



# 4-H Steubenite



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## **Steven Quanz, Steuben County 4-H Member, Who Will be Representing New York State and Steuben County at the National 4-H Dairy Judging Contest.**

Steven Quanz, a 12<sup>th</sup> year member of the Southern Tier Livestock 4-H Club and Willing Workers 4-H Club, will be a member of the New York State 4-H Dairy Judging Team that will travel to Louisville, KY November 5-8 to compete at the North American International Livestock Exposition.

Steven, the son of Tom and Paula Quanz of Wayland is a Freshman at SUNY Cobleskill majoring in Animal Science. Steven has completed 12 years in the Steuben County 4-H Program. He has completed extensive projects in dairy, swine, food and nutrition, sewing and public presentations. Besides dairy judging, Steven has been a member of the Jr. DAIRY LEADER Program and active in dairy quiz bowl, livestock judging, and livestock skillathon. He is also an active participant in the Allegany-Steuben Jr. Holstein Club.



**Congratulations Steven for your accomplishments. Great Job!!!!!**



# Upcoming Events

## October

- October 1 – WELCOME THE NEW 4-H YEAR!
- October 3-9 - National 4-H Week, <http://www.4-h.org/resource-library/promotional-toolkits>
- October 11 - Columbus Day CCE Office Closed
- October – 4-H Awards Committee Meeting TBA
- October 8-10 – Regional 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop Instructor Certification, Tioga County [www.nys4Hshootingsports.org](http://www.nys4Hshootingsports.org)
- October 9-10 - Southern Tier Outdoor Recreation Exposition (STORE), Wilkins RV, Bath [www.SouthernTierOutdoorShow.com](http://www.SouthernTierOutdoorShow.com)
- October 15 – Jr./Sr. Activity Report Due to CCE Office
- October 15 – 17 – Cobleskill Fall Festival, SUNY Cobleskill
- October 23 – Insectapalooza, Cornell University, Ithaca, Comstock Hall 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- October 25 – Cheese Orders Due to CCE Office by 4:30 p.m.
- October 29 – Public Presentation Registration due for Nov. 6

## November

- November 5 – Registration due for 4-H Awards Program
- November 6 - General Public Presentations at N. Cohocton 9 a.m. – noon
- November 6 – Achievement Night - Steuben County Fairgrounds, 6:30 Social Time, 7:00 p.m. Awards
- November 11 – Veteran’s Day, CCE Office Closed
- November 13 - Ag Careers Camp Session 3, Steuben County

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### *4-H Program Committee*

- Dave Dockstader.....Bath*
- Cindy Presher.....Prattsburgh*
- Barb Hull.....Atlanta*
- John Lyons.....Addison*
- Julee Acomb.....Dansville*
- John Schubmehl.....Wayland*
- Becky Painter.....Woodhull*
- Legislative Representatives:*
  - John Walsh.....Bath*
  - Robert Nichols.....Addison*
- Association President*
  - Julee Acomb.....Dansville*
- 4-H Program Staff*
  - Kimberly S. Randall, 4-H Community Educator*
  - Jenny Groen, 4-H Program Educator*
  - Loree Symonds, 4-H Program Educator*
  - Cindy Messinger, 4-H Program Educator*

November 18 – 4-H Cheese arrives pick up between noon-6 p.m.

November 19 – NYS Farm Bureau Agricultural Youth Scholarship Due [www.nyfb.org](http://www.nyfb.org)

November 25 and 26 – CCE Office Closed for Thanksgiving

## December

December 6 – Payment for cheese orders due to CCE Office

**December 24 – Happy Holidays, CCE Office Closed**

## January

January 1 – Ownership Deadline for Market Beef and Dairy Steers

January 3 – Happy New Year, CCE Office Closed

January 4 – Prior 4-H Members must be re-enrolled to participate in the 2011 Steuben County Fair.

January 4 – Dairy Quiz Bowl and Dairy Judging interest form due to the CCE Office

January 7 – Registration due for the 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Program

January 10 - Market Beef and Dairy Steer I.D./Ownership Forms due to CCE Office by 4:30 p.m.

January 17 - CCE Office Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 17 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.,  
County Office Building

January 24 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.,  
County Office Building

January 31 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program,  
County Office Building, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

## **February**

February 1 – Entries due to NSR and to CCE Office for NSR Swine Picture Judging Contest.

