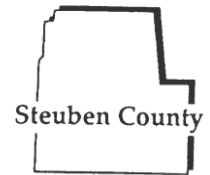


4-H Steubenite



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NYS 4-H Capital Days Trip

Steven Quanz, Willing Workers 4-H Club and Southern Tier Livestock 4-H Club, and **Lindsey Draper**, Independent 4-H member, returned from the state capital from a trip of their lifetime, the **75th Annual New York State 4-H Capital Days**. The program included two intensive days of tours and lectures. They connected with many new and old friends from all over the state while learning about state and local government.

The first day of the Capital Days trip Member of the Assembly, Marc Molinaro, discussed "Life as a Member of the Assembly". The participants learned about speaking to their legislators, how politics are reported on and participated in a jeopardy game that tested their knowledge about state government. They observed the assembly and senate in session, toured the Capital building. They toured the NYS Museum and visited the Corning Observation Tower.

The second day the youth had breakfast with their legislators at Empire Plaza. Assemblyman James Bacalles and Senator George Winner welcomed 4-H members from their region. 4-H members broke into department tours and then met at the Court of Appeals. They learned about the state court system and who sits on the Appeals Court bench.

The New York State Association of Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H Educators sponsor the 4-H Capital Days Program.





Upcoming Events

April

- April 9 - Youth Dairy Judging Contest, New York Spring Dairy Carousel, New York State Fairgrounds 2:30 p.m.
- April 10 - NYS Association of Agricultural Fairs and NYS Showpeople's Association Scholarship deadline www.nyfairs.org
- April 12 - Market Chicken orders due to CCE Office
- April 12 - Market Rabbit Interest form due to CCE Office
- April 12 - 4-H Small Animal Advisory Meeting 5 p.m.
- April 14 - Clothing Evaluation @ North Cohocton 3:00-5:00 pm
- April 15 - 4-H Fair Committee, 7 p.m.
- April 16-18 - STARR Retreat
- April 17 - Cow College 1-3 p.m. Tom Price, Route 71, Jasper
- April 17 - State Horse Bowl Contest @ Cornell.
- April 22 - Earth Day
- April 24 - NYS Dairy Quiz Bowl, Cornell University
- April 28 - Clothing Evaluation @ 4-H Office, Bath, 3:00-5:00 pm

May

- May 1 - NYS Animal Crackers (Dairy and Sheep and Beef), Cornell University
- May 1 - First day to get Animal Health Certificates for all NYS Fairs including Steuben County
DO NOT WAIT!
- May 3 - **New Members must be enrolled to participate in 2010 County Fair.**
- May 7 - 4-H Clothing Revue, Avoca Central School, 7:30 pm
- May 7 - County Dairy Judging Tour
Registration due to CCE Office
- May 8 - State Horse Communications Contest
- May 8 - Twin Tier Poultry Club Auction
- May 15 - County Dairy Judging Tour-Athertons, 10 a.m.
- May 28 - June Horse Show Entries Due to CCE Office
- May 31 - Memorial Day – CCE Office Closed

The Cornell Cooperative Extension Office is located on the first floor of the Steuben County Office Building, 3 East Pulteney Square, Bath, NY 14810 Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday Phone: 607-664-2300

4-H Program Committee

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Julee Acomb.....Dansville

4-H Program Staff

*Kimberly S. Randall, 4-H Educator
Jenny Groen, 4-H Program Assistant
Loree Symonds, 4-H Program Assistant
Cindy Messinger, 4-H Program Assistant*

June

- June 1 - Roseland Waterpark ticket orders due to the CCE office.
- June 1 - Ownership deadline for horse, sheep, swine, meat goats, and beef breeding animals
- June 1 - 4-H Horse Certificates, Rabies and Coggins due to CCE Office by 4:30 p.m.
- June 12 – 4-H Open Horse Driving Clinic and Steuben County 4-H Qualifying Driving Show
- June 13 - Stearn's Chicken BBQ 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. Chestnut Street Entrance
- June 13 - 4-H Qualifying Horse Show – all 4-H members within NYS
- June 13 - Pick up market chickens that were pre-ordered by April 12th deadline at the Steuben County Fairgrounds, Chestnut Street Entrance, 10 a.m.

- June 14 - Market Hog, Market Lamb, and Market Goat Identification/ownership form due to CCE Office by 4:30 p.m.
- June 15 - 4-H Livestock Advisory Committee Meeting, 7 p.m.
- June 15 - Leasing forms due to the CCE Office for Livestock Breeding animals
- June 15 - Grade Beef Heifer Identification forms due to CCE Office
- June 15 - Garden visit forms due to CCE Office
- June 15 - Ownership requirements for dairy cattle, dairy goats, and rabbits
- June 15 - Grade Dairy Certificates due to the CCE Office by 4:30 p.m.
- June 15 - Leasing forms for Dairy Cattle and Dairy Goat due to the CCE office by 4:30 p.m.
- June 17 - 4-H Program Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- June 25 - July Horse Qualifying Show Entries due to CCE Office by 4:30 p.m.
- June 29 - Rabbit and Poultry Clinic registration form due to CCE Office
- June 30 - Junior DAIRY LEADER applications due to Cornell University
- June 28-July 1 - New York State 4-H Career Exploration Trip, Cornell University

July

- TBA - Steuben County 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operators Contest
- TBA - Horticulture Workshop, Steuben County Fairgrounds
- TBA – 4-H Dog Obedience Graduation
- July - 4-H Junior Award Trip (TBA)
- July 5 - Independence Day - CCE Office Closed
- July 7 - Finger Lakes Dairy Judging Contest, Alfred State College
- July 8 - Rabbit & Poultry Clinics, Steuben County Fairgrounds, 5:00 p.m.
- July 10 - 4-H Horse Qualifying Show – all 4-H members with NYS
- July 11 – Open Horse Dressage Clinic

July 11 –17 - CWF 4-H Award Trip, Washington

July 12 – Steuben County Fair 4-H Fair Entries Due To CCE Office By 4:30 Pm.

July 12 – Cloverbud Animal Entries are due.

July 12 - Entries due to the CCE Office for County Fair flower arranging, vegetable art, creative place setting and cake decorating contest, Snapshots of the County

July 12 - County Fair Volunteer Registration form due

July 12 - County Fair Junior Judges/Teen Assistants Return form due to CCE Office

July 12 - HORSE PROJECT RECORD FOR EACH HORSE TO BE SHOWN AT COUNTY FAIR DUE TO CCE OFFICE BY 4:30 P.M.

July 15 - 4-H Program Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

July 18 - Bath Trailblazers Open Horse Show, Bath Fairgrounds

July 19 - NYS 4-H Dog Photography Contest entries due and NYS 4-H Dog Young Poets Writing Challenge entries due visit www.putknowledgetowork.com

August

August 2 - Last Day to vaccinate animals for rabies to exhibit at the Steuben County Fair.

August 8 - County Fair Clean-Up Day and Barbecue

August 16 - Weigh market animals at Empire Livestock enroute to fairgrounds 7 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

August 16 - 4-H exhibits must be on the grounds by noon

August 16 - County Fair Judging Day of most 4-H Youth Building Exhibits

August 17 - 22 - Steuben County Fair, Bath

August 20 - Annual Steuben County 4-H Livestock Sale, 5:30 Poultry and Rabbits, 6:00 Steers

August 25 – Take Steuben County youth building exhibits, Steuben County State Clothing Revue 4-H members, and Teen Leaders to State Fair

August 26-29 – Steuben County Youth Building Exhibits on display, Steuben County State Clothing Revue 4-H members, and non-animal science Teen Leaders at State Fair

August 26-September 6 - New York State Fair, Syracuse

September

September 6 – Labor Day - CCE Office Closed

September 11 - NY 4-H Meat Animal Show and Sale, Empire Livestock, Bath< NY

September 12 - Steuben County Twin Tier Poultry Club Show, Steuben County Fairgrounds

September 13 - PROJECT COMPLETION FORMS and Project Champion Nominations FROM LEADERS DUE TO CCE OFFICE!

