

# San Carlos Eaton Hills 4-H

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General Meeting: December 14<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 PM, Clifford School

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\*Wear holiday colors - Christmas,  
Hanukkah, or Kwanza and  
\*Bring a toy for the toy drive and a gift  
for the member gift exchange.



## President's Message

Hello Everyone,

We all have so much to look forward to this month, and 4-H is part of the fun and festivities.

This month is our highly anticipated gift exchange! Every member should bring one new toy to exchange with other members. We're also encouraging everyone to bring a new toy to donate for our toy drive.

For the gift exchange, please spend no more than \$10 on your present. It should be suitable for both boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 18. Remember to make sure this present is wrapped.

For the toy drive, you may spend as much as you want, but please leave your gift unwrapped. There is a special need for dolls, sports equipment such as balls, and gift certificates to stores teens enjoy.

Also, don't forget to wear your holiday colors for our theme of the month. Overall, everyone should be bringing four things to the meeting: a new wrapped toy, a new unwrapped toy, holiday colors, and of course, their spirited 4-H selves!

Happy Holidays,  
Anne



### **Christmas Toy Drive – December 14<sup>th</sup> General Meeting**

Members are encouraged to bring an unwrapped toy to the Club's December 14<sup>th</sup> General Meeting. We will donate them to a local charity. Dolls, balls and other sports equipment, mechanized vehicles and gift cards for teens are the most requested items.

### **Member Gift Exchange – December 14<sup>th</sup> General Meeting**

All Club members are invited to participate in our annual gift exchange. To participate, bring a wrapped gift to the December 14<sup>th</sup> General Meeting. The gift must be appropriate for a boy or girl from 5 to 19! Use your imagination and spend no more than \$10.00.

### **New Member Breakfast**

On November 21 the club had a new member breakfast.

Jr. Teen leaders surprised new member at their homes and drove them to the English Rose, a small restaurant in downtown San Carlos. After everyone arrived we had a yummy breakfast of scones, coco and fruit. Then we played name games and learned the 4-H pledge. Thanks to everyone who came:

Sara Cadona

Megan Day

Hailey Palala

Katia Dreschke

Jessica Rice

Peter Warrick

Jamie Moore

Haley Moore

Kate Ortiz

Stephanie Blake

Sean Rossiter

Jordana Sandy

And all the Jr. Teen leaders.

By Kelsey Moore

### **4-H Rabbit Project**

Welcome to the 4H Rabbit project! Our first meeting will be Sunday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 1:30-2:30 pm. Show rabbit and meat rabbit projects will meet together at this first meeting. Please DO NOT bring your rabbit to this first meeting. The meetings will be held at:

2727 Victoria Manor in San Carlos (off of Clifford Ave, near the school)

The project fee is \$5 plus any money needed for 1 field trip (TBD). Hopefully we'll attend an ARBA event sometime in the spring. I will provide a list of project dates at the first meeting but generally we'll be meeting mid-day one Sunday each month (on the same day as the cooking project for those of you in both). I will send e-mail meeting reminders the week preceding each meeting.

We've got a large group so please e-mail me whether or not you'll be attending.

I look forward to meeting you on January 16<sup>th</sup>.

Kathy Wilfong

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# **Revised Farm Rules On December Agenda**

By Janae Novotny

Parents and youth should check the Club website to review the proposed farm rules revision and come to the meeting prepared to ask questions and vote. The Farm Rules revisions are were revised to (1) clarify an animal project member's specific responsibilities for animal care and farm use, (2) address specific issues that the existing rules do not clearly answer, and (3) conform our rules to the mandatory county farm rules where necessary. Significant changes to look for address project members' vacations and other extended absences while raising a farm animal, farm visitors, and, generally, more detailed rules about farm use.

The committee that developed the revised farm rules included Jeff Nielson, Farm Manager; Eric Grimsby, Farm Boss; Jeanene Denegri; Judy Grimsby; Kathy Wilfong; Sandra Bernhard; Dale Sprock; Vickie Lewit; Robert Lewit; Ann Williams; and Janae Novotny. All Club parents were invited to join the committee and to share their ideas.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

### **December 2004**

- 14 San Carlos 4-H Club General Meeting, 7 p.m., Clifford School, Redwood City
- 16 4-H County Ag Steering Committee Mtg., 7:30 p.m., Laurelwood Round Table Pizza, San Mateo

### **January 2005**

- 3 Junior/Teen Leader Project Mtg, 7:15 p.m. (7:00 p.m. for officers)
- 9 Cavy Project Meeting, 3:15 – 4:30 p.m., Janae Novotny's home
- 18 San Carlos 4-H Club General Meeting, 7 p.m., Clifford School, Redwood City
- 22 San Mateo County 4-H Small Animal Challenge, Elkus Ranch
- 24 4-H County Council Mtg. 7 p.m., Fox School, Belmont

### **Timothy Hay Available**

Timothy Hay! I have more that I can use, and would like to share with your animals. If you would like some, bring a box or a bag to the next General Meeting, and I will dispense out of the back of my car.

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