Hello 4-H’ers!

Once again, we made it through another terrific fair season!! You all did an amazing job on your projects and it was great to see the participation in all of the animal shows. We also hope you had a great time and learned something from your experience! We were very fortunate to be able to give you your premium checks at the end of the Fair again this year. We are aware of a few changes that need to be made in some of them but if you have any additional concerns about your check, please let us know as soon as possible. And don’t forget to cash your checks by November 1st!!!

Now that the Fair is over and summer camps are ending, a new 4-H year is waiting for you! We have had many calls over the last few weeks from families who would like to join 4-H and learn what it’s all about. We also had lots of people ask us about 4-H during the Altamont Fair. This is very exciting for us as we work to get new youth and their families involved! If you know of anyone who might like to join, you can mention it to your leader or have them call the 4-H office at (518)-765-3500 for more information.

Make sure you take advantage of the beautiful fall weather and colorful views that will be coming up over the next few weeks. This is a terrific time to get outside, breathe in the crisp air, and ENJOY!!!!!

-Barb

**Good Luck to Eileen DePaula!!**

As many of you know, we were missing a familiar face at Altamont Fair this year. Eileen DePaula has accepted a full-time position with the 4-H program in Rensselaer County. Her knowledge and experience will serve her well!!! Eileen did a terrific job for us here in Albany County for more than 16 years and we wish her all the best in her new position!!

**Welcome Rachel Lee!!!!**

The Schenectady County 4-H Program has a new sheriff in town!!! Rachel Lee was hired in August and will be working with youth in Schenectady County!! Some of you may remember Rachel – she is an Albany County 4-H alum and was very active in all aspects of 4-H. She has a great deal of animal science experience and is looking forward to being a part of 4-H in the Capital Region!! Welcome, Rachel!!!!!!!

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**Calendar**

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Albany County 4-H Leader Roundtable Meetings  
Thursday, September 20, 2018  
Tuesday, September 25, 2018  
CCE Albany County @ 6:30 pm

All Albany County 4-H organizational and project leaders are encouraged to start off the new 4-H year by attending one of these meetings. We will discuss the enrollment and re-enrollment procedures. Additionally, we will share information and discuss plans for the upcoming 4-H year.

Each club is strongly encouraged to send a representative. Light refreshments will be served. To register for one of these meetings, please contact Barb at 518-765-3541 or bes13@cornell.edu. We hope to see many of our leaders as we kick off another terrific 4-H year!

Cornell Cooperative Extension  
Albany County 4-H Teen Action Group  
Monday, September 24, 2018  
CCE Albany @ 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

The Albany County 4-H Teen Action Group will have their first meeting of the new 4-H year on Monday, September 24 from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm at the Extension Building. All Albany County 4-H members who are thirteen and older are welcome to join us. The 4-H Teen Action Group meets monthly and does a variety of community service and recreational activities. Proceeds from the 4-H milkshake booth at the Altamont Fair are used for these activities. We will have a pot luck dinner. Everyone is asked to bring along a dish to share. Dessert and beverages will be provided. We’ll be discussing and planning upcoming events for the year. To sign up, contact Barb at 518-765-3541 or bes13@cornell.edu no later than Friday, September 21st.

New 4-H Educator in Schenectady County:

Hello Everyone,

My name is Rachel Lee and I am the new youth program coordinator for Schenectady County Cooperative Extension. A major part of my duties will be to coordinate 4-H activities in Schenectady county. I am so very excited to be working for 4-H. I have been involved continuously with 4-H in Albany and Schoharie counties since I was 9 years old and it is very close to my heart! I am looking forward to meeting all of you and helping everyone make the most of their 4-H experience! When I am not doing 4-H activities I enjoy my animals and working on crafts. See you all soon!

If you need to contact Rachel for any reason please feel free to contact her by email at rcl227@cornell.edu or by phone at (518)372-1622 ex: 261

Schenectady County Teen Meeting

If you are over the age of 13, a Schenectady County 4-Her and are not already involved please consider joining the Schenectady County teen group. Our next meeting will be on September 19th at 6:30 pm in the greenhouse classroom at Schenectady's central park.