September 13 - 4-H PROJECT RECORDS THAT ARE REQUIRED DUE TO CCE OFFICE

September 13 - 4-H On Display and Community Service Reports Due to CCE Office

September 16 - 4-H Program Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

September 18 - Twin Tier Poultry Club Auction, Fairgrounds

September 19 - Bath Trailblazers Open Horse Show, Bath Fairgrounds

September 26 - Steuben County Farm City Day

October

October 1 - Keystone Stockman's Contest, Harrisburg, PA

October 11 - Columbus Day, CCE Office Closed

October 14 - Jr. Activity/Sr. Summary Reports due to CCE Office by 4:30 p.m.

October - Cuba Cheese Sale Fundraiser

November

November 6 - Achievement Night Dinner and Awards - tentative

November 11 - Veteran's Day, CCE Office Closed

November 25-26 - CCE Office Closed for Thanksgiving



Office News



4-H County Fair Committee Forming

A new 4-H advisory committee is being formed to help with, share ideas for the 2010 Steuben County Fair. The Steuben County Fair is August 17-22. Each 4-H club or independent family can have one representative who is 16 years or older to this committee. This is a 1 year commitment. If you have any questions contact the CCE Office. If you are interested in serving on this committee please discuss it first with your 4-H Club leader(s) and then contact the CCE Office.

2010 Steuben County Fair Books only available on the web

For 2010 Fairbooks will only be available by downloading them from our website at www.putknowledgetowork.com. If you need a hard copy please call and request one to be printed for you at a cost of \$5.00. Look for Fairbooks to be available in early May. Keep checking the website for updates.

Please Note 4-H Office Policy!!!!

Any items, Achievement Night items, Banquet items, Fair items, etc., left in the 4-H Office over 60 days from the date you are notified will be disposed of as the 4-H Staff deems reasonable. You will receive one phone call or email notification. It will be noted on each item the date that you were notified. Please make sure items are picked up, for you or your club, in a timely manner.

Checking The Web!

It is very important that everyone is checking the web site, www.putknowledgetowork.com and then click on 4-H Youth Development on a weekly basis as new items are appearing on the web site daily. We will keep you informed of upcoming events and changes by posting them on the web site as soon as we get them.

Top Sellers Announced Cuba Cheese Fund Raiser

The 2009 Fall Fundraiser featured Cuba Cheese Products. The fundraisers help to support the 4-H Activity Fund, which provides the funds for the many trips and awards that benefit 4-H members. Individual 4-H club treasuries also benefit from all the hard work and dedication of 4-H club members.



Each 4-H member who participated in the fundraisers helped the 4-H Activity Fund and their club treasuries.

Congratulations to the following 4-H: members who were recognized as the top sellers.

Top Sellers Cheese Sale

First (\$50.00) – Lindsey Draper, Independent, \$1,067.00

Second (\$30.00) – Billy Tucker, Kane's Dairy Kids, \$896.00.

Third (\$25.00) – Hallie Hoad,, Independent, \$774.25

Fourth (\$20.00) – Kristine Gessner, Southern Tier Livestock, \$716.00

Fifth – (\$15.00) – Leslie Carr, World Girls, \$623.50

* These top sellers were calculated based on seller sheets returned by 4-H leaders.

New for 2009: A non-monetary award will be given out to the top Cloverbud, Junior (8-13 years old) and Senior (14-18 years old) Seller. The winners are:

Cloverbud – Nathan Randall, Country Bunch and Blue Ribbon Roundup, \$513.15

Junior – Billy Tucker, Kane's Dairy Kids, \$896.00

Senior – Lindsey Draper, Independent, \$1,067.00

Congratulations to all for your hard work! A special "Thank You" to all leaders and parents who helped to motivate, collect money, sort products, and transport products and 4-Hers.

Vet College Open House set for April 10

By Nancy Doolittle

The 44th annual Open House at the College of Veterinary Medicine is slated for April 10, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., with exhibits, activities and demonstrations for children, prospective veterinary students and adults. These will include a petting zoo with baby farm animals; demonstrations of ultrasound procedures and of equine and underwater treadmills; police dog and canine agility demonstrations; and lectures on public health issues, animal diseases, pet emergencies and first aid.

Veterinary students and members of the Vet College faculty and staff host this event to promote interest in animal care and in such careers as veterinarian, veterinary technician or animal care specialist. While such careers have traditionally involved working with dogs, cats, cows, horses, sheep and pigs, they have expanded into areas of the government and armed forces and with many other species in zoos, wildlife refuges and developing countries.

College admissions and veterinary career information sessions will be held in the James Law Auditorium at 10:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 2:30 p.m., with virtual hospital tours at 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m.

The Vet College is located at the intersection of Route 366 and Tower Road. Free parking for the open house is available in the "O" parking lot adjacent to the college. Information: <http://www.vet.cornell.edu/openhouse/>.

Healthy Herding Into the Future – May 1, 2010, Cornell University

(Beef Cattle, Dairy Cattle and Sheep)

Registration due to CCE Office by April 14th, with a \$5.00/person registration fee. Call 607-664-2300.

Dairy Cattle Topics:

- **Holy Cow!** - Here's your chance to feel a rumen in motion as you stick your arm into a fistulated cow! Learn more about how the most efficient "green machine" and rumen bugs work together.
- **Does My Cow have Good Sneakers?** - Think a hoof trimmer's job is easy? Learn what it takes to fix those feet, from trimming to wrapping to blocking and everything in between. Giving your animal a pedicure is the best brand of sneakers for her.
- **Got Good Milk?**- Learn what it takes to make Super Milk and prevent mastitis from udder to bulk tank. Guaranteed to be an udderly good time!
- **M&M's**- Manure and management is more than you think. Ingredients in and products out can tell you if a cow is healthy, if you need to add nutrients to soil and so much more! M&M is good for you, the cows and your neighbors.
- **Mmm...Milk** How many yummy things is nature's food turned into? How good are those foods for you? Challenge your taste buds and find out!
- **My Space Your Space** Having a healthy herd is also about healthy relationships with your community. See what cows and people have in common and how we can be a team.

Livestock Topics:

- **What's Up Doc?** – Learn how veterinarians look for clues to find out what causes animals to be sick. You too can have a look at ruminant anatomy from the inside and out as well as learn about disease prevention from head to hoof.
- **How Good's the Meat?** – Learn more about where meat cuts come from and what makes good carcass quality in this ultrasounding workshop. Did you know, ultrasound technology is the same technology used in the human health field?
- **Manure Happens** – Where does it all go? Why should you care? Learn about ways you can help keep animal waste from infecting food and water supplies.
- **Cutting it Up** – Any way you slice it, meat tastes great! Learn from a USDA inspector about identifying quality cuts of meat in the meat aisle.
- **Making the Most of Meat** – Do you know how to manage your animals to grow and sell the best in meat? This quality assurance workshop will introduce you to best management practices for healthy herding.
- **Healthy Hides and Hair** – If you show livestock, you groom them too. Find out if the products you use are safe for sending animals to market. Learn about household products that are nontoxic for both animals and people.

