

# 4-H Steubenite



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## DISTRICT PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS



Steuben County Presenters were (L-R): **Samantha Towner**-A Gift of Chocolate Lollipops; **Raven Foote**-Chai Chocolate Chip Biscotti; **Alyx Uhl**-Chicken Wing Dip; **Johnathan Gritzmacher**-The Ins and Outs of Racing; **Megan Cratsley**-The Mysterious Amish Unveiled; **Aubrey Hill**-Cochlear Implants and How They Work; **Alan Tai**-The Secrets of Hong Kong; and **Laura Becker**-Sweet Potato Casserole (Not shown in picture).

## *Upcoming Events*

### April

April 6 - Clothing Evaluations, North Cohocton

April 8 - Youth dairy Judging Contest, New York Spring Dairy Carousel, New York State Fairgrounds at 2:00 p.m.

April 8 - NYS Association of Agricultural Fairs and NYS Showpeople's Association Scholarship deadline.

April 9 - Ag Careers Camp, Cornell University

April 11 - Registration and fee for Animal Crackers (Horse and Goat) due to CCE Office

April 12 - 4-H Spring Garden Meeting

April 15 - 17 - STARR Retreat

April 16 - State Horse Bowl Contest @ Cornell

April 18 - Registration and fee due to CCE for 4-H Shooting Sports Archery Course

April 20 - Clothing Evaluations, CCE Office

April 22 - Earth Day

April 30 - NYS 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest, Cornell University

April 22 - Market Chicken Orders Due to CCE Office

April 22 - Market Rabbit Interest Form due to CCE Office

April 22 - Registration and fee due to CCE for 4-H Shooting Sports Air Pistol & Air Rifle Course

April 23 - Cow College-Lyle Wade & Family, Canisteo, 1-3 p.m.

April 25 - 4-H Shooting Sports Archery Course, 5:30-7:30 pm, Bath Rod & Gun Club

April 26 - Small Animal Advisory Committee Meeting, 5:00 pm

April 29 - 4-H Shooting Sports Air Pistol & Air Rifle Course, 5:30-8:30 pm, Bath Rod & Gun Club

### May

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

May 2 - 4-H Shooting Sports Archery Course, 5:30-7:30 pm, Bath Rod & Gun Club

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

May 2 - Registration Due for Ag Careers Camp on May 14

May 6 - 4-H Clothing Revue, Avoca Central School, 7:30 p.m.

May 6 - 4-H Shooting Sports Air Pistol & Air Rifle Course, 5:30-8:30 pm, Bath Rod & Gun Club

May 7 - State Horse Communications Contest

May 9 - 4-H Shooting Sports Archery Course, 5:30-7:30 pm, Bath Rod & Gun Club

May 13 - 4-H Shooting Sports Air Pistol & Air Rifle Course, 5:30-8:30 pm, Bath Rod & Gun Club  
May 14 - NYS Animal Crackers (Horse and Goat), Cornell University  
May 14 - County Dairy Judging Tour  
May 14 - Ag Careers Camp, Environmental Science, Livingston County  
May 16 - 4-H Shooting Sports Archery Course, 5:30-7:30 pm, Bath Rod & Gun Club  
May 19 – 4-H Program Committee, 7:00 pm  
May 20 - 4-H Shooting Sports Air Pistol & Air Rifle Course, 5:30-8:30 pm, Bath Rod & Gun Club  
May 22 - Bath Trailblazers Open Horse show, Bath Fairgrounds  
May 27 - Coggins, Rabies, Horse Certificates, and June Horse Show Entries Due to CCE OFFICE  
by 4:30 p.m.  
May 27 - 2011 Steuben County Horse Show Educational Requirement Deadline  
May 29 - Bath Trailblazers Open Horse Show, Bath Fairgrounds  
May 30 - Memorial Day – CCE Office Closed