Schenectady County 4-H New Leader Training

There will be a training for new 4-H leaders on Thursday, September 27th at 6:30 pm in the McChesney room of the Schenectady County Public Library at 99 Clinton Street Schenectady, NY. This training is mainly for people interested in becoming 4-H leaders and focuses on the values of 4-H, the necessary clerical steps of forming a 4-H club as well as how to be a 4-H leader. This training is aimed at people wishing to become 4-H leaders but if you already are a 4-H leader and are interested in additional training in the basics, you are very welcome to come. If you are interested in attending please contact Rachel Lee at rcl227@cornell.edu or by phone at (518) 372-1622 ex: 261.

Schenectady County 4-H 99 Restaurant Dining for a Cause

We will be holding a dinner for a cause fundraiser at the Ninety Nine Restaurant at 93 West Campbell Road in Rotterdam on October 24th from 5:00 pm until 10:00 pm. The restaurant will provide a flyer about the night. It will be distributed to 4-H families, volunteers, clubs, and community friends; families are also welcome to distribute the flyer. Then on Wednesday October 24 between the hours of 5:00 pm and 10:00 pm people can go and dine at the Ninety Nine Restaurant and give the flyer to their waiter or waitress when seated. 20% of the bills from the people who turned in the flyer on the approved night will be donated to the Schenectady County 4-H program. This is a great opportunity to go and have a nice dinner with friends and family and support 4-H at the same time. It is very important that you bring the approved flyer in order for 4-H to receive the donations. Hope to see everyone there!

2018 Code Your World Youth Science Day

4-Hers have been offered a very exciting opportunity by the Apple store in Crossgates Mall that coincides with the coding theme of our 2018 Code Your World Youth Science Day. 4-Hers between the age of 10 and 17 have the opportunity to attend a field trip at the Apple store in Crossgates Mall at 10:00 am on Saturday, October 27. The field trip will last approximately an hour and a half and will let out at 11:30 am. During the field trip 4-Hers will learn about coding and how to code robots so that they move in patterns designed by the 4-Hers as well as explore SWIFT coding which is a coding language utilized for the development of apps. Parents will be responsible for driving youth to and from the event.

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field trip. If you are interested in attending the field trip please let Rachel know so that she can get you an Apple permission slip that you will need to have filled out and signed on field trip day. Please know that there is no cost for 4-Hers or their families who wish to attend.

4-Hers have also been offered the opportunity to utilize Apple iPads and other equipment within the Apple store for free by appointment long after the field trip ends in order to further their coding and computer science knowledge. Please let Rachel know if you are interested in doing Apple visits after the field trip as well.

If you want to attend the field trip or have questions please contact Rachel Lee at rcl227@cornell.edu or by phone at (518) 372-1622 ex: 261.

Volunteers Wanted for Community Drink and Snack Sales
In the coming weeks, Schenectady County 4-H will be looking for willing volunteers to help sell drinks and snacks at a few community events coming up in the Fall. Details to follow.

Heads up about re enrollment
Re enrollment for the 2018-2019 4-H year will be coming up soon so please keep an eye out for emails containing information and paperwork for that.

An important note about parking at the Schenectady County Cornell Cooperative Extension (4-H) office
After some initial confusion last week regarding a parking policy put in place by our new neighbor, we can now say with confidence that you can park in any spot in the Cooperative extension parking lot including the ones marked “reserved.” You will not be towed no matter how long you are parked in the space. The county has worked out a temporary solution with the neighboring apartment building while it is still under construction. We will keep you updated if the situation changes.

A fond farewell…
As I’m sure many of you know, I have accepted a position with CCE Rensselaer County as their 4-H Program Educator. I would like to thank all the outstanding 4-H families and 4-H volunteers who have made my time with CCE Albany County such a wonderful experience. It has been a great privilege to work with you all for several years and I have many great memories. My new position means that I am not only lucky to still be working with Cornell Cooperative Extension, but also as a 4-H staffer so I am sure I will still see many of you at 4-H events.

