



4-H Steubenite



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Don't miss out on the chance to celebrate your 4-H pride this year with National 4-H Week, and put your club in the spotlight!

Research has proven that participation in 4-H has a significant positive impact on young people. Recent findings from the Tufts University *4-H Study of Positive Youth Development* indicate that, when compared to their peers, young people in 4-H are:

- Nearly 4 times more likely to contribute to their communities,
- Two times more likely to pursue healthy behaviors like, and
- Two times more likely to engage in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programs in the out-of-school time.
- 4-H, the largest youth development organization in the world, is a community of seven million young people across the globe learning leadership, citizenship, and life skills. In the U.S., 4-H programs are implemented by the 109 land grant universities and the Cooperative Extension System through their 3,100 local Extension offices across the country. Overseas, 4-H programs operate throughout more than 50 countries.
- Learn more about Steuben County 4-H at www.putknowledgetowork.org or find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/steuben4H/>

4-H On Display

Each club is being asked to set up a 4-H Club Display during National 4-H Week October 6-12. Once again this year, we will have staff look at the displays and decide which one is an outstanding display and that club will be recognized with a special award at Achievement Night. Impact, visibility, and accuracy will all be considered when evaluating the displays.

NEW posters are available for loan for indoor use only. Contact the office if you'd like to borrow these at any time throughout the year! Please let Jenny know where your club's display is set up will be by October 4th: jmg422@cornell.edu or 607-664-2576.

ENROLL NOW!

It's that time of year!!! With school just beginning, it's the perfect time to promote your local club and encourage and introduce new youth to all the great opportunities 4-H has to offer! From Home Economics to Animal Husbandry,

Robotics to Community Service, and Public Speaking to Gardening – there's a project for everyone! Nationally, over 6 million youth belong to 4-H! In Steuben County, we offer local and county-wide 4-H clubs, afterschool 4-H opportunities, connections to 4-H camps and statewide 4-H activities. We also are unique in New York for sending youth each year to Citizenship Washington Focus in Washington D.C. at the National 4-H Conference Center for a week long, hands-on leadership and citizenship training!

Visit us for more: <http://putknowledgetowork.org/4-h-youth> or call 607-664-2300

Calendar of Events

October – Fall Paper Clovers October 9 – 20

TBA 4-H Dog Obedience classes at Hillside Children’s Center, Snell Farm, Bath, 6 p.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Robotics 6 p.m. Avoca Bus Garage Conference Room.	8 4-H Dog Obedience 5 p.m. Howard Community Building	9	10	11 Friend of 4-H Nominations due to CCE Behind the Scenes Nominations Due to CCE	12 Outdoor show@ Fairgrounds
13 Outdoor Show @ Fairgrounds	14 Columbus Day	15 4-H Market Animal Sale Committee Meeting 6:30 pm. Annex building	16	17 NYS 4-H ABC Trip, Cobleskill	18 NYS 4-H ABC Trip, Cobleskill	19 Insectapalooza @ Cornell Univeristy
20	21 Paper Clover Incentive form due Robotics 6 p.m. Avoca Bus Garage Conference Room.	22 4-H Dog Obedience 5 p.m. Howard Community Building	23	24	25 Cheese/Beef Stick Orders Due to CCE Office by 4:30	26
27	28	29	30	31		

November - TBA 4-H Dog Obedience classes at Hillside Children’s Center, Snell Farm, Bath, 6 p.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 Awards Program 6:00 @ Avoca School
3	4 Robotics 6 p.m. Avoca Bus Garage Conference Room.	5	6	7	8	9 Public Presentations 9- noon @ N. Cohocton
10	11 Veteran’s Day Office Closed	12 4-H Dog Obedience 5 p.m. Howard Community Building	13	14	15	16
17	18 Robotics 6 p.m. Avoca Bus Garage Conference Room.	19 4-H Market Animal Sale Committee Meeting 6:30 pm. S. Conference room, County Office Building	20 Cheese/Snack Sticks arrive! Pick up between noon-6 p.m.	21 4-H PAC meeting 6 p.m. Annex Building	22	23
24	25	26 4-H Dog Obedience 5 p.m. Howard Community Building	27	28 Thanksgiving Office Closed	29 Office Closed	30