Dog Obedience Classes For Youth Begin



Cornell Cooperative Extension of Steuben County's 4-H Program will be offering dog obedience classes beginning **Monday, May 3 at the Steuben County Fairgrounds, Bath. Classes will be held weekly on Monday evenings at 6:00 p.m. taught by Christina Brokaw, Penny Smigiel and Toni Smigiel. No dogs are allowed to walk around the fairgrounds, so please use the Chestnut Street entrance. The classes will be held in the ring behind the morton building (a.k.a. sheep and swine barn during county fair). Participants should be prepared to clean up after their dog as necessary. Dog Obedience classes will also be offered in Howard taught by Jackie Knoll with the dates and times to be announced.**

Please register by completing the registration form by Monday, April 26 found at www.putknowledgegetowork.com and click on 4-H Youth Development and under programs click on Dog or email Kim at ksb3@cornell.edu, or call the CCE Office at 607-664-2306 and leave a message anytime even after hours. Non-4-H members may take the course by enrolling as an independent 4-H member. You can enroll as a 4-H member by paying the \$5.00 enrollment fee and completing the 4-H enrollment form which can be found at www.putknowledgegetowork.com. Youth must be enrolled 4-H members by May 3, 2010 to be eligible to enter their dog or other projects in the 4-H division of the 2010 Steuben County Fair. However they will still be eligible to qualify for participation in the NYS Fair 4-H Dog Show based on the results of graduation.

Any 4-H member who is taking dog obedience classes privately must participate in the Steuben County 4-H Dog Obedience Graduation to be eligible to exhibit at the 2010 Steuben County Fair. Any 4-H member who is interested in trying to qualify for State Fair must attend graduation. Graduation will be held in July (date and time to be announced) at the Steuben County Fairgrounds.

Steuben County Fair 4-H Dog Show – Monday, August 16 at 2 p.m. in the 4-H Horse Show ring across the track. Entries are due to the CCE Office by Monday, July 12 at 4:30 p.m.

Dogs must be at least six months old and can be any breed. All dogs must conform to the rules and regulations of the Livestock Health requirements as determined by the Department of Agriculture and Markets. Dogs must have current vaccinations for rabies, distemper, hepatitis, parvovirus and leptospirosis (as appropriate for their age). It is highly recommended to also have your dog vaccinated for Bordetella and parainfluenza virus. Participants should consult their veterinarian for further information about these vaccines as well as internal and external parasite control programs. **Participating members need to provide a COPY of current vaccinations at the first class or they can be faxed to 607-664-2303.** Acceptable proof of Rabies vaccination is a rabies certificate or a copy of the dog license that contains the rabies vaccination information. An animal is currently vaccinated for Rabies beginning 14 days following (initial) vaccination continuing for the period stated in the manufacturer's instructions. Acceptable proof of Rabies vaccination must include the signature of the veterinarian, the name of the product used, the date of administration and the duration of immunity if longer than a year.

This is a great opportunity to have fun with your dog and learn about being a responsible dog owner. The more well behaved your dog is, the more it is appreciated by family, friends and neighbors.

Farm Credit East Scholarship

Twenty-eight \$1,500 scholarships will be awarded.

The award decision will be based on the applicants essay, experience, course of study and extracurricular activities. They look for students who demonstrate exceptional achievement as future agricultural leaders.



Eligibility:

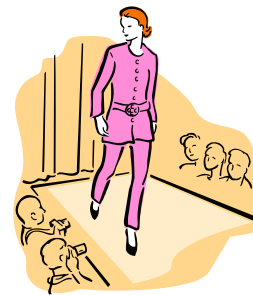
Applicants must have a permanent address within Farm Credit East territory

Applicants must be pursuing post high school study leading to a career in production agriculture, forestry or commercial fishing.

Application Deadline: Submit your complete application electronically on FarmCreditEast.com by April 23, 2010

4-H Clothing Revue Reminder:

4-H Clothing Revue
Friday, May 7, 2010
Avoca Central School.
7:30 p.m.
Everyone is Welcome!



Area Evaluations are scheduled for 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Wed., April 14 @North Cohocton Methodist Church
Wed., April 28 @ 4-H Office, County Office Building, Bath
Ask leader or check web for more information
4-H office contact: Loree Symonds, 607-664-2300 or las65@cornell.edu

1st Annual Chemung County Bunny Buddies 4-H Rabbit Show – May 16, 2010

Chemung County will hold a 4-H Rabbit Show on May 16, 2010 at the Chemung County Fairgrounds. Showroom opens at 7:00 a.m. and the show begins at 9:00 a.m. Entry fees are: \$2.50/rabbit in advance and \$4.00/rabbit day of show. Changes made on the day of show will be \$1.00/change. Checks should be made payable to CCE Chemung County and mailed to: Danielle VanSlyke, 124 Greenbush Road, Erin, NY 14838, Phone: 607-739-9149. **Entries must be postmarked by Friday, May 7, 2010. Entries postmarked after May 7 will be counted as day of show and charged as such.** You can also access the show information and entry form from our website at www.putknolwedgetowork.com

The Western NY Regional 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop - June 11-13



The NYS 4-H Shooting Sports Program Regional Workshop will certify volunteer leaders as 4-H Shooting Sports Instructors. The workshop will feature the following disciplines (based on a minimum enrollment of five participants): **Archery, Pistol, Hunting, Shotgun and Living History.** Participants will be able to complete requirements in only one discipline. Training begins at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 11 –2:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 13 at Camp Wyomoco, Varysburg, NY (Wyoming County) Participants must contact Cornell Cooperative Extension of Steuben County at 607-664-2300 to become a registered volunteer. Registration is due by June 1, 2010. There is a \$75 registration fee.

For more information visit www.putknolwedgetowork.com and also www.nys4Hshootingports.org



Hidden Valley 4-H Camp Scholarships

The Steuben County 4-H Program sponsors scholarships for Steuben county 4-H members to attend 2010 Hidden Valley 4-H Camp this summer. These scholarships are need based and are on a first come first served basis. For more information about the scholarships and an application contact Cindy Messinger at cll38@cornell.edu or at 607-664-2561.



Discount Passes to Roseland Water Park – June 26 – September 6, 2010

Cornell Cooperative Extension will be offering discounted passes to Roseland Water Park – **June 26 – September 6, 2010.** 4-H members who completed a public presentation during the 2009-10 4-H year will be offered tickets for **\$10.00**. The cost for guests, 4-H leaders and those 4-H members who did not complete a public presentation is **\$14.00**. Children 2 years and under are free when accompanied by an adult. 4-H members who completed a presentation received notice of their discount ticket offer through the mail. All others wishing to purchase tickets should access the order form that is in this issue or via the web at www.putknolwedgetowork.com. The deadline for ticket orders is **June 1st**. Take advantage of this offer for a fun-filled trip to Roseland Water Park! Families are responsible for their own transportation.

Congratulations Graduating Seniors

The years have passed quickly and now you are finishing high school. What wonderful memories you will have! We wish you the best of luck as you make your way in the world. It is a time to look forward. Strive to be the best at whatever you do!



The CCE Office would like to take the opportunity to recognize the graduating High School Senior 4-H members in an upcoming Steubenite. If you would like to be recognized please mail or email Cindy at cll38@cornell.edu by **Monday, June 21** the following information. Include your name, parent's name(s), current high school, your future plans, if you will be attending college, university or military include that information and the major. Please include what opportunities 4-H has given you and how 4-H has influenced your career decision or your future plans?

We look forward to your continued interest in the 4-H Program. Some college's offer Collegiate 4-H clubs/programs. You can also be tomorrow's judges, leaders and committee members. It is our hope that the foundation of 4-H in Steuben County will prove to be beneficial. The best of luck and good wishes to you always!

NYS 4-H Dog Photography Contest and NYS 4-H Dog Young Poets Writing Challenge

Entries are due July 19 visit www.putknowledgetowork.com under dog or go the link for the NYS Animal Science Website at www.ansci.conrell.edu/4H/dogs/index.html for rules and entry form. These contests are open to any 4-H member including cloverbuds.