Fondly,
Eileen

SHINING STARS
• Thank you to Lynn Dente for managing a very wet but well-run 4-H Horse Show during the Fair!!!
• Thank you to Lynette Terrell for managing the 4-H Beef and Dairy shows!!
• Thank you to all of our fair judges who were terrific with the 4-H’ers who brought exhibits and animals to be judged!!! The information you gave was very valuable!!!!
• Congratulations to all of the 4-H’ers who participated in the Altamont Fair!!!! You all did an amazing job!!!!!!
• Another huge thank you to Jaime Armstrong, Danielle Salisbury, Kelley Doolin, Richard Nestlen, Polly Festa and Mary Lynn Davis for volunteering to judge at the Master Showman Show!
CCE Albany County
4-H Veterinary Science Program

The Cornell Cooperative Extension Albany County 4-H program will offer a Veterinary Science series this fall. The program is designed to help young people explore various fields in the veterinary science profession. We will hear presentations from various veterinarians and take a field trip as well. This experience is open to any youth ten years and older.

The program will meet on
October 15, 22, 29 and November 5, 2018
7:00 pm to 8:00 pm
at
CCE Albany County, Voorheesville

There is a $10.00 participation fee and registration is limited. For more information, or to register a participant, please call 518-765-3500.
The Family Farm 4-H

During our June 30th meeting we worked hard but it was super hot out. We weeded and picked kohlrabi, spinach, and daikon radish. Then since we were hot we headed into the barn and talked about what group exhibit we should do for the Altamont fair. We ended up choosing "Life Cycle of Plants." Then we went and played on an awesome water slide right outside and hung out and played for the rest of the meeting. We had a fun yet hot meeting.

The Family Farm 4-H Club had a meeting July 14th. In the beginning we pulled out old plants and planted carrots and beets. Then we weeded close to the entire garden - at least that’s what it felt like. We harvested vegetables including tomatillos and beets. Then we headed inside and ate cookies and talked about what subject each of us wanted for our group exhibit. Afterwards we hung out and played games until our parents arrived.
Albany County 4-H Leaders
4-H County Medals Application

Year ____________

Name: ___________________________ Date of Birth: ___________________________

Home Address: ________________________________________________________________

Phone No.: __________________________ Zip: ___________________________

Age on January 1 of current year ______ Years in 4-H starting at age 5 _______

Grade in school on January 1 ______ Average no. of members in your club _______ Family 4-H _______

To receive a county medal, members must be 13 years or older as of January 1 of the current year and have been a 4-H member for at least one year. All members must meet criteria #1 and #2 and one or more of items #3, #4, and #5

Leaders:
1. Check Leaders’ Box in each section.
2. Sign the report - last page.
3. Turn into 4-H Office by October 3, 2018.

Criteria for Member:
1. Two (2) projects completed.
2. Formal Public Presentation, County Day or Altamont Fair from current year.
3. Some leadership role.
4. Exhibits
5. Fill the question and answer page out in detail.

Graded Certificate Criteria - To receive a graded certificate (gold, silver, or bronze):

Bronze: member must meet #1 and #5 plus one from #3, #4 and #2.
Silver: member must meet #1 and #5 plus two from #3, #4, and #2.
Gold: member must meet #1 through #5.

No report will be accepted without the signature of member, parent and Leader.

Your cooperation in completing this report form will make you eligible to be considered for a County Medal.
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Leadership:
- Co. Fair District
- Formal Public
- News
- Presentations
- Reeves
- Clothing
- County State

Presentations:
- 1. Insectology
- 2. Snacks
5. In order for the reviewers to better understand and rank your report form, please answer the following questions about your 4-H accomplishments and your individual accomplishments for the past year.

1. Describe a 4-H accomplishment you feel good about - or tell what you enjoyed most in 4-H.

2. What did you accomplish in your 4-H Leadership activities this year?

3. List your community service activities, 4-H and other, with dates and your level of responsibility.

4. How have you shared your 4-H experiences?

5. List other activities outside of 4-H that have been important to you

______________________________
Member's signature

______________________________
Parent's Signature

______________________________
Leader's Signature

Leader's Comments (optional) ____________________________________________
2018 Altamont Fair Animal Show Results

