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### November

November 4 - Achievement Night Dinner and Awards - tentative
November 10 – Observance of Veteran’s Day, CCE Office Closed
November 23-24 - CCE Office Closed for Thanksgiving
Interest in learning about Pack Goats and the Goat Obstacle class

Are you interested in learning more about and training your goat for the Pack/Obstacle Goat Class at the Fair? Dairy and Meat Goats are eligible to participate. Does and wethers of any breed and age are eligible to participate. Meat goat bucks under 12 months are eligible. Goats can be trained using treats but cannot be shown in the ring with treats. If this is the only goat you will be bringing to the fair you will be required to also show it for dairy goat or meat goat showmanship depending on its respective breed. To learn more and practice with your goat come to the first class on Tuesday, June 27 and continue weekly except for July 4 from 6:00 pm – 7:30 p.m. at Hillside Children’s Center, Snell Farm, 7320 Snell Hill Road, Bath in the red barn. Parents please plan on staying and watching the class. If you don’t have a goat but would like to learn you will be able to borrow a goat to practice. For more information or to verify if they are still holding the class due to the weather contact Lorri Dennis at lorridennis48@gmail.com or 607-794-0332.

Livestock Skillathon

Steuben County 4-H members interested in Livestock Skillathon can participate in weekly practice sessions Thursday, July 6 at 7 p.m. at 4741 Pumpstation Road, Cameron Mills, NY 14820. For more information contact Teresa Chapman at trc1924@hotmail.com or 607-368-1674. For information on the NYS Fair Skillathon Contest http://4h.ansci.cornell.edu/events-2/nys-fair/livestock-skillathon/

National Wild Turkey Federations JAKES Conservation Field Day

The Canisteo, Cohocton Valley, and Southern Tier Chapters of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF) will hold a JAKES (Juniors Acquiring Knowledge, Ethics and Sportsmanship) Conservation Field Day held on Saturday, July 8 at the Bath Rod & Gun Club: 7771 Telegraph Road, Bath, NY 14810. This is a fun-filled day for ages 17 and under, along with their families to learn more about outdoor activities. JAKES under 12 and Extreme JAKES 13-17.

There is no charge for anyone to attend any of the activities. There will be free food and refreshments. Parent or legal guardian must sign registrations/release form. The Whitetails Unlimited are partners and they provide free drawings to the youth. Registration will begin at 8:00 am. Event begins at 9:00 am. For more information or to register contact Jim McGlynn at 607-776-6263

Steuben County Fair 4-H Dog Show Entries due July 10

The Steuben County Fair 4-H Dog Show is Monday, August 14 at 9 a.m. in the 4-H Horse Show Ring across the track. County Fair Entries are due to the CCE Office by Monday, July 10. http://putknowledgetowork.org/4-h-youth/4-h-program-areas/county-state-fair If bringing in person, please bring to the 4-H building on the fairgrounds between 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. The Steuben County Fair dog show will be the final determination on who will represent the Steuben County 4-H Dog Program. You MUST attend the Steuben County Fair 4-H Dog Show to exhibit at the NYS 4-H Dog Show.

State Fair Dog Show August 19 Entries due July 17

The NYS 4-H Dog Show is Saturday, August 19. Entries for the NYS 4-H Dog Show are due to the CCE-Steuben office on Monday, July 17. http://4h.ansci.cornell.edu/events-2/nys-fair/forms-information/ The Steuben County Fair dog show will be the final determination on who will represent the Steuben County 4-H Dog Program at the NYS Fair Dog Show. You MUST attend the Steuben County Fair 4-H Dog Show to exhibit at the NYS 4-H Dog Show. If you have any questions contact Kim at ksb3@cornell.edu or 607-583-3185 or your 4-H Dog Obedience Instructor.
**FFA Tractor Driving Contest open to Steuben County 4-H Members**

Current 4-H members who have successfully completed the 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operators Course have the opportunity to participate in the FFA Tractor Driving Contest on Friday, July 21 at 9 a.m. at the Jasper-Troupburg (J-T) Athletic Field/Land Lab, on Route 36 in Jasper. 4-H members interested in practicing can participate Wednesday, July 19 and Thursday, July 20 from 8 a.m. – 11 a.m. at the J-T Athletic Field/Land Lab. Please contact Kim Randall at ksb3@cornell.edu or 607-583-3185 to indicate if you are interested in participating so that she can let Phil Marsh, J-T FFA Advisor know how many to anticipate.

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**Allegany-Steuben All Breeds Show**

The Allegany-Steuben All Breeds Show will be held at the Allegany-Steuben Holstein Club Barn, Route 36 in South Canisteo on July 12 at 6 p.m. for showmanship and July 13 at 9 a.m. for confirmation classes. Entries must be postmarked by Saturday, July 1 and mailed to Bethany Kent-King for the $10 per animal entry fee and in order to be listed in the show program. After July 1 the entry fee is $15 per animal. To receive more information contact Darleen Krisher-Meehan, Allegany-Steuben Holstein Club Secretary, at darleenk@frontiernet.net or Chairperson Bethany Kent-King at 607-382-2573 or Ron Button at 607-281-7415.

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**Looking for 4-H Youth Ages 11-18 to participate in an online Sense of Purpose Short Survey**

**Project Description**

Dr. Rachel Sumner at Cornell University is conducting a study investigating how people find a direction, or sense of purpose, in life.

**Background:**

In adolescence, many individuals begin exploring their options for a life’s direction, or purpose. Adolescents might think about different kinds of purpose they could pursue (e.g., prosocial, financial, creative, or personal recognition), but what factors affect whether they think a certain kind of purpose is right for them? Norms and stereotypes about gender might affect people's ideas about what kind of purpose they should pursue, and the goal of this study is to understand how youth think about purpose and gender together. The findings of this study could be useful for 4-H programming designed to help youth think about their future.

**Methods:**

*Participants:* youth ages 11-18.

*Procedure:* Parents/guardians who want their child to be eligible to participate must complete the online consent form before July 31, 2017.

Contact Rachel Sumner at ras525@cornell.edu for link to the online form or Kim Randall at ksb3@cornell.edu. Youth whose parent/guardian has provided consent for them to participate in this research will be emailed a link to a brief online survey. The survey asks how they feel and think about themselves, in addition to some questions about how they think about the kinds of life directions that other people choose to pursue. The survey takes approximately 10 minutes to complete.

**Youth Compensation:**

Participating youth will be assured that participation in the study is voluntary. Those who do participate will receive a small gift to thank them (a $10 electronic gift card to their choice of Amazon.com, Barnes & Noble, or iTunes).

Thank you,
Rachel Sumner, Ph.D.
Cornell University, Ithaca NY
ras525@cornell.edu
607-255-7698
The 2017 NYS 4-H ABC Trip will be held Thursday, October 19 – Friday, October 20. This career exploration Conference is open to 4-H members 14 and over who wish to become more aware of opportunities with agriculture and also academic requirements for professional positions available in the various agri-business. It will feature mini-tours to farms and operations in the Cobleskill area as well as seminars, guest speakers and guided tours of the SUNY Cobleskill agricultural facilities.

Registration is $95 per youth unless you were selected by the Steuben County awards committee for this trip and you sold at least $75 dollars in the 2016 Steuben County Fall Fundraiser or paid the $75 family enrollment. Steuben County will need a chaperone. There is also a scholarship application that 4-H members can apply to receive. Those members selected for the ABC trip are Nathan Lawson, Katlin Bidlack, Taylor Scott, Bethany Patton, Olivia Lewis, Katie Siranni, Priscilla Helgerson, Rachel Hoffer. 1st alternate Tristyn Risly, 2nd Alternate Jade Atherton and 3rd alternate Peter Kelly. Please contact Kim Randall at ksb3@cornell.edu or 607-583-3185 if you have any questions or if you are possibly interested in attending to receive more information. Registration is due to Kim by Monday September 11.

Tractor Supply Fall 4-H Paper Clover Promotion

4-H Clubs/Families help is requested 4-H Clubs/families are needed to help sell 4-h paper Clovers October 4-15 at all three Tractor Supply Company (TSC) Stores in Steuben County. 4-H Papers Clovers are paper representation of the 4-H Clover that are sold for $1 by TSC store team members and prominently displayed in the store. For added incentive, the 4-H Club that sells the most in Steuben County will receive a $50 check! Clubs can have a display of their projects, club banner, bring animals, bake sale, activity for the public etc. Please contact Jenny or Kim at the CCE Office regarding either of these events so we have representation at all 3 stores. Also, please contact the specific TSC Store Manager to make arrangements as well. Bath Store – 607-664-1222, Hornell Store – 607-324-9434, Painted Post Store – 607-962-2606.