2010 Free Fishing Days June 26-27



In an effort to connect more people to the sport of fishing, each year, the last full weekend in June is designated as Free Fishing Days in New York State. During those two days, anyone can fish New York State waters, and no fishing license is required (normally required for anyone 16 years and older). The general public can tap into the fun and relaxation of fishing, especially those who might not otherwise get the chance. All anglers are encouraged to take a friend fishing. With all that the sport has to offer, some are bound to get hooked. This event started in 1991 to allow all people the opportunity to sample the incredible fishing New York State has to offer. Since no license is required, it is the perfect time to take a friend or relative fishing. New York State's Free Fishing Days are the last weekend in June which are Saturday and Sunday, June 26 & 27, 2010. So, first time anglers, as well as those who have drifted away from the sport, should take advantage of this opportunity to see how much fun fishing can be.

In addition to the June Free Fishing Days weekend, there are a number of "Free Fishing Events" held in various locations across the state. Free Fishing Events are DEC sponsored events (such as family fishing clinics) where participants can learn about fish identification, fishing equipment and techniques, fisheries management, angling ethics and aquatic ecology. Each of DEC's nine regions can sponsor up to four free fishing events per year. Most free fishing events occur during the period from April through October.

County Fair Fishing Related Projects

4-H members who participate in a fishing project have the option of entering several different types of projects at the County Fair such as a mounted display of five flies or a poster display showing

experiences as part of 4-H "Lets Go Fishing" project, or any display relating to fisheries and aquatic resources, under Department Z, Section 1 Environmental Education, Class 3. For more information or for resources related to fishing, contact the CCE Office.

Free Learn to Catch a Fish Family Picnic At Letchworth State Park

On May 29, 2010 from 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Trailside Lodge at Letchworth State Park there will be a Free Learn to Catch a Fish Family Picnic. A carnival style event featuring games, activities, educational workshops, free fishing (no license required), free lunch and door prizes. Presented in conjunction with DEC and Cornell Cooperative Extension.



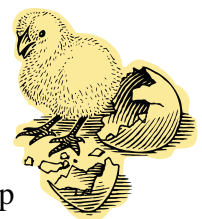
Small Animal

2010 4-H Market Chicken Projects

Steuben County 4-H members will have an opportunity to raise market chickens to be consigned to the Steuben County 4-H & FFA Livestock Sale to be held on Friday, August 20 at 5:30 p.m. at the Steuben County Fairgrounds. There will be a class in the Steuben County Fair 4-H Poultry Division for Market Chickens Consigned. 4-H members will be allowed to exhibit and sell 2 market chickens. Animals can not be entered in both market classes and breeding classes. **4-H members interested in exhibiting and consigning market chickens must place their order through the Steuben County Cooperative Extension Office by Monday, April 12.** For Showmanship if the market chickens are the only chickens that a 4-H member are exhibiting at the Steuben County Fair then the 4-H member must participate in the non-owner showmanship class borrowing another chicken or their county fair poultry premiums will be withheld. The birds for non-owner showmanship will be designated on Tuesday, August 17 in the poultry barn and those 4-H members who want to practice with that bird before the showmanship contest on Wednesday, August 18 at 9 a.m. will have the opportunity to do so. The questions for non-owner showmanship will not be breed specific. We encourage 4-H members who are ordering market chickens to come to the Poultry Clinic to practice showmanship with another member's bird. You will receive a certificate from the hatchery indicating that these birds have come from a Pullorum-Typhoid Free Flock so you will not need to bring your market chickens to the clinic.

Market Chicken Orders - Due Monday, April 12

4-H members must place their orders by Monday, April 12th. The Market Chickens are being purchased from Raisch Hatchery, PA. You will need to pick up the market chickens at the Steuben County Fairgrounds on Sunday, June 13 at 10 a.m. Refer to the web at www.putknowledgetowork.com for the Market Chicken Help Sheet and the order form.



Market Rabbits

If you are interested in raising a Market Rabbit please **complete the interest form by Monday, April 12th found on the web at www.putknowledgetowork.com.** Meat Rabbits can be either purebred New Zealand, Californian, Harlequin, Giant Chinchilla, Flemish Giant, Florida White or a cross of these breeds. Rabbits entered in the Roaster Class must be 5-8 pounds and under 6 months of age (2 entries per class allowed). If the Roaster rabbits are over 8 lbs they can not be

sold through the sale but could be entered in the Pet Class if they do not have 4 entries in Sections I-III. Rabbits entered in the Pen of 3 Fryer class must be the same gender, less than 10 weeks old, and 3-5 pounds each. (1 pen of three allowed per exhibitor) If a Fryer(s) is 5-8 pounds it may be entered in the Roaster Class. Rabbits' ages are computed as of the opening day of the fair, Tuesday, August 18, 2009. If the rabbits are under or overweight they may be entered in the Pet Class if they do not already have 4 entries in Sections I-III. For the auction a member may sell 2 roasters or 1 pen of 3.

Rabbit Clinic

There will be a rabbit clinic on **Thursday, July 8 at 5 p.m.** at the Steuben County Fairgrounds Livestock Judging Pavilion. Please use the Chestnut Street entrance. Instruction will be given on Fitting and Showmanship and there will be a practice showmanship contest. Rabbits must have a permanent tattoo in their left ear to be able to show at the Steuben County Fair. 4-H members may bring their rabbits to the clinic where they can be tattooed for free. The tattoo number must be on the County Fair entry form. At the clinic there will also be information available on the parts of the rabbit, how to determine the gender of your rabbit, clipping your rabbits nails and teeth, record keeping, and information about the NYS Fair 4-H Rabbit Science Decathlon. The Rabbit Science Decathlon is described on the Department of Animal Science website at www.ansci.cornell.edu



4-H members must own their rabbits by June 15 to be eligible to show them at the Steuben County Fair.

4-H Animal Science entries for county fair including the rabbit entries are due to the CCE Office by Monday, July 12 at 4:30 p.m. If you are unsure which class to enter your rabbit in or if you need help completing the county fair entry form plan on attending this clinic.

Please note: If you are exhibiting a rabbit at the 2010 Steuben County Fair, a project record must be turned into the CCE Office by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, September 13, 2010 to be eligible to exhibit a rabbit at the 2011 Steuben County Fair. You can download a record at www.putknowledgetowork.com or contact the CCE Office.

To register for the rabbit clinic return the registration form (on the web) to the CCE Office by Monday, June 28.

Poultry Clinic



There will be a poultry clinic on **Thursday, July 8 at 5 p.m.** at the Steuben County Fairgrounds Livestock Judging Pavilion. Please use the Chestnut Street entrance. 4-H members, leaders and parents are encouraged to attend. Instruction will be given on Fitting and Showmanship and there will be a practice showmanship contest. There will also be instruction on poultry judging and a few classes to practice judging. Information will also be given about anatomy and the NYS Fair 4-H Poultry Science and Avian Bowl Contests.

Poultry (except waterfowl, doves and pigeons) from a NY origin must test negative for Pullorum within 90 days of the county fair or originate from a US Pullorum typhoid clean flock. This includes Cloverbud members that will be bringing their poultry as a project. Pullorum testing will start at 5:00 p.m. and is free.

4-H Animal Science entries for county fair including the poultry entries are due to the CCE Office by Monday, July 12 at 4:30 p.m. If you are unsure which class to enter your poultry in or if you need help completing the county fair entry form plan on attending this clinic.

To register for the poultry clinic return the registration form to the CCE Office by Monday, June 28 found at www.putknowledgetowork.com.

2010 Poultry, Waterfowl and Rabbit 4-H Project Completion Forms and Project Records

For 2009 4-H members and leaders must complete and sign the project champion completion form and turn it in with their 4-H project record to be eligible for project champion selection. 4-H Project Records and Project Champion Completion Forms are due to the CCE Office by Monday, September 13 2010 Leaders are asked to complete the forms, sign them and return them to the 4-H member to be included in their project record. They can also be found on the web at www.putknowledgetowork.com

Steuben County Twin Tier Poultry Club Auction

The Steuben County Twin Tier Poultry Club Auction will be held at the Steuben County Fairgrounds on Saturday, May 8, 2010 and Saturday, September 18, 2010 For more information contact Mary Learn at 607-776-7992 or visit <http://www.steubencountyfair.org/poultry.htm>



Steuben County Twin Tier Poultry Club Show

The Steuben County Twin Tier Poultry Club Show will be held at the Steuben County Fairgrounds on Sunday, September 12, 2010 For more information contact Bob Whitney at 607-776-2500 or visit <http://www.steubencountyfair.org/poultry.htm>



Horticulture

4-H Forestry Weekend May 21-23, 2010

Registration materials at <http://ccechenango99.squarespace.com/4-h-forestry/>

Please share them with your youth, staff and volunteers.