February 7 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program,  
County Office Building, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

February 11 – Lincoln’s Birthday, CCE Office Open

February 14 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program,  
County Office Building, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

February 15 – NYS 4-H Opportunity Scholarship Deadline – [www.nys4hfoundation.org](http://www.nys4hfoundation.org)

February 18 – Public Presentation registration due for February 26

February 20 – JP’s North Tack Auction and Sale., Empire Livestock, Bath, NY 1:00 p.m.

February 21 – CCE OFFICE CLOSED – President’s Day

February 21 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program,  
County Office Building, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

February 26 - General Public Presentations, County Office Building, Bath 9-noon & 1:00-4:00,  
Horse Public Presentations, County Office Building, Bath 1:00-4:00

February 28 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program,  
County Office Building, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

## **March**

TBA - Dairy Discovery Award Trip, Cornell University

TBA - Pheasant Chick Order Due to CCE Office

TBA – March Dog Madness, Cornell University

TBA – Hoard’s Dairyman Judging Contest Deadline

TBA – Capital Days Award Trip, Albany

TBA – Finger Lakes District Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest

March 6 or 13 TBA 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, (driving test) location, 1- 4 p.m.

March 7 or 14 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, Written Test, County Office Bldg, 7:30 -9:30 pm

March 12 – Region II Horse Extravaganza (Horse Quiz Bowl Contest & Hippology), Canandaigua Middle School

March 19 – 4-H Expo( Tentative)

March 21-25 - National Ag Week and New York Ag Literacy Week

March 27 – District Public Presentations and Region II Horse Communications at Canandaigua Middle School

## April

TBA – 4-H Spring Garden Meeting

April - Clothing Evaluations (dates to be announced)

April 22 – Earth Day

April 30 – Market Chicken Orders Due to CCE Office

## May

May TBD– NYS Animal Crackers @ Cornell University

May 1 – First day to get Animal Health Certificates for all NYS Fairs including Steuben County DO NOT WAIT!

May 2 – **New Members** must be enrolled to participate in 2011 County Fair

May 6 - 4-H Clothing Revue (Tentative)

May 14 – Tentative County Dairy Judging Tour

May 27 – Coggins, Rabies, Horse Certificates, and June Horse Show Entries Due to CCE OFFICE by 4:30 p.m.

May 30 – Memorial Day – CCE Office Closed



## *Office News*

### **4-H Office Policy!!!**

**Any items, (Awards program, 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.**

### **Summer Youth Program**

Amber Tietje, 4-H Summer Assistant, did various activities and projects with youth from area summer recreation programs including Addison, Bath, Campbell, Cohocton, Corning, and Howard. Amber also provided and monitored baby ducks for the duck pond in the 4-H Building at the Steuben County Fair.

## Checking The Web!

It is very important that everyone is checking the web site, [www.putknowledge2work.com](http://www.putknowledge2work.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.



Remember to elect a Choose Health Officer in your 4-H Clubs this fall! The Choose Health Officer will keep the Health-H front and center in your club and encourage the members to be physically active all through the year

Here is the challenge for November which is Move More Month! Challenge your club to play actively 60 minutes a day! Playing is an important way to build strong bones, muscles, minds, and spirits – as well as a strong sense of togetherness! Stumped for what to do? Consider these options and keep adding to your list of favorite ways to be active!

- Take a walk
- Ride bikes
- Go bowling
- Play soccer
- Pick apples
- Shoot baskets
- Go for a hike
- Swim
- Go to the playground
- Play touch football
- Play Twister
- Dance
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## 4-H Expo

4-H Expo, a day of workshops and activities for 4-H leaders, parents and club members of all ages is coming in March. There are workshops in all 4-H project areas such as natural resources, environmental education, nutrition and foods, animal science, horse, dog, textiles and clothing, crafts, and club management. The workshops are assigned a learning level so the classes will be fun for the age it was intended. The levels are: Cloverbuds (5-7 years), level A (8-12 years), level B (13-19 years) or level C (4-H leaders). 4-H leaders can attend any workshop so they can gain new project ideas. Participants will be informed as to what supplies are needed for each project or if the supplies are being provided by the instructor and the cost that will be charged.