December - TBA 4-H Dog Obedience classes at Hillside Children's Center, Snell Farm, Bath, 6 p.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Robotics 6 p.m. Avoca Bus Garage Conference Room.	3	4	5 CCE Annual Meeting & Trivia Night	6	7
8	9	10 4-H Dog Obedience 5 p.m. Howard Community Building	11	12	13 Members must be re-enrolled to participate in 2020 Steuben County Fair!!	14
15	16 Robotics 6 p.m. Avoca Bus Garage Conference Room.	17 4-H Market Animal Sale Committee Meeting 6:30 pm. S. Conference room, County Office Building	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25 Christmas Day Office Closed	26	27	28
29	30	31				

January – TBA 4-H Dog Obedience classes at Hillside Children's Center, Snell Farm, Bath 6 p.m.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Office Closed Deadline for ownership of market beef steer/heifer, small frame beef steer, dairy steer	2	3	4
5	6 Market beef steer/heifer, Small Frame market beef steer, market dairy steer Id's & Quality Assurance Due Robotics 6 p.m. Avoca Bus Garage Conference Room.	7	8	9	10 Registration for February Shooting Sports Instructor Training due to CCE	11
12	13	14 4-H Dog Obedience 5 p.m. Howard Community Building	15	16	17	18
19	20 OFFICE CLOSED Robotics 6 p.m. Avoca Bus Garage Conference Room.	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 4-H Dog Obedience 5 p.m. Howard Community Building	29	30	31	

Office News

4-H Office Policy!!!

Any items, (Awards program, Fair items, etc.), left in the 4-H Office over **30 days** from the date you are notified will be disposed of as the 4-H Staff deems reasonable. You will receive one phone call or email notification. It will be noted on each item the date that you were notified. Please make sure items are picked up, for you or your club, in a timely manner.

Checking The Web!

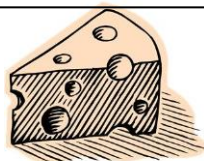
It is very important that everyone is checking the web site, www.putknowledgetowork.org and then click on 4-H Youth Development on a weekly basis as new items are appearing on the web site frequently. We will keep you informed of upcoming events and changes by posting them on the web site as soon as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

Steuben County 4-H Facebook Page

A Facebook page has been created for Steuben County's 4-H Program. Like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/steuben4H!!

****MONDAY MEMOS****

Don't forget to look for Monday Memos bi-weekly! If you aren't seeing them check your spam/junk folder and let us know if you aren't receiving them, let the 4-H Office know!



4-H Fall Fund Raiser: 4-H Cuba Cheese & Wilson Beef Farms Snack Sticks

**PAYMENT IS DUE AT THE TIME THE ORDER IS SENT OR BROUGHT TO THE OFFICE
ORDERS DUE BY Friday, OCTOBER 25th 4:30pm**

When your members are selling the products, have them collect the money. When your order is sent or brought to the office, have one check or money order made payable to CCE-Steuben for the products. Your club will be issued a check with the club's profit when you pick up your order on November 20th.

- **By Friday, October 25th :** Leaders consolidate individual member orders into one club order and complete the form showing **all members** that sold and the **total amount each sold. Include payment** and mail or deliver to the CCE Office to reach us by 4:30 p.m. October 25. **NO PHONE, EMAIL OR FAX ORDERS ACCEPTED**
- **Wednesday, November 20: Delivery/ Pick-up Day-** Cuba Cheese and Wilson Snack Sticks will be delivered Wednesday, November 20th to the Civil Defense Center, 7220 St. Rt.54, Bath,NY. The truck will be unloaded and the cheese and snack sticks sorted by item. **Volunteers are needed @ 9:00am for unloading and sorting. Leader or club representative can pick up club order** at the Civil Defense Center, from **Noon - 5:00 p.m.** Each leader **will use your club's order sheet to collect the club order.** You may also call to see if sorting is done, if you want to pick up your order prior to Noon.
- **NOTE:** If the leader is not able to come to Bath by 5:00 p.m., they must send a representative (parents, etc.). CCE does not have refrigerated storage to keep the products. Also once the products have left the office they may **Not** be returned.
- 4-H Clubs and Independent Members who do not pay the \$75.00 family enrollment must participate in the Steuben County Cuba Cheese and/or Wilson Beef Farms Snack Sticks Fundraiser and sell at least \$75.00 per 4-H member to be eligible for reduced rates on 4-H Award Trips. If a 4-H member does not sell \$75.00 worth of product and they are chosen for an award trip they will be expected to pay 50% of the cost of the trip except for the Junior Award Trip and the Career Exploration trip to Cornell University where they will be expected to pay 100% of the cost of the trip.