## **June**

June 12 - Steuben County 4-H Qualifying Horse Show – Open to all NYS 4-H members  
June 15 – Ownership deadline for dairy cattle. Grade Dairy forms or Dairy Cattle leasing forms  
due to CCE office  
June 24 - July Horse Qualifying Show Entries due to CCE Office by 4:30 p.m.  
June 24 – Chicken BBQ order due to CCE Office  
June 24 – Horticulture workshop registration due to CCE Office  
June 24 – Poultry & Rabbit Clinic registration due to CCE Office  
June 26 - Jumping, trail, showmanship clinic – Tentative

## **July**

July - 4-H Junior Award Trip (TBA)  
July 6 – Poultry & Rabbit Clinic, 5:00 pm  
July 9 - 4-H Qualifying Horse Show – Open to all NYS 4-H members  
July 9 – 4-H Horticulture Workshop, Fairgrounds, 10-Noon  
July 9 – Chicken BBQ, Fairgrounds, 11:30-12:30 pm  
July 11 - **ALL FAIR ENTRIES DUE TO CCE OFFICE BY 4:30 P.M.**  
July 17 - Bath Trailblazers Open Horse Show, Bath Fairgrounds  
July 21 – 4-H Program Committee Meeting, 7:00 pm

## **August**

August 7 - Fair Cleanup Day  
August 16-21 - Steuben County Fair  
August 25-Sept 5 – NYS Fair

## **September**

September 12 - PROJECT COMPLETION FORMS and Project Champion Nominations From Leaders Due to CCE Office!

September 12 - 4-H PROJECT RECORDS THAT ARE REQUIRED DUE TO CCE OFFICE

September 12 - 4-H On Display and Community Service Reports Due to CCE Office.

September 12 – Jr. Activity & Sr. Activity Report Forms Due to CCE Office

September 15 – 4-H Program Committee Meeting, 7:00pm

September 21 - Leader Training (Tentative)

## *Office News*

### **New in 2011:**

**All Steuben County Fair Premiums will be withheld for the following reasons;**

- 1. Removing exhibits, including animals, from fairgrounds before release time or without written consent.**
- 2. Adults preparing 4-H exhibits for that the youth will be exhibiting. This includes any preparation of animal exhibits. Please note previous 4-H policy, (Preparation of all 4-H exhibits is expected to be done by the 4-H member. “Parents or supervising adults may assist only to the extent necessary to insure the safety of the exhibitor or the exhibit.”**
- 3. Not adhering to the “Code of Conduct” and “Overnight Policy” which includes sleeping in 4-H appropriate, Adult supervised areas only.**

### **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](http://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.

## **HELP WANTED**

### **4H SPECIALIST**

Affiliate: Snell Farm Children's Center

Region: Western

Date: 12-21-2010

Program: Snell Farm Children's Center

Location: 7320 Snell Hill Road, Bath, NY 14810

Hours: 30 Hours per week - applicants must be available Mon - Friday 3-9 p.m. and Saturdays, occasional Sundays

Requirements: Responsible for SFCC 4H programming. Responsible for preparation of fair events and teaching staff how to run a 4H program. Managing a 4H club meeting. Expert knowledge of animal care & training of cows, goats, ducks, dogs, chickens and rabbits. Able to teach SFCC clients how to properly socialize and show their animals at fairs. Able to teach dog obedience to clients in order to help with Humane Society project. Able to expand 4H programming, and interact with the local Cooperative Extension for support and direction. Able to help SFCC clients experience many aspects of 4H. Bachelor's level in Animal Science/Agriculture. Experience working with farm animals/ farming. Must have own transportation and clean driving record, Flexible schedule to accommodate 4H meetings / events in the community and on the campus



### **Stearns Chicken BBQ Fundraiser**

There will be a Stearns Chicken BBQ on Saturday, July 9 to benefit the Steuben County 4-H Small Animal Program (Rabbit and Poultry) from 11:30 a.m.– 12:30 p.m. at the Steuben County Fairgrounds use the Chestnut Street Entrance. ½ BBQ chicken only is \$4.50 or the ½ BBQ chicken dinner which includes macaroni salad, coleslaw and roll and butter is \$6.50. **Pre-orders with payment is due to the CCE Office by Friday, June 24.**

### **Vet College Open House set for April 9**

By Nancy Doolittle

The 45th annual Open House at the College of Veterinary Medicine is slated for April 9, 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/>.

