

The Clover Patch

Abbie 4-h Newsletter

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**Community Club Meeting
Wednesday, February 11th**

**Meeting Starts:
7PM; Sign-In Opens: 6:45
Mohr Elementary School
Multi-Purpose Room
3300 Dennis Drive
Pleasanton CA**

**REMINDER: The theme for the
upcoming CCM is Valentine's
Day. Wear your best red and
pink attire to get an extra ticket!**

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**Happy Birthday to all of
you celebrating in
February!**

President's Volunteer Service Award

Congratulations to the following Abbie 4H members for receiving this community service award.

Chloe Gipson – Silver Award
Cheyenne Harper – Bronze Award
Lauren Satariano – Gold Award
Jessica Shipps – Gold Award
Ryan Shipps – Bronze Award

Keep up the great work. For those that would like to try to receive this award, there is a link on the Abbie website (www.abbie4h.org) under the Forms and Record Book tab.

The Record Book Nook: Section 4 – Leadership Development By Elise Lester

Hello 4hers! Welcome back to the Record Book Nook! This month I will be discussing Section 4 in the PDR - Leadership Development. The purpose of this category is to develop your leadership skills. Some things to put under this section are . . .

- If you are an officer (What your officer position is)
- If you are a Committee Chairperson or a Committee Member (If you got volunteers to bake cupcakes for the Rotary Spaghetti Feed, that counts as being a committee chair. If you helped bake cupcakes for the Rotary Spaghetti Feed, this counts as being a committee member.)
- If you are a Junior or Teen leader for a Project
- Planned a 4H Group activity (example: you plan an activity such as a volunteer day at the Alameda County Food Bank)
- If you are in the Leadership Development Project, participating in the project goes in this section (you must also fill out an APR for the project)
- If you serve as a judge in an activity or a project

These are all things that count under the Leadership Development section in your PDR. Next month I will be discussing Section

Call For Articles by Amy Asmussen

Hello Abbie 4-Hers, my name is Amy Asmussen and I am your newsletter editor. Don't forget to send in your articles for the upcoming issues! Please send in your articles to abbienewsletter@gmail.com. The earlier I have them, the better. Thank you!

Cash 4 Cows by Cheyenne Harper

Abbie 4H is giving back to the world! We are raising money, which will purchase animals, crops, supplies, and educations for children in underdeveloped countries. Please bring spare change to the community club meetings if you would like to help Abbie give back. Look for the piggy bank at community club meetings and some project meetings.



Abbie 4-H Day At Alviso Adobe

Sunday, April 19th, 11:00am-1:00pm Abbie 4-H Day Ages 9-19 • FREE Visit the Alviso Adobe Community to learn more about Pleasanton's local 4-H group. 4-H is open to boys and girls aged 9-19. 4-H members join various "projects" within the club to learn to be the leaders of the future. Projects include raising swine, practicing presentations, crocheting, gardening, raising rabbits, and much, much more. On this special 4-H day, members will be on hand to share their own projects and how others can join. If you read this article, send the following code word to abbinewsletter@gmail.com for a chance to win a prize at the upcoming CCM. The code word is: Hugs and Kisses

Donlon Science Fair by Kenna Asmussen

On Thursday, March 5th, Abbie 4-H has the opportunity to bring their small animals to the Donlon Elementary School Science fair from 6-8 PM. I have done this for three or four years, and the kids really enjoy petting and feeding our animals. Parents and students are informed about 4-h and the many possibilities our club holds. You can contact amy.asmussen7@gmail.com to sign up. I look forward to seeing you there with your small animals!

C.A.L. Conference by Austin Munro

C.A.L.- Creating a leader conference was January 23-25th. This is a conference for anyone in the 6th grade or older. 4Hers from the Northern Central Section plan the conference starting in April of the previous year. We went to Walker Creek Ranch in Petaluma. This conference is a chance for members to learn different things about leadership. There are 5 workshops to attend during the day on Saturday; there is Saturday afternoon rec, and then the BIG DANCE on Saturday night. This year the workshops were about Parliamentary Procedure (how to make motions at meetings), S.E.T. activities, managing your money, making peace, and a dance workshop where we learned how to swing dance. If you are in 6th grade or older, I encourage you to attend next year.

Kids-2-Kids Christmas Party

The Kids-2-Kids Christmas Party was a huge success again this year. Thank you to all the 4-H families that participated, with donating gifts, wrapping presents, or donating cookies and working at the holiday event. Don't forget to mark in your record books to get credit for this great community service.

