

San Mateo and San Francisco Counties

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Program Happenings

San Mateo County Fair June 8-16

The San Mateo County Fair is a week of fun for the whole family! Members of 4-H, Master Gardeners and Master Food Preservers will be participating with exhibits and demonstrations throughout the fair.

4-H at the Fair

4-H members across the county compete in youth exhibition categories, including **animal showmanship**, **arts & crafts**, and **food science**. The exhibitors have selected, fed, cared for and groomed these animals in preparation for the **Youth Livestock Show** that is held during the week prior to the auction.

Master Gardeners at the Fair

Master Gardeners will have numerous exhibits and be on-site to answer questions about **home horticulture**, **pest management**, and **sustainable landscape practices**.



Master Food Preservers at the Fair

The San Mateo County Fair offers Master Food Preservers an excellent stage for outreach to the community and the opportunity to pursue their goal of providing **up-to-date, research-based food safety and preservation information.**

Where: San Mateo County Event Center, 2495 S Delaware St, San Mateo, CA 94403



Learn More about the Fair



National EFNEP Visits Bay Area

California EFNEP hosted the **National Program Leader, Dr. Helen Chipman** and **California Program Coordinator, Katie Panarella**, along with **National Institute of Food & Agriculture (NIFA) Program Specialist, Alex Alford** for a 3-day site visit. Katie Panarella expressed gratitude and congratulations for a wonderful site visit and that “overall it was an incredibly positive visit.” She added, “I’m very proud of our **entire EFNEP team** (the 2nd largest program in the country). **Kudos to all of you!**” [Read more...](#)



4-H Animal Field Day

Animal Field Day at **Crystal Springs 4-H farm** had nearly 100 visitors in April. The event is organized by the **San Mateo County 4-H Animal Science Animal Project (ASAP)** committee and designed to teach people about raising an animal for a 4-H project and show at the local county fair. 4-H youth presented on **biosecurity, swine, steer, market & show rabbits, turkeys, lambs, market & dairy goats, and show & market chickens.** An acorn planting project was provided by the **4-H Million Trees Project.** [Read More...](#)





UC CalFresh Adds "Healthy Living"

UC CalFresh Healthy Living supports **healthy, active and nourished lifestyles** by teaching about good **nutrition**, encouraging **physical activity**, and partnering with local schools and agencies to establish policy, system and environments that make the **healthy choice the easy choice**. [Read more...](#)



Bermuda Grass Mitigation Trial Update

The second phase of the Bermuda Grass Mitigation trial at the UCCE Master Gardener program **Gardening Education Center (GEC)** was completed on May 13th. The goal of this trial is to **build soil structure utilizing cover crops, compost, and compost extract**. [Read more...](#)

Congratulations to the 2019 San Mateo County 4-H Scholarship Winners!

The awards are based on high school **scholastic record, letters of recommendation, 4-H experience, leadership** and an **interview**, and range from \$1000-\$2500. Much of our scholarship money comes from annual contributions from the **Peter and Paula Uccelli Foundation (Pete's Harbor)**, the **Mounted Patrol of San Mateo County Foundation**, and the **Bob and Patricia Dean Memorial fund**.

[Read more...](#)



UC Elkus Ranch High School Intern

This spring, Elkus Ranch had the pleasure of hosting high school senior, **Jenna Jaramillo!** Jenna completed a **service learning internship** for her school's senior project. In addition to daily ranch chores, Jenna learned the Sheep to Shawl presentation for the visiting school groups, learning how to **engage youth with agriculture**. Her extensive livestock knowledge from 4-H was

valuable and appreciated! Jenna is planning on attending Cal Poly in the Fall to study Animal Science. Thank you for your hard work, Jenna!

Interested in internship or extended volunteer opportunities? Contact **Maggie Gunn** at mlgunn@ucanr.edu

Other News / Events / Opportunities

UC Elkus Ranch Sheep to Shawl



June 8 • 10am-2pm

Our flock of **sheep** will be sheared by Mr. Wool, a professional sheep shearer, and Elkus Ranch will be open to the public* for a day of **fun on the farm!** View **wool spinning** demos, **dye a wool sample**, visit our **friendly livestock**, explore the **gardens**, and more! Pack a **waste-free picnic lunch** and spend the day on the ranch.

Register

**Reservations required*

**We Surpassed Our
Coastside Gives Goal!**



UC Elkus Ranch Summer Day Camp



5 sessions • M-F • 9am-3pm

Join us for Summer Camp at UC Elkus Ranch! Kids **6-11 years** old can spend the day learning how to care for our **friendly livestock** animals, **cook** using produce from our gardens, make **crafts**, learn about **environmental stewardship**, and much more!

Sign up for 1 day or the whole week!

Register

**Conference Center
Available for
Group Rentals**





A big THANK YOU to everyone who donated to us during **Coastside Gives 2019!** Thanks to your generosity, we **surpassed our goal and raised over \$6000!** Your donations will continue to support our educational programs, and animal and garden care 🐏 🌸 🌿



Looking for a unique venue for your corporate retreat, special training, or club meeting? Consider the **Elkus Ranch Conference Center** for your next event! A full commercial kitchen is on-site and the location and price can't be beat!

Now taking reservations for Fall 2019!

Register

As a certified 501(c)(3) nonprofit, UC Cooperative Extension and Elkus Ranch are always in need of monetary and in-kind donations. Check out the Elkus Ranch **Wish List** to see what else we need!

Wish List

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Mondays - 9am to 4pm

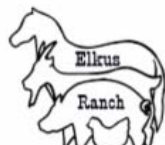
Elkus Ranch Conference Center
1500 Purisima Creek Road, HMB

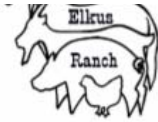
Wednesdays - 10:30am to 2pm

San Francisco Botanical Garden Library
1199 9th Ave., San Francisco

Thursdays - 9am to 4pm

Veteran's Memorial Senior Center
1455 Madison Ave., Redwood City





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