## Animal Crackers

May 14, 2011  
9:00am - 3:15pm  
Cornell University



*If you are a beginner 4-H member with an interest in Goat or Horse, you are highly encouraged to attend Animal Crackers. See brochure included in this Steubenite.*

## Dog Obedience Classes For Youth Begin

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Steuben County's 4-H Program will be offering dog obedience classes beginning **Thursday, April 14 and April 28 at Snell Farm Children's Center, Bath, from 6-8 pm. taught by Christina Brokaw, Penny Smigiel and Toni Smigiel. Future classes to be held will be determined. Dog Obedience classes will also be offered in Howard taught by Jackie Knoll starting on Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 pm. Further dates and times to be determined at that meeting.**

**For more information or to register please email Kim at [ksb3@cornell.edu](mailto: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](http://www.putknowledgegetowork.com). Youth must be enrolled 4-H members by May 2, 2011 to be eligible to enter their dog or other projects in the 4-H division of the 2011 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 2011 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 15 at 2 p.m. in the 4-H Horse Show ring across the track. Entries are due to the CCE Office by Monday, July 11 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 15, 2011**

## **2011 4-H Career Explorations Conference**

**6/28 – 6/30 Cornell University for youth going into 8th - 12th grades.**

This is open to any NYS member who will be entering 8<sup>th</sup> – 12 grade as of the fall of 2011. Participants are not required to have previously been a 4-H member. Youth who are not already enrolled must enroll as an independent 4-H member to be eligible to attend this conference.

The goals of the conference are to: connect teens to Departments and people to enhance career awareness, help teens to gain leadership/teamwork experience, assist delegates in exploring Cornell, and establish a network of friends and colleagues from across the state!

The 4-H Career Explorations Conference is made up of two programs – University U (for those entering 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grades) and Focus for teens (those 9<sup>th</sup> graders who attended University U previously and those entering 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade). University U participants will be introduced to campus admissions, tour campus and 6 different departments. Focus for Teens is a more intense program where participants spend 3 days with a specific Department.

University U tours and workshops include: Animal Science Adventures; Art – Exploring an Art Museum; Cornell Plantations: Fooling with Fibers; Entomology: Lost Ladybugs; Math – Hands-On Mathematics; Paleontology- Come to the Museum of the Earth - Seashells; and Physics – Getting Started with Accelerator Science.

Focus for Teens workshops: Animal Science – Professional Dairy Career Focus; Animal Science – Careers in the Horse Industry; Astronomy – Exploring The Solar System and the Universe; Biomedical Engineering – The Human Body Visualized as a Patchwork of Cells; Design & Environmental Analysis: Home Energy Efficiency & Climate Change; Education – Touch a Life – Shape the Future – Teach; Entrepreneurship – Exploring the Small Farm Dream; Fiber Science and Apparel Design – Upcycled Clothing- Transforming Old Clothes into New and Useful Items; Food

Science – DNA FingerPrinting; Geospacial Sciences – Finding Your Favorite Places Using GPS Technology; Horticulture – Youth Grow! Become a Leader in the Local Food Movement; Human Development – Thinking Like A Scientist; Human Development – Gist – Enhanced Reducing the Risk; Informational Technology – Live From Career Exploration! Documenting the Experience With Digital Media; Natural Resources – Forestry, Wildlife & Fisheries; Sustainable Development – Planning Your Dream Green Job; Veterinary Science – Veterinary Science Discovery.

For more information visit <http://sp.nys4h.cce.cornell.edu/events/Pages/CareerEx.aspx>

For those 4-H members who were not selected as a recipient of the award trip the registration fee is \$200 to cover room, board and program fees plus there will be a transportation fee that will be determined based on the number of participants. Scholarships are competitive but available. If you have any questions contact Kim at 607-664-2306. **Participants must register with the registration form, payment, Vita/Resume, and health/insurance form through Cornell Cooperative Extension of Steuben County by Monday, April 4.**

### 4-H Surveys

Please complete the enclosed survey and return to the CCE Office no later than April 18, 2011. Your response will help us determine 4-H programming needs in Steuben County. If you have already completed this survey, such as at the 4-H Livestock Parent and Leader meeting, you don't have to do another one. The survey is also available to be completed on line at <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/V23LT53>.