Tractor Supply Company PAW EVENT

September 16th Tractor Supply Company is having a PAW event and they have requested 4-H to have a display. 4-H members will receive 4-H on Display if they set up a display and complete the 4-H on Display project completion form/record. For more information please contact the specific Tractor Supply Store Manager to arrange with them what day and time you will be coming and make any necessary arrangements: Bath store – 607-664-1222, Hornell store – 607-324-9434, and Painted Post store – 607-962-2606.

NYS Dog Photography, Young Poets Writing Challenge and Dog Video Contests

Entries must be postmarked by July 15 and mailed to Kathi Chambliss in Alfred Station. For specific entry requirements and an entry form visit http://4h.ansci.cornell.edu/events-2/nys-fair/forms-information/

2017 4-H National Youth Science Day

October 4, 2017

4-H National Youth Science Day (NYSD) is the world’s largest youth-led science experiment. Every year thousands of youth take part in the National Science Challenge focusing on important STEM topics and issues. This year’s 4-H NYSD event will take place on October 4, 2017. To learn more click here. http://4-h.org/parents/national-youth-science-day/#!about-nysd
2017 Achievement Night Awards Program

On November 4th, Steuben County 4-H members will be recognized for their outstanding accomplishments for the 2016-2017 project year. 4-H is the youth development and educational program of Cornell Cooperative Extension. 4-H members have accomplishments on the local, district, state and national levels. Your support is needed to provide 4-H members with appropriate recognition for their accomplishments. The 4-H Program relies heavily upon individuals, local businesses and organizations for sponsorship of year-end awards. Sponsorship of a single award is $20 and additional sponsorships are $15 each. All sponsors are listed in the awards program and are announced when the sponsored award is presented. Sponsors also receive a copy of the awards program and a thank you certificate.

The Annual Achievement Night Awards Program will be held Saturday, November 4th.

Behind the Scenes Award

This award is presented to a 4-H Dairy and Livestock member that has done a lot of work “Behind the Scenes”, and may not have received recognition. This is not only for work done at the County Fair but throughout the 4-H project year. If you would like to nominate a 4-H member please send your nominations to the CCE Office by Friday, October 13th. Please indicate why you think the 4-H member deserves this award.

Office News

4-H Project Records Due Monday, September 18!

To be eligible for year-end awards and to receive project credit, 4-H members are required to complete records for animal science, clothing, flower gardening, vegetable gardening, junior leader, and citizenship. Also check the website at www.putknowledgetowork.org and click on 4-H/Youth Development and Forms for these records. To obtain your 4-H Animal Science Project Record contact your 4-H leader or stop at the CCE Office or call us at 607-664-2300.

Steuben County 4-H Livestock Advisory Committee Teen Representative Application

Applications are due on Monday, September 18, 2017 to CCE-Steuben, c/o Kim Randall, 3 East Pulteney Square, Bath, NY 14810

The 4-H Livestock Advisory Committee will select 4-H members (ages 14-18) at their September meeting to serve as members of the 2017-2018 4-H Livestock Advisory Committee. The 4-H Livestock Advisory Committee meets approximately 6 times a year (October, January, March, June, August, September) at the Steuben County Office Building in Bath on a Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. For more information about the requirements and application process or any questions please contact Kim at 607-583-3185 or at ksb3@cornell.edu.

Just a Friendly Reminder

Fair time is approaching and we want to take the opportunity to remind everyone of our office policy. Any County Fair items, Achievement Night 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.
NEW Project Record Requirement for Animal at the 2017 County Fair

All 4-H members who exhibit an animal project in the 4-H Division at the 2017 Steuben County Fair are required to turn into the CCE Office at least one record on their project animal(s) per species by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, September 18, 2017 to be eligible to receive 2017 Fair Premiums. If you fail to meet the September 18th deadline, NO fair premiums will be awarded (for that species or any other fair exhibits including youth building). There will be no consequences for showing the following year. 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. Market animal exhibitors, the rules will remain the same as in previous years and every 4-H member who sells a market animal through the 4-H & FFA Livestock Sale must turn in a market animal project record to be eligible to identify and show a market animal in 4-H division at the 2018 Steuben County Fair.

End-Of-Year Completion and 4-H on Display and Community Service Reports

4-H organizational leaders and independent members: don’t forget to fill out and hand in the End-Of-The-Year Completion Forms, Project Champion nomination forms, 4-H on Display forms and Community Service records. These forms are essential for your club members to receive a completion certificate at the Achievement Program or for Project Champion. DO NOT DISAPPOINT THE MEMBERS OF YOUR CLUB BY NOT COMPLETING THEM! Please complete and return these forms to the CCE Office by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, September 18, 2017. These forms are available on our website: http://putknowledgetowork.org/4-h-youth/4-h-program-areas

Senior Summary & Junior Activity Reports

Senior Summary and Junior Activity Reports are due Friday, September 29, 2017. Senior Summary report forms are to be completed by 4-H members in grades 7 and higher (as of fall 2017). 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. 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 http://putknowledgetowork.org/4-h-youth/4-h-program-areas 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 2017). 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 http://putknowledgetowork.org/4-h-youth/4-h-program-areas.

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, September 29, 2017.

Twin Tier Poultry Club Show to host APA National Meet!

Twin Tier Poultry Club in conjunction with Buffalo & WNY Poultry Club are proud to host the 2017 American Poultry Association National Meet at the Steuben County Fairgrounds September 9th & 10th. Visit https://www.twintierpoultryclub.org/ for more information or contact Bob Whitney at 607-776-2500 rodewhit@gmail.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, September 16, 2017. For more information contact Keith Orsanides at 607-776-5098 or visit: https://www.twintierpoultryclub.org/copy-of-2016-fall-consignment-auction
County Fair Youth Building Entries:

4-Hers need to enter their youth building exhibits (baking, food preservation, sewing, woodworking, home environment, electric, small shop, art, farm crops, photography, etc.) on the appropriate form and turn into the 4-H office no later than July 10, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. The only exception to this is Department I: Section I vegetables; section II potatoes; section III largest vegetables; section V fruits; section VI classes 1-14 ornamental horticulture. These can be entered in advance on the form and the blue cards will be printed or the blue card can be filled out by the 4-Her at fair time. Blue cards can be picked up at the 4-H office anytime.

Please read the fair book for additional information and for new classes that are available. If you have any questions, call the 4-H office at 607-664-2300.

As you fill out your entry form for the 4-H youth building exhibits, enter everything you think you will be bringing to the fair. The entry form is included in the fair book, and on the 4-H website www.putknowledgeework.org. Make as many copies as you need. You will no longer be making out the blue cards for these exhibits. The day you bring your exhibits to the youth building (Sunday, August 13th), you will receive a packet with preprinted cards that YOU will attach to your exhibits or pick them up at Fair Clean-up day, Aug. 7th or any day after that at the 4-H office (open Monday through Friday 8:30-4:30).

COUNTY FAIR 4-H EXHIBITOR OVERNIGHT POLICY – ON HOLD

FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE PUBLISHED IN MONDAY MEMOS

The 4-H Program Committee overnight policy:

Only exhibitors of animals at the Steuben County Fair can stay overnight and they must have parental approval to stay overnight on the grounds and must sign the permission slip and medical release form/code of conduct form.

Boys and girls can possibly sign up to stay in either the sheep/swine barn or the cement dairy/beef barn IF we have the adequate number of approved chaperones at least 21 years of age (1 male and 1 female) before July 18. If we do not have the necessary

Overnight Chaperones

At this time 4-H members will not be allowed to stay in the barns overnight during the week of fair. There are several reasons that have factored into this decision. IF there are enough qualified chaperones by July 18th, this may be reconsidered. If you are interested in volunteering to chaperone you must:

- contact the CCE Office
- be 21 years of age
- complete the 4-H volunteer application & background check which can be found on the web

Fair passes will be given to those serving as chaperones.

Please plan your week accordingly!!
Chaperones 4-H members will not be allowed to stay in the barns. If you are willing to chaperone contact the CCE Office by July 18. Overnight accommodations will be on a first come-first serve basis, with priority given to youth needing to stay the night previous to a show.

4-H members staying overnight, even if you are exhibiting in open class are subject to 4-H Rules.

All 4-H members must be in the overnight housing by 10:00 p.m. 4-H members must be settled and quiet by 10:30 p.m. when lights will be out. If 4-H members will be attending special events in the grandstand in the evening or midnight madness (teens only) the curfew permission slip for special events needs to be completed by the parent/guardian. The form must be signed at the 4-H Fair Office by the parent/guardian and the 4-H member. A wristband will be issued to the 4-H member that is to be worn until the 4-H member returns to the designated overnight housing. The 4-H member agrees to be in the designated housing 15 minutes after the event is over if the event runs past 10 p.m. Your bedding (cots, air mattresses, etc.) in the barns must be picked up at 9:00 a.m. each morning. 4-H members must be courteous to chaperones, adults, and members. The barns will not be open until 6 a.m. Youth cannot leave their designated overnight housing before 6:00 a.m.

