. Please make sure to dress appropriately for running around and come excited to have a good time with your fellow 4-Hers.

Oh, and don't forget to bring some glassware to donate to the dime toss booth at Hometown Days!

Sincerely, President Ferguson

MARCH THEME: Bring glassware for the dime toss booth!



#### **Cookie Contest Winners**

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 4-H Cookie Judging Contest! We had many delicious entries. The winners are: Adele Enthoven, Logan Spinali and Cameron Taha. The Best Cookie Award goes to Asher Becker!

Congratulations to all of our winners! Be sure to come to the April meeting to claim your prizes!



## Mandatory Farm Clean-Up

Taking an animal to Fair? You must attend our spring farm clean-up on Sunday, April 23 from 2-5pm.

Please bring gloves, any weeding tools, extra shovels and/or rakes. Please clean them before and after using them on the farm. Wear sunscreen, old closed-toe shoes and long pants--NO SHORTS! Please bring water and a snack.

#### Farm Open House

It's time to sport your fashionable Derby duds for our 3rd Annual Open House at the San Carlos-Eaton Hills 4-H Farm. Wear your best Derby hat to tour the farm, meet our junior farm bosses, and meet our market animals, including pigs, lambs, goats, turkeys and chickens.

Sunday, May 7 1:00 – 3:00 pm SCEH 4-H Farm 99 Oak Creek Lane, San Carlos

Please RSVP by April 25<sup>th</sup> to Jeanine Musch.



## Hometown Days is Coming in May!

Hometown Days is May 19-21. Let's show our 4-H spirit!

Plan on coming to Central Middle School at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 21, to decorate our float for the parade. Stay to walk in the parade at 10:00 a.m. Wear your 4-H gear!

On Saturday and Sunday our club will have an Information Booth and a Dime Toss booth. Kathleen Houston is coordinating the Information Booth. Kim Machado is organizing the Dime Toss Booth with the help of Rita Gould who has been storing our glassware all year. Volunteers are needed for all shifts! Please bring your calendar to the April meeting so you can sign up for your favorite time slots.



#### **Glassware and Volunteers Needed for Dime Toss**

Please gather your CLEAN glasses, plates, cups, vases - anything that will hold a dime! - and bring them to the April meeting. Each member should bring five items if possible. (Donations can also be dropped off on the front porch of the Gould home at 1316 Cordilleras Avenue in San Carlos at any time.)

We also need volunteers to work at our booth. We will be circulating the Dime Toss Sign-Up Sheet at the April meeting. Please sign up for one (or more) two-hour shifts on either day. It's easy and a lot of fun! *--The Dime Toss Committee* 

#### Farm to Fair Meeting April 25

Are you bringing an animal to the County Fair? If so, come to the MANDATORY Farm to Fair meeting on Tuesday, April 25 at 7 p.m. at the Clifford Library. This meeting will help our club get organized for the busy days at the Fair. If you have any questions, please call Linda Wacha at (650) 245.0318.

#### **Record Books Due in May**

Every member of our club is encouraged to turn in a record book, whether or not you are bringing an animal to the County Fair. 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 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!

On May 13, former San Carlos Eaton Hills 4-H Leader Maeve Knoth is offering record book help at her house at 519 Prospect Street, San



Carlos from 1-4 p.m. Lisa Demers will also be on hand to help with online record books. Please call (650) 654-4975 or email Maeve at knoth@pacbell.net to RSVP.



#### Cake Booth at the Fair

Each year our club is responsible for staffing the County Fair cake booth for one day and for supplying delicious cakes to be sold that day. This year our day is Sunday, June 18.

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 16. The cake booth coordinators are Jason and Kim Gische.

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 Linda Wacha, Maria Smith or Katherine Schembri know.

## Life Skills Festival and Field Day

Mark your calendar for the <u>Life Skills Festival and Field Day</u> on May 6, 2017. This event combines Favorite Foods Day, Fashion Revue and the Arts and Crafts Expo. Attendees not participating in the competitions are invited to observe the sessions and participate in games, demonstrations and workshops. More information to follow.

#### **Double Meeting in May**

The night of May 16 we will hold two club meetings back to back. Mark your calendar now. This way we will complete 10 club meetings before the County Fair begins in early June. If you need 80 percent attendance because you plan on showing an animal at the Fair, be sure to attend the May meeting.