4-H Rabbit/Cavy Show
Master Showman – Meghan Zautner, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Senior Champion – Alyx Trulsen, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Senior Reserve Champion – Meghan Zautner, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Junior Champion – Gabriella Curley, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Reserve Junior Champion – Eva Curley, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Novice Champion – Gabriella Rogers, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Novice Reserve Champion – Katie Rivers, Albany County
Best in Show – Eva Curley, Albany County

4-H Goat Show
Master Showman – John Giarrusso III, Albany County
Reserve Master Showman – Kate Augar, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Senior Champion – Alyx Trulsen, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Senior Reserve Champion – Maggie Doolin, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Junior Champion – John Giarrusso III, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Junior Reserve Champion – Kate Augar, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Intermediate Champion – Thomas Wheeler, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Intermediate Reserve Champion – Daniel Wheeler, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Novice Champion – Ashlyn Burns, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Novice Reserve Champion – Isabelle Kropp, Albany County
Champion Alpine – Emma Cyr, Albany County
Reserve Champion Alpine – Thomas Wheeler, Albany County
Senior Champion Lamancha – Kate Augar, Albany County
Senior Reserve Champion Lamancha – Joe Whiting, Albany County
Junior Champion Lamancha – Maggie Doolin, Albany County
Junior Reserve Champion Lamancha – Laurel Ticer, Albany County
Senior Champion Nubian – Maggie Doolin, Albany County
Senior Reserve Champion Nubian – Vincent Whiting, Albany County
Junior Champion Nubian – John Giarrusso III, Albany County
Junior Reserve Champion Nubian – Isabelle Kropp, Albany County
Senior Champion Saanen – John Giarrusso III, Albany County
Senior Reserve Champion Saanen – John Giarrusso III, Albany County
Junior Champion Saanen – John Giarrusso III, Albany County
Junior Reserve Champion Saanen – John Giarrusso III, Albany County
Champion Togenburg – Laurel Ticer, Albany County
Senior Champion Recorded Grade – Lucy Rappaport, Albany County
Senior Reserve Champion Recorded Grade – Maggie Doolin, Albany County
Junior Champion Recorded Grade – Ashlyn Burns, Albany County
Junior Reserve Champion Recorded Grade – Hunter Smith, Albany County
Junior Champion Nigerian Dwarf – Josie Tommell, Albany County
Senior Champion Nigerian Dwarf – Josie Tommell, Albany County
Best in Show – Lucy Rappaport, Albany County

4-H Sheep Show
Master Showman – Kate McCullam, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Senior Champion – Jarod Yost, Schenectady County
Fitting and Showmanship Junior Champion – John Giarrusso III, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Junior Reserve Champion – Thomas Wheeler, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Intermediate Champion – Kate McCullam, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Intermediate Reserve Champion – Marc Tommell, Albany County
Champion Natural Color – Vincent Whiting, Albany County
Champion Romanov – Laurel Ticer, Albany County
Champion Shropshire – Marc Tommell, Albany County
Champion Suffolk – Marc Tommell, Albany County
Best in Show – Charles Tommel III, Albany County

**4-H Dairy Cattle**
Master Showman – William Murphy, Schenectady County
Reserve Master Showman – Ashlyn Burns, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Senior Champion – Alyx Trulsen, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Senior Reserve Champion – Holly VanWie, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Intermediate Champion – William Murphy, Schenectady County
Fitting and Showmanship Intermediate Reserve Champion – Meghan Zautner, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Junior Champion – Ashlyn Burns, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Cloverbud Champion – Wyatt Murphy, Schenectady County
Grand Champion Brown Swiss – Holly VanWie, Albany County
Reserve Grand Champion Brown Swiss – Ruger VanWie, Albany County
Junior Champion Holstein – William Murphy, Schenectady County
Junior Reserve Champion Holstein – Wyatt Murphy, Schenectady County
Grand Champion Holstein – William Murphy, Schenectady County
Reserve Grand Champion Holstein – Alyx Trulsen, Albany County
Champion Jersey – Holly VanWie, Albany County
Reserve Champion Jersey – Kate Augar, Albany County
Champion Shorthorn – Kate Augar, Albany County
Reserve Champion Shorthorn – Kate Augar, Albany County
Best in Show – Holly VanWie, Albany County

