

Abbie News



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COMMUNITY CLUB MEETING WEDNESDAY, November 4, 2009

MOHR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
3300 Dennis Drive
Pleasanton, CA

THIS MONTH'S THEME: Thanksgiving (fall colors)

Thanks-For-Giving

During the November CCM, Abbie 4-H will be having Thanks-For-Giving again this year. This meeting will provide many community service opportunities at once. To participate please bring one or more of the following items:

- Used clothing, coats and/or blankets
- Towels and/or blankets
- Canned or other nonperishable foods
- Book, stuffed animal, toy, or other small present
- Candy and/or old paper towel rolls
- Money for games

Gently used clothing, coats, and blankets will be donated to a shelter. Any blankets and/or towels that are useable for animals will be donated to an animal shelter. Canned food and any other non-perishable foods will be donated to a food bank. The small presents are for the Kids to Kids Party in December. Candy or old paper towel rolls will be used to make poppers with during the December meeting. Money earned from the games will be donated to World Vision, a charity that provides farm animals to families in need. At the December meeting, we will have the amount of all the money we raised, and with that we will vote for which animal(s) we would like to send to a family in a third-world country. If you would like to know more about World Vision, you can visit their website at

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

Future Club Meetings:

Meetings begin at 7:00 pm

Nov. 4 *Dec. 9 Jan. 13 Feb. 10 *Mar. 3 Apr. 14
*May 12 *Jun 2

*Indicates meeting begins at 6:30 pm.

Birthday Corner

11/11/ Alicia Brown
11/17/ Emma Orozco
11/6/ Scott Renton
11/20/ Kyle Renton
11/17/ Richelle Brozosky
11/7/ Samuel Onojafe
11/17/ Rekha Murali
11/29/ Gergana Gospodinona
11/15/ Ethan Rodricks
11/14/ Zane Kuhn

Community Service Opportunity

On Saturday November 21st NBC and CVS are holding a food drive to benefit the Alameda County Food Bank. Abbie 4H will be responsible for managing the collection barrel at the CVS store on Rosewood Drive.

We will be passing out flyers in front of the store, and transferring the food to another barrel in the back of the store so that the barrel in front of the store doesn't get too full. We need two 4H members and one adult for each shift to cover the 8:30-5:50 day. The shifts are for one hour. There will be a sign-up sheet on the back wall at the next Community Club Meeting.

Please consider volunteering for this event to help our community. You also get community service credit for your record book, and towards your community service pin.

Nicole Klunker

Families Responsible for this Coming Meeting's Refreshments

- Lindsley
- McMillin
- Nicolas
- Ott
- Rogers
- Rodricks
- Miller
- Jacobsen
- Hudson
- Jacques

Please bring 2 dozen of your favorite cookies, brownies, etc to share with the group.

CANNED FOOD DRIVE TO CONTINUE

Last year we collected over one hundred pounds of canned food that we donated to the Pleasanton Food Pantry. We would like to top that this year. Times are still very difficult for many people. So next time you go to the store, pick up an extra can of soup or a package of diapers and bring them to our November Community Club Meeting for the Thanks For Giving evening. And keep Pleasanton Food Pantry donation on your shopping list because we will be collecting canned food all year long. This is an easy way to help others.

by Joey Bennett
Teen Leader, canning project

Minutes for Abbie CCM Meeting held 10/14/09, Mohr Elementary School

Meeting was called to order by Alicia Brown at 7:05 pm

Flag salute was led by Danica Rizzo

4H pledge was led by Krystal Jacobsen

Reports:

- Treasurer's Budget report was given by Audrey Hock. Mitali Rodricks moved to accept the Budget. Parker Brown 2nded it. The Budget was approved
- Corresponding Secretary: Cheyenne Harper reported that a get well card was sent to Sean Haggerty who was in the hospital for a football accident
- Telephone Committee - Megan Mueller asked for more committee members
- Historian - Stephanie Duret - asked the club to bring pictures to her for the scrap book

Old News

- Swine Carcass Dinner - Parker Brown reported. His pig was in the top 5
- Beef Carcass Dinner - Cash Kuhn reported - his steer did well
- Achievement Night - Kamryn Brown reported - there were veterans from 5 different wars there to do the color guard. Record book awards were given out, star awards were given out and leaders pins were given out.
- Library Booth - Megan Mueller reported on our display in the library