#### San Mateo County Fair: What Are You Showing?

Don't be shy! The San Mateo County Fair is for every 4-Her! Whether you are showing an animal you raised on the farm or a project you made in woodworking project, every 4-Her has something they can submit for judging at the Fair!

Check out the Fair premium book and see what strikes your fancy at <u>www.sanmateocountyfair.com</u>. The Fair runs Saturday, June 10 - Sunday, June 18. Let's have 100 percent club participation!

# Member Reports

# Beginning 4-H





#### **Goat Project**

The San Carlos 4H project goats are doing well and we are now planning our buyer letters. We walk the goats every day, sometimes into Eaton Park. Recently we did the pre fair vet check. We were lucky to be the first in line and we were done extra early, finishing before the scheduled start time. The vet check was at the fairgrounds in San Mateo. They all got ear tags for their fair identification. My goat, Joe Shmoe is #42. We transported the goats by putting them in the back of our truck in our large dog kennel. It is not too difficult to travel with goats. *--Roen Thuener* 

#### Lamb Project

April 8, 2017 was the pre-fair animal check-in and ear tagging for market lambs, goats and pigs. The lamb project went all together. We met at the farm and loaded up the trailer with all 8 lambs and 2 pigs. To qualify for exhibit, the lambs' tail must be docked (cut off). The dock must be healed and lifted from the exterior (there must be at least 1 vertebrae left) at the time of pre-check in. The market lambs that don't have a dock will be rejected. When the vet approves your lamb, the lamb get an ear tag and weighed. Lucky, everyone in the SCEH lamb project got in! After everyone was done, we loaded all the lambs and pigs back into the trailer and brought them back to the 4-H farm. We fed them and cleaned their pens. After I cleaned the pen and fed Sunshine, she fell asleep. No joke. Sunshine lied down and just snoozed. She was so cute and precious. The check in was so scary and nerve-wracking. I was very anxious when the vet was checking out Sunshine. Once she got in I stopped shaking and gave a sigh of relief. -- Tia Chan



#### Intermediate Cooking Project

In Intermediate Cooking this month we met at Lunardi's grocery store and put our money together to know what our budget would be for the meal. The budget was \$30. Then we all decided on what food to make that day. We decided on shrimp alfredo with broccoli and peas. We bought shrimp, pasta, a broccoli crown, basil, milk, butter, and parmesan cheese. The total cost was \$27.24! We then walked up to the Gische's house and prepared the food. We peeled

and deveined the shrimp, cut the broccoli and basil. We made the pesto with basil and garlic and cooked the shrimp in a pan. We made the alfredo sauce with flour, butter, milk and cheese. We mixed the shrimp, broccoli, peas and pasta and then put on the sauce. Finally, we ate the food and the dish was delicious!" *--Lilly Fox* 









#### **Market Chicken Project**

I am feeling excited because the market chicken chicks are supposed to come on April 22. I can't wait to pick out my three chicks and raise them. I am taking two chickens to fair and the third chicken is an extra. This is my first year in raising an animal for fair. I get to set up the brooder for the chicks and raise them for fair. We have baby backyard chicks so I have an idea of how to set up a brooder. It's going to be fun! --Zerach Chan





I am excited say the market chickens are almost here! They will be raised at our home for about three weeks then at the farm for three weeks. We pick them up early in the morning from the post office when they are cute and fluffy. About a week later their feathers come in and the cuteness goes away. This is my fourth year raising market chickens. This is a great first market animal project and is really fun because you get to experience fair. These photos are of my chickens last year at 3 days old and 4 weeks old. --Quincy Thuener

## **County Calendar Events**

San Mateo County Field Day	4/16/2017
Animal Field Day	4/30/2017
Life Skills Festival	5/6/2017
San Mateo County Fair	6/10-6/18/2017
<u>4-H Summer Camp</u>	7/16-7/21/2017

For a complete list of events, visit the <u>4-H County Web site</u> calendar page.

#### Do you want to learn 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 <u>here</u> or you can subscribe to receive the newsletter in your email every month:

- Go to <u>www.cesanmateo.ucdavis.edu/</u>
- 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, May 8, 2017

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



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