### Choose Health Ambassador Training

Do you like to help at your club meetings? Would you like to be a junior leader? There is a great opportunity being offered in the county for you to become a Choose Health Ambassador. This new training will be offered in the county in the near future. To qualify you need to be at least 13 and be interested in helping younger members to learn how to be healthy, make healthy foods and do more physical activity. The training consists of attending 4 sessions lasting 2-3 hours. This is also open to leaders or parents. In fact it is being encouraged that a leader or parent attend with a teen. This is also a new foods project for 4-Hers 8-11 year olds.

If interested contact Loree at [las65@cornell.edu](mailto:las65@cornell.edu) or call 607-664-2310.

### 4-H Clothing Revue Reminder

4-H Clothing Revue  
Friday, May 6, 2010  
Avoca Central School.  
7:30 p.m.  
Everyone is Welcome!

Area Evaluations are scheduled for 3:00-5:00 p.m.  
Wed., April 6 @North Cohocton Methodist Church  
Wed., April 20 @ 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](mailto:las65@cornell.edu)





## The Western NY Regional 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop June 3-5, 2011

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, Rifle, Shotgun, Muzzleloader, and Hunting.**

Participants will be able to complete requirements in only one discipline. Training begins at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, June 3 –2:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 5 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 May 27, 2011 to 4-H Camp Wyomoco. There is a \$75 registration fee per person. For a registration form or more information contact the CCE Office or visit [www.nys4Hshootingports.org](http://www.nys4Hshootingports.org)

## Hey did you hear? Steuben County has its own week at Hidden Valley 4-H Camp.

**Our week is July 24 – 29, 2011. Please consider attending camp this week and bring a friend. We are trying to have the largest number of Steuben County 4-Hers ever at Hidden Valley. If you register by April 15, there is a discount. Also, there are camperships available. Hidden Valley 4-H Camp Scholarships**



The Steuben County 4-H Program sponsors scholarships for Steuben county 4-H members to attend 2011 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 [c1138@cornell.edu](mailto:c1138@cornell.edu) or at 607-664-2561.



## 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 [c1138@cornell.edu](mailto:c1138@cornell.edu) **by Monday, June 20** 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.putknowledge2work.com](http://www.putknowledge2work.com) under dog or go the link for the NYS Animal Science Website at [www.ansci.conrell.edu/4H/dogs/index.html](http://www.ansci.conrell.edu/4H/dogs/index.html) for rules and entry form. These contests are open to any 4-H member including cloverbuds.



### 2011 Free Fishing Days June 25-26

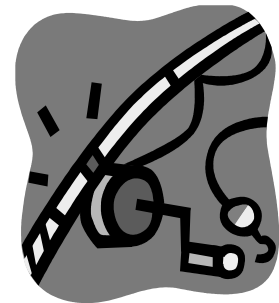


In an effort to connect more people to the sport of fishing, each year, the last full weekend in June is designated as Free Fishing Days in New York State. During those two days, anyone can fish New York State waters, and no fishing license is required (normally required for anyone 16 years and older). 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 25 & 26, 2011. 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 28, 2011 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

## 2011 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 19 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 Friday, April 22.** 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 16 in the poultry barn and those 4-H members who want to practice with that bird before the showmanship contest on Wednesday, August 17 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 Friday, April 22

4-H members interested in exhibiting and consigning market chickens must place their orders by **Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>**. The Market Chickens being purchased are Jumbo White Cornish Cross x Rocks. This is the most remarkable meat-producing bird. Special White Cornish males are mated with White Rock females to get chicks with hybrid vigor and the superb qualities of both parents: broadbreasted, big thighs, fast feathering, white plumage, yellow skin. The rapid growth of these chicks is fantastic and the feed efficiency is remarkable. They weigh 5 pounds in only 8 weeks. The market chickens are being ordered from Reich Hatchery, PA. They are \$1.90 each per cockeral. You will need to make arrangements to pick up the market chickens at Grace Brown's in Bath on the day they arrive or the market chickens will be given to someone else. **Expected arrival date is Wednesday, June 15.** The order form is enclosed and refer to the web at [www.putknowledgetowork.com](http://www.putknowledgetowork.com) for the Market Chicken Help Sheet or contact the CCE Office.



