

San Benito 4-H Newsletter May 25, 2021

# **4-H Senior Scholarship Awards:**

Congratulations to all the senior graduates. We are proud of the manys years of personal growth you have gained while making a difference in our 4-H program & community. The I&R committee has spent many hours reviewing the scholarship applications along with the judges. The 4-H council, I&R chairman & committee are proud to award these scholarships:

#### Georgia Wapple Fraser Scholarship

Lara Taylor \$4,000

#### John Ricotti Scholarship

Ashley Lange \$2,000

## 4-H Scholarship

Taryn wright \$1,500

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Emily Drost \$500

## Bank on Us Scholarships:

Emma Kelly \$2,500 Lara Taylor \$2,400 Taryn Wright \$1,500 Tyler Abercrombie \$1,500 Tyler Kashuwagi \$1,400 Emily Drost \$750 Joshua Gomer \$650 Jacob Gomer \$650 Alec Berstein \$500 Kayleigh Springer \$400 Ashley Lange \$250

Thank you to all graduating seniors for many years of community service along with guidance to younger members in our 4-H program and community. We wish you all the best in your future endeavors.

## Fair Updates:

**San Benito Fair:** We are excited to participate in an in-person fair. We will have mandatory beef tagging on May 27th from 5 pm to 7 pm at the fairgrounds livestock scale. Enter through gate 1 drive around to the cattle scale for tagging.

**Small animals** (sheep, meat goats & swine) 4-H leaders email your livestock tag request with species to dara@sanbenitocountyfair.com from July 6th to July 12th. Leaders will pick up the livestock tags at the office on July 13th time will be announced at a later date. Leaders must have the livestock tagging paperwork turned into the fair office no later than July 30th.

The deadline for rabbits, poultry, and turkeys will be announced at a later date. The fair is bringing back chickens since Newcastle disease has been lifted.

No exceptions if you miss any of these deadlines for tagging livestock or entries to show and sell at the fair.

We will have a 4-H & FFA horse show prior to the fair. Check the fair entry book for dates and deadlines for all areas.

Junior still exhibits updates will be announced at a later date.

Livestock exhibitors will arrive on Tuesday, September 28th show will run Wednesday thru Friday. Live auction on Saturday.

Fair is open to the public from October 1st-3rd.

Fair has a shortfall of \$60K in their budget to cover expenses this year. Visit the fair Facebook page for fundraising events this summer to help offset the shortfall.

**Dara Tobias will be posting fair updates on the San Benito Fair Facebook page.** We are having a live show with livestock market animals, breeding, dairy goats, dairy cattle, rabbits, and poultry.

**Monterey Fair:** The 4-H & FFA youth and families will attend the fair prior to the fair opening to the public. We will be showing in person for livestock, breeding, dairy goats & cattle, rabbits & poultry. Visit the fair entry book for deadlines and schedules for entries, requirements, and show dates.

**Santa Cruz Fair:** will be announcing the Fair details at the end of June. Per Dave K., fair manager the 4-H & FFA youth will participate in a livestock show regardless if the fair is not open to the public. The great news is that we are having a live show with livestock market animals, breeding, dairy goats, pygmy goats, dairy cattle, rabbits, and poultry. Visit the fair entry book for deadlines and schedules for entries, requirements, and show dates.

## 4-H Farm:

4-H farm meeting on May 26th at 7 pm. Everyone is welcome to join the committee. You must wear a mask at the 4-H farm due to COVID restrictions.

# We would like to thank Sue Dike for her many years of service as the 4-H farm advisor. She has done a fantastic job managing the 4-H farm. We will miss her at the 4-H farm.

We will announce the new 4-H farm manager once this position has been filled. If you have any questions until then please contact Julie Katawicz, 4-H office at (831) 205-3180.

4-H youth may house their livestock at the 4-H farm for a bargain price of \$10 per animal a year plus 6 hours of honest work to help maintain the 4-H farm. Submit your 4-H farm agreement by email to <u>jkatawicz@ucanr.edu</u> or drop it off in the white box outside the 4-H conference room at 3228 Southside Rd, Hollister. Once we receive the farm agreement you may speak to the 4-H office about housing your animal at the 4-H farm. Just remember COVID guidelines apply with social distancing and wearing a mask. 4-H farm agreement: <u>http://ucanr.edu/sites/UCCESanBenito/files/296805.pdf</u> <u>http://ucanr.edu/sites/UCCESanBenito/files/296425.pdf</u>

## **Vets Hall Community Service:**

Our 4-H program has the privilege to use the Vets Hall for our 4-H meetings and events at no cost to our 4-H council or 4-H clubs. Due to COVID restrictions, the Vets Hall has taken a financial hit this last year as many businesses. Maria at the Vets hall has reached out to the 4-H program for help with some of their events coming up. We have an opportunity to participate in community service projects.