4-H members are not allowed to stay overnight if the required chaperons are not available. Chaperones are needed please complete the County Fair Volunteer Return Form by July 10, found in this issue or on the web or contact the CCE Office. Chaperones, including those staying in campers, must have an approved volunteer application/background check on file with the CCE office.

We Need Your Help!

County Fair 4-H Office
Adult volunteers (parents, leaders, grandparents, and friends) are needed to help at the 4-H Office in the County Fair Building in the evening and on the weekend. It's lots of FUN... you'll meet lots of new people for just a few hours of your time! Duties include answering questions and phone, watching exhibits, and monitoring the building. Fair passes will be given to those helping in the 4-H Office, so sign-up today. A sign-up sheet is enclosed in this issue and is on the web at www.putknowledgetowork.org or contact the CCE Office.

From Tues.-Fri. there will be two evening shifts, one from 4-7 p.m., one from 7-10 p.m. On Saturday the shifts are from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.; 2 - 6 p.m. and 6 - 10p.m. On Sunday the shift is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

County Fair Bake Sale
All of the 4-H Food exhibits entered at the County Fair are sold on Monday at the 4-H Bake Sale. The proceeds from the Bake Sale go to the 4-H Activity Fund. Two to three youth and/or adults are needed to run the Bake Sale for the following shifts:

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m.

If you would like to help at the Bake Sale, please let the CCE Office know by contacting us at 607-664-2300 or by filling in the appropriate section on the County Fair Volunteer Form found on the web or on the form enclosed in this Steubenite. Be sure to stop by the bake sale and get some yummy goodies to take home (or to the barns) to enjoy!
What’s Happening in the Youth Building This Year?

Want to be more involved in the Youth Building at the County Fair? There are many opportunities this year to get involved! Sign up to be a Junior Evaluator on Monday or a Teen Assistant during the week. See below for details. For all youth building activities fair entry tickets will be provided for those over 12 that don’t have passes.

Be a Teen Assistant any day!
(See insert to sign-up)
Teen Assistants duties will be to welcome fairgoers visiting the youth building and answer questions about 4-H. Other jobs will depend on the activities taking place. It may be arranging exhibits, answering the phone, helping with the contests and activities, taking pictures, keeping the exhibits and building looking nice.

Receive a County Fair Teen Leader sticker on your year-end Certificate.

Be a Junior Evaluator/Judge’s Helper!
(See insert to sign-up)
Learn first-hand what the judges are looking for! On Judging Day, Monday August 14th, you can be a judge’s assistant and help with the judging and arranging of exhibits! Receive a County Fair Teen leader sticker on your year-end Certificate.

What’s Happening in the Youth Building This Year?

“Produced in New York” Public Presentation Program: Wed. or Fri. 2:00-4:00pm (See insert to sign up)

a. This is open to all 4-H youth 8-19.
b. Without saying a word (Silent Presentation), share a favorite recipe that includes at least one featured ingredient that is produced in New York State. Some suggestions are: apples, grapes, cherries, maple syrup, honey, any vegetable that is grown in your garden. The presenter should have a poster with the name of the recipe, ingredients, directions and the origin of the recipe.

c. Participants are encouraged to use recipes with lower amounts of sugar, fat, sodium, and increased amounts of fiber. Consider using those ingredients that add nutritive value, such as vegetables, fruits, nuts, whole grains.
d. Participants will have access to only electricity at the county fair. All equipment is the responsibility of the presenter.
e. The presenter has up to 30 minutes to complete his/her demonstration. However no samples may be distributed.
f. Participants are encouraged to use a variety of demonstration skills- measuring wet and dry ingredients, chopping, mixing etc.
g. The finished product will be displayed upon conclusion of the presentation. The finished product may be prepared and brought from home OR may be the result of the demonstration itself.
h. Recipes should come from a 4-H curriculum, an original family recipe or an original recipe of the participant. No recipes are permitted from copyrighted cookbooks. Recipes that are based on a recipe from a cookbook must have at least three changes or modifications made (Example: slightly more cinnamon, omission of salt, use of honey or maple syrup in place of sugar or applesauce to replace the fat.
i. At the end of the demonstration, the participant will indicate verbally “this concludes my presentation; are there any questions or comments?” At this time audience members and the evaluator can ask questions or make comments the recipe. Copies of the recipe can be handed out. The 4-H office can make copies if needed.
j. Demonstrations must follow 4-H guidelines on giving a food demonstration. Ask your leader or Contact the 4-H office for more information.

A ribbon will be awarded based on performance. Entries from the Produced in NY contest maybe invited to present at the NYS Fair.
Other Activities for Wed. & Friday 2:00 to 4:00 PM (See insert to sign-up)

Wednesday and Friday are Youth Days at the Fair. In the afternoon from 2:00-4:00 4-H will be showcasing some of the projects and activities that are being done in the county. It can involve 4-Hers of all ages (5-19), leaders and adults! (See insert to sign-up) Fair Entry tickets for those over 12 will be provided so you can get in free.

Here are some ideas:

**Make It Take It Table:**
Do you have a craft or other project that you did in your club this year that takes only about 5-10 minutes to make? How about a few members of your club and a parent or leader showing the public how to make this project and then assisting them in making it? Assistance for supplies is available.

**2017 District Public Presenters:** Those that were selected for district presentations are invited to do the presentations that they did at the county level and repeated at District Presentations

**4-H Show Case:** Special Interest Groups- robotics, bunny jumping, GPS, crafts, weaving, crafts, scrapbooking. 4-H members, parents and/or leaders can work together.

**Mannequin Modeling:** Show the clothing outfit that you made to the public by mannequin modeling in the youth building. Even if you have entered it in the fair, you can take it off the display, model it, and put it back. It’s fun to fool people into thinking you’re a store window model! This is an activity that is done at the NYS Fair.

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**Animal Science**

We also need your assistance with a variety of animal shows, events. Refer to list below. Please contact Kim at 607-583-3185 or at ksb3@cornell.edu if you can assist or complete the volunteer return form by Monday, July 10.

**Monday, August 14**
Dog Show – Horse Show Arena – 9 am

**Tuesday, August 15**
Meat Goat Show – 9 a.m.
Cavy/Rabbit Show – 8:00 p.m. Announcer, getting members & rabbits on deck
Swine Show – 2 p.m. (Either in ring or in the barn)
Dairy Showmanship – 5 p.m. announcer, clerk, coordinator for next class in cement barn or in old beef barn

**Wednesday, August 16**
Dairy Show – 8:30 a.m. heifer classes announcer, clerk, coordinator for next class in cement barn or in old beef barn
Dairy Show – 1:00 p.m. cow classes announcer, clerk, coordinator for next class in cement barn or in old beef barn
Sheep Show – 9 a.m.
Livestock Judging Contest – 5 p.m. Scorekeeper(s) and Leadsman

**Thursday, August 17**
Poultry Showmanship – 9 a.m.
Beef Showmanship – 9:30 a.m.
Beef Show – 1 pm
4-H Animal Costume Contest – 5 p.m.

**Friday, August 18**
Horse Show – English & Western Classes – 9 a.m. – announcer, gates (In/Out), Ring Steward
Rabbit Showmanship – 9:30 a.m.
Dairy Goat Show – 9 a.m.
Swine Obstacle Course – 9:30 a.m.
Animal Photos – Assist with paperwork and identifying 4-H members 10-noon and noon - 2

**Saturday, August 19**
Horse Show – Showmanship, Dressage, Trail – 9 a.m. – Ring crew
Livestock Skillathon – 10 a.m
Fair Clean-Up Day - Sunday, August 6th 10:30 – 1 p.m.

All hands are needed to help “spruce-up” the 4-H building, 4-H bathrooms, and barns, at the County Fairgrounds. We need volunteers to help clean and disinfect the rabbit cages and goat pens. Parents, leaders, members, and friends are all welcome to help! **IF YOU HAVE 4-H MEMBERS WHO ARE EXHIBITING AT COUNTY FAIR, YOUR CLUB IS EXPECTED TO SEND AT LEAST 2 PEOPLE TO CLEAN UP DAY.**

*Please call 664-2300 or email las65@cornell.edu or return the sign up form by August 1st to sign up for Fair Clean-up Day*

The annual clean-up day is scheduled for **Sunday, August 6th, 10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m.** A thank-you lunch will be provided by the CCE Office. *Also bring your club banner to hang in the youth building.*

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Open Class Entries for Steuben County Fair are available on the web.

If you wish to enter in open class for the Steuben County Fair you need to download an open class book and entries at the Steuben County Agricultural Society website: [www.steubencountyfair.org](http://www.steubencountyfair.org) Open classes are available for meat goat, beef, dairy, poultry, sheep, swine, rabbit, food and nutrition, clothing and textiles, art, flowers and vegetables, needlework, farm products, etc. Contact the Agricultural Society at 607-776-4801 if you have any questions.

