

# The Clover Patch

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If you would like to submit an article, please send them to Jessie Rhoads and Chloe Gipson at [abbinewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:abbinewsletter@gmail.com) by the last Friday of each month.



Abbie 4-H, Pleasanton CA

**COMMUNITY CLUB MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, January 8, 2014**  
Theme: Pajama Day  
Meeting starts:  
7PM Sign-in opens: 6:45PM  
**MOHR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,**  
Multi-purpose Room  
3300 Dennis Drive  
Pleasanton, CA



## January Snack Families

André Wright  
Megan Mueller  
Kat Campis  
Jessica Shipp  
Sophia Wrenn  
Joesph Zimmerman  
Emma Theroux

## BIRTHDAY CORNER!

This month we will celebrate the January birthdays. If your birthday falls in January, please go up to the front of the meeting when it is time to sing "Happy Birthday."



## Bring Mugs For Hot Cocoa!

At the Community Club Meeting this month, the hospitality officers will be serving Hot Chocolate. They would like to ask you to bring a mug to put it in. Thanks!



## Record Book Project By Deirdre Gipson

Hi Everyone.

Are you super organized and detailed oriented?

Do you LOVE doing your record book every year?

If you answered NO to either of those questions, then this project is for you! (If you answered yes, you are welcome too).

The time at the meetings will be spent working on your record book, recording the 4H activities that you have participated in since the beginning of the year. Bring a laptop if you have it, if not then we will start you out on paper forms. Call or email me for more information: [925-461-1214](tel:925-461-1214) or [mdn\\_gipson@yahoo.com](mailto:mdn_gipson@yahoo.com). Next August you will be so happy you did this! The next meeting is January 25, 2014 at 4:00.

## Canned Food Collecting By Jessica Shipp

Hello. I would just like to remind you that Thanksgiving and Christmas are not the only times to donate to the food bank. People are in need throughout the year. So, for the remainder of the monthly club meetings, I will be bringing in a donation collection bin to leave by the door, if you are interested in donating. Let's try to get 100 cans donated by the end of the year! I'm sure it will mean a lot to a family in need.

## “Title-Less” By The Fluffy Bunny

Hello 4-Hers...

Happy New Year!

The questions for this month are “What did you bring for the potluck at the December Meeting?” and “What was one of the Christmas stories Cheyenne read at the meeting before Santa came in to give out candy canes?”

Please email the answers to [abbinewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:abbinewsletter@gmail.com) along with your name to be entered in a drawing at the meeting on Wednesday.

A Fluffy Bunny



## **Magazine Donations By Prashansa Ravi**

Happy new year 2014 to you all. Help the people and the Pleasanton library by donating magazines, every month. Please remember and donate!

Prashansa Ravi, Magazine officer.

### **The Archery Project Is Great! By Ryan Shipps**

This is my 6th year in 4-H, but only my first in the Abbie 4-H Club. I have taken a lot of different projects, but none were as fun as the Archery Project that I am in right now! The project leaders are nice, and their junior leaders are nice too. They give you advise of how to shoot better at the targets, which bow to pick out, how to string the bow, and more. I like the location of the project because you get to shoot many many times. I know that I am going to be much better at archery by the end of the project, and it is a great experience!



### **Holiday Parade By Sofia Perelli-Minetti**

This year's Annual Hometown Holiday Parade was held on Saturday, December 7th. There were a lot of entries this year such as floats, motorcycles with holiday lights, bands, horses, and lots of youth groups such as our own Abbie 4H group, the Girl Scouts, the Boy and Cub Scouts.

Abbie's 4H club members who wanted to participate in the parade met at the parade's staging area at 4:30. The Parade started around 5:00 p.m.

Each 4H'er held signs that listed Abbie's 4H projects. I held the sign that represented the Abbie 4H Swine and Sheep projects.

While walking in the parade, I saw about 8 or 10 Saint Bernard dogs that were also in the parade. This may have been my favorite part because it reminded me of my own dog Simba who is a Great Dane/St. Bernard and Old English Mastiff mix.

I also saw some of my other friends who were also participating in the parade such as my friend Taya and Chloe who were getting ready for the parade.

I would certainly encourage everyone to walk in the parade and represent our group Abbie 4H at least once. This is because it was very fun, although very cold, but then it is supposed to be cold during December, so I had to wear my dad's gloves.

### **Lodi Show By Chloe Gipson**

On November 23, I went to a guinea pig/rabbit show in Lodi. I had gotten a new guinea pig a few weeks before named Ginger and she was very showable. I was at the show for a whole 12 hours. I have to say I was an awesome experience and I learned a lot. I'm planning on going to many more shows. Ginger ended up winning 1st and 2nd place and also won best of variety and breed. The show was super long but it was totally worth it.

## Abbie 4-H

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## Upcoming Events

Dates –

January 14, 2014 Rabbit Meeting 7:00 PM

January 15, 2014 Poultry Meeting 6:00 PM

January 15, 2014 Swine Meeting 7:00 PM

January 25, 2014 Record Book Meeting 4:00 PM

February 1, 2014 Swine Field Day 8:15 AM

February 11, 2014 Rabbit Meeting 7:00 PM



### *About Our Organization...*

Abbie 4-H is part of a nationwide network of 4-H Clubs, which promote the learning of leadership, citizenship, and life skills. It is a place to make friends and share interests, as well as to build confidence and learn responsibility.

Though the various activities offered, 4-H members have opportunities to learn new things and to have experiences that they may not have had otherwise. Among the list of possibilities are the opportunity to experiment, go to camp, go on trips, learn how to care for an animal, and how to preserve food, and much more.

Check out these  
websites for further 4-H  
help!

<http://www.abbie4h.org/>

<http://alamedacounty4h.org/>

<http://www.ca4h.org/>