## Market Rabbits

If you are interested in raising a Market Rabbit please **complete the interest form by Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Meat Rabbits can be either purebred New Zealand, Californian, Harlequin, Giant Chinchilla, Flemish Giant, Florida White or a cross of these breeds. For 2011 there will only be a Roaster Class for 2011. Rabbits must be 5-8 pounds and under 6 months of age (2 entries per class allowed). Rabbits' ages are computed as of the opening day of the fair, Tuesday, August 16, 2011. If the Roaster rabbit is under 5 or over 8 pounds when it is weighed in it can not be sold through the sale but can be switched to be shown in the Pet Class as long as the 4-H member does not already have 4 rabbits entered in the breed classes (Sections I-III).

## Rabbit Clinic

**4-H members must own their rabbits by June 15 to be eligible to show them at the Steuben County Fair.** Rabbits' must be at least 3 months of age to be exhibited. Rabbits' ages are computed as of the opening day of the fair, Tuesday, August 16, 2011.

There will be a rabbit clinic on **Wednesday, July 6 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](http://www.ansci.cornell.edu)

**4-H Animal Science entries for county fair including the rabbit entries are due to the CCE Office by Monday, July 11 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.

**To register for the rabbit clinic return the registration form to the CCE Office by Friday, June 24.**

## Poultry Clinic

There will be a poultry clinic on **Wednesday, July 6 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 who will be bringing their poultry to the fair. Pullorum testing will start at 5:00 p.m. and is free.

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**To register for the poultry clinic return the registration form to the CCE Office by Friday, June 24.**

## 2011 Poultry, Waterfowl and Rabbit 4-H Project Records and Project Champion Completion Forms

If you are exhibiting poultry, waterfowl or a rabbit at the 2011 Steuben County Fair, a project record must be turned into the CCE Office by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, September 12, 2011 to be eligible to exhibit that species at the 2012 Steuben County Fair. You can download a record at [www.putknowledgetowork.com](http://www.putknowledgetowork.com) or contact the CCE Office.

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 12, 2011 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.putknowledgestowork.com](http://www.putknowledgestowork.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 14, 2011 and Saturday, September 17, 2011 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 11, 2011 For more information contact Bob Whitney at 607-776-2500 or visit <http://www.steubencountyfair.org/poultry.htm>

## *Horticulture*

### **NYS 4-H Forestry Weekend June 3-5, 2011 at 4-H Camp Owahta, Cortland County**

Join youth from across the state for a weekend of forestry activities, fun, and competition. This three-day event is for youth aged 10 and up (and staff and volunteers) interested in learning more about forests, and to select the NYS team that will go to the 2011 National 4-H Forestry Invitational (must be 14-19 for the national event).

The Forestry weekend activities include:

- Tree identification
- Tree measurements
- Compass usage
- Map reading
- Insects and diseases
- Geocaching
- Nature games
- Night hikes and more

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

Cost \$35 per person: includes food, materials, and cabin lodging. (A \$95 value!). Registration forms will be out in the spring. Come as a team or as an individual. The top four qualifying youth will be selected to go to the National Invitational.

**Come Learn; Come Compete; Come and Have Fun!**

Experience not necessary. (unless you'd like to go to Nationals!)

All youth must have an assigned chaperone.

For questions contact Rebecca Hargrave at 607-334-5841 x 16 or jr45@cornell.edu or Gary Goff at 607-255-2824 or [grg3@cornell.edu](mailto:grg3@cornell.edu). <http://ccechenango99.squarespace.com/4-h-forestry/> registrations due May 25, 2011.

We are also looking for volunteers for the weekend!

Funding Support provided by the New York State Forest Owners Association- Southern Finger Lakes Chapter.

If you or your organization would like to help sponsor the event, please contact Rebecca Hargrave.