For more information including order forms and brochures contact the CCE Office



Fall Paper Clovers Fundraiser
October 9-20 at Tractor Supply

Tractor Supply stores (Bath, Hornell and Painted Post) are looking for clubs to come in during the fall Paper Clover Campaign October 9 – 20 to help sell paper clovers! Besides helping the county program, clubs and independent members are eligible for a sweepstakes drawing for up to \$100! You can also pair it with a bake sale/club fundraiser! Contact your local store today!! You can earn 4-H on Display Credit and Community Service Credit. For more information contact Jenny at jmg422@cornell.edu or 607-664-2576.

Remember to turn in your incentive forms and CCE Steuben will award top “selling” club with \$50!



National Youth Science Day is Almost Here!
October 2019
Game Changers

This October, 4-H will launch the 2019 National Youth Science Day (NYSD) challenge, *Game Changers*. Designed by Google and West Virginia Extension service, *Game Changers* teaches kids ages 8-14 how to use computer science (CS) to create games, solve problems and engage with topics they're passionate about.

Game Changers uses physical activity and puzzles to teach kids important CS concepts and problem-solving skills, creating real-world connections between computer science and civic engagement, healthy living and agriculture. Although the challenge includes one computer-based and two unplugged activities to help kids learn CS, all can be completed without internet access.

4-H Club(s)/Families needed for a Petting Zoo October 12 and 13

4-H Clubs or Families are needed to put on a Petting Zoo including dogs that have participated in the 4-H Dog Obedience Program on **Saturday, October 12 from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Sunday, October 13 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. during the Southern Tier Outdoor Show that will be held at the Steuben County Fairgrounds. You do not have to commit to both days.** Clubs/Families can work together to put on the Petting Zoo. There must be at least one adult leader supervising the

Petting Zoo. Children should not be given access to the petting zoo unless a parent or guardian or other responsible adult is with them. You can earn 4-H on Display Credit and Community Service Credit. For more information or if you are possibly interested please contact Kim at ksb3@cornell.edu or 607-664-2571.

Animals that are in the petting zoo MUST adhere to the Animal Health Requirements for admission to NYS and County Fair requirements including Rabies Vaccination

(not required for rabbits, poultry or waterfowl). **Goats that are at least 4 months of age and have been vaccinated with the off label rabies vaccine administered by a licensed veterinarian** (proof of immunization/certification required) **are now allowed to be part of petting zoos** and hands-on public education programs. **Note that Swine, Llamas, Donkeys, Geese, Oxen, and Bulls or other animals or birds that may bite, kick or scratch are prohibited from being a part of petting zoos.**

2019 4-H Awards Program

ALL 4-H members, leaders and parents are cordially invited to attend the 2019 4-H Awards Program. Leaders will also be recognized for their volunteer support and dedication and County Fair premium money will be distributed.

WHEN: Saturday, November 2, 2019

Social Time & Distribution of County Fair premium money – 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Awards Ceremony – 7:00 p.m.



WHERE: Avoca Central School Auditorium
23 Oliver Street, Avoca, NY 14809

Each club is asked to bring: A wrapped gift to be used as a door prize which we will be selling tickets for to benefit the Steuben County 4-H Activity Fund.

All 4-H families have a role in making this year's annual awards program a success! **Sponsorships are vital to the continuation of our 4-H programs and awards.** Please consider sponsoring an award for a deserving 4-H member at this year's award program and contact Jenny at 607-664-2300 or jmg422@cornell.edu or return the enclosed form by **Monday, October 28.** Your support is greatly appreciated and allows us to be able to continue to offer quality programming to our youth!!

Friend of 4-H Award Nominations

The Steuben County 4-H Program recognizes at the 4-H Awards Program an individual and business to be selected as Friends of 4-H for excelling in their dedication to the Steuben County 4-H Youth Development Program through the years and have earned the respect of 4-H families and leaders, as well as the community. **If you would like to nominate an individual or business please send your nominations to the CCE Office by Friday, October 11.** Please indicate why you think this individual or business deserves this award.

Behind the Scenes Award

This award is supported by the Steuben County 4-H Cake Auction and is presented to a 4-H member during the Awards Program. This award is presented to a 4-H 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 11.** Please indicate why you think the 4-H member deserves this award.