**Instructors are needed for the 1 hr. classes/workshops for all ages. If anyone has ideas to share and/or would like to teach a class, please contact Loree at the 4-H office by the end of November.**

The brochure with the class descriptions and sign up sheet will be available sometime in January, so watch for it on the web or in the mail.



## Public Presentations for 2011

When former members of 4-H are asked what helped them the most in preparing for their adult years, the answer was doing public presentations. The reason for this is that it prepared them to organize information and be able to get up in front of a group at work, in the community or at a club meeting and feel comfortable. With this in mind the 4-H Program Committee decided that everyone in 4-H should do a presentation each year whether it is at the county or club level.

**ALL Regular 4-H members ages 8 and up are required to participate in the public presentation program beginning this year. Cloverbuds are strongly encouraged to do a presentation but it is not mandatory. In addition to the County presentations there will another option this year and that is presenting at a Club Meeting and being “judged” by one of the leaders of the club. This will have a different judging form and different guidelines.**

Information on preparing for presentations was given to leaders in the registration packet for the 4-H year and is also on the web. **If an individual or a club would like help with any part of the public presentation process, please contact the 4-H office. Arrangements can be made to give you or your club the help that is needed.**

### **Fall General Public Presentation Day -**

Fall Public Presentations will be held in North Cohocton Methodist Church on Saturday, November 6, 2010 from 9:00am – Noon. Registrations are due to the 4-H office on Friday, October 29, 2010.

If you are a new club or new to public presentations, you are welcome to come to N. Cohocton and watch the presenters.

### **Winter General and Horse Public Presentation Day -**

The next opportunity to do public presentations will be on **Saturday, February 26, 2011 at the Steuben County Office Building. General presentations and horse will be done on the same day. Check below for more information.**

**General Presentations: All topics except horse. Time: 9:00 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 pm-4:00 pm.**

**Horse Presentations: All presentations with a horse topic. Time 1:00-4:00 only.**

### **Summer General Public Presentation Day -**

The summer General public presentation event will be in the **Youth Building at the Steuben County Fair on Wednesday, August 17, 2011.** This will also include “Produced in New York” presentations.

**All members except cloverbuds giving presentations at the county level in November or February will be considered for district level presentations. Also club presentations do not give award trip status to members.**

**Horse Members please note-Horse members must participate in one county level or beyond Horse Educational Event (i.e. Public presentations, Horse Quiz Bowl, Hippology, or Horse Judging) Club level presentations are accepted if you turn in an outline of your presentation, with your evaluation sheet; or attend alternate “educational events” (i.e. Animal Crackers) and do a one-page written report on what they saw and learned to receive educational credit to be eligible to participate in any Steuben County 4-H Horse Show. Horse members will only receive credit towards showing if they give a public presentation on a horse related topic.**

Remember, a 4-Her's total involvement in 4-H is considered when selecting for most awards and trips.

To register your club, please complete the form for the General Presentations and/or the one for the Horse Presentations. **The Fall Registration Form is in this issue or on the website at [www.putknowledgetowork.com](http://www.putknowledgetowork.com) and mail, email or fax (607-664-2303) it to the CCE office by Friday, October 29, 2010. Forms for all the presentations were in the leader packet or are on the web.**

## **Agricultural Career Camp**

This series of Saturday meetings are aimed for any young adult, 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade, who is interested in knowing more about the agricultural industry and careers in the industry. Cost is \$10.00 per session or \$50.00 for all six sessions, with lunch and snacks provided. Start time is 9:00 a.m. and we will be finished by 3:00 p.m.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Session October 30, 2010 - Monroe County – Vet Care Head to Hoof**

Explore a career in Veterinary Medicine and specialty fields with visits to the Genesee Valley Equine Clinic and a small animal vet. Experience the amazing advances in ambulatory, surgical, geriatric, dental, reproductive, and preventative medicine used to treat horses and new options for the care of our smaller furry friends. Registration due by October 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Session, November 13, 2010 - Steuben County - Cows, Cuts, and Spuds**