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**How Can You Help Your Child Get Ready For The Fair?**

1. Volunteer to assist your child and the 4-H leaders in your club.
2. Transport your child to and from the fairgrounds.
3. Encourage your child to become involved and to grow through 4-H fair experiences.
4. Read the Steubenite and make sure your child understands what is in it. Help your child plan his/her participation.
5. Encourage your child as he/she prepares their exhibit.
6. Read the County Fair Book and help your child enter the exhibits. Please note specifications for certain types of exhibits. (Example: Carrots - 3 specimens, any variety, tops off to approx. 1 inch)
Cloverbuds at County Fair

Cloverbud 4-H members are eligible, encouraged and welcome to exhibit at the County Fair!

Contests:
Cloverbuds are eligible to participate in the following contests in the youth building: vegetable art, flower arranging, creative place setting and creative giant cookie decorating. Refer to pages 53, 55, & 57 of your fair book and enter on the cloverbud entry form by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, July 10. The form can be found on the web at: www.putknowledgetowork.org. click on 4-H Youth Development then click on County Fair, in the fairbook or contact the CCE Office.

Projects: A Cloverbud member is eligible to enter five projects at the County Fair and may exhibit one project made as a group. See Department H, Section VI of the County Fair Book on page 53. Please use the the Green Cloverbud Entry Tags that will be available at the fair or from the CCE Office. Attach these entry tags securely with pins, tape, string, etc.

Cloverbuds will meet individually to present their five entries and club project to the judge on Sunday, August 14th between 1:00 and 3:00. Bring only non-animal entries to the 4-H building. There will be a special display area in the youth building for the Cloverbud projects. Cloverbud projects will not receive premiums, but will receive special ribbons. If you have questions, please contact your leader or the CCE Office.

Cloverbuds may exhibit 1 ANIMAL ONLY (dog, dairy goat, meat goat, poultry, rabbit, swine, sheep, dairy cattle, beef cattle, or horse). All Cloverbud animals must follow all health regulations that are in the 4-H Fairbook. Please read all health rules and regulations. Cloverbud Animal Entries are due to the CCE Office by Monday, July 10 at 4:30.

Flower Arranging, Vegetable Art, Creative Place Setting and Creative Cake/Cloverbud Giant Cookie Decorating Contests

If you are interested in participating in the:

- **Flower Arranging Contest**: Saturday, August 19th at 10:00 a.m.
- **Vegetable Art Contest**: Tuesday, August 15th, at 6:00 or 7:00 p.m.
- **Creative Place Setting Contest**: Saturday, August 19th at 1:00 p.m.
- **Creative Cake/Cloverbud Giant Cookie Decorating Contest**: Saturday, August 19th
  - 2:00 pm Cloverbud contest
  - 2:30 pm Junior contest
  - 3:00 pm Senior contest

You must register for these contests by Monday, July 10th by 4:30pm. Use the youth building registration form on the web at www.putknowledgetowork.org. Refer to pages 53, 55, and 57 of the county fair book for more information. Cloverbud members are eligible for these contests. Use the cloverbud contest entry form.
The “Most Creative Cake Contest”

One cake/cookie will be awarded the “most creative cake” in each class: cloverbud(cookie), junior (cake), or senior (cake). So… be sure to register for the contest and get the creative juices flowing! A cash prize will be awarded the day of the contest.

Cake/Giant Cookie Silent Auction

Do you participate in the cake decorating/giant cookie contest at the County Fair? Are you tired of trying to find a home for your cake after the contest. Well, we have come up with a solution.

Donate your decorated cakes/giant cookie, from the contest to the silent auction. The silent auction will be held outside (weather permitting) the 4-H Exhibit Building at the conclusion of the cake decorating contest on Saturday, August 19th. Proceeds from the silent auction will benefit the Steuben County 4-H Activity Fund.

Tips on Baking for the County and State Fair

Mixing/Baking

- Always use fresh ingredients, such as baking powder, oil, whole grain or regular flour.
- Date your containers when you buy them.
- Overmixing causes a tough product with large holes or tunnels or a top which is peaked.
- Under-mixing causes streaks of flour and uneven rising.
- Make sure dry ingredients are sifted together and liquid ingredients are well mixed.
- No paper liners are allowed for muffins.
- Dust raisins lightly with flour so they don’t stick together or sink to the bottom.
- No toppings are allowed.
- Additions of dry cereals, raisins and nuts help to disguise problems of overmixing, especially in muffins and quick breads.

Cookies

- Do not place cookies too close together on baking sheet.
- Measure dough for each cookie using a small scoop or measuring spoon, so that size is equal.
- Trim outer edge away from bar cookies before cutting into squares. Use a ruler to measure so that size is equal.

Storage/Freezing

- Avoid recipes that do not keep or travel well in hot, humid weather.
- Cool product completely on racks before storing.
- Use proper wrapping - freezer containers, wrap and foil.
- Wrap each item separately.
- Bake extras and bring with you to judging in case of upsets and WHOOPS accidents!

Recipes

- Recipes must be on a 3 x 5 card typed or handwritten legibly. You may use a computer printout and securely tape to the card. Put your name on the card.
- Include the complete recipe including yield - ingredients first, then instructions. Include each step - ie: if you grease top of bread before baking, etc.
- If you reduce the amount of an ingredient(s), Indicate original amount of reduced ingredient(s) and then the reduced amount on the recipe card.
- Place recipe card in a small plastic bag to protect them.

General

- Judges expect the recipes to match age and ability - don't use same recipes from year to year.
- Use a large enough plate to display items. A paper plate is satisfactory if it is firm. Foil covered cardboard is also good. Do not use a plate that must be returned. Place everything in a large plastic bag - recipe and product.
Attention 4-H Members Exhibiting Clothing Projects

Did you know that a garment that gets a blue award at Clothing Revue might get a red award the County Fair and still be judged correctly? It is important that members, leaders and parents understand this.

At Clothing Revue the garment is judged on the member as part of a costume. The appearance of the member and the quality of workmanship are both considered. At the County Fair, the garment is not worn. Therefore, only the quality of workmanship can be evaluated.

Youth Building Exhibit Removal

Please be aware that the exhibits in the 4-H Youth Building at County Fair are NOT able to be removed until 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 20. This time release is set by the State Department of Agriculture and Markets and the Steuben County Agricultural Society. If exhibits are removed before 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 20, premium money will be forfeited by the exhibitor.

If you are picking up your exhibits on Sunday evening you will not be able to drive your vehicles down to the 4-H building until after the grandstand show.

If you are unable to pick-up on Sunday from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m., the 4-H building will be open on Monday, August 21 from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. All exhibitors with exhibits still remaining after 11:00 a.m. on Monday, August 21 will forfeit exhibit premiums!!

If you are not able to get these exhibits on Sunday night or Monday morning, please contact your leader or another member of your club to pick them up for you! It is not the responsibility of the CCE staff to remove your exhibits. If you have any questions about exhibit removal, please contact the CCE Office.

Selecting & Preparing Vegetables for Exhibit

Harvest your Crop, with Care.
1) Loosen root crops with a spading fork before pulling. Avoid tearing the flesh or stems.
2) Pick off all tomato stems so they will not poke holes in other tomatoes.
3) A sharp knife is helpful in harvesting peppers, eggplant, the vine crops and many leafy vegetables.

Harvest Enough to Make Your Exhibit.
1) Gather several times as many good specimens as you think you will need.
2) Select the most uniform ones for your exhibit.
3) Harvest lettuce, endive, escarole and chard the morning of exhibition day because they wilt quickly.
4) Harvest onions 7-10 days before the fair and dry them in the sun. When properly cured, the tops can be easily cut off.

Trim Correctly.
1) Cut off the tops of all root crops about 1” above the roots.
2) Trim the tap root so they are all the same length.
3) Remove the small fine roots on carrots and beets.
4) Trim any excess stump from cabbage, lettuce and other leafy vegetables. Do not cut off all the outer leaves from cabbage. Husks can be trimmed off one side of sweet corn or taken all the way off but have all ears the same.

Exhibit the Right Number.
Plan to exhibit the exact number of vegetables called for. Check the Fair Book, as the number may differ with various fairs.

Wash or Brush the Vegetables.
1) Select and harvest only clean vegetables if you can. Cleaning will not harm any vegetable if it is done carefully.
2) Clean peas, beans, cucumbers and muskmelons with a very soft brush.
3) Use a soft damp cloth for fruit with a waxy surface such as eggplant, pepper, tomatoes, and watermelons.
4) Root crops may need washing. Use lots of water and your hands to wash root crops.
5) Do not wash head lettuce, endive, cauliflower, or cabbage. Trim off the soiled leaves, but don’t scalp them.
Select for Size, Shape and Color.
1) Select those that are alike. The first ripe tomatoes or carrots you pull from your garden will seldom be alike in size, shape and color. A good way to select a plate of vegetables is to place them in a row on a table or on the floor with the big ones at one end and the small ones on the other. Then select on the basis of shape and color.
2) Avoid carrots and potatoes with greening caused by exposure to sunlight. Check the seed catalog for examples of "typical shape”.

