



Homesteaders Happenings

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SVACA Service Learning Project

by Fiona Reyes

The Silicon Valley Animal Control Authority (SVACA) provides Santa Clara and other cities with care for sick, injured, lost and abandoned companion animals, animal cruelty investigations, enforcement of animal laws, education and outreach programs, volunteer and foster programs, and more! But they cannot do it alone. Homesteaders can help out the Silicon Valley Animal Control Authority by donation items for the animals.

Here is their wish list:

- ~Science Diet dry/canned dog and cat food
- ~Compressed Pine litter

- ~High quality dog and cat treats
- ~Cat and dog toys
- ~Towels
- ~Blankets for bedding
- ~Rabbit pellets
- ~Cat play structures
- ~Kitten formula
- ~Peanut butter
- ~Timothy hay for bunnies/cavies
- ~Martingale collars

Please help out the SVACA and participate in Homesteaders Project by bringing some of these items to donate at our next meeting on May 12 (which will be only opportunity to donate). http://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/18B57XD41ZAF3/ref=cm_sw_su_w

Favorite Foods Day

by Emily Emmons

Favorite Foods Day was on March 12, 2016. While everyone was waiting for the judges to finish evaluating placemats or tasting the food, 4-hers went into the cafeteria. In the cafeteria, there were activities like, craft table, lego play area, favorite food day quiz and what the heck is it? station. There were also some classic games like tag and hide-in-seek. When the judges were done, it was the 4-Hers turn to go to the Auditorium, where we (the youth) get to vote on which food and placemats was our favorite.



North Central Field Day

by Sarah May and Kira Anderson

This year's North Central Sectional Field Day was held at the UC Davis

campus on Saturday, March 25. For all 4-Hers who earned a gold at their

County Presentation day this was a chance to present to 4-Hers from all over the North Central area of California. Five Homesteaders made the trek to UC Davis to participate. Kira Anderson and Emily Emmons gave their Sheep to Shawl presentation and earned a gold! Raedyn McFarland and Casey McFarland volunteered to be room host and courier, respectively. Their mom, Lori Longo, volunteered to judge and, last but not least, Kalliope McFarland came to provide much needed support!

This day included not just presentations but also a general judging contest and a horticulture contest. Emily and I (Kira) tried the

judging contest. It was hard because we had never studied some of the topics like archery, entomology, and swine breeding; but we both scored in the top 8 and received a certificate!

We had a great time because we got to spend the night in a hotel with a pool and play with friends! We all hope to go again to UC Davis to the State 4-H Field Day on Saturday, May 28 because we had such a great time at Sectionals. There will be all sorts of fun activities that everyone can participate in and lots of volunteer opportunities so we hope to see you there in May!

Link to State 4H Field Day:http://4h.ucanr.edu/4-H_Events/SFD/

NEXT MEETING: MAY 12

HOMESTEADERS RANCH @7:15

~BRING A LAWN CAHIR IF YOU HAVE ONE

~BRING DONATIONS TO SVACA

Clover Run

by Emily Emmons

Rain or shine people came to the 4H clover 1k/5k run/walk. The run/walk was located in Martial Cottle County Park in San Jose. This was a Fundraiser run and all the money went towards the Clover Foundation. Thank you, Kyle Geringer, for organizing this event and finding sponsors like chick-fil-a to make it happen. By the time the event was over, just about everyone was soaked from the rain. But everyone, even myself had a wonderful time!



Emily and her brother at the 4-H Clover Run