Favorite Leader Contest Nominations

How many times have you thanked your leader? Think about the times they have put aside their own plans to help club members with presentations, fair events, a field trip or with a project. You can thank your 4-H leader(s) by nominating them for the "Favorite Leader Contest". Write a short essay which you will read on Saturday, November 2nd at the 4-H Awards Program. Keep the essay brief, about 2 minutes, but write enough information so we can see how much your leader does for you. All nominees' will be recognized at the Awards Program. More than one club member can get together and write the essay, and then one member can read it or you can take turns reading parts of it. **If you would like to nominate a leader please contact Jenny by mail, email at jmg422@cornell.edu or call her at her 607-664-2300 and leave a message by Monday, October 28.**

Steuben County 4-H Robotics Program Kicks Off the New Year

Ages 8-18 welcome!

Where: Avoca Central School Bus Garage - Conference Room

When: 1st and 3rd Monday's of the month starting October 7 through June 2020. 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Summer practice dates and locations to be determined

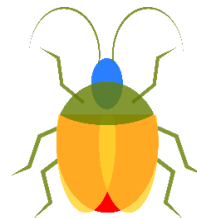
Please contact: Kim Randall at ksb3@cornell.edu or at 607-664-2571 or Bill McFeaters at 607 738-4849 if you plan to participate or with any questions you may have.

The Steuben County 4-H Program is currently using EV3s and tablets which were purchased through various grants. Steuben County had 1 team participate in the 2019 New York State Fair Robotics Challenge. In Part 1 youth are challenged to use their robots to accomplish various challenge tasks based on the theme. To be successful youth need to work as a team, use problem-solving skills (there is no one right way to solve the tasks) and have fun. Teams participate in a group interview with the judges. During this part of the challenge, teams share their knowledge of understanding concepts related to the theme. The theme changes each year and is announced in June. Participants are asked to reflect on their mechanical and program designs and the team's strategies. They are

also evaluated on their presentation skills. The NYS 4-H Robotics Challenge gives youth the opportunity to work with others to build and program a robot and demonstrate what they have learned in a friendly competitive event.

4-H members who participated in the 2019 NYS 4-H Robotics Challenge were Ian Bennett and Nolan Bennett, Independent members; Ian Chapman; and Isaac McFeaters from the Country Bunch 4-H Club;

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For more information about the 2019 NYS Fair Robotics Challenge visit <https://nys4-h.org/contests-challenges>



Insectapalooza!!!

Insects will be on display at Cornell University October 19th 9:00 AM-3:00 PM
New Location: Stocking Hall (Food Science Building) on the Cornell University campus
Come see the Bizarre, Bad, and Beneficial of the insect world.

The annual, one-day insect fair is hosted by the Department of Entomology at Cornell. Insectapalooza is an interactive, hands-on experience that features hundreds of live insects, spiders, and other fascinating arthropods. Popular favorites include the Butterfly room and Arthropod Zoo. Insectapalooza is fun and educational for children, teens, and adults of all ages. The annual insect fair reflects the countless ways that insects interact with people and impact our lives - for better or for worse.

For more information visit <https://entomology.cals.cornell.edu/news-events/insectapalooza/>

Seeking Adult Volunteers for the 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program



The National Safe Tractor and Machinery Operation Program (NSTMOP) is a project of Hazardous Occupations Safety Training in Agriculture (HOSTA) for youth ages 14 and 15. Subjects covered include general agricultural safety, tractor and equipment operation, and highway transportation. Youth 14 and 15 are certified after successfully passing a fifty-question written knowledge test and successfully passing both an operating skills test and a pre-op/driving test.

The Steuben County 4-H Program is seeking adult volunteers to become a trained National Safe Tractor and Machinery Operation Instructor in order to be able to offer this program to Steuben County Youth. The training is an online course. Adults must become current with their Cornell Cooperative Extension of Steuben County background check. If you know of someone who might be interested, please contact Kim at Cornell Cooperative Extension at 607-664-2571 or at ksb3@cornell.edu.

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

1. The youth is employed, either with or without compensation, by their parents or legal guardian,
or

2. The youth 14-15 years old has a training certificate which provides an exemption from certain hazardous work activities.
3. The Tractor and Machinery Operation Program allows for youth under the age of 16 who successfully completes the program to engage in agricultural work activities below if they are 14-15 despite the fact the activities are listed as "agricultural work activities classified as hazardous for youth under 16".