Youth do not need prior forestry experience to attend.

Saturday is an educational and activity day. If they are interested in fishing, wildlife, shooting sports, hiking, birding, or other outdoor pursuits, please share this opportunity with them.

Also, if you are interested in learning more about forestry activities, please join us as a volunteer, even if you don't have youth to bring with you.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Rebecca

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Garden Visits

Garden visits are recommended for 4-H members who plan to have a garden project this year. A 4-H volunteer will stop by and talk with you about your garden. The volunteer will assist you with any questions you may have about your garden. Visits will be made in July or early August. The 4-H volunteer will telephone you in advance to arrange a time for the visit. The 4-H member and an adult must be present for the garden visit. **To register for a Garden Visit complete the Garden Visit Return Form** on our website at www.putknowledgetowork.com and click on 4-H Youth Development and click on other programs or email Kim at ksb3@cornell.edu or call 607-664-2306 return it to the CCE Office by **Monday, June 15.**

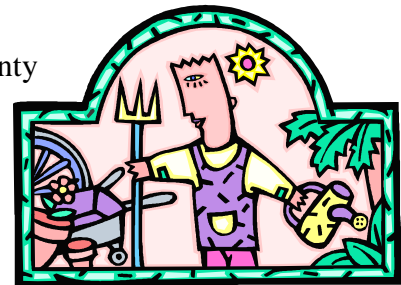


4-H Project Records are due to the CCE Office by Monday, September 13, 2010 to receive project credit and to be eligible for project champion awards. You can get your Flower or Vegetable records at www.putknowledgetowork.com or contact the CCE Office.

Horticulture Workshop

The 4-H Horticulture Workshop will be held at the Steuben County Fairgrounds in the 4-H building date and time to be announced.

- Tom Cortright will teach participants a hands-on project related to floral design class. If you have other projects or suggestions contact Kim at 607-664-2306 or ksb3@cornell.edu.
- Tom will also demonstrate and discuss the techniques of flower arranging and what he looks for when he judges the flower arranging contest at the county fair. **The flower arranging contest at the Steuben County Fair will be held on Saturday, August 21 at 4:30 p.m.** You will need to bring \$3 per participant on August 21 to cover the materials. **Pre-entry for the Flower Arranging Contest is required to the CCE Office by Monday, July 12 by 4:30 p.m on the youth building entry county fair form**



Bring any questions you have about entering horticulture exhibits at the fair to the workshop.

To register for the horticulture workshop complete the enclosed registration form or found at www.putknowledgetowork.com by Monday, June 28.

4-H Flower and Vegetable Garden Records

There are two different 4-H vegetable records depending on the 4-H member's age. There is a vegetable record for members 8-11 years old as of January 1 of 2010 and a different vegetable record for members 12 and over as of January 1, 2010. To receive a flower or vegetable record visit our website at www.putknowledgedgetowork.com, contact your 4-H leader or stop at the CCE Office to pick up the appropriate record. **Project records are due to the CCE Office by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, September 13, 2010** and are required to receive project credit and to be eligible for Project Champion Awards.

2010 Vegetable Varieties List and Other Websites

The 2010 selected list of vegetable varieties for home garden use in New York State is available online at www.gardening.cornell.edu/vegetables/vegvar.pdf or contact the CCE Office for a copy.



There is also a Vegetable Varieties for Gardeners website at <http://www.vegvariety.cce.cornell.edu>. This site makes it easy for gardeners to compare more than 5,000 varieties, read ratings and reviews by fellow gardeners, and offer their own observations of which perform best in their gardens.

Visit the Garden-Based Learning website at www.hort.cornell.edu/gbl for resources for volunteers and parents working with children and youth. Visit www.thebulbproject.org for creative activities to teach science, art, history, math and more.



Livestock

Dairy Ambassadors Sought for Steuben County

The Steuben County Dairy Promotion Committee is looking for Dairy Ambassadors to assist with dairy promotions within the county. Candidates must be a resident of Steuben County between the ages of 11 and 16, never been married, nor had a child. She must be the daughter of a dairy farmer, farm employee, agribusiness employee or be personally affiliated with the dairy industry through 4-H or FFA.

The primary role of a Dairy Ambassadors is to assist the dairy princess in her efforts to increase the consumption and sale of fluid milk and dairy products through public appearances, public education, and providing nutrition information to consumers. The ambassador position is a non-competitive position, anyone interested in participating will be welcome.

If you are interested in becoming a Dairy Ambassador and want more information please contact Kerri Bartlett at 607-664-2311 or the current Dairy Princess

Dairy Judging

April 17 – Cow College 1-3 p.m. Tom Price, Route 71, Jasper

May 15th – County Dairy Judging Contest, Jeff and Kelly Atherton, 2465 County Route 63, Jasper 10 a.m. to judge 6 classes. This is a family judging contest, we will be awarding prizes on May 16th for the top individuals, Mother/Daughter, Father/Daughter, Mother/Son, Father/Son and little britches

(youth under 8 years old) so bring your family and have them prepared to judge! The contest will be held regardless of weather so dress accordingly – we will be outside. Remember to bring paper and pen for the judging. Please bring a bag lunch. Lunch and awards will be approximately 1:30. Please bring lawn chairs if you wish.



To register for the Annual County Dairy Judging, visit the web at www.putknowledgetowork.com or contact Kim Randall by **Friday, May 7** at the CCE Office at 607-664-2306 (leave a message anytime) or at ksb3@cornell.edu with the number from you family attending.

Wednesday, July 7 – Finger Lakes District Dairy Judging Contest – Alfred State College

Tuesday, August 17 - Steuben County Fair 4-H Dairy Judging Contest at 1:00 p.m. in judging pavilion. This is recommended for all 4-H dairy members.

Junior Dairy Leader

The “Junior DAIRY LEADER” (Leadership, Education, Analysis, Development, Experience and Reasoning) program is a year long program for young people who are 16-19 years old and have an interest in the dairy industry, career planning and their own personal and professional development. The program starts in late September with a 7-day trip to Madison, Wisconsin to tour the Wisconsin dairy industry and to attend the National 4-H Dairy conference and ends the following August with a graduation ceremony and presentation. There will be 8 to 9 workshops in the program year. Applications and two letters of recommendations must be submitted **by June 30, 2010** to Deborah Grusenmeyer at Cornell University. For more information and an application go www.putknowledgetowork.com or contact the CCE Office.

Livestock Projects Available.

“Last Chance” Prospect Sale

Presented by: Sunny Hill Farm and Nick Kron (NKHogs) Offering - Lambs, Goats and Hogs

We are pleased to welcome back Digory Goat Farm – the Zeimandorf Family - consigning their quality meat goats, and

Happy Endings Farm ~ The Wierzba Family ~ with hogs

(your one-stop shopping opportunity!)

Preview 12 Noon to 1:59 pm

**Auctioneer: R. "Duke" Dygert
Food Will Be Available**

**Sunday, April 25, 2010
Sale at 2:00 pm Sharp!**

We cordially invite you to attend our 4th Annual Market Prospect Animal Sale at our farm located at 1036 Town Line Road, Alden, NY14004 for the opportunity to select and purchase quality 4-H projects.

Our goal is to provide youth with quality animals that possess strong genetics that will bring success in the show ring.