**4-H Beef Cattle**
Master Showman – Marc Tommell, Albany County
Reserve Master Showman – Kaylie Batchelder, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Junior Champion – Marc Tommell, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Junior Reserve Champion – Adeline Tommell, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Novice Champion – Kaylie Batchelder, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Novice Reserve Champion – Kate Augar, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Cloverbud Champion – Wyatt Murphy, Schenectady County
Champion Hereford – Kate Augar, Albany County
Champion Angus – Adeline Tommell, Albany County
Champion Commercial Breed – Hunter Smith, Albany County

**4-H Poultry Show**
Master Showman – Ruger VanWie, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Senior Champion – Holly VanWie, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Senior Reserve Champion – Bryan Doolin, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Junior Champion – Ruger VanWie, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Junior Reserve Champion – Ashlyn Burns, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Novice Champion – Adeline Tommell, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Novice Reserve Champion – Wyatt Williams, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Cloverbud Champion – Megan Reis, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Cloverbud Reserve Champion – Jack Dibble, Albany County
Best in Show – Kate Guyer, Albany County
4-H Horse Show
Fitting and Showmanship Senior Western Champion – Marcy Forti, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Senior Western Reserve Champion – Alyx Trulsen, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Junior Western Champion – Johanna Luhrman, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Walk/Jog II Western Champion – Aubrey Stern, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Walk/Jog I Western Champion – Lauren Emmerich, Schenectady County
Fitting and Showmanship Walk/Jog I Western Reserve Champion – Annie Lendrum, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Senior English Champion – Renee Zieske, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Senior English Reserve Champion – Marcy Forti, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Junior English Champion – Julianna Wickham, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Junior English Reserve Champion – Johanna Luhrman, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Walk/Trot II English Champion – Kelcie Moss, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Walk/Trot II English Reserve Champion – Aubrey Stern, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Walk/Trot I English Champion – Annie Lendrum, Albany County
Fitting and Showmanship Walk/Trot I English Reserve Champion – Kaci Anderson, Albany County

Master Showman Show at Altamont Fair
Congratulations to all of our 4-H members who participated in the Master Showman contest at the Fair! Meghan Zautner, William Murphy, Kate McCullam, Ruger VanWie, John Giarrusso III, and Kaylie Batchelder all did an AMAZING job with each of the six animals they had to show!! Each member showed a rabbit, a chicken, a goat, a sheep, and a beef and dairy animal!! Meghan Zautner received the overall Master Showman award, which included a $50.00 check from the Bear/Schlenker family in memory of Orloff Bear, a $50.00 check from the Altamont Fair, a trophy, and her name will be displayed on the Master Showman plaque at the Fair! Nice job, Meghan, and a HUGE thank you to all those 4-H members who participated!!!!!

Albany County at the Great New York State Fair!!
Congratulations to all of the Albany County 4-H members whose exhibits were chosen to be on display at the Great New York State Fair!

Jack Dibble
Bryan Doolin
Caroline Hunt
Emma Hunt
Hailey Lacko
Johanna Luhrman
Sarah Meaney
Caitlyn Miller
Paige Miller
Josie Miller-Kramer
Elara Newell
Gabriella Rogers
Jubilee Schmid
Gracie Skultety
Hunter Smith
Alyx Trulsen
Wansapana Llama Club

We also had several members show animals at the Fair: Laurel Ticer, John Giarrusso III, and Emma Cyr all showed dairy goats at State Fair, and Adeline Tommell and Marc Tommell showed their animals at the Beef Show. And for the first time ever, Emma Hunt and Alyx Trulsen showed llamas with Teri Conroy at the Fair!!! How cool is that??!! Great job, everyone and thank you so much for representing Albany County out there!!!!
Llamas at the Altamont Fair

Awesome news from our Wansapana Llama club!!! They had a terrific time educating the public at Altamont Fair about llama care!!!! The following 4-H members participated:

Sammie Behring  Vinnie Whiting
Jamie Helinski  Joey Whiting
Emma Hunt  Gabe Williams
Bella Rogers  Wes Williams
Alyx Trulsyn  Wyatt Williams

Great job, everybody!!!!!

Barbara Stevens  Sarah Jones  Ashley Pierce  Sean Taylor  Teresa Tymchyn
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