Visit Lent Hill Dairy to learn how rotating parlor technology has increased milk production and performance. The NY Center for Agriculture Medicine and Health will give a demonstration on farm safety and a local butcher will provide information about selecting meat cuts. The day will conclude with a visit to Greater Tater, a gourmet specialty potato business where the rich, heavy soils, warm sunny days and cool night of Wayland, NY provide the perfect natural micro-climate to grow health, hearty, potatoes with a delicious “upland” potato flavor. Registration due by November 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Session, February 5, 2011 hosted by Wayne County but held in Genesee County -Greenhouse and Gears**

See what it takes to get tomatoes to local markets almost year round and grown right in our backyard! Then learn about careers in engineering as we explore new specialized farm equipment and machinery, invented in WNY but shipped worldwide. Two nationally recognized companies are helping farms and families in the local community of Genesee County. Registration due by January 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **4<sup>th</sup> Session February 26 in Ontario County – Into the Laboratory**

Hang out with new friends to see just how cool science can be! Come and explore first-hand what it's like to look at cells under high powered microscopes and work alongside world renown scientists at Cornell's Agriculture Experiment Station. Outstanding faculty, high quality laboratory, greenhouse, and field facilities; state-of-art electronic and information resources make it one of the premier horticulture research and extension institutes in the world. Through interactive stations, participants will take the role of researcher to discover what happens behind the scenes. Continuing on with product development, we will give you a taste of how new products are developed and marketed before they magically appear on the store shelf. Registration due by February 11<sup>th</sup>.

### **5<sup>th</sup> Session April 9, 2011 Cornell University Vet School Open House, Department Tours**

Have a jam packed tour of Cornell University and experience hands-on activities in plant science/greenhouses and get up close with careers at the 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Cornell Vet School Open House. Visit with admissions personnel to learn what colleges are looking for when you apply to further your education and important tips on the process of what to do after high school (wherever) you are planning to apply.)!!! Registration due by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **6<sup>th</sup> Session September May 2011 - in Livingston County – Environmental Science**

What is a watershed? What does manure management, strip crop rotation, insect control and invasive plants have to do with our drinking water? Genesee State Professor Sid Bosch will lead a team involving you in scientific

experiments to find the answers at the Chip Holt Nature Center, Lakeville, on beautiful Conesus Lake. Another stop will be at a local farm where Cornell University Cooperative Extension/PRO DAIRY staff, including Nancy Glazier, will show you how modern farm practices protect water quality.



## **Shooting Sports Instructor Trainer Workshop October 8-10, Tioga County**

A Regional 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop for Instructor Certification in Muzzleloading, Archery and Living History will be offered in Owego, NY (Tioga County) on Friday, October 8 at 5 p.m.- Sunday, October 10 at noon. Participants will be able to complete requirements in only one discipline. The cost is \$70 to attend no lodging or \$ 90 includes 2 nights bunkhouse lodging. For registration and more information visit [www.nys4Hshooting.org](http://www.nys4Hshooting.org) or Contact Jody Tatich, 4-H Program Manager, CCE Tioga County at (607) 687-4020 or via e-mail at [jdt22@cornell.edu](mailto:jdt22@cornell.edu). Registration is due by Monday, September 27.

## **Southern Tier Outdoor Recreation Exposition (STORE)**

The Southern Tier Outdoor Recreation Exposition (STORE) brought to you by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Steuben County will be held on October 9-10 at Wilkins RV 7520 State Route 415 in Bath. There's so much to do in the outdoors with your family. Come explore! There will be professional seminars, contests, shopping, wildlife shows, demonstrations, free trophy scoring, activities for all ages, refreshments, door prizes, interactive exhibits. For more information visit [www.SouthernTierOutdoorShow.com](http://www.SouthernTierOutdoorShow.com)



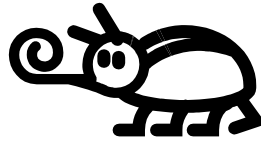
## **Senior Summary and Junior Activity Reports**

**Senior Summary and Junior Activity Reports are due Friday, October 15, 2010.** Senior Summary report forms are to be completed by 4-H members in grades 7 and higher (as of fall 2010). The Senior Summary report is intended to be a cumulative report with members changing the front page and the 4-H story pages each year. Everything else is just updated to reflect the current year. Please note: The Sr. Summary Reports are not being mailed to every 4-H member in 7th grade and above. 4-H members in grades 7 and up can pick up the Senior Summary Report at the CCE Office, request a senior summary report be mailed to them or it can be downloaded from the CCE Steuben County website at [www.putknowledgetowork.com](http://www.putknowledgetowork.com) and click on 4-H youth Development.