Collections are starting now for next year's event. They will be needing 3600 8mm red faceted beads, glitter, 500 10mm wiggle eyes, 800 ½" pompoms, 500 5mm red pompoms, 2000 brown pipe cleaners, and of course, gifts for all ages of children. The Abbie 4-H club also has a donation of fleece blanket kits that need to be assembled, and cardboard tubes that need to be prepped to make snowflake ornaments, as well as adult gifts and wrapping items or the parent gift area. If you are able to donate any of these items, please bring them to a future monthly meeting for me to deliver to the organizer of the event, or to help make a blanket or prep the snowflake tubes you may contact Margaret Miller directly at mmiller1435@gmail.com Thanks again for helping!

Pacific Poultry Breeders Show by Austin Nicolas

I went to the Pacific Poultry Breeders Association Show on January 31st. I went with my sisters Anika and Aurora. We brought our friend Prashansa who did great for her **first time** showing. We did Showmanship but they also had a poultry bowl, raffle, and a judging contest. The show was held at Modesto Junior College.



Presentation Day by Prashansa Ravi

My name is Prashansa Ravi. I participated in the presentation day again this year. I did an interpretive reading. The book I read was 'Mouse in Space ' by scholastic publishers. I had fun practicing and presenting it and I even got a certificate. Hope more mini members will present next year!!

- Prashansa Ravi

Spaghetti Feed by Austin Munro

On Saturday May 30th Abbie will be having their 4th annual spaghetti feed fundraising dinner. The Spaghetti feed will be held at the Veteran's Building in downtown Pleasanton. Doors will open at 6PM and dinner will be served at 6:30. At 8PM we will start the raffle of wonderful baskets donated by the projects. We will also be having our Heads and Tails game for restaurant gift cards. If anyone would like to donate a gift card to a local restaurant for the grand prize, please email Michele Munro or give to her at the CCM. New this year, we will be playing BINGO. Lots of fun for the family. Tickets will be available for \$10 at the monthly CCM or by emailing Michele Munro at munro821@aol.com. Mark the date, you do not want to miss the fun!

Photography Project Meeting - By Jessie Rhoads

On Saturday January 17th, I went to the January Photography meeting. Our leader, Mrs. Item, talked about perspective and showed us some examples. Afterwards, we took pictures of different perspectives of nature. Then she told us to take pictures of a tree with three different perspectives. We also learned about forced perspective, and then we took some pictures of that too. It was really fun and I can't wait until the next meeting!



Photography Group by Julia Item

At the first Photography Group meeting we met on a Saturday morning outside the Pleasanton Library. We learned about perspective and forced perspective. For perspective we learned about taking photos in a unique way showing a different perspective. Forced perspective is when an object farther away makes another object look bigger or even flying or floating. We split into two groups to take photos showing different perspective. Then we had fun trying to take photos of forced perspective.

Here are some examples we were shown to use as our inspiration.



Abbie 4H Meeting Minutes- January 14, 2015

Theme: pajamas

Flag Salute: Ria

4H Pledge: Sydney

Officer's Reports:

- ● Treasurer report - Sarah W
- Motion by Harrison C
 - ● Healthy Living - Jackson W
 - ● Project Liaison - Elise L & Josie C
 - ● Newsletter - Amy Asmussen

New Business:

- ● Cash for cows - Cheyenne H
- ● Rotary Pasta Feed Cupcake Walk - Kamryn B & Cheyenne H
- ● Abbie 4H at Alviso Adobe - Michele Munro
- ● Helping Shelter Animals - Jessica S
- ● Presidential Service Award - Karen H

Program

- ● Wah Master

Old Buisness:

- ● Online Record Book Training - Michele Munro
- ● Kids to Kids - Noelle I & Elise L
- ● Christmas Trees - Aaliyah W

Announcements

Meeting Adjourned at 7:29

- ● Adjourned by Andre W & Josie C

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Upcoming Events-

- Sheep Project Meeting - Feb 24
- Rabbit Project Meeting - Feb 26
- Sheep Field Day - March 15
- Small Animal Field Day - April 26
- Dog Field Day - May 23
- Sheep and Goat Tagging - April 12
- Poultry Project Meeting - Feb 18
- Swine Project Meeting - Feb 18
- Beginning 4H meeting - Feb 13
- Donlon Science Fair - March 5th

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. Through 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 experiments, go to camp, go on trips, learn how to care for an animal, 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/>