Storage Before Fair.
1) After you have harvested and prepared your vegetables, it may be necessary to store them for a day or overnight.
2) Keep root crop, leafy vegetables, sweet corn and peas at low temperature (40°-45°F). Mom’s refrigerator usually gives these conditions. Before placing leaf vegetables in the refrigerator, place them in a plastic bag.
3) Potatoes, tomatoes, eggplant, peppers and the vine crops will keep well for a day at medium temperatures (60°-70°F).

Wrap, Pack and Display Correctly.
1) Wrap your exhibit before taking it to the fair. You may have an excellent plant but damage while transporting can easily make it unworthy.
2) Newspaper is a good wrapping material. Wrap each vegetable separately and then wrap the five or twelve, etc., that go together in one bundle.
3) Pack them firmly in a strong container. Always pack the firm vegetables on the bottom. Don’t pack cabbage, pumpkins, watermelons, etc., on top of tomatoes, eggplant, peppers, etc.
4) Label every exhibit carefully on the double entry blue card with your name, department, section, class number, kind, variety and age as of January 1 and years in project area.

2017 4-H Steuben County Fair Animal Photo Request
Nancy Reigelsperger will be available to take personal pictures of you and your animal on Friday, August 18 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. by/in the sheep/swine barn, rabbit barn or 4-H horse show ring for horse pictures. Swine pictures will be taken with the swine in their pens. They will be available in 2 sizes this year 4x6 for $5 or 5x7 for $8 and both sizes will be in a mat. For convenience on August 18, we request payment of cash or check made payable to Nancy Reigelsperger. Time permitting, photos will be returned to the 4-H Fair Office by Saturday, August 19 for you to pick up.

It would be appreciated and extremely helpful if you could let us know at the exhibitors meeting on Monday, August 14 if you want a personal picture of your animal(s) so Nancy knows how many to expect and of what species. A Volunteer(s) are needed to assist Nancy Reigelsperger with paperwork and identifying 4-H members for the 4-H Animal Pictures from 10 a.m. – noon and/or noon - 2 p.m. if you are available to help please complete the County Fair 4-H Volunteer Return form by Monday, July 10.

Attention Animal Exhibitors showing registered animals
If showing registered animals a copy of the registration paper must accompany the County Fair Entries due on July 10. If bringing in person on July 10, please bring to the 4-H building on the fairgrounds between 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

For 2017 Market Animals 4-H Green Tags
Market hogs, market lambs, and market goats will have a 4-H green ear tag put in their ear at weigh in at Empire.
MARKET ANIMAL WEIGH IN

All market animals must be weighed in at Empire Livestock on Monday, August 14 between 8:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

Also, all market animals must be clean and dry. Hogs that come to weigh in that are dirty will be turned away.

Market Lambs that come to Empire must have no more than 1” of wool and must be dry.

ALL ear tags must, absolutely, be attached to the animal. NO EXCEPTIONS!!!!!!! If any market steer, market hog, market sheep, or market 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 including Cloverbud Animals

Please make sure you know the 2017 Health Requirements. Read the Health Requirements on the CCE website or read the requirements in the County Fair Book for health regulations for each species. It is your responsibility to meet the health regulations. The regulations will be enforced for the protection of all exhibitors. If you have any questions contact the CCE Office. All cattle, sheep, swine, and goats exhibited at County Fair must have a valid certificate of Veterinary inspection (CVI). For New York State Animals the CVI must be issued and signed by a Category 2 Accredited Veterinarian on or after May 1 of the current year. Each animal must be individually and positively identified on the CVI. There are no exceptions. Contact your veterinarian to arrange for health papers.

All sheep or goats exhibited at the Steuben County Fair must be identified with USDA approved individual legible scrapie program identification.

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.

Fair Inspection Procedures for the 2017 Fair Season

State Veterinarians or assigned officials 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 (dairy and meat), 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.

Please have your CVI convenient for them to be checked. Also it would be extremely appreciated if the 4-H member was available to present your animal to the person inspecting your CVI. The person inspecting your animal must match your animal’s identification (eartag or in some cases legible tattoo) to the CVI.

Soremooth in Sheep and Goats

If evidence of soremouth (contagious ecthyma) is found on any sheep or goat, the entire exhibit including the affected animals shall immediately be removed from the fair premises with the holding pens cleaned and disinfected immediately after removal.

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 USDA approved eartag. All goats or sheep exhibited must have legible scrapie identification.

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Attention 4-H Animal Exhibitors At The 2017 Steuben County Fair!

NO ANIMALS ARE TO ARRIVE AT THE FAIRGROUNDS ON SUNDAY!

Market Animal weigh in at Empire Livestock is only on Monday, August 14th from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Dairy, livestock, rabbits, poultry and goats must be brought to the Fairgrounds Monday, August 14th from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. No animals may be unloaded or put in barns until the CVI has been checked for dairy, livestock, and goats. Rabbits and poultry are not allowed in cages until they have been inspected. **There will be no veterinarians on the fairgrounds after 5:00 p.m. on Monday so please plan accordingly.**

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**All Animal Exhibitors - Some Tips on Assuring Your Animal is Not Sent Home**

If Dr. Pepi Leids thinks that an animal looks "sick", she will take their temperature and perform a physical exam. It doesn't matter what might be wrong with an individual animal; if it looks sick or looks like it MIGHT have a contagious disease, then she has the right to not allow it in the barn or have it removed once the fair has started. It is the same with any contagious disease. She doesn't have to PROVE that an animal has one disease or another. She can make her decision on the SUSPICION of an infectious disease. This has been the case for as long as she has been a regulatory veterinarian with responsibilities at the county and State fairs. Nothing has changed.

1. Make sure you have the necessary paperwork and vaccinations found in the Steuben County Fairbook and on the CCE website at [www.putknowledge2work.org](http://www.putknowledge2work.org)

2. Make sure that all the identification matches and is legible.

3. **No Warts** – even one little wart will warrant your animal being sent home.

4. **No Ringworm**

5. **Mucus** – Any mucus from the nose that is yellow, white or green

6. **Hairy Hoof Warts or any sign of limping or sore feet**

7. **Any resemblance to Pink Eye** – even a bruise from trucking that could be pink eye – the worst will be assumed.

8. **For Sheep and Goats - any lesions characteristic of soremouth** and any sheep or goats originating from the same flock are considered exposed and must be removed from the grounds. Goats and sheep without proper scrapie identification will be sent home.

Some other tips include make sure you clip your animal before going to the fair. This gives you a good chance to thoroughly check your animals for any abnormalities. **While at the fair, DO NOT share brushes, feed pails, water buckets or any other equipment.** Sharing is good in certain areas, but it is a very good way to contract unwanted diseases so don’t use others equipment.

If anyone has questions about the health requirements contact the CCE Office. If you have questions about a particular animal you can contact Dr. Pepi Leids at 607-776-9721. She really does not like sending animals home and a little preparation avoids a lot of problems.
The Fair Board has again allocated 12 4-H camping sites for this year’s Fair. The sites will be along the fence behind the 4-H bathrooms and along the fence by the Dairy Barn. The sites are for 4-H families and leaders with animals involved in the Fair. Only campers will be allowed. No tents are allowed. **4-H families wishing to camp on the grounds MUST complete the camping request form by Monday, July 10. If bringing in person on July 10, please bring to the 4-H building on the fairgrounds between 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.** If the information on your request form changes, you need to notify the CCE Office or you risk losing your spot. There is a $40 fee due to the Steuben County Agricultural Society if you are given a camper spot. For more information or if you need an application contact the CCE office or visit [https://s3.amazonaws.com/assets.cce.cornell.edu/attachments/23460/Exhibitor_Camping_Form.docx.pdf?1495548513](https://s3.amazonaws.com/assets.cce.cornell.edu/attachments/23460/Exhibitor_Camping_Form.docx.pdf?1495548513)

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### County Fair Showmanship

**Entries Due July 10**

All 4-H members showing animals are required to show in a showmanship class unless you have won Master Showman for that species. Exceptions may be granted by the 4-H staff or the staff’s designated representative for extenuating circumstances and for the safety of exhibitors. If you do not show in a showmanship class and have not been excused from showing in showmanship you will forfeit your premiums for that species. You must show your own animal in showmanship.

### 2017 Master Showmanship

Starting with the 2017 Steuben County Fair previous winners of the Master Showmanship classes have the option to show in the Master Showmanship Class for consecutive years. Master Showmanship entries are due with county fair entries on July 10.