The Junior Activity Report is to be completed by 4-H members in grades 3-6 (as of fall 2010). Cloverbud members are not required to complete a Junior report. However, 4-H members who wish to be considered for the Junior Award Trip should complete this report regardless of whether or not they are a cloverbud. This report is also available on the CCE website at [www.putknowledgetowork.com](http://www.putknowledgetowork.com) and click on 4-H youth Development. The Jr. Activity reports were returned to those members who completed a 2009 form.

Both of these forms are used by the 4-H Awards Committee to select 4-H members for trips and awards such as the Junior Award Trip, Washington Focus, and Career Exploration in addition to other award trips. These reports are not difficult to complete! **All reports are due to the CCE Office by Friday, October 15, 2010.** If you need additional forms, contact the CCE Office or check our website.

## Insectapalooza



This year, Insectapalooza will be bigger and better than ever. The event takes place at Cornell University, Ithaca, NY in Comstock Hall, on October 23 between 9 to 3 pm. Enjoy this rare opportunity to view the fascinating world of insects up close and personal. Filled with family-friendly and hands-on activities. Experience the live arthropod zoo, live butterfly room, learn the latest in insect biology, educational games, and more. It is very suitable for students of all ages, from kids to adults. Free. Curricula and science-inquiry questions will be posted online. For more information visit <http://www.entomology.cornell.edu/cals/entomology/news/insectapalooza.cfm>. Or contact Dr. Linda S. Rayor, Department of Entomology, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853, [LSR1@cornell.edu](mailto:LSR1@cornell.edu) 607 255-8406 (o)/ 255-9392 (L)

## 4-H Cuba Cheese Fundraiser



The 2010 Fund Raiser features the Cuba Cheese Products. This Fund Raiser helps 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 the 4-H Club members and the independent 4-H members receive a voucher to order items. A special “Thank You” to all the leaders and parents who help to motivate, collect money, sort products, transport 4-H members and products. **The cheese orders are due to the CCE Office by Monday, October 25 and the cheese will be arriving November 18.** The Top Cheese Sellers will be listed in a future issue after all the money has been collected.

## 2010 Farm Bureau Agricultural Youth Scholarship

Farm Bureau Agricultural Youth Scholarship is sponsored by The New York Farm Bureau Promotion and Education Committee. This scholarship is open to High School Seniors who will continue their education to prepare for a career in some way connected to the diverse agricultural industry. Candidates may live or work on a farm or be involved with agriculture via any avenue. Family Farm Bureau membership or Student Farm Bureau membership is required but can be found at [www.nyfb.org](http://www.nyfb.org). **The application with a school photo, not computer image, (wallet size head and shoulder shot) is due in November 19, 2010 to the New York Farm Bureau.** Scoring will determine the County Winners as well as the District Winner. Check the following website for an application: [www.nyfb.org](http://www.nyfb.org) and look under Farm Essentials, then Promotion & Education and then Promotion & Education Essentials or call NYS Farm Bureau at 1-800-342-4143 for an application or contact the CCE Office.

## 4-H Awards Trip Committee

The 4-H Awards Trip committee will be meeting in October at the County Office Building to choose 4-H members for the PA Farm Show Trip, Capital Days, STARR, Career Exploration Trip, Agribusiness Career Trip, and Citizenship-Washington Focus are based on the 4-H members Senior Summary Reports. The awards trip committee meets once a year. If you are not already on the committee and are interested in serving on this committee contact Kim Randall at the CCE Office

## New York State 4-H Opportunity Scholarship

### Eligibility Requirements

- Applicant must be eligible for 4-H enrollment. Youth who have reached their nineteenth birthday before January 1, 2011 are not eligible to apply for scholarships.
- Applicant must have been a 4-H member in New York State, or participated in a Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development Program for at least one year.

- Applicant must be enrolled or planning to enroll in an accredited university, college or technical school.
- Applicant must have a current grade point average of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale unless otherwise stated for specific scholarships.