Recreation: Kamryn Brown and Sasha lead Bingo game matched up the projects offered in our club

New Business:

- Skate Night - Nicole Klunker reported - there will be a costume contest so come in costume
- Alden Lane Harvest Festival - Nicole Klunker and Miriam Flock reported - they need more volunteers to bring small animals - sign up in back
- Beginning 4H project - Miriam Flock and Sasha Greenlee reported - sign up to help
- Laundry Community Service - Johnathon Komari - if interested in helping, sign up in back
- Xmas Party - Nate McMillin reported - bring presents to November meeting, sign up to work party in back
- Float project - Stacy McMillin reported - doing a Christmas parade float as a project, it's a lot of fun to join us
- Rabbit project - Megan Mueller reported on when the meetings will be

Announcements;

- Registration - we will be taking fees, medical releases and liability forms after the meeting
- Thanks for Giving in November - look for lots of community service at CCM
- Sheep meeting (10/20)
- Skate Night (10/26)
- SET Career Day at Chabot(11/14)

Alicia Brown presented Joey Bennett (past president) with an engraved gavel

Jessica Bennett moved to adjourn the meeting. Second by Joey Bennett

Meeting was adjourned at 7:54 pm

Next CCM will be November 4th at 7:00

Minutes submitted by Jenna Bennett, Abbie 4H recording secretary

Minutes for Abbie CCM Meeting held 9/16/09, Mohr Elementary School

Meeting was called to order by Joey Bennett at 7:02 pm

Pledge and 4H pledge were lead by Crystal and Erika Jacobsen

2008/2009 officers gave out record book awards (Joey Bennett, Michael Onojafe and Austin Piombo)

Installation of 2009/2010 Officers by All Star, Joey Bennett.

This year's officers: Alicia Brown, Rachel Jacobsen, Jenna Bennett, Audrey Hock, Cheyenne Harper, Katie Ricart, Miriam Flock, Nicole Klunker, Kamryn Brown, Sasha Greenlee, Stephanie Duret, Scott Jacques, Kyle Lindsley, Amanda Horne, Michael Onojafe, Sam Onojafe, Allison Ricart, Megan Mueller

Reports:

- President, Alicia Brown announced that sign ins will begin at 6:45 so that our meetings will be able to start on time. She also directed everyone to look at all the stars around the room that showed how well Abbie members did over the summer
- Corresponding Secretary: Cheyenne Harper read some thank you notes given to Abbie 4H projects for awards
- There was no treasurer's report or secretary minutes at this meeting.

Old News

- County book judging – Jan Bennett and Karen Harper did a report on how well Abbie did at county book judging. 15 Abbie books entered. Almost all Abbie members that participated won County winner. They encouraged more people to go.
- Megan Mueller reported on the 4H display we have at the Pleasanton Library.
- 4H Camp – Joey Bennett, Scott Jacques did a report on summer camp then Audrey Hock and Jenna Bennett joined them to lead a camp song
- Sheep Carcass contest dinner – Rachel Jacobsen reported on the dinner and that Cash Kuhn was recognized

Recreation: Kamryn Brown and Sasha lead a game called "Have you ever"

New Business:

- Registration – Diana Hock explained on-line registration. Everyone will receive passwords on email. Members need to fill out medical form, and bring fees to our October meeting. Cost is \$30/member, \$25/each additional member in a family, \$16/non project leaders, project leaders are free. Returning members must register by December, New members must register by April 1st..
- New Member orientation will be held here at Mohr school before October meeting
- New Projects offered: art, book club, bee keeping, environmental education, and geneology

Announcements;

- Camp Academy first meeting – Sept 23
- Beef Carcass Dinner (9/17), Swine Carcass Dinner (9/24)
- Achievement Night will be at Canyon Middle School October 2nd
- Skate Night (10/26)
- SET Career Day at Chabot(11/14)
- Favorite Foods Day in January or February

Meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm

Next CCM will be October 14th at 7:00, New member orientation begins at 6:00 at Mohr School

Minutes submitted by Jenna Bennett, Abbie 4H recording secretary

State Equine Field Day

State equine field day was Saturday October 24 and several Abbie horse project members were able to attend because it was at U.C. Davis. Everyone who attended had a great day. We even had a good time going to and coming home from the field day because we carpoled. I'm sure we all know more now than when we arrived at field day.