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

More information about the program can be found at <https://extension.psu.edu/national-safe-tractor-and-machinery-operation-program>

Community Service/4-H on Display Opportunity – Salvation Army Red Kettle Drive

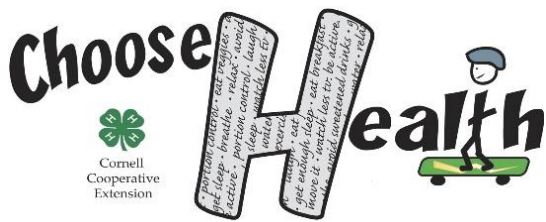
The Hornell Salvation Army and Corning Salvation Army are looking for volunteer bell ringers for their annual Red Kettle drive. They accept groups and individuals and will be scheduling for at least 2 hour shifts at a time however 4-H families from the same club can split that up into smaller shifts if that works better in your schedule.

The Red Kettle locations for the Hornell Salvation Army are Shurfine in Arkport and Canisteo and Walmart in Hornell. Bells will start ringing at Shurfine November 19-December 24 and at Walmart starting November 29-December 24, Monday through Saturday. If anyone is interested in helping contact Gary Miles at 607-324-1933

and leave a message. The Hornell Salvation Army will start sign ups October 15 on a first come first serve basis.

For more information as to the locations and dates for the Corning Salvation Army contact Captain Wanda Rivera at 607-962-4681 Ext. 103 in mid October.

Remember to complete a 4-H Community Service Project Record found at <http://putknowledgetowork.org/4-h-youth/club-programs> and if you have some sort of display or designation that you are a 4-H member or 4-H club you can also complete the 4-H On Display Project Record found at <http://putknowledgetowork.org/4-h-youth/club-programs>



New Opportunity for a 4-H Foods Project!

Cooking Matters for Families

Cooking Matters for Families partners a school-aged child and a parent together to learn about healthy eating, planning meals as a family, and working together in the kitchen.

Courses meet for *two hours, once a week for six weeks* and are taught by Nutrition Educators from Cornell Cooperative Extension of Steuben County. Lessons cover meal preparation, grocery shopping, food budgeting, and nutrition. Participants practice fundamental food skills, including proper knife techniques, reading ingredient labels, and making a healthy meal for a family of four on a \$10 budget.

4-H members 8 years old and up, plus a parent are invited to participate!

Dates: TBA

Location: Cornell Cooperative Extension of Steuben Office –Annex Building

If interested in attending-contact Loree @ 607-664-2571 and you will be notified when dates are announced.

4-H Award Trip Committee

The 4-H Award Trip committee will be meeting in October to choose 4-H members who completed Senior Summary Reports for the following award trips: Capital Days; STARR; Career Exploration Trip, Cornell University; Agribusiness Career (ABC) Trip, Cobleskill; and Citizenship-Washington Focus. The award trip committee meets once a year. If you are interested in serving on this committee contact Kim Randall at the CCE Office at 607-664-2571 or at ksb3@cornell.edu.



4-H Dairy Advisory Committee

The 4-H Dairy Advisory Committee will be meeting in October/November to plan for the 2019-2020 Project year. This committee meets once a year. If you are interested in serving on this committee contact Kim Randall at the CCE Office at 607-664-2571 or at ksb3@cornell.edu.

4-H Horse Advisory Committee

The 4-H Horse Advisory Committee will be meeting in **October 30, 6:30 p.m. South Conference Room** to plan wrap up the 2018-2019 Project year and being planning the 2019-2020 Program Year. This committee meets a few times a year. If you are interested in attending this meeting, please contact Jenny at jmg422@cornell.edu or call 607-664-2576.

4-H Small Animal Advisory Committee

The 4-H Small Animal Advisory Committee will be meeting **November 5th, 6 p.m. South Conference Room** to wrap up the 2018-2019 Project year and begin planning the 2019-2020 Program year. This committee typically meets bi-monthly. If you are interested in attending, please contact Jenny at jmg422@cornell.edu or 607-664-2576.

Empire Livestock Annual Fall Feeder and Beef Replacement Sale October 12

On **Saturday, October 12th at 11:00 AM, Empire Livestock Bath Market**, 7418 Route 415N, Bath will hold their **Annual Fall Feeder and Beef Replacement Sale**. Consignments Welcome! To Consign call: Jonathan Lubic, Manager - 585-250-2032.