We are excited about our offerings of lambs, hogs and goats. Through the purchase of new rams, careful boar selection and a strong boar buck, our animals are sure to be competitive - provided you supply them with a quality feed and adequate housing.

Terms: Cash or good check the day of sale. There is no guarantee against sickness, accident or death.

**All Sales are FINAL!
(Please provide adequate transportation home for your new project.)**

2009 Results:

**Grand Champion Market Lamb - Erie County 4-H exhibited by Ryan Gerhardt
1st Place Market Lamb NY State Fair - 4-H Show exhibited by Becky Kron and Nick Kron
Grand Champion Market Hog - Genesee County 4-H exhibited by Nicholas Kron
2nd place Market Hog - Erie County 4-H in the NYBBR and Market Show exhibited by Ed Koester**

For further information contact:

**Also offering a selection of registered lambs -
Hampshire's, Cheviots, Border Leicester's and South Downs
To be sold privately**

***Sunny Hill Farm
The Zeimendorf Family
5844 Baer Road
Sanborn, NY 14132
716-731-2663***

***The Kron Family
1036 Town Line Road
Alden, NY 14004
716-725-5237/716-982-1681***

***Digory Goat Farm
The Zeimendorf Family
5844 Baer Road
Sanborn, NY 14132
716-731-2663***

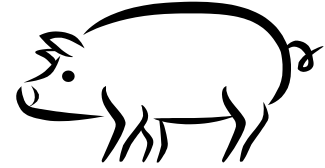
***Happy Endings Farm
Dustin Wierzba
10032 Boston State Road
Boston, NY 14025
716-491-1106***

Market Hogs – Hargrave Farms

FEEDER PIG SALE

Sunday, April 18, 2:30 pm

At the farm: 3759 State Route 21, Wayland NY



Birthplace of 2010 National Junior Swine Southeast Regional Champion Landrace gilt.

Offering approx. 30 feeder pigs, right for July and Aug. shows, some will be purebreds. Also, a few feeder lambs available.

For directions or information call 585-534-5382 or Mike's cell 585-519-8781

Meat Goats - We have many doelings and wethers from February and March (not all males are wethers yet, but that can be arranged!!) as well as doelings from last year. The February males will start getting earmarked for the butcher on April 10th (He likes a little notice of how many to expect). The March males will be here until approx May 10th. The doelings are here until they are sold out! We'll start selling them at 3 months old, sooner if they are sold with their dam. Our price for wethers is \$90. Price on doelings depends on the doeling. Dutchhillburns@aol.com or 733-1208.

Poplar Hill Farm invites all Boer Goat enthusiasts to join them at their Complete Dispersal Sale May 15, 2010 beginning at 12 noon.

What may seem as a sad day to some, may be an amazing opportunity for others as one of the premier show herds in the northeast is being dispersed.

The sale affords the opportunity to purchase some of the finest Boer Goats and equipment available. The entire Poplar Hill show string is for sale, as well as all breeding animals and goat equipment.

Please visit our web site at www.poplarhillboer.com for sale details, directions and access to our complete online sales catalog.

Hope to see you at the sale!

Denny Hamm
Poplar Hill Farm
H: 607-523-8805
C: 607-725-1373



Horse

4-H Horse Show Rule Books

The 4-H Horse Show Packets for 4-H horse organizational leaders were mailed in March, and postcards sent to members. If you did not receive your packet or postcard, please contact Jenny Groen at 607-664-2312 or email jmg422@cornell.edu. The 2010 Steuben

County Horse Packet is available on the web! Go to www.putknawdledgetowork.com then click "4-H Youth Development" and scroll down to the "Horse" link. The 2010 New York State 4-H Horse Show Rules are now available on the NYS Animal Science website. To access the Show Rules, go to www.putknawdledgetowork.com. Click on "4-H Youth Development." Then click on "NYS Animal Science." Then click on "Horses." You will see a listing for the Horse Show Rule Books and Horse Knowledge Contest Rule Books.

Riding Evaluations

All 4-H horse members who did not exhibit at the 2009 Steuben County 4-H Horse Shows, 2009 Walk/Trot riders, 2009 Novice riders, 2009 Walk/Stop riders, 2009 Leadline riders, first year drivers, and new horse/driver combinations will be required to have a riding evaluation before they exhibit at the Steuben County June or July Qualifying Shows. **There will be Riding Evaluations on Sunday, May 30 from 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. at the dog show ring by the sheep/swine barn. You do not have to be participating in the Bath Trailblazers Open Horse show on May 30 to be able to have the evaluation done. If you are unable to participate in this evaluation, you will need to be evaluated at either the June or July qualifying shows at 8:00 a.m. Your parent or legal guardian needs to be present for the evaluation and you need to bring the evaluation form with the first page filled out including your parent/guardian signature with you.**

REMINDERS:

Your project equine(s) must be registered with the county by Monday, June 1st. All the appropriate forms were included in your horse packet provided to your leader and available online. Horses cannot participate at the shows unless this form has been submitted!

The first Qualifying Horse shows are June 12 (Driving Clinic & Show) and June 13 (English and Western) and entries are due Friday, May 28. The July show dates are July 10 (English & Western) and July 11 (Dressage) and entries are due Friday, June 25. Mark these on your calendar!

County Fair entries with your horse project record will be due on Monday, July 12, 2010. If you do not show your equine at the County Fair, you can turn your project record in by Monday, September 13, 2010. **Any 4-H horse club members who are 12 years and older should include the *Horse Essay Question* with their horse project record. All of these items were mailed to your leader with the horse show packet in March and are available online!**

NYS 4-H Horse Program In-service

A wonderful program is planned once again!! With timely topics and outstanding speakers!!

The in-service is open to CCE staff, volunteers, and teen leaders.

DATE: May 25, 2010 – Tuesday

TIME: 8:30 AM Registration

PLACE: Cornell University, Morrison Hall, Ithaca, NY

Registration and \$20 registration fee plus parking if needed is due by May 19th to Cornell University.

More information will be on the Department of Animal Science web site/NYS 4-H Horse Program page at: <http://www.ansci.cornell.edu/4H/horses/inservice/index.html>



County Fair



Youth Building-New Activities 2010

Did you miss the November and February **General Public Presentations?**

There is one more opportunity to present at the county level and receive public presentation credit for the year. That is at the Steuben County Fair in the Youth Building. The tentative date is Wednesday, August 18. These presentations follow the same guidelines as those during the year.

Don't forget that there is also a **Produced In New York Contest** at the fair. Choose a food that is grown in New York State and prepare a food demonstration using it as the main ingredient. It could be a food you have grown in your garden or purchased locally. This is a silent demonstration and is judged accordingly. If chosen, you can present at the New York State Fair in August. More information will be in next Steubenite.

New 2010 Steuben County Fair Cloverbud Animal Science Projects

Animals: Dog, Dairy Goats, Meat Goats, Poultry, Rabbit, Swine, Sheep, Dairy Cattle, Horse

Must complete the Cloverbud Acknowledgement of Risk Form found at <http://sp.nys4h.cce.cornell.edu/staff/Documents/CloverbudAcknowledgmentofRiskForm.pdf>

Each Cloverbud Member is allowed to exhibit 5 exhibits in the 4-H Youth Building and 1 animal with the exception of Beef in which cloverbuds are not allowed to exhibit.

A parent or guardian needs to be present on show day or whenever an animal is being removed from its pen or stall.

Entries are due to the CCE Office by Monday, July 12.

There needs to be someone designated on the entry form who is 16 years of age or older to be with the cloverbud at all times

Animals must conform to the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets Health Requirements

Cloverbuds will show in one class and receive a blue cloverbud ribbon. Cloverbuds are not eligible for premiums.

Monday – Dog Show at 2 p.m. There must be an adult on the lead at all times. Must have either participated in 4-H Dog Obedience classes or if taking a dog obedience class privately must attend the Steuben County 4-H dog obedience graduation to be eligible to exhibit at the County Fair. Would not show in a Grooming and Handling Class.