**Non-Owner Showmanship Classes**

****4-H members participating in Non-Owner showmanship must enter by the fair deadline of July 10 in order to participate in this class.****

Non-Owner showmanship is open to 4-H members who do not have an owned animal of that species on the grounds and therefore does not enter any other showmanship class for that species. 4-H members entering non-owner showmanship must show an animal other than their own. **Previous winners of non-owner showmanship are ineligible to compete for that species again for 3 years.** Class size may be limited due to time and number of entries. Cloverbuds cannot show in Non-Owner showmanship classes.

### Attention Swine Exhibitors (including Cloverbuds)

Exhibitors should not wear shorts or sandals/flip flops while showing their swine. Clothing must be 4-H appropriate.

**If PEDv is SUSPECTED during the fair the entire swine barn will be sent off the grounds and the barn will be closed!** It will be Dr. Pepi Leids decision as to the possibility of a disease "outbreak" and she will handle it as necessary. She would likely get help from her colleagues in the Albany office if that were the case.

If this occurs it would be up to the 4-H family to make arrangements for where to take their pigs since they cannot stay on the fairgrounds. **Please note:**

If the swine are removed from the fairgrounds before the Livestock Sale on Friday then NO Market Hogs WILL be sold but the other species will continue to be sold.

Therefore it will be extremely important for you to prevent your hog(s) from having diarrhea at the fair. Due to the potential threat of spreading PEDv, **if any hog shows severe diarrhea that could be suspected as PEDv any time after they arrive ALL the pigs in the barn must be removed from the fairgrounds.**

We know that many hogs have diarrhea after they get to the fair when they are perfectly healthy due to stress, change in diet, or change in water. **PLAN TO CARRY YOUR WATER FROM HOME.**

Remember, that PEDv usually affects piglets causing them to die when they are very young. Older animals may show diarrhea, but usually recover. **If any of the pigs have diarrhea at the home farm, then no pigs should come to the fair from that farm.** A veterinarian should be called to examine any sick animals on any farm and let the decision whether to have the pigs tested for PEDv be that of a veterinary professional.
**Attention Dairy Cattle Exhibitors (Including Cloverbuds)**
Whites are required for Dairy Showmanship. NO sandals/flip flops are to be worn while showing Dairy. Clothing must be 4-H appropriate. Also make sure you have a neck strap or properly fitted halter to secure your animals in the barn for the safety of everyone.

**Attention Meat Goat And Beef Exhibitors (Including Cloverbuds)**
Blue/Black Jeans and an acceptable shirt are to be worn in showing Meat Goats and Beef. NO shorts or sandals/flip-flops are to be worn. Clothing must be 4-H appropriate.
Also make sure you have a neck strap or properly fitted halter to secure your beef animals in the barn for the safety of everyone.

**Attention Dairy Goat Exhibitors (Including Cloverbuds)**
Whites are required for Dairy Goat Showmanship. NO sandals/flip flops are to be worn while showing goats. Clothing must be 4-H appropriate. Dairy goats with horns will not be permitted.

**Attention Sheep Exhibitors (Including Cloverbuds)**
Exhibitors should not wear shorts or sandals/flip flops while showing their sheep. Exhibitors of sheep should wear a white shirt and black pants or jeans. Clothing must be 4-H appropriate.

**Fair Orientation Meeting for ALL Animal Exhibitors**
There will be a Fair orientation meeting for 4-H animal exhibitors (except horse and dog) in the livestock Show ring on **Monday, August 14 at 7:30 p.m.** This is an important meeting for ALL animal exhibitors.

**Attention Market Lamb, Market Goat, Market Swine, Market Heifer Exhibitors**
Lambs that are shown in the market lamb classes CANNOT be shown in the breeding sheep classes. Goats that are shown in the Market Goat Class CANNOT be shown in the breeding classes. Gilts shown in market classes CAN NOT be shown in breeding classes. Market Heifers can not be shown in the breeding classes.

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**4-H and FFA Livestock Sale**
The Annual 4-H and F.F.A. Livestock Sale will be held on Friday, August 18. Market Rabbits and Market Poultry will be sold at 5:30 p.m. and the Steers will begin at 6:30 p.m. followed by the market goats, market lambs, and market hogs. Please help promote the sale and the efforts of members developing animals for the sale.

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**State Fair**

**Steuben County Exhibits and Teen Leaders at State Fair**
Steuben County 4-H exhibits will be on display at the State Fair from Thursday, August 28th – August 31st. The Clothing Revue participants will be attending at this time also.

**Help will be needed to transport exhibits and clothing revue teen leaders to the fair on Sunday, August 27th and for the return on Thursday, August 31st. Chaperones are also needed to oversee the county booth and chaperone the clothing revue and other teen leaders.** Each adult will receive an entrance pass to the State Fair and a parking pass. Why not help out 4-H and stay and enjoy the State Fair? Children under 12 are admitted free to the State Fair. If you are able the help, please contact Kim or Loree at the CCE Office at 607-664-2306.
State Fair 4-H Animal Science Entries

4-H members who are interested in exhibiting their project animals at the New York State Fair cannot wait until County Fair to decide. **State Fair entries must be received at the Cooperative Extension Office by August 1st.** The NYS Fair Youth Livestock book and entries can be found at [http://4h.ansci.cornell.edu/events-2/nys-fair/forms-information/](http://4h.ansci.cornell.edu/events-2/nys-fair/forms-information/). If you are unable to download them copies can be made of the requested pages.

**Dog** –. If you plan to exhibit at the 2017 NY State Fair Youth Dog Show, please notify Kim – entries are due by July 17th to CCE Steuben. The Steuben County Fair dog show will be the final determination on who will represent Steuben County 4-H Dog Program. You MUST attend the Steuben County Fair Dog Show to exhibit at the NYS Youth Dog Show. If you have any questions please contact Kim at 607-583-3185 or at ksb3@cornell.edu.

**Horse Exhibitors please note:** For horse members, selection will be based those interested in attending and on the points they have earned at the qualifying shows.

State 4-H Livestock Contests that you can take part in that do not require you to take an animal.

For more information about these contests contact the CCE office or visit the web [http://4h.ansci.cornell.edu/events-2/nys-fair/forms-information/](http://4h.ansci.cornell.edu/events-2/nys-fair/forms-information/) Consider taking part in one of these contests as it will let you spend time at the fair, and you may be eligible to add points to your project champion selection criteria. State fair will be made available for those participating in a 4-H Contest at the NYS Fair but the number available for other family members may be limited.

**SWINE** – Youth Swine Quiz Bowl – Tuesday, August 29, 6:00 p.m.

**DAIRY CATTLE** – Dairy Challenge – Wednesday, August 23 registration at 12:00. Pre-Entry is required to CCE-Steuben by Monday, August 1. Novice, Junior and Sr. Division.

Dairy Judging - Thursday, August 24 8:30 a.m. Day 1 and Friday, September 1 at 9:00 a.m. for Day 2 Team A members selected based on Day 1. Steuben County participants for Teams A, B, and C will be selected based on the county dairy judging events held this year.

**LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON** – Monday, August 28th, 5:00PM

**LIVESTOCK JUDGING** – Tuesday, August 29th, 7:30 AM

**GOAT**

4-H Goat Products Identification – Thursday, August 24 at 1:00 p.m.
Goat Knowledge Olympics – Thursday, August 24 at 1:00 p.m.
4-H Goat Bowl – Friday, August 25 at 10 a.m.
Goat Judging Contest - Monday, August 28th, 2:00 p.m.
Meat goat oral interviews/meat goat project notebook competition – Friday, August 24 p.m.

**2017 Empire Swine Youth Scholarship Participants**

Empire Swine Youth Scholarship Contest – Sunday, August 27, 2:00 p.m. records due and 3:00 p.m. contest interviews, 7:00 p.m. Review. Monday, August 28 10 a.m. Written Test. Youth must have done a market hog project at County Level and completed a record. For more information and to download the youth guideline book visit: [http://newyorkpork.org/ny-state-fair-empire-swine-youth-scholarship/](http://newyorkpork.org/ny-state-fair-empire-swine-youth-scholarship/)
State 4-H Small Animal contests that you can take part in that do not require you to take an animal:

Poultry Science – Friday, August 25, 8:30 a.m. registration in the youth pole barn 9:00 contest begins. Pre-entry due to CCE Steuben by August 1

Avian Bowl – Friday, August 25, 6:00 p.m. youth building stage. Pre-entry due to CCE Steuben by August 1

Rabbit Science Decathlon & Cavy Science Decathlon – Sunday, September 3, 9 a.m. Youth Pole Barn. Pre-entry due to CCE Steuben by August 1 Refer to Cornell University Animal Science Website [http://www.ansci.cornell.edu/4H/rabbits/index.html](http://www.ansci.cornell.edu/4H/rabbits/index.html) for a description of subjects and topics addressed at each of the 10 stations. There are novice, junior and senior Divisions.