For more information about the National Invitational July 24 – 28 (Sun. - Thurs.) in West Virginia go to: <http://www.4hforestryinvitational.org/>.



## 4-H Spring Garden Meeting

Tuesday, April 12, 2011

Steuben County Fairgrounds, Central Steuben Masonic Community Center  
(Mason Building), Chestnut Street, Bath

6:30 p.m.. Seed Distribution

7:00 – 8:30 p.m. – The program will include information about Flower and Vegetable Gardening including companion gardening, exhibiting at the

fair and project records

You will be able to have the pH of your soil tested. If you would like the pH of your garden tested, you need to bring a SMALL amount (2 oz) of air-dried soil from your garden. In order to get an accurate sample, take soil from four or five places in your garden, mix it all together, let it dry thoroughly and put about 2 oz. in a bag. Please label the bag with your name and phone number. The soil sample will be tested at the CCE Office and you will be notified of the results.

Register by Monday, April 4 by completing the registration form or email Kim at [ksb3@cornell.edu](mailto:ksb3@cornell.edu) or call 607-664-2306.

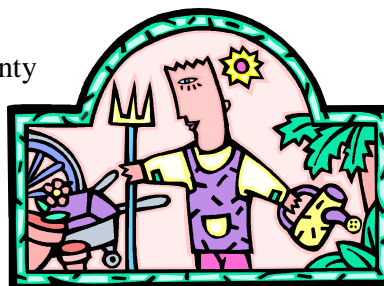
## Garden Visits

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 before County Fair. 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** or email Kim at [ksb3@cornell.edu](mailto:ksb3@cornell.edu) or call 607-664-2306 return it to the CCE Office by **Monday, July 11.**

**4-H Project Records are due to the CCE Office by Monday, September 12, 2011 to receive project credit and to be eligible for project champion awards. You can get your Flower or Vegetable records at [www.putknowledgetowork.com](http://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 on Saturday, July 9 from 10 a.m. - noon.



- Tom Cortright will teach participants about drying flowers and making pressed flower arrangements and dried flower arrangements.
- Tom will also demonstrate how to make a corsage.

Participants should bring some flowers with them that they want to dry or press.

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 on the web at [www.putknoughtowork.com](http://www.putknoughtowork.com) by Friday, June 24.**

## 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 2011 and a different vegetable record for members 12 and over as of January 1, 2011. To receive a flower or vegetable record visit our website at [www.putknoughtowork.com](http://www.putknoughtowork.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 12, 2011** and are required to receive project credit and to be eligible for Project Champion Awards.

## 2011 Vegetable Varieties List and Other Websites

The 2011 selected list of vegetable varieties for home garden use in New York State is available online at [www.gardening.cornell.edu/vegetables/vegvar.pdf](http://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](http://www.hort.cornell.edu/gbl) for resources for volunteers and parents working with children and youth. Visit [www.thebulbproject.org](http://www.thebulbproject.org) for creative activities to teach science, art, history, math and more.

## *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](mailto:jmg422@cornell.edu). The 2011 Steuben County Horse Packet is available on the web! Go to [www.putknoughtowork.com](http://www.putknoughtowork.com) then click "4-H Youth



Development” and scroll down to the “Horse” link. The 2011 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.putknawledgetowork.com](http://www.putknawledgetowork.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 2010 Steuben County 4-H Horse Shows, 2010 Walk/Trot riders, 2010 Novice riders, 2010 Walk/Stop riders, 2010 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 29 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 29 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 Friday, May 27th . 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 (English, Western, Driving) and entries are due Friday, May 27. A Jumping/Showmanship/Trail Clinic will be held June 26<sup>th</sup>, entries are due the 20<sup>th</sup>. The July show dates are July 9 (English, Western, Driving) and entries are due Friday, June 24. Mark these on your calendar!**

**County Fair entries will be due on Monday, July 11, 2011. If you show your equine at the County Fair, you *MUST* turn your project record in by Monday, September 12, 2011. Any 4-H horse club members who are 12 years and older *MUST* include the *Horse Essay Question* with their horse project record to receive credit for completing the 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, 2011 – Wednesday