Tuesday

Dairy Goat 9 a.m. – Check in Tuesday a.m. and leave after show. Dairy goats must be dehorned. Can only be 3 ½-4 months old as of opening day of fair. Must be on leadline.

Meat Goat 4 p.m. – Check in Tuesday a.m. and leave after show Can only be 3 ½-4 months old as of opening day of fair. Must be on leadline.

Wednesday

Poultry – 9 a.m.

Cloverbuds can not show a meat bird

Thursday

9 a.m. Dairy – Arrive on Wednesday evening or Thursday morning and leave Thursday after the show

Must have an adult on the lead at all times so attach a nylon lead rope

Only allowed to exhibit a junior heifer calf born March 1, 2010 – June 15, 2010

10 a.m. Sheep – Arrive on Monday and released on Sunday

4 p.m. Swine – Arrive on Monday and released on Sunday

Friday

Horse – Same requirements as qualifying shows

Saturday – Day of Open Rabbit Show

In the Sheep and Swine Barn

Please stay tuned for a Cloverbud Fairbook. It will contain valuable information to help your cloverbud have a positive experience at the Steuben County Fair.

Animal Birthdates Please read!!!!- Please check dates carefully before entering animals in the 4-H Classes at the Steuben County Fair. If your animal's birthdate is not listed in the fairbook, for your department and section, then your animal will be for exhibition only. No premiums will be awarded and it will not be able to compete for championships.

Project Animal Ownership Requirements for County Fair

Animal Science 4-H members who plan to exhibit animals at the 2010 County Fair are reminded to plan ahead to satisfy the ownership requirements. All animals must be owned or leased by the 4-H member. 4-H project animals must meet the following ownership schedule:



June 1 – ownership deadline for swine, sheep, market goat, and beef breeding

June 1 – Horse Certificate, Rabies and Coggins due to CCE Office

June 15 – Market hog, market lamb, and market goat identification/ownership form due to CCE Office by 4:30 p.m.

June 15 – Grade Beef Identification Form due to CCE Office by 4:30 p.m.

June 15 – Leasing forms due to CCE Office for Livestock Breeding animals

June 15 – Ownership deadline for dairy cattle, dairy goats, breeding meat goats, and rabbits

June 15 – Grade Dairy Identification Form due to CCE Office by 4:30 p.m.

For more information or to receive the appropriate forms contact the CCE Office.

Leasing Show Animals For County Fair

The non-ownership policy allows 4-H members to designate as their 4-H project animal one non-owned animal per species. The 4-H member shows this designated animal in its corresponding conformation class.

The philosophy of Non-Ownership is to give a youngster the opportunity to experience the responsibility of caring for, and showing an animal (that he/she may not otherwise have.)

Non-Ownership is **not** available to youth already owning an animal of that species. Youth are limited to **one** non-owned animal per species. The leasing agreements are between the owner of the animal and the 4-H member.

These non-owned animals **must** meet all regulations (i.e. registration, health, etc.) pertinent to that species. In addition, exhibitors must supply a non-ownership certificate that is available at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Office.

This certificate must be filled out, have all the proper signatures and be on file at the CCE Office by the specified deadline.

Animal Non-Ownership forms are due by the following dates:

Sheep - June 15

Swine - June 15

Beef Breeding – June 15

Dairy Cattle - June 15

Dairy Goat - June 15

For the 4-H member to receive project completion and to be eligible to exhibit at the 2011 Steuben County Fair, the 4-H member must fill out a project record and return it to the CCE Office by Monday, September 13, 2010.

Attention Goat and Sheep Members



If you are purchasing sheep and goats to use as projects, they must be purchased with the scrapie tag already in the ear.

All Goats and Sheep must be identified by a legible registration tattoo or a USDA approved scrapie tag. Official tags can be obtained by contacting the USDA at (518) 453-0187.



ATTENTION COUNTY FAIR ANIMAL EXHIBITORS

County Fair Animal Entries Are Due July 12 with registration papers if showing registered animals.

Entries are due to the Cornell Cooperative Extension Office by **Monday, July 12 at 4:30 p.m. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED!!** County Fair books will be distributed to your leader and sent to independent members. Entry forms are available on the web or by contacting the CCE Office.

A separate entry form is required per species and are color coded for different species. For example, do not fill out one entry form if you are showing dairy cattle and beef cattle. A separate entry form is needed for your dairy entries and a separate entry form is needed for your beef entries.

Beef Cattle – Lemon

Dairy Cattle – Gray

Dairy Goat – Bright Pink

Meat Goat – Orange

Dog – Blue

Horse – Green

Poultry – Salmon

Rabbit – Goldenrod

Sheep – Lilac

Swine - Pink

FOR 2010–

All work on 4-H exhibits both at home and at the fair must be the work of the 4-H member. Parents may assist if there is a chance of injury on the part of the 4-H member or of the exhibit.

Please note that grade beef cattle has been changed to commercial cattle and are now eligible for the same classes as the registered cattle. Commercial beef cattle can be shown at state fair.

There are now two divisions in the Breeding Meat Goat classes, Registered and Commercial(Non-Registered).

A driving class has been added for goats, there will now be a ground driving and a cart driving class.

In the 4-H Sheep Department, Grade Ewes can now eligible to show with the registered sheep. Grade sheep no longer have their own section. NO RAMS are eligible to compete in the Grade Sheep Section.

There will now be a Best Fleece Award in the 4-H building for anyone exhibiting fleeces.

All market lambs must be sheared with no more than 1” of wool.

ALL 4-H MARKET SWINE MUST BE IDENTIFIED WITH THE GREEN 4-H TAG, THIS ALSO SERVES AS PERMANANET IDENTIFICATION ON THE HEALTH FORMS AND NO OTHER FORM OF ID IS NEEDED. EARTAGS MUST BE RECEIVED AND INCLUDED ON THE MARKET SWINE ID FORMS. There are now classes included for pairs of market hogs. This pair of hogs will placed in classes based on the average weight of both hogs. Judges do look for uniformity in pair classes.

There is now a class for Crossbred breeding swine. Boars are not eligible for these classes. Market hogs are not eligible for breeding classes.

All market animals *must* be weighed in at Empire Livestock on Monday *ONLY!* All animals must be clean and DRY and *must* have the GREEN 4-H EARTAG ATTACHED TO THE ANIMAL!!!

Meat Goat Information!

Meat Goats do not have to be dehorned if there horns are less than 4” long. However, if they have horns over 4” long then the horns **MUST BE TIPPED AND TAPED!** **Tipping involves cutting off the point of the horns so that they are no smaller than the diameter of a dime. Then duct tape is used to cover the blunt ends.**



If you are interested in exhibiting pygmy goats, please be advised that they are meat goats and not dairy goats. Enter them accordingly if you will be showing them at the fair and fill out the correct id forms if you are using a pygmy as a market goat project.

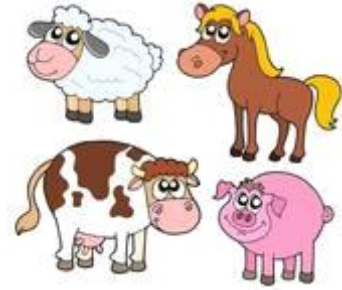
All market swine must either have ear notches or metal tags AND a green 4-H Tag. Also, SWINE and their EARTAGS must be clean. Hogs that come to weigh in that are dirty will be turned away.



ALL eartags must, absolutely, be attached to the animal. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!!!! If any market hog, sheep, or goat come to weigh in without the proper identification in the animal, that animal will not be weighed and therefore, will be sent home.