The deadline for the application is February 15, 2011. The application is on the NYS 4-H Foundation website at <http://www.nys4hfoundation.org> Applications can be sent electronically as an attached file to [afd7@cornell.edu](mailto:afd7@cornell.edu) or mailed to NYS 4-H Foundation, 220 Herald Place, Syracuse, NY 13202. The application and all required materials are to be received **NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 15, 2011**. Announcement of Scholarship recipients will be at the NYS 4-H Career Explorations Program June 28-30.

*Please note that a Steuben County 4-H staff person must review and sign all scholarships applications that are submitted from Steuben County youth. If you applied last year or this is your first time, we encourage you to take the time to fill out the application forms.*

### Selection Criteria

- Demonstrated personal growth and development through 4-H projects and activities
- Held leadership roles in 4-H and other organizations
- Active in community or public service activities
- Sense of direction in future educational goals
- Academic record



### 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program Offered

**Youth who will be 14 and over as of March 1, 2011 can take the course for certification.** Participants who want to earn their certification must pass both the written exam and the driving test. **The cost for this course is \$15.00 for 4-H members to cover the cost of materials and is payable to CCE by Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup> with the enclosed registration form or the registration form that can be found on the website at [www.putknowledgetowork.com](http://www.putknowledgetowork.com) and click on 4-H Youth Development and then click**

**on other programs or by contacting Cornell Cooperative Extension at 607-664-2300.**

**Non 4-H members are eligible to take this course but in addition they will need to complete a 4-H enrollment form as an independent member by Friday, January 7 which is found on the above website and pay the \$5.00 4-H enrollment fee.**

The Hazardous-Occupation Order for youth under 16 makes it unlawful to hire or even permit without pay any youth under the age of 16 to participate in any work activities listed as hazardous, unless:

1. The youth is employed, either with our without compensation, by their parents or legal guardian, or
2. The youth 14-15 years old has a training certificate which provides an exemption from certain hazardous work activities.
3. The Tractor and Machinery Operation Program allows for youth under the age of 16 who successfully completes the program to engage in agricultural work activities below if they are 14-15 despite the fact the activities are listed as "agricultural work activities classified as hazardous for youth under 16".

Tractor Operation - This training allows youth who successfully complete requirements to: operate a tractor over 20 PTO horsepower, or connect or disconnect an implement or any of its parts to or from such a tractor. Equipment Operation This allows youth who successfully complete requirements to operate or assist to operate the following equipment: hay mower, hay baler, forage harvester, forage blower, feed grinder, crop dryer, auger conveyor, the unloading mechanism of a non-gravity type self-unloading wagon or trailer, corn picker, cotton picker, grain combine, power post-hole digger, power post driver, a non-walking rotary tiller, potato digger, or mobile pea viner. This includes starting, stopping, adjusting, feeding, or any activity involving physical contact associated with the operation of the equipment listed. Youth must have satisfied all the requirements for the Tractor Operation and must have completed a total of at least **24 hours of instruction**.

**The schedule for the course is as follows:**

**There will also be three Sunday Sessions from 1-4 p.m. with the locations to be announced.** Two of the sessions will be for more hands on learning and the last session will be for the driving test.

**Mondays, January 17, 24, 31** 7:30 p.m.– 9:30 p.m., Steuben County Office Building

**Mondays, February 7, 14, 21, 28** 7:30 p.m.– 9:30 p.m., Steuben County Office Building

**Monday, March 7 (written test) or March 14** (written test date if one of the above sessions end up being cancelled due to weather) 7:30 – 9:30 p.m., Steuben County Office Building

**Tentative Sunday March 6 or 13 TBA (driving test)** location to be announced 1- 4 p.m.



*Livestock*

## **2011 Market Beef and Dairy Steer Identification Forms and Information**

**In 2011 both beef and beef/dairy cross steers and beef heifers can show in the market beef class. Heifers shown in market beef classes are not eligible for beef breeding classes. Market heifers must follow the same rules and regulations as market steers.**

Market Beef and Dairy Steer Identification Forms are due to the CCE Office **by Monday, January 10, 2011 no later than 4:30 p.m.** 2011 Steer Identification Forms and Information are now available on the web at [www.cce.cornell.edu/steuben/4hyouthdevelopmenthome](http://www.cce.cornell.edu/steuben/4hyouthdevelopmenthome) .