**TIME:** 8:30 AM Registration – 4:00 PM

**PLACE:** Cornell University, Morrison Hall, Ithaca, NY

**Registration and \$20 registration fee plus parking if needed is due by May 19<sup>th</sup> 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/in-service/index.html>

## County Fair

**ALL 4-H YOUTH BUILDING EXHIBITS MUST ARRIVE AT THE FAIRGROUNDS ON SUNDAY ONLY, BETWEEN 10:00 A.M. AND 4:00 P.M.**



**CLOVERBUD JUDGING OF YOUTH BUILDING EXHIBITS WILL BE FROM 1:00 P.M. TO 3:00 P.M. ON SUNDAY ONLY**

### Youth Building

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 17. These presentations follow the same guidelines as those during the year.

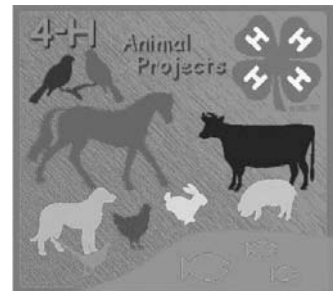
Don't forget that there is also a Produced In New York Contest at the fair. Choose a food that is grown in New York State and prepare a food demonstration using it as the main ingredient. It could be a food you have grown in your garden or purchased locally. This is a silent demonstration and is judged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

### 2011 Steuben County Fair Cloverbud Animal Science Projects –(New - Beef)

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

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 11.

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. Cloverbuds will 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 ½-5 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 cannot show a meat bird
- Beef – 9:00 a.m. - Must have an adult on the lead at all times so attach a nylon lead rope in conjunction with the lead on the halter.  
Only allowed to exhibit a junior beef calf born March 1, 2011 – June 15, 2011. Steers and heifers only, no bull calves allowed. May be dairy steers or beef heifer or beef steer.

### **Thursday**

- 11 a.m. Dairy – Arrive on Wednesday, 2-4 p.m. or Thursday 8-9:30 a.m. 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, 2011 – June 15, 2011
- 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
- 9:30 a.m. - Rabbit

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.

**Cloverbuds that show animals must complete an animal record and turn it in to the 4-H Office no later than Monday, September 12, 2011.**

**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 2011 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:

May 28 – Horse Certificates, rabies and coggins due.

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

## **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 11 with registration papers if showing registered animals.**

**Entries are due to the Cornell Cooperative Extension Office by Monday, July 11 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 2011–**

**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.**

**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 their 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 pigmy 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 pigmy as a market goat project.

**All market swine must have a green STEUBEN COUNTY 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 2011 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.***

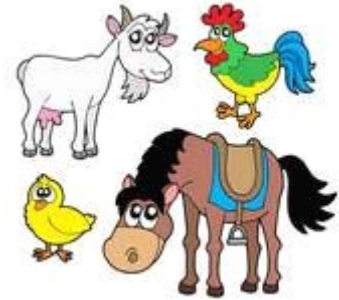
Below are some highlights.

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 2011 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 2011 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 (ear tag 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 ear tag, ear notch or tattoo. Each goat or lamb exhibited must have legible scrapie identification.

### **Attention 4-H Animal Exhibitors at the 2011 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 2011 County Fair, (INCLUDING HORSE).**

All 4-H members who exhibit an animal project in the 4-H Division at the 2011 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 12, 2011 to be eligible to exhibit that species at the 2012 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.**

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## **4-H Expo 2011**

More than 300 youth (ages 8-19), leaders and parents from the nine counties in the Finger Lakes 4-H Region, attended the 4-H Expo at Midlakes High School Saturday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. There were over 40 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. There was also a “Cloverbud Fun Day” that was filled with activities for Cloverbuds ages 5-8. 24 members and parent/leaders from Steuben County attended. This program is offered every March. Volunteers are always needed to teach the workshops. Watch for the date and workshop bulletin next January.

## **District Public Presentations**

The Finger Lakes 4-H District held their annual Finger Lakes District Public Presentations on Saturday, March 28 in Livonia. Ninety 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.