Livestock Health Requirements

Please make sure you know the 2010 Health Requirements. **Read the Health Requirements on the CCE website or read the County Fair Book for health regulations for each specie. It is your responsibility to meet the health regulations. The regulations will be enforced for the protection of all exhibitors. If you have questions contact the CCE Office. All cattle, sheep, swine, and goats exhibited at County Fair must have a valid certificate of Veterinary inspection (CVI). The CVI can be issued on or after May 1 of the current year. There are no exceptions. Contact your veterinarian to arrange for health papers.**



NEW***All Cattle, (beef and dairy) must have a negative BVD test to be eligible to show at any fair in New York State.**

All sheep or goats exhibited at the Steuben County Fair, must be identified with a legible scrapie identification number.

All animals consigned to the Livestock Sale must comply with all drug withdrawal requirements. *Notify your veterinarian that your animal is consigned to the sale before starting any drug treatment.*

Below are some highlights.

For New York State Animals the CVI must be issued by an Accredited Veterinarian on or after May 1 of the current year. Each animal must be individually and positively identified on the health chart.

Fair Inspection Procedures for the 2010 Fair Season

EXTREMELY IMPORTANT!!!!!!! All CVI's MUST BE SIGNED BY THE VETERINARIAN THAT HAS PHYSICALLY INSPECTED THE ANIMAL. STAMPED VETERINARIAN SIGNATURES WILL NOT BE ADMISSABLE ON CVI's.

State Veterinarians are responsible for reviewing all “certificates of veterinary inspection” (CVI) for compliance with state regulations and for verifying individual identification of exhibited animals presented on a valid CVI. A CVI is required for cattle (beef and dairy), goats, sheep, and swine.

Your CVI must accompany the animal upon arrival to the Steuben County Fairgrounds. Do not drop your animal off at the fairgrounds without the CVI with the animal. Send your CVI with your trucker if you are arriving after your animals.

For the 2010 Steuben County Fair the following individuals will be checking the CVI (commonly referred to as your health papers):

Sheep and Swine - Karen and Mike Hargrave

Cattle - Robert Whitney

Please have your CVI convenient for them to be checked. **Also it would be extremely appreciated if the 4-H member was available to present your animal to the person inspecting your CVI.** The person inspecting your animal must match your animal's identification (eartag or tattoo) to the CVI. The CVI will be collected by these individuals and will be returned to you after the NYS Veterinarian or veterinary technician conducts an animal health inspection of your animals. The initial inspection will be conducted at or shortly after the arrival of your animals.

Soremouth in Sheep and Goats

Sheep and goats with lesions characteristic of Soremouth are not allowed to be exhibited. Any sheep originating from the same flock are considered exposed and must be removed from the grounds. The fair is responsible for cleaning and disinfecting the pens immediately after removal. The CVI used for entrance of the sheep is immediately invalid for subsequent fairs. A statement to that effect will be written on the CVI. In order to exhibit at later fairs, a new CVI will be required including the complete flock inspection.

Negative BVD tests must be shown to allow entry to the fairgrounds for all dairy and beef cattle.

Animal Identification

It is very important that each animal is properly identified. Individual identification is necessary under New York State Animal Requirements. All animals must carry positive individual identification such as an official eartag, ear notch or tattoo. Each goat or lamb exhibited must have legible scrapie identification.



Attention 4-H Animal Exhibitors at the 2010 Steuben County Fair

Please read changes carefully so that you can arrange for transport of animals accordingly.

NO ANIMALS ARE TO ARRIVE AT THE FAIRGROUNDS ON SUNDAY!

ALL ANIMALS must be brought to the Fairgrounds from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Monday of Fair Week.

***HEALTH AND REGISTRATION PAPERS MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR ANIMALS UPON ARRIVAL AT THE FAIRGROUNDS. ANIMALS CANNOT BE UNLOADED WITHOUT THEM!**

NOTE: All 4-H animals must be removed from the fairgrounds no earlier than noon, but no later than 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 22nd. The Program Committee approved that if an animal is left after 7 p.m. then the 4-H member will lose ALL of their 4-H County Fair Premium money, award trips and possibly the right to show that species at the County Fair the following year.

Project Record Requirement for 4-H Members Who Exhibit Animals at the 2010 County Fair

All 4-H members who exhibit an animal project in the 4-H Division at the 2010 Steuben County Fair are required to turn in to the CCE Office at least one record on their project animal(s) per species by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, September 13, 2010 to be eligible to exhibit that species at the 2011 Steuben County Fair. For example: If you exhibit 5 poultry you will be required to turn in 1 poultry record. If you show 2 dogs you will be required to turn in 1 dog record. If you show 1 dairy heifer and 1 dairy cow you will be required to turn in at least 1 dairy record with a calf or a cow record. This is the same for all animal species exhibited. **Note: To obtain your 4-H Project Record contact your 4-H leader or stop at the CCE Office to sign for your record.**

Horse members and leaders please note: In addition to the above requirement, **a horse project record must be turned in with your County Fair entry form by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, July 12, 2010** for every equine you enter at the County Fair to be eligible to show.

NYS Fair Handbook and Teen Leader Roles

<http://sp.nys4h.cce.cornell.edu/events/Pages/StateFair-infoforstaff.aspx>

You can find each of the sections: Info on the Go, Guide for Staff and Just for Teens available separately or combined for easy printout.

We will be looking for a theme name for the Youth Building...contest coming soon...but the theme topic will be 4-H SET....

If you are interested in a teen leader position at the NYS Fair contact Kim at the CCE Office.



Past

4-H Expo 2010

There were more than 300 youth(ages 8-19), leaders and parents from the nine counties in the Finger Lakes 4-H Region, signed up for their choice of three workshops. There were over 50



workshops offered from all areas of 4-H including arts and crafts, natural resources, gardening, food, textiles, animal science, photography, robotics, woodworking and more. These were taught by 4-H Club leaders, volunteers and Cornell Cooperative Extension Staff. “Cloverbuds Fun Day” was a day filled with activities for Cloverbuds ages 5-8. Approximately 20 members and parent/leaders from Steuben County attended.





This program is offered every March. Watch for the date and workshop bulletin next January.



District Public Presentations

The Finger Lakes 4-H District recently held their annual Finger Lakes District Public Presentations on Saturday, March 27 in Canandaigua. One-hundred 4-H youth participated from the following counties Cayuga, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Seneca, Steuben, Wayne, and Yates.

The purpose of this program is to emphasize the importance of communications skills- building poise, self-confidence, and developing the ability to think and speak with ease in front of people. To provide the opportunity for gaining insight, reassurance about previous work accomplished, while improving speaking abilities, through another level of evaluation above the county. To be exposed to and learn different techniques used by other speakers. Each county then has the opportunity to choose 3 individuals to present at the State Public Presentations program which is held at the New York State Fair in August.



The following were awarded a gold 4-H medallion as a Top Presenter for District Public Presentations: Steven Quanz, Alyx Uhl, Olivia Spadaro, David Mitchell, Hannah Jo Patterson, and Samantha Towner. Chosen for The Judges Choice Awards were: Olivia Spadaro and Hanna Jo Patterson. Room hostesses were Steven Quanz, Denise Schubmehl. Evaluators representing Steuben County were: Johanna Schwingel and Sue Schwingel.

Steuben County Presenters were: Laura Becker - Chicken Broccoli Braid; Megan Cratsley-Berry-Nanna Smoothie; Raven Foote-Taco Meatball Ring; Johnathan Gritzmacher-Speedy Pizza; David Mitchell- Cells and Organelles; Robert Murphy-Everything but the Oink; Hannah Jo Patterson-Whipped Syllabub; Steven Quanz-Impromptu; Denise Schubmehl-Animal Abuse; Caroline Smith-Do They Have a Voice?; Olivia Spadaro-Use and Care of a Clarinet; Samantha Towner-All-American Parfait; Alyx Uhl-Taco Salad; Arielle Wilcox-Cells-Building Blocks of Plant Life; Ashlee Zschoche-Penguins.