American Dairy Goat Association Pre-Judges Training Conference

SATURDAY Oct 12th from 9 AM to 4 PM

Morrison Hall, 48 Judd Falls Rd., Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853

Hosted by the New York State Dairy Goat Breeders Association and the Cornell University Sheep & Goat Program

Do you want to learn more about judging dairy goats and how to better select your own animals? Peter Snyder (advanced judge and approved instructor) will be conducting this workshop on **Saturday, October 12, 2019**.

A pre-judges training conference is a training program for breeders, youth and future judges taught by a judge authorized to do so by ADGA. It consists of one full day of instruction and is the 1st step in becoming a licensed ADGA judge. It will also help you to better evaluate your own herd for important traits when making breeding decisions. There will be several sets of dairy goats for you to practice hands-on judging with.

Registration fee of \$35 due by October 4, 2019 (includes lunch & instructional packet) Late registrations accepted, but lunch will not be guaranteed. Checks should be made payable to NYSDGBA. For registration form and more information visit <http://putknowledgetowork.org/events/2019/10/12/american-dairy-goat-assoc-pre-judges-training-conference>.



2019 N. Y. Junior Beef Producers Association Fall Festival October 18-20, 2019, Schoharie County Sunshine Fairgrounds, Cobleskill

Entries for the Youth Cattle will be accepted the day of the contest.

For more information visit <http://nybpa.org/Fall%20Festival%20Schedule%202019.pdf>

***Cattle Judging Contest 9:00
am on Saturday, October 19.**

Contestants will judge groups of cattle.

New York Farm Bureau Offers Scholarships to Students Who Plan An Ag-Related Future.

New York Farm Bureau is encouraging high school seniors who will continue their education to prepare for a career in some way connected to the diverse agricultural industry to apply for the New York Farm Bureau Agricultural Youth Scholarship sponsored by the New York Farm Bureau Promotion and Education Committee. Scholarship awards are \$1,500 for first place, \$1,200 for second, and \$1,000 for third place. District winners will each receive \$100 and a memento. County winners are recognized at the discretion of their County Farm Bureau.

Students applying must have a family Farm Bureau membership or a Student Farm Bureau membership (a membership application may be included with scholarship enclosures). Students are required to complete an application which is a fillable pdf available on the NYFB website, and submit a brief 300-500 word essay discussing an issue facing agriculture in their county, explaining how they think NYFB can support members who may deal with this issue. We suggest that they feel free to visit the NYFB website www.nyfb.org to learn more about Farm Bureau.



At the District level scoring will determine the County winners as well as the District winner. The judging event may necessitate a personal interview and essay presentation or may be based solely upon the application and attachments. The state winner selection will be made from District Winners based solely on the submitted applications; there will be no personal interviews.

The application submission deadline is typically March 1. For scholarship information and the application visit <http://nyfb.org/programs/promotion-education/scholarship> or contact Sandie Prokop at sprokop@nyfb.org or 1-800-342-4143.

2020 Market Beef Steer, Market Beef Heifer, Small Frame Market Beef Steer, Market Dairy Steer Identification/Ownership Form Due

Market Beef Steers, Market Beef Heifers, Small Frame Market Beef Steers and Market Dairy Steers must be owned by January 1, 2020. Market Beef Steers, Market Beef Heifers, Small Frame Market Beef Steers, and Market Dairy Steer Identification Forms along with the Quality Assurance form are due to the CCE Office **by Monday, January 6, 2020 no later than 4:30 p.m.** These forms must be completed to be eligible to enter these market animals in the Steuben County 4-H Division by the County Fair Entry Deadline in July 202. **Market Heifers shown in market beef classes are not eligible for beef breeding classes. Market heifers must follow the same rules and regulations as market steers.** 2020 Market Beef Steer/Market Beef Heifer Identification Form, Small Frame Beef Steer Identification Form, Dairy Steer Identification Form, Quality Assurance Form, and 2020 Market Animals Rules and Regulations will be available on the web at www.putknowledgetowork.org Watch the Monday Memo for more information.

Livestock Judging and Livestock Skillathon

You don't have to own Livestock to participate in Livestock Judging and Livestock Skillathon!

What is Livestock Judging?

Livestock judging is the process of ranking four animals (beef, sheep, swine, and/or meat goat) of one class top to bottom based on criteria such as bone structure, muscle, body capacity, body composition, performance.

Livestock Judging develops the following life skills: critical thinking, organization, time management, public speaking, self confidence, self motivation, team building and competition.