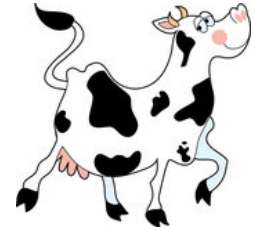
**Please note that this year ID forms will NOT be accepted without photos attached, correct identification filled in and leader signatures. ID forms do not enter your animal in the fair.**

## **4-H Teen Livestock Exhibitors – WE NEED YOU!**

We are looking for teen livestock exhibitors to form a Livestock Teen Council. Teens would be part of the decision making body for the Steuben County Fair 4-H Livestock Shows. Your input is important and we need you to have a voice. For more information contact Cindy at [c1138@cornell.edu](mailto:c1138@cornell.edu), or 607-664-2561.



# Dairy



## Dairy Quiz Bowl

The *primary objective* of 4-H Dairy Bowl Contests is to provide an opportunity for youth enrolled in a 4-H dairy project to demonstrate their knowledge of dairy related subject matter in a competitive setting where attitudes of friendliness and fairness prevail. It is also hoped that these contests will prove to be an educational experience for both participants and spectators. The Dairy Bowl Program is designed to encourage youth to increase their dairy knowledge through study and preparation for the contest. Youth learn life skills as they prepare for contests - critical thinking, decision-making, problem solving, communication skills, listening skills, speaking skills and independent thinking. They experience the value of teamwork, character building, and goal setting. Youth gain knowledge in dairy nutrition, milk quality, herd health, breeding and genetics, marketing, dairy foods, calf raising and all cattle breeds.

Age of contestants is as of January 1, 2011.

### Novice Contest

Team members may be 8 - 10 years old with some experience or 11 - 13 years old with no previous district contests experience.

### Junior Contest

9 years to 13 years old

### Senior Contest

14 years to 18 years old.

Dairy Quiz Bowl Schedule Location TBA – Jan. – March (5 practice sessions)

Saturday, March                      Finger Lakes District Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest, Date and Location TBA

The Finger Lakes District will send a junior and a senior team to the state competition at Cornell University. The Finger Lakes District junior and senior teams will be composed of the top four individuals with the 5<sup>th</sup> place as the alternate in each division.

**If you are interested in participating in Dairy Quiz Bowl please return the enclosed interested form by Tuesday, January 4, 2011. If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering as a coach please contact Kim at 607-664-2306 or at ksb3@cornell.edu.**

Many 4-H dairy members have enjoyed Dairy Quiz Bowl so plan to be a part of the 2011 Dairy Quiz Bowl.

## Dairy Judging

**What is Cow College?** Cow College is another name for Dairy Judging.

**Who can attend cow college?** Any 4-H member and their parent, grandparent, leader, etc. who is interested in learning how to dairy judge. Please NOTE: **Cloverbud members 5-7 years old** (as of January 1, 2011) who are interested in learning how to dairy judge may participate **only if they are accompanied at all times by a responsible adult who is at least 21 years old who will be staying with them the entire time.**

**Where is cow college held?** Cow college is held in the barn at different farms around the county (dress warm and wear appropriate foot wear because you will be in the barn or at times outside depending on the weather!)

**When is cow college?** Cow college is (5) five Saturdays during February, March, and April. Each session runs from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Why should I go to cow college?** Cow college teaches you the essentials for being a dairy cattle judge. It will help you understand what to look for what choosing your show animal. It will also help you understand why the judge places your animal the way he does at county fair or any other dairy show.

**What happens after the five (5) cow colleges?** There is a county dairy judging tour in May (Tentatively May 14). 4-H families (4-H members including cloverbuds and adults) are encouraged to judge. There will be several judging trips throughout the summer that selected 4-H members will be invited to attend. 4-H members can participate in the Dairy Judging Contest at the Steuben County Fair. There is the State Dairy Judging Contest at the NYS Fair where 4-H members ( 8-18 years old) will be selected as members of the 3 possible Steuben County Teams:

A Team – 4-H members will need to give oral reasons as part of the contest.

B Team – 4-H members will not give oral reasons as part of the contest.

C Team – youth 8-10 as of January 1, 2011 or any youth 13 and under as of January 1, 2011 who have not previously competed in the dairy judging contest at the State Fair. 4-H members will not give oral reasons as part of the contest.

