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Next General Meeting:
November 18 at 7PM, Clifford School, Redwood City

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President's Message

Hi 4-Hers!

November marks the annual toy drive to benefit the Saint Francis Center. We have more than 140 members this year, so we should be able to provide at least that many gifts for kids and make a huge difference in their holiday season.

When I was sitting down to write this letter, I felt kind of bad for not even knowing what the Saint Francis Center actually does. It turns out that the St. Francis Center (in Redwood City) provides food, housing, clothing and other essential things to people who need them.

The Center especially needs gifts for teens. So when you go to get gifts, consider older kids as well. I am currently sitting under my new favorite fuzzy blanket, and I am planning on going back to Target to get another one as a gift for a teen girl, along with some fuzzy socks or a scarf.

Also at this meeting we will start hearing from some of the projects about what they have been doing in the past month.

See you Tuesday!

~ Anya Knoth

This Month's Theme:

Bring a New, Unwrapped Joy to Donate



UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS

Nov. 18- CAL Conference registrations Due
Nov. 18- General Meeting
Nov. 24- County Awards Ceremony and County Council Meeting
Dec. 9- Holiday Caroling
Dec. 16- General Meeting
Jan. 20- General Meeting
Jan. 23-25 Creating A Leader Conference
Feb. 7- County Presentation Day



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, the toys from the center's "Christmas store" are the only toys a child receives all year.

The Jr/Teen Leaders decided to focus on the Toy Drive this year and we will hold our annual food drive later in the year. The St. Francis Center REALLY needs great gifts and if each of us donates a GOOD toy or gift, we can have a real impact. Please consider purchasing something extra special.

The Teens and Tweens love accessories such as jewelry, watches, colognes, scarves, sporting attire and sweatshirts. The youth all love sporting goods such as indoor soccer balls, volleyballs, basketballs, jump ropes, pull up bars and wiffle balls and bats. Gift certificates to Redwood City stores such as Target and Ross are always great choices since they are close to the neighborhoods served by Saint Francis Center.

The gifts must be new, unwrapped and something YOU would enjoy receiving!

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 24th 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 2013-2014 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. Here is the list of fabulous 4-Hers from the San Carlos Eaton Hills club who will be recognized at the event:

Bronze Star: Evelyn Rossi, Isabella Paragas, Taylor Meeks

Silver Star: Isabella Paragas, Rachel Elia

Platinum Star: Laurel Nelson, Sarah Sutherland

Primary Members

Lillian Chen, Iris Dobrer, Adele Enthoven, Alexander Farkas, Lillian Fox, Holden Kowitt, Alexander Krackov, Stella Machado, Bode McCaughey, Noah Meeks, Josie Ollman, Roen Thuener, Susse Vorzimmer, Varick Vorzimmer, Ela Weintraub, Mikaela Wenzel

Congratulations!



Redwood City Holiday Parade

Do you love a parade? Join the Cañada club and march in the Redwood City Hometown Holidays Days parade Saturday, December 6th. RSVP or for more information contact: thesjolunds@earthlink.net

Holiday Caroling



It's time to put on your Santa and elf hats, enrobe yourself in garlands, and head on over to Carlmont Gardens for caroling to the residents. Please assemble in the lobby between 6:30 and 6:35 p.m. as singing will start at 6:45 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?** 6:15 pm – Tuesday, December 9th
Please be prompt! Our audience goes to bed very early. We'll be done by 7:15 pm at the latest!
- Where?** Carlmont Gardens, 2140 Carlmont Drive, Belmont
(Near Carlmont Shopping Center)
- Who?** 4-H members, parents, siblings, friends, and relatives!

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 to the collective burst of these caring creations!



Registration Reminders

All Parents: Please consider becoming a registered volunteer. Registered adult volunteers receive liability protection for all 4-H sponsored events (such as driving for field trips, visiting the farm, etc.), and help ensure the safety of all our children.

Farm Parents: If your child plans to have an animal at the farm this spring, we need you to register as an Adult Resource Leader. No child may be at the farm unless accompanied by at least one officially registered adult. That means that you and your child may not be alone at the farm (for a morning feeding, etc.), unless you are registered with 4-H. Take care of this important requirement before the spring animals appear!

Questions: Contact Bill Sharrat, club registrar, at 650-244-1943.