**The following were awarded a gold 4-H medallion for scoring in the Top 30 for District Public Presentations: Megan Cratsley, Raven Foote, Alan Tai, Alyx Uhl, Chosen for a Judges Choice Award was Megan Cratsley.**

Room hostesses were Laura Becker, Raven Foote, Sara Traphagen and Alyx Uhl. Evaluators representing Steuben County were: Julee Acomb and Betty Holden.



### **SMALL FARM SWINE FORUM**

Saturday May 7 from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM  
Romulus Fire Hall, Romulus, NY

***THIS IS AN INFORMAL FARMER TO FARMER PROGRAM***  
**Our thanks to CCE-Seneca County for helping with the registration**

Alternative swine production offers the small land holder an interesting opportunity in the northeast. We have a large population and a significant portion of that population seeks to eat certain foods for specific reasons. That food might be organic, naturally raised, from specific animal breeds, locally produced, incorporating sustaining production procedures, and/or raised with certain humane considerations. We have niche market opportunities. Animal production also offers nutrient management advantages where crops are involved.

**Guest Speaker: Dr. Peter Lammers,**

Livestock Specialist with the National Center for Appropriate Technology

Pete has extensive background in alternative swine production and niche marketing, including six years working closely with Mark Honeyman on sustainable swine production at Iowa State.

#### **PETE'S TOPICS:**

##### **Alternative Pig Production and Marketing**

General overview of alternative pig production practices in the United States. Focus will be on how farmers in various parts of the country are housing and managing their pigs in order to access the growing demand for local, natural, and/or organic pork. Emphasis will be placed on farrowing set-ups and managing pig flow. Will include discussion of how individuals are marketing their products and important lessons learned from past experiences.

##### **Production Applications**

Alternative protein sources for pigs: Basics of swine nutrition with focus on low-cost diets for farmers in New York and the Northeast US. Emphasis will be placed on finding local alternatives to soybean meal and how this might impact meat quality and pig performance

Saving baby pigs: Will cover basics of farrowing without conventional farrowing crates and practical experience of farmers who are relatively successful. Will include considerations for farrowing hut or other set-up design.

**Farmer to Farmer Panel:**

Four New York pork producers will share their experiences and answer your questions concerning alternative, sustainable, niche pork production and marketing.

**Your Small Farm Swine Forum:**

An open discussion by all participants, including the audience. Bring your questions, your concerns, and your experience. We can all learn from one another.

**Suggestions to prime the pump:**

- Regulatory road blocks for small farm marketing?
- Why aren't NY auction reports individualized like PA's in Country Folks?
- Concerned about the quality of swine knowledge among veterinarians in NY?
- Where do you go for swine production information?
- Does niche marketing have a future in a questionable economy?
- It's your turn to add to this list

Your opportunity to gain from this forum is only limited by your imagination. Come – learn, share, network, and enjoy the company of like minded folks.

Cost: \$25 per person when received by April 29. Received after April 29, \$35 per person. Lunch included.

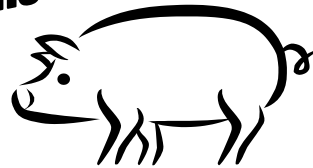
Preregistration: Please make checks payable to CCE-Seneca County. **Please write PIG on the check.** Send to CCE-Seneca County, 308 Main Street Shop Centre, Waterloo, NY 13165.

Questions: Call Bill Henning at (585) 728 5783 or Tro Bui at (607) 592-1438

**Livestock Projects Available.**

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**Hargrave Farms**



**Market Hogs –  
FEEDER PIG SALE**

Sunday, April 17, 2:30 pm

At the farm: 3759 State Route 21, Wayland NY

Offering approx. 35 feeder pigs, right for July and Aug. shows, born in January and February.

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

**Feeder Pigs**

Angela Smith, 8002 County Route 4, Campbell, NY 14821 607-527-3421

Berkshire, Duroc, and Hampshires. Call for more information.

**Lambs**

Oman Farm in Campbell, NY has some lambs available for 4-H Market Lamb Projects. Call 607-527-3006 for more information.