While all of this sounds intimidating Livestock Judging is a really fun way to learn about beef cattle, sheep, swine and meat goats. Livestock Judging allows 4-Hers to get involved, compete, and make new friends. 4-H members 5-18 years old are eligible to participate and parents/volunteers/coaches are needed. **Cloverbud members 5-7 years old** (as of January 1, 2020) who are interested in learning may participate **only if they are accompanied at all times by a responsible adult who is at least 21 years old who will be accompanying them the entire time.** Jason Corey will be conducting practice sessions along with Erie County volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering to help assist with Livestock judging or if you are interested in giving Livestock Judging a try, **please contact Kim Randall at ksb3@cornell.edu or call her at 607-664-2571.** We look forward to hearing from you. A schedule of practices and competition dates will be announced. Look for updates in the Monday Memo.

What is Livestock Skillathon?

The objectives of the Livestock Skillathon contest is to provide youth with the opportunity to blend knowledge and skills acquired in livestock judging, demonstrations, care and exhibition of animals into one activity. This is also an opportunity for youth even if they have no opportunities for livestock ownership to learn about the importance of beef, sheep, swine and goat and their products to the environment and economy. Livestock Skillathon consists of 3 parts: Written quiz, identification and team questions. For the 2 question written quiz (100 points possible per person). Individuals will complete the exam independently. Potential topics are nutrition, health, breeding, management, genetics and current industry topics. The identification portion is 50 points possible per topic for a total of 300 possible points per person. Individuals may be asked to identify retail meat cuts, livestock feeds, and breeds, evaluate cuts of meat and hay or wool samples and complete a quality assurance exercise. Team participation will be required in a quality assurance exercise, evaluation of livestock feeding and performance information and an animal breeding or marketing scenario and exercise. 100 points possible per topic for a total of 400 points per team. Livestock Skillathon instills ethical values, good sportsmanship and product evaluation skills. Livestock Skillathon recognizes youth for their total involvement in and comprehension of the livestock industry.

For more information and resources visit <http://4h.ansci.cornell.edu/events-2/nys-fair/livestock-skillathon/>

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County Public Presentations for 2019-2020

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

ALL Regular 4-H members ages 8 and up are required to participate in the public presentation program to receive project completion. Cloverbuds are strongly encouraged to do a presentation but it is not mandatory. In addition to the County presentations there is another option, that of presenting at a Club Meeting and being “judged” by one of the leaders of the club. The Club Presentation is meant to be just a “stepping stone” for a year or two, and then the member needs to attend at the county level.

Information on preparing for presentations is on the web. **If an individual or a club would like help with any part of the public presentation process, please contact the 4-**

H office. Arrangements can be made to give you or your club the help that is needed.

Fall General Public Presentation Day

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

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

Winter General and Horse Public Presentation Day -

The next opportunity to do public presentations will be on **Saturday, February 29, 2019 at the Steuben County Office Building. General presentations and horse will be done on the same day. Check below for more information.**

General Presentations: Time: 9:00 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 pm-3:00 pm.

Horse Communications: Time 1:00-3:00 only.

Summer General Public Presentation Day -

The summer General public presentation event will be in the **Youth Building at the Steuben County Fairgrounds in July** date TBA.

All members, except Cloverbuds, giving presentations at the county level in November or February will be considered for district level presentations. Club presentations do not give public presentation award trip status to members.

Dairy Quiz Bowl

You don't have to own dairy cattle to participate in the 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Program. If you are interested in participating at the county and/or district level or receiving more information about Dairy Quiz Bowl please contact Kim at 607-664-2571 or at ksb3@cornell.edu. If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering as a coach or to help at the district contest please contact Kim at 607-664-2571 or at ksb3@cornell.edu. The district contest is on a Saturday in the beginning of March.

Coaches will need to be approved volunteers consisting of having their background check approved.

The *primary objective* of 4-H Dairy Bowl Contests is to provide an opportunity for youth enrolled in a 4-H

dairy project to demonstrate their knowledge of dairy related subject matter in a competitive setting where attitudes of friendliness and fairness prevail. It is also hoped that these contests will prove to be an educational experience for both participants and spectators. The Dairy Bowl Program is designed to encourage youth to increase their dairy knowledge through study and preparation for the contest. Youth learn life skills as they prepare for contests - critical

Novice Contest

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

thinking, decision-making, problem solving, communication skills, listening skills, speaking skills and independent thinking. They experience the value of teamwork, character building, and goal setting. Youth gain knowledge in dairy nutrition, milk quality, herd health, breeding and genetics, marketing, dairy foods, calf raising and all cattle breeds.

