

**DATE:** October 12, 2012  
**MEETING OF:** October 23, 2012  
**FROM:** Staff  
**RE:** ACTION ITEMS X.1 – Refund Requests

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### **BACKGROUND**

Each year prior to the fair exhibitors and vendors are required to pay various fees in order to participate in their chosen activity at the fair. Sometimes unforeseen family problems, illness, or misinterpretation of entry rules mean they are unable to participate in the fair as planned. They may then request a refund of the fees paid.

This year there are four requests:

**Frank Gallucci** – had a stroke and was unable to attend, booth space fee refund of \$1100.00.

**Monterey Bay Horsemanship & Therapeutic Center** – barn was quarantined for strangles, stall & camping refund of \$600.00.

**Lauren Bellone** – 19 years old, ineligible to enter meat pens in the Junior poultry show, entry fee refund of \$10.00

**Katie Bellone** – only allowed one meat pen entry, she entered two, in poultry show, entry fee refund of \$5.00.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Cost of \$1,715.00.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

That the Board approves a motion to pay the four refund requests.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

- Refund request letters.

Emily Grunewald, Exhibit Representative

September 15, 2012

14<sup>th</sup> District Agricultural Association  
Santa Cruz County Fair  
2601 East Lake Avenue  
Watsonville, CA 95076

Hello Emily,

I am requesting a refund of the \$1100.00 I sent in for the double booth inside the Harvest Building for this year's Santa Cruz County Fair. The reason I was unable to attend was because of a stroke I had this September 4<sup>th</sup> following almost 4-months to the day of my heart bypass surgery this past May 1<sup>st</sup>.

As you know, I had a stroke on September 4 after loading out of the Monterey County Fair. It occurred in the town of Chular, just south of Salinas. I was ambulated up to Salinas Valley Memorial Hospital and was admitted to Emergency and then into their Intensive Care unit. Luckily, I arrived within the time frame where the doctors could administer this "miracle" blood clotbuster called "TPA". By the next day, I was working with a physical therapist to begin to learn to walk again. I remained at Salinas Hospital thru Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup> and then was transported to Arroyo Grande Community Hospital, Acute Care Rehabilitation Unit where I remained until this past Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup> when I was finally released.

I am doing well, though still having some difficulty walking because of dizziness probably brought on by some of the meds I'm taking. Also having some problems with "fine motor control" (i.e. handwriting, brushing my teeth, etc.) . My speech has just about returned though I still have to focus on some of the things I say in order to be understood. Overall, it has been quite a miracle that I am not permanently in a wheelchair.

If you need to verify any of my recent hospitalizations, please contact Dr. "Dan" at Salinas Valley Hospital or Dr. Martin at Arroyo Grande Rehabilitation Unit.

Sincerely,



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P.S. I hope <sup>to</sup> ~~to~~ the Fair again in 2013.



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August 31, 2012

Dear Board of Directors of the Santa Cruz County Fair,

We were all looking forward in participating this year in the County Fair, but unfortunately our veterinary Dr. Thomas R. Meyers has quarantined our barn because of strangles. That's the reason we are not being allowed to show. We appreciate if you consider our refund of 50 dollars for the camping and 550 dollars for the horse stalls. Thank you so much for your consideration

Sincerely,

  
Anne Phipps  
Program Director

8-24-12

Dear Board of Directors Santa Cruz County Fair -

After talking to Terry Reeder (Poultry Dept)

He pointed out an error in our entries -

Lauren Bellone made a mistake of entering (2 meat  
bird pens at Santa Cruz County Fair @ ~~\$10~~<sup>\$5</sup> each total:  
~~\$10~~<sup>\$10</sup> - She is too old to enter at age 19 yrs.  
Could please refund the entry fee ~~\$10~~<sup>\$10</sup>?

Also Katie Bellone made an error of  
entering (2 meat bird pens) <sup>\$5 each total \$10-</sup> and only 1 is  
allowed at \$5~ Could please refund \$5?

Total refund request \$15-

Thank you,

Mrs. Susan Bellone

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