We are looking forward to our 4-H youth helping the Veterans at the upcoming community service events:

- May 28th at 4 pm
- Calvary Cemetery to help place flags on soldiers graves
- May 31st 9:30 am
- Set up chairs for HomeTown Hero flags
  - Speak to Maria office staff for direction on helping at these community service events
- May 31st 11 am met at Vets Hall
  - Help hang up the Hometown Heroes flags in the downtown area
  - Speak to Maria for direction on this event at Vet
- Emerald Star project suggestion:
  - Making a map marking the soldier graves at two cemeteries
  - This will help with wreaths across America and additional Veterans events
  - Complete an emerald star application and submit it to Danielle Nino if you are interested in hosting this Emerald Star project.

The Veterans also award high school scholarships to our community. High school seniors may want to apply for some of these scholarships after giving back to our community. Thank you in advance for community service and for supporting the Veterans Hall events in our community.



# Beth Kadluboski All-Star project

Beth is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive event (10 am - 3:00 pm) at LDS Church 1670 Cienega Rd, Hollister on May 29th. She has filled all the time slots for blood donors at this point. What an amazing gift to give!

If you are interested in helping Beth on May 29th contact Sandra at 408-476-5718. Great community service project.

## **YMCA Petting Zoo**

We are looking for a chairman to host a petting zoo event for YMCA youth. This is an amazing opportunity to educate youth about your animals and the 4-H program. We will have to provide the animals and pens for this event. Contact the 4-H office or Denise Lange if you are interested in volunteering to chair or participate in this event on July 16th from 10 am to noon.

## 4-H Leaders Last Chance:

The 4-H online system is changing over to a new system. If you have not completed your 4-H leader training by June 10th you will be removed from our 4-H enrollment system. The new database will not transfer your information. You will have to register in the new year then complete the new leader 3-hour training and complete the live scan again before working with our 4-H youth. I will be contacting the outstanding leader this week. If you have any questions contact Julie at <u>jkatatwicz@ucanr.edu</u> or (831) 205-3180 before June 10th.

## 2021-2022 Enrollment Registration Changes:

Our 4-H online registration system is changing over on June 30th. We can not register for the new 4-H year until August 15th. Our 4-H enrollment fee was also raised by \$4 per person by the 4-H state office. The 4-H state office will be collecting an additional \$4 next year.

Our registration fees for 2021-2022 will be:

- \$75 1st tier August 15th to September 30th
- \$85 2nd tier October 1st to November 30th
- \$95 3rd tier December 1st to June 30th

New members registration is \$75 if paid within 30 days of registration

4-H adult leaders registration - \$30

We suggest the 4-H club think about fundraising to help 4-H members with registration enrollment fees for this next year. See's a great fundraiser opportunity in December.

## Auction donations needed:

We have an opportunity to participate in the Community foundation auction in August. We are looking for auction sponsor items for our 4-H program. The funds raised will go towards our 4-H program. We are asking for help to obtain at least two auction items such as a weekend getaway, dinner event for 10 people, or any other items that will bring in a good profit at the online auction. Please contact the 4-H office at <u>jkatawicz@ucanr.edu</u>. Thank you in advance for your help. Julie

# COVID-19 Meeting requirements & Office updates:

As of May 24, 2021, we can now meet inside & outside in person up to 50% capacity of the room or area outside up to 200 people including 2 adult leaders. We still have zoom meeting links available. Please email the 4-H office if you need a zoom link for your 4-H meeting.

We can use the Vets Hall for meetings of up to 20 people. You will have to book the room reservation in advance at

http://cesanbenito.ucanr.edu/4-H\_Program/Clubs/Room\_Reservations/.

We may also use Bolado Park (fairgrounds) for meetings. Please make reservations in advance at

http://cesanbenito.ucanr.edu/4-H\_Program/Clubs/Room\_Reservations/.

Our 4-H office will be working remotely until June 30, 2021. You may contact the 4-H office by email or phone at <u>jkatawicz@ucanr.edu</u> or (831) 205-3180.

#### Thank you to all the Military Servicemen & women that protect our great nation! The 4-H office will be closed for Memorial Day on Monday, May 31st.

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