Practice sessions TBA.

Junior Contest

9 years to 13 years old

Senior Contest

14 years to 18 years old

Dairy Judging

You don't have to own dairy cattle to participate in the 4-H Dairy Judging Program. If you are interested in participating or receiving more information about dairy judging when it comes available please contact Kim at ksb3@cornell.edu or at 607-664-2571.

Who can dairy judge? Any 4-H member and their parent, grandparent, leader, etc. who is interested in learning how to dairy judge. Please NOTE: **Cloverbud members 5-7 years old** (as of 1/1/20) who are interested in learning how to dairy judge may participate **only if they are accompanied at all times by a responsible adult who is at least 21 years old.**



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

If there is enough interest in the Steuben County 4-H Dairy Judging Program, then there will be a Dairy Judging Contest at the Steuben County Fair. 4-H members can participate in the Allegany County Fair 4-H Dairy Judging Contest in July and the Finger Lakes District Dairy Judging Contest to be held at Alfred State College on Wednesday, July 1, 2020. There will be several other judging contests throughout the summer across the state to various farms that selected 4-H members will be invited to

attend. There is the State Dairy Judging Contest at the NYS Fair where Steuben County can send a maximum of 8 members (8-18 years old) per division. Steuben County members will be selected as members of the Steuben County Teams:

Senior – 4-H members 14-18 years old as of 1/1/20. Senior members will give 2 sets of oral reasons on Day 1 and if selected for the Day 2 contest oral reasons are a part of this contest too.

Junior – 4-H members 9-13 years old as of 1/1/20. Contestants will not give oral reasons as part of the contest. **Novice** – youth 8-10 as of 1/1/20 who have not previously competed in the dairy judging contest at the State Fair. Contestants will not give oral reasons as part of the contest.

Oral Reason Practice Sessions: There will be oral reason practice sessions for youth 14 and over who are interested in being a member of the Steuben County Sr. Team to compete at the NYS Fair and for those junior members interested to gain some oral reason experience before they compete in a contest. Locations and times for the practice sessions will be scheduled based on the availability of the participants and coaches.

****Dates and Locations to be announced****

2019 Horse Show Requirement



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

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

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

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

Horse Bowl & Hippology

Horse Bowl – is a fast-paced, fun, horse knowledge competition that uses buzzers and can be more easily compared to game show Jeopardy. There’s a wide range of topics covered including: basic grooming, genetics, tack and equipment, riding, stable management, breeds, history, etc.! Contestants are split by age/experience levels: Novice – 8 & 9 years old OR 1st year up to 14; Junior – 10-13 years of age; Senior – 14 and up. Juniors and Seniors are eligible for the State Competition if they receive qualifying scores at the Regional Contest. County practices will be set up if there is enough so PLEASE contact Jenny at the 4-H Office if you’d like to participate!

Hippology – is a slightly slower paced, hands-on horse knowledge competition where youth rotate through various stations. These stations include: slides, written test, horse judging, tack ID, breeds, nutrition, parasites, confirmation, and team problem (JR/SR only). The levels for this competition are the same as Horse Bowl: Novice – 8 & 9 years old OR 1st year up to 14; Junior – 10-13 years of age; Senior – 14 and up. Juniors and Seniors are eligible for the State Competition if they receive qualifying scores at the Regional. County practices will be set up if there is enough so PLEASE contact Jenny at the 4-H Office if you’d like to participate!

Our first practice/organizational meeting will be in January at the 4-H Office in Bath. Please contact Jenny if you plan to attend. If anyone is interested in coaching or being a guest speaker for our practices, please contact Jenny – jmg422@cornell.edu or 607-583-3245.



Past Events



2019 Career Exploration

On June 25-27, 2019, eight Steuben County members and two volunteer chaperones participated in the NYS 4-H Career Explorations at Cornell University. The purpose of this program is to provide youth with exposure to academic fields and career exploration, to develop leadership skills, to provide hands-on experience in a college setting and to introduce you to Cornell University. The event is made up of two grade specific tracts: University U for youth entering grades 8 - 9 and Focus for Teens for youth entering grades 10-12.

Participating in the University U were: Ian Bennett, Olivia Gleason, and Andrew McCarthy. One of Andrew's workshops was Polymer Mechanics. Andrew states "I learned that