HORSE Contest that you can take part in that do not require you to take an animal

Hippology Contest - Sunday, August 27, Youth Arena, 7:30 a.m. registration Contest starts at 8 a.m. Participants were chosen to participate based on the Region 2 Hippology Contest in March.

State Fair Teen Leadership Opportunities
Contact Loree or Kim if interested

Teen Leaders
APPLICATION DEADLINE IS AUGUST 1

Teen Leaders may work as Jr. Evaluators assisting the judges with the evaluation of projects in various programs like foods, clothing, Horticulture, Art Objects, etc. Or in addition to the above mentioned, teens are also needed to assist with activities in the building such as GPS/GIS, shooting sports, Sustainable Energy, Cynology (dog), Poultry, Activity Zone, Jr. Iron Chef, Robotics Or work in the county booth.

All youth working as Teen Leaders will be paid a premium of $12/day for working at least 6 hours and must be at least 13 years-old. Teen Leaders must be registered by their County Educator and should have some knowledge in the areas they are signing up to help with.
Graduating Members

Shane Baker – County Sidekicks
Shawn B – Four Winds
Cheyenne Bartoo – Independent
Jordan Bartoo – Independent
Rilee Calkins – Independent
Savannah Chilson – Loom Lake Raiders
Michal Eckler – Country Bunch
Raven Foote – Willing Workers
Emily Harter – Southern Tier Livestock
Priscilla Helgerson – Diary Dreamers

Jessica Lawson – Country Bunch
Alexis Robinson – Willing Workers
Alyssa Ross – Dairy Dreamers
Amber Rounsville – Independent
Grace Smith – Canisteo Valley 4-H Stars
Carl S – Four Winds
Merranda Switzer – Denim n Dirt
Samantha Towner – Willing Workers
Christen Wise – Howard Hillbillies

Thank you & best of luck to the ALL the graduating 4-H members and parents for their support of the Steuben County 4-H Program!!!

Past Events

New York Youth Dairy Discovery

Dairy Discovery is an opportunity for dairy interested youth, 14-19 years old, of various knowledge levels to come together and learn about many aspects of the dairy business and production management. Dairy Discovery is held at Cornell University in Ithaca and is sponsored by the New York State 4-H Dairy Cattle Program. Dairy Discovery is developed and coordinated by PRO-DAIRY, Cornell Cooperative Extension and the Dairy Management Group.

Dairy Discovery is bringing the future of the industry together in one location to share knowledge and experience’s to better prepare and gain a broader perspective of the dairy field. Having a general understanding of nutrition, reproduction, milking procedures, animal health, housing, and financial management is important for operating or owning a dairy business and preparation for dairy careers. Along with having an understanding of these areas, it is important to apply the learning to the real world of a working dairy business.

For this reason DAIRY DISCOVERY focused this years’ workshop on “Whole Farm Management and Analysis” with a team approach. Following the hands-on learning and technical skill training of the following concepts: Dairy Nutrition; Reproduction; Animal Health; Housing; Milking Procedures and Quality; and Financial Management; youth received information from a real-life dairy in these areas and worked as a team to develop a farm analysis and recommendations to report back to the group.

Participating from Steuben County were 4-H members Jade Atherton, Paige Demun, Rachel Hoffer, and Megan Ross. Thank you to Lisa and Keith Demun for serving as chaperones for the trip.

Steuben County members and volunteers attend the NYS 4-H STARR Program

The State Teen Action Rep Retreat (STARR) is a three-day fun-filled event where 4-H teens, ages 13-19 participate in a variety of workshops and activities meant to challenge, excite and further develop life skills. The event is planned by teens and adults serving on the youth/adult STARR Planning Committee: Laura Eckler, Stacey Parsels, Christine Towner, Michal Eckler, Michelle Parsels and Samantha Towner from Steuben County served on the 2017 STARR Planning Committee. Also attending from Steuben County was Molly Fox. Nancy Reigelsperger, CCE-Steuben Financial Educator, presented a workshop on Money Sense. Stacey Parsels was also a workshop presenter for the Growing with Aquaponics workshop.
District Public Presentations 2017

On April 1st seventeen Steuben County 4-Hers joined other 4-Hers from the nine county Finger Lakes Region at Midlakes Intermediate School for District Public Presentations. About eighty 4-Hers and families filled eight classrooms to hear the presentations.

Those who attend were: Madeleine Gurecki, Michal Eckler, Rachel Eckler, Aaron Lloyd, Jacob Schultz, Peter Kelly, Victoria Kelly, Samantha Towner, Kaitlyn Orcutt, Gabrielle Orcutt, Alicia Lawson, Sarah Lawson, Aubrie Laverty, Ryleigh Laverty, Jacie Beebe, Arlynn Robbins and Isaac McFeaters.

The day ended with an awards ceremony. The top 20 presenters by score received special recognition. Those from Steuben County were Gabrielle Orcutt, Kaitlyn Orcutt, Victoria Kelly, Peter Kelly, Michal Eckler, Sarah Lawson.

Each Judge could each choose a presenter that they judged that stood out or that they wanted to recognize. These were: Victoria Kelly, Michal Eckler, Gabrielle Orcutt, Peter Kelly, Kaitlyn Orcutt, Alicia Lawson.

Those who served as a Room Host/Hostess, introducing the presenters and helping them set up/clean up were: Michal Eckler, Rachel Eckler, Victoria Kelly, and Samantha Towner.

Thanks to Penny Kephart, Christina Towner and Betty Holden for judging at the event.

Super Job Steuben County!!!

Steuben County Members Excel at 2017 NYS Communications Institute

Congratulations to Victoria Kelly and Peter Kelly for being selected from the Finger Lakes District to participate in the NYS 4-H Public Presentation event that was held on June 3 at Cornell University. Only seven presenters were selected from the Finger Lakes District to attend. Victoria’s presentation was a speech “An American Look at Governments” and Peter’s an Illustrated Talk entitled “Food for Life: Fermented Foods.

First Steuben County 4-H Shooting Sports Class Complete!

The first group of 4-Her’s has completed the 4-H Shooting Sports Archery Class held at Bath Rod and Gun Club June 11th & 18th. We had 6 youth participants and 1 youth Jr. Instructor. The next class is scheduled for July 23 & 30 - get signed up! Visit our website for more information: http://putknowledge2work.org/4-h-youth/4-h-program-areas/shooting-sports
Steuben County 4-H Member Returns Home from the State Capital

Madeleine Gurecki, Galloping Grapes 4-H Club, was selected as a member of the NYS 4-H Capital Days Planning Committee and returned from the state capital for the 82nd Annual New York State 4-H Capital Days Program held May 21-23.

The program included two intensive days of tours and lectures. 4-H teen delegates and their chaperones from across New York State learned about state and local government during the 2017 Capital Days Program. During the program 4-H members expanded his knowledge about the public policy process and state government.

Karl Rethemeyer, Interim Dean of Public Affairs and Policy from the University of Albany was the guest speaker on Sunday evening. He talked about how your investment in a college education will bring you returns throughout your entire life.

Participants went to the Capital Building and toured the Assembly Chambers and heard from Assemblywoman, Aileen Gunther. She discussed internship opportunities in NYS government. They also went to the NYS Court of Appeals and learned the history of the ornate building, as well as how the Court of Appeals operates. Participants met with leaders in state government, members of the court system and officials from a variety of state agencies. Madeleine visited the Department of Corrections. Other participants visited with NYSERDA; Ag and Markets; Education; Health; Parks and Recreation; Environmental Conservation; and Motor Vehicles. They watched the Senate in session. Before they began their debates, they announced that 4-H Capital Das participants were watching from the viewing gallery and they all stood and the 4-H Program was recognized by the NYS Senators. At dinner the guest speaker, Assemblyman Peter Lopez, highlighted ways youth could make a difference in their communities through Civic Engagement. A highlight of the event was the visit with Assemblyman Phil Palmesano and Senator Helming. Assemblyman Phil Palmesano spoke with Steuben, Yates and Ontario County delegates for over an hour about his progress from college to his election as Assemblyman for the 132nd District and answered their questions and Senator Helming also took the group into the Senate Chambers.

The participants learned about speaking to their legislators and career opportunities in government as they toured state agencies, participated in discussion sessions, and visited with Legislators. Participants also toured the Capitol.