We had a chance to watch the work of and have our questions answered by many experts in their field including a saddle fitter, nutritionist, dentist, farrier, a conformation judge, gymkhana trainer, and an all around trainer, I hope even more people from Abbie get to attend this great event next year!



Nicole Klunker
Horse Project Teen Leader

Two guinea pigs need a home

A 4-H family needs to find a home for two American Red cavies. The Garcia Girls say these nice 10-month old sows are currently housed together, well behaved, and very friendly. They are also already tagged. If you are interested, please contact Sonia Garcia at 918-2212.

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Miriam Flock

Next Horse Project Meeting

Hello everyone! There will be a horse meeting on November 8th at 1:30. The meeting will *probably* be at the new Castro Valley library located at 3600 Norbridge Avenue, Castro Valley, Ca 94546. The library is not yet open, so I can't confirm the location until next week.

If you are interested in joining the horse project please email me at vlvasut@yahoo.com or call me at 510 432-7017 so I can add you to my list of members and keep you up to date on meetings and notices.



Nicole Klunker
Horse Project Teen Leader

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November Gardening Tips

- Plant trees, evergreens, shrubs, and bulbs
- Clean, oil, and store garden tools
- Clean rose beds and remove leaves from lawn
- If you have water lilies, set them deeper in the water to prevent freezing
- Winterize your lawn

Have fun in your garden
By Cheyenne Harper

Dates from the Leader Council meeting

- March 11-14, 2010 Western Regional Leader Forum in Arizona
- January 22-24, 2010 CAL Conference for grades 6-8. Applications on Alameda Co website in a couple of days.
- February 27, 2010 Favorite Foods Night at the Moose Lodge in Castro Valley, open to all 4H clubs.
- January 30 will be when Presentation Day takes place (start working on your presentation!)
- Adult Leader Orientation being talked about to be put on by Charles Go and Tom Fraser might be sometime in December.

SET Career Day

Get SET for your Future!

Alameda County is hosting SET Career Day at Chabot College in Hayward on Saturday, November 14, from 10am-2pm.

Some highlights:

Speak with scientists from NASA, EarthTeam, and the EPA

Learn about careers in emergency and veterinary medicine and forensics

Meet scientists teaching robots to think and researching DNA

Travel from the ground with a soil scientist to the stars with an astronomer

Explore careers from biotechnology to bio research

Meet service dog and trainer from Dogs for Diabetics

Meet a design engineer and experiment with software to create new inventions

...and much more!

There will also be a Job Interview Contest, a Judging Contest, Community Service opportunity

And it's all FREE! This event is open to all students, not just 4H, so invite all your friends! Target interest age is high school, motivated junior highers would benefit as well. For more information, please contact setcareerday@dalyclan.net

- Jane Onojafe

Camp Academy Interview Volunteers Needed

We will be conducting interviews with the Camp Academy Kid's in November and December.

These interviews are a great learning tool for both the teen and the adults involved.

Each teen will produce a resume and be interviewed by a team of 2-3 adults (15-20 min. Each).

We have November 3rd & 5th available at the Farm Bureau in Livermore.

We could start as early as you are available....like 5-8 p.m.

Sorry for late notice.....Farm bureau is booked later in the month.

Could use 4-6 volunteers on each of the nights.....
Please let me know if you can be an Interviewer.

- Jim Bennett 449-0114

Calendar

(All are welcome; meetings are open to anyone interested in attending.)

November 2009

State Leader Forum at Asilomar	Nov 6-8	Asilomar
North Central Leader Council Meeting	Nov 11	
4-H Fur N' Feathers show	Nov	Ventura County 4-H
C.A.L Conference Applications Due	Nov	to: Carol Crossett 4-H Office
Conty Leadership Project	Nov 17	Farm Bureau -- 7:00pm
Camp Academy	Nov 25	Farm Bureau --7:00-8:30pm
Leader Council Meeting	Nov 24	Jockey Club - Fairgrounds

December 2009

Clear for Holidays

January 2010

Snow Camp	Jan	See Tom Fraiser for this one
Citizenship Meeting	Jan	Farm Bureau -- 7:00pm
CAL Conference	Jan	Walker Creek Ranch
Volunteer Leader Orientation	Jan	Farm Bureau--7:00pm
Leader Council Meeting	Jan 26	Jockey Clubhouse 7:30pm
Camp Academy	Jan 27	Farm Bureau --7:00-8:30pm
Presentation Day	Jan	Fairgrounds -Mineral and Gem Building

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