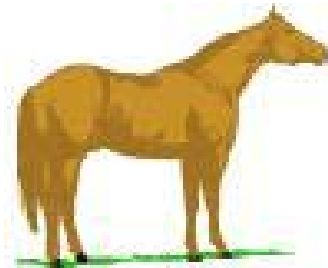
Dairy Judging Schedule Dates and Locations to be announced (5 Saturdays 1-3 p.m. Feb. – April)

Many 4-H members have enjoyed dairy judging so plan to be a part of the 2010 dairy judging program.

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*Horse*



## **2011 Horse Show Requirement**

**4-H Members Participating in the Horse Project Please Note:** Members must **participate in one county level or beyond Horse Educational Event** (i.e. Public presentations, Horse Quiz Bowl, Hippology, or Horse Judging) or attend alternate “educational events” and do a one-page written report on what they saw and learned to receive educational credit **to be eligible to participate in any Steuben County 4-H Horse Shows.**

**Public Presentation Credit** - Horse members will receive credit towards showing if they give a public presentation on a horse related topic at the county event or by completing a club level presentation and turning in the evaluation form with a summary or outline of the presentation.

**County Level Credit for Horse Bowl or Hippology** - For a Horse member to receive county level credit for Horse Bowl or Hippology they **must attend at least 3 of the practice sessions.**

**Regional Credit** – To receive regional credit 4-H members must participate in the regional contests.



## *Past Events*

### **2010 4-H Local Region Career Trip**

The local region career trip was awarded to two 4-Hers that have done outstanding projects in the Home Economics area of 4-H. This is a new trip to replace the New York City Career Explorations Trip. This trip took place in the Western New York region and many of places visited had former 4-Hers working there.

#### *From Denise Schubmehl:*

This year instead of going to New York City we went on a Rochester/Buffalo Career Explorations Trip. This trip was very informational. It made me realize the many opportunities 4-H opens for your life. Every place we had toured including: Strong National Museum of Play, Channel 8 WROC-TV Station, Wegmans Food Markets, University of Rochester Medical Center- Strong Memorial Hospital, Hyatt Regency, MOOG Industries, Roycroft Inn, The Russell J. Salvatore School of Hospitality and Business, HSBC Arena, Shea Performing Arts Center, Dress By Design, Landies Candies Co. Inc., and Rich Products Corporation, helped me see all the opportunities I truly have.

Every place had something different to offer. The information was never repeated which was good not to hear the same things twice. My favorite place visited was Shea Performing Arts Center. Just to see how amazingly beautiful such an old building could be. It was truthfully breathtaking.

Overall the Buffalo/Rochester was a great success. Even though it would have been nice to go to New York City, this trip was a great alternative. Thank you for your dedication to make this trip possible.

#### *From Sarah Wolcott:*

I attended the 4-H Local Region Career Exploration Trip. This trip was a great experience for all who attended and offered an insight into the abundance of career opportunities in western New York. It was great to see how many former 4-hers have gone into diverse occupational vocations. The talks we listened to at Wegman's and the University of Rochester Medical Center at Strong Memorial Hospital alone opened our eyes to careers that wouldn't normally be apparent to just anybody. Seeing the different businesses and industries that have been started by individuals and have grown into great successes was great. The tour at the Shea Performing Arts Center took us behind the scenes of the performances and we learned all about the history of the center. It was a grand learning experience and enabled us to see what made the business what it is today. One of the best parts of the trip was touring the chocolate factory at Landies Candies Co., Inc. When we saw the actual forming of the different candies and then the finished products it was amazing. It made us think of what went into making the items we consume every day. Overall, this trip was a great opportunity to explore possibilities for one's future and I'm so grateful that I was able to attend such an awarding trip.

### **Special Recognition From the NYS Fair**

When exhibits in the youth building at the New York State Fair go above and beyond "excellent", they receive special recognition. Those from Steuben County that were purple rosette winners were: Erica Freeman-charcoal drawing and Elizabeth Robinson – Shaped Twist Yeast Bread

### **New York State Produced in New York (PiNY) Presentations**

Samantha Towner took her District Public Presentation, "All American Parfait", and turned it into a PiNY presentation. Produced in New York presentations are designed to showcase the wide variety and use of agricultural products grown in NY State. These presentations are different in that it is done silently. They are judged on food presentation skills, finished product, and a menu planning skills.



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