The New York State Association of Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H Educators sponsor the 4-H Capital Days Program.
Steuben County Horse Program June Qualifying Show 2017

On Sunday, June 11, 2017 the first of the year’s two horse qualifying shows were held. There were 12 in attendance including Walk Trot, Novice, Pony, Junior, Senior, Mini and driving exhibitors! Highlights included: Walk/Trot English High Point: Grace Groves, Arkport Adventurers 4-H Club; Novice English High Point: Meadow Meyers, Southern Tier Livestock 4-H Club; Pony English High Point: Katlin Bidlack, Loon Lake Raiders 4-H Club; Pony English Reserve High Point: Isabel Sprague, Prattsburgh Pioneers 4-H Club; Junior English High Point: Morgan Cheney, Prattsburgh Pioneers 4-H Club; Senior English High Point: Kelsi Bird, Loon Lake Raiders 4-H Club; Senior English Reserve High Point: Bethany Patton, Loon Lake 4-H Club; Walk/Trot Western High point: Grace Groves; Novice Western High Point: Cheyenne Murat, Bath Trail Blazers 4-H Club; Pony Western High Point: Katlin Bidlack; Senior Western High Point: Bethany Patton; Senior Western Reserve High Point: Paige Skinner, Wild Things 4-H Club; Miniature Horse High Point: Austen Cicon, Independent; Driving High Point: Austen Cicon; Novice Games High Point: Meadow Meyers; Pony Games High Point: Katlin Bidlack; Senior Games High Point: Kelsi Bird; Senior Games Reserve High Point: Bethany Patton.

Join us for our next qualifying show July 15th. Show is open to any NYS 4-H Enrolled Youth as well as adult Walk, Trot, Canter classes. For 4-H Horse Program and show information visit http://putknowledgetowork.org/4-h-youth/4-h-program-areas/horse

2017 Dairy Festival

On June 3rd, Steuben County 4-H was well represented with four clubs creating floats that embodied the spirit of Steuben County 4-H and the uniqueness of each club. This year’s Dairy Festival had the theme of “Dairyland Cartoons”. Boots and Clovers 4-H Club earned an award for Most Comical and Amusing; Country Bunch 4-H Club received the Committee’s Choice Award; Kickin’ Kountry Kids 4-H Club won the Agricultural Society Award and Best of Show award, and the Redneck Runts went home with the award for Excellence in Presenting Parade Theme.

A huge THANK YOU to youth, leaders, parents, and all the other volunteers for helping keep the image of 4-H alive and strong in our communities!
Steuben County 4-H Clothing Revue

The Steuben County 4-H Clothing Revue, was held on Friday night, May 5, at the Avoca Central School. The Theme this year was “SEW UP, UP and AWAY”

Molly Fox welcomed the parents and guests. Raven Foote and Samantha Towner were commentators for the evening. Victoria Kelly lead the pledge to the American Flag and Olivia Lewis the 4-H pledge. Escort for the evening was Peter Kelly.

The following junior and cloverbud members modeled the garments that they made: Chelsea Abbott, Marissa Abbott, Ella Deussenbery, Mattie Deussenbery, Amelia Feely, Ashley Feely, Emily Feely, Isabella Feely, Olivia Feely, Abby Gleason, Amelia Gleason, Kloe Goeke, Alice Hargrave, Gwen Hargrave, Cashton Hoher, Aubree Laverty, Ryleigh Laverty, Sophie Lambert, Mitchell, Hunter, Gabriella Sick, Noah Sick, Eddie Trautman, Annakin York-Miller.

Cloverbuds recognized this year were: Ella Deussenbery, Amelia Feely, Isabella Feely, Alice Hargrave, Cashton Hoher Sophie Lambert, Hunter Mitchell, Eddie Trautman, Annakin York-Miller

1st Year Sewers recognized this year were: Chelsea Abbott, Mattie Deussenbery, Olivia Feely, Gwen Hargrave, Noah Sick, Cari Stern.

Senior members modeling their sewing projects were: Madison Conrad, Raven Foote, Molly Fox, Stephany Fox, Greta Huber, Victoria Kelly, Olivia Lewis, Cheyanne Ritchey-Yeoman, Cari Stern, Samantha Towner.

Registration was done by Vicki Thielges and Jessica McCallum. Jessica was also the official photographer. Sue Schwingel and Wendy Fairbrother organized refreshments for the evening. Judges for the clothing evaluations were Sue Schwingel, and Gwen Gottschall.

Members of the Clothing Committee who planned and organized the show were Phyllis Rathbun, Sue Schwingel, Jessica McCallum, Vicki Thielges, Christine Towner, Samantha Towner Stephanie Howes and Olivia Lewis. Thanks to everyone who made this revue a great success. A big thank you to the Avoca Central School for the use of the auditorium.

Those chosen to represent Steuben County at the New York State Fair in 2017 are: Madison Conrad, Raven Foote, Molly Fox, Stephany Fox, Greta Huber, Victoria Kelly, Olivia Lewis, Cheyanne Ritchey-Yeoman, Cari Stern, Samantha Towner.
2017 National Swine Picture Judging Contest Results
The 2017 National Swine Picture Judging Contest sponsored by the National Swine Registry consisted of 10 classes including boars, gilts, barrows and market hogs for a total of 500 possible points. Congratulations to Jason Corey, Canisteo Valley Stars 4-H Club Project leader and Steuben County 4-H Livestock Judging Coach, for placing 1st individual in the adult division of the National Contest out of 72 contestants with a score of 490 points.

2017 Steuben County Swine Picture Judging Contest Results
For the Steuben County Swine Picture Judging Contest the same classes and official placings from the National Swine Picture Judging Contest were used.

Juniors 8-13 years old (As of 1/1/17) Seniors 14-18 years old (As of 1/1/17)
1st Alyson Chapman Canisteo Valley 4-H Stars 433 1st Da’Andre Watkins 4 Winds 362
2nd Robert Nadjadi Country Bunch 398 2nd Noah Wessler 4 Winds 347
3rd Ian Chapman Canisteo Valley 4-H Stars 373 3rd David Mackey 4 Winds 324
4th Kora Dininny Blue Ribbon Roundup 329 4th Aaron Lloyd 4 Winds 320
5th Kaleb Dininny Blue Ribbon Roundup 288 5th Jared Hoffman 4 Winds 305

Adults
1st Jason Corey Canisteo Valley 4-H Stars 490 1st 4 Winds Club #1 1033
2nd Lorri Dennis 4 Winds 4-H Club 352 (Da’Andre, Noah, David)
3rd Darlene Apgar 4 Winds 4-H Club 281

2017 Hoard’s Dairyman Picture Judging Contest
The Hoard’s Dairyman Picture Judging Contest consisted of 5 classes for a total possible score of 500 points. The Steuben County 4-H Results are as follows:

Juniors 8-13 years old (As of 1/1/17) Seniors 14-18 years old (As of 1/1/17)
1st Maeve Robarge Blue Ribbon Roundup 408 1st Paige Demun Dairy Dreamers 482
2nd Kayla Atherton Blue Ribbon Roundup 402 2nd Jade Atherton Blue Ribbon Roundup 464
3rd Bradley Bottum Howard Hillbillies 374 3rd Brendan McDermott Howard Hillbillies 402
4th Vivien Robarge Blue Ribbon Roundup 372 4th Aaron Lloyd 4 Winds 356
5th Jaylen Garnett 4 Winds 360 5th Genna Williamson Blue Ribbon Roundup 347
6th Haley Vosburg Howard Hillbillies 352 6th Aaron Northup Howard Hillbillies 346
7th Koralee Dininny Blue Ribbon Roundup 342 7th Jared Hoffman 4 Winds 334
8th T Diana Slayton Howard Hillbillies 338 8th Wyatt Hammond Howard Hillbillies 328
8th T Nate Jordan 4 Winds 338 9th Katie Sirianni Blue Ribbon Roundup 326
9th Thomas Sirianni Blue Ribbon Roundup 334 10th Shawn Baron 4 Winds 320
10th Kevin Sirianni Blue Ribbon Roundup 318

Cloverbuds 5-7 years old (As of 1/1/17) Adults
Nicholas Randall Blue Ribbon Roundup 404 1st Kim Randall 474
Cody Stebbins Blue Ribbon Roundup 376 2nd Lisa Demun 444
Griffen Robarge Blue Ribbon Roundup 352 3rd Keith Demun 438
Karoline Dininny Blue Ribbon Roundup 344 4th Lynelle Williamson 436
Joshua Place Blue Ribbon Roundup 334 5th JP Mummey 414
Mckayla Harkleroad Howard Hillbillies 320 6th Lorri Dennis 400
George Slayton Howard Hillbillies 308 7th Robin Robarge 398

Clubs
1st Blue Ribbon Roundup #1 (Jade Atherton, Maeve Robarge, Nicholas Randall) 1276
2nd Blue Ribbon Roundup #2 (Kayla Atherton, Cody Stebbins, Vivien Robarge) 1150
3rd Howard Hillbillies #1 (Brendan McDermott, Bradley Bottum, Haley Vosburg) 1128
4th 4 Winds #1 (Jaylen Garnett, Aaron Lloyd, Nate Jordan) 1054
5th Blue Ribbon Roundup #3 (Griffen Robarge, Genna Williamson, Karoline Dininny) 1043