Medical Form Reminder

Parents: Please remember to provide each of your child's project leaders with a separate completed medical form by the first project meeting. Forms can be found on our website www.sancarlos4h.org. (Look for the link at the top of the home page.) Be sure to discuss with the project leader any information that may impact your child's participation in project activities.

Project Leaders: Do not allow parents to drop off their child at your first meeting unless you have a completed and signed medical form in hand. You can print the forms from our website www.sancarlos4h.org. (Look for the link at the top of the home page.) Have some extra forms for parents to fill out. Look over the completed forms and discuss with parents any matter of concern (allergies, etc.) Keep a complete set of the forms with you at all project meetings.

Want to Go to CAL (Creating a Leader Conference)?

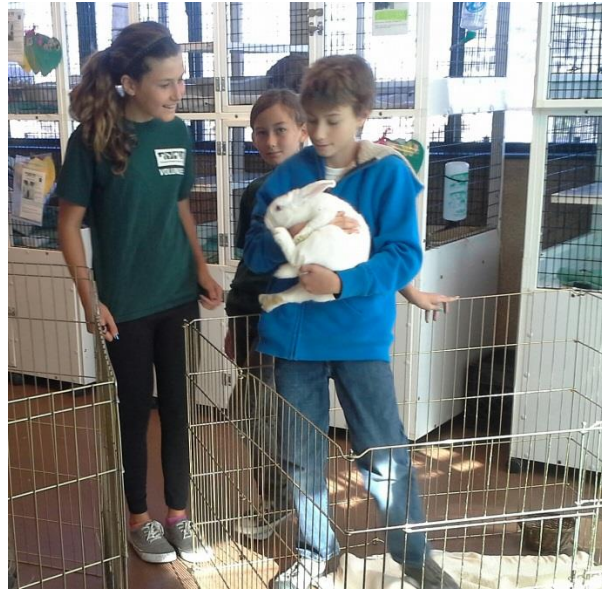
4-H members in 7th grade and up are invited to register for the North Central Division Creating a Leader Conference at Walker Creek Ranch, Petaluma. It will be held from January 23-25, 2015. The North Central division includes Sonoma, Marin, San Mateo, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Alameda, Contra Costa, Solano, Napa, Yolo, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Calaveras, Amador, and El Dorado counties.

Successful leadership is best learned in two ways: by observing it in others and by trying it oneself. The CAL Leadership Team is composed of former delegates who are now in charge of planning and delivering the Conference. The overall focus of CAL Conference is to provide a platform for youth leaders to share their joy, knowledge, and enthusiasm with their peers. The educational focus of CAL Conference is for delegates to enhance their techniques to demonstrate leadership in how they behave, in their attitudes, and in the words they choose to use.

Please go to the County website for more information and to register.

****REGISTRATION IS DUE IMMEDIATELY –NOVEMBER 18!****

Member Reports



I have always enjoyed rabbits, and we have adopted 3 from the SPCA in previous years. On November 8th, it was my first opportunity to socialize rabbits at the SPCA. Ava and Noelle Barganier showed me around the SPCA and taught me the routine for socializing rabbits. We brought the rabbits healthy treats like cilantro, parsley, apple slices and edible wicker toys. I groomed the rabbits with my hands and a comb. The rabbits enjoyed being fussed over and warmed up to me. Buster, the lion-headed rabbit even tried to jump in my lap. It was a very successful first day. I can't wait to go back to help them again. Thanks you again Barganier family for helping me learn about the Rabbit Socialization Project.
- by Andrew Gould



An Evening at the Grand National Rodeo by, Elyssa Lucas

It wasn't really that hard to get to rodeo, not that much traffic. My family and I left at 3:15 to try to get there on time. We thought that there would be a lot of traffic, but there wasn't. When we arrived, we had half an hour until we had to work. My family and I walked around and looked at the venders. Then, my mom and I got a quick snack before going off to work.

For the first hour, the line was massive. Around 6:30, everyone was watching the rodeo, so we didn't really have to do much. By 7:00 we had stopped and some people left while others watched the rodeo. All out, it was a pretty fun experience. I got to see many different horses in their stables. If you went to the rodeo, then I hope you had a wonderful time.

COUNTY CALENDAR EVENTS

C.A.L. Conference Registration Deadline	11/18/2014
Youth Rabbit Challenge	11/22/2014
County Awards Ceremony	11/24/2014
Redwood City Hometown Holiday Parade	12/6/2014
4-H Day at the Oakland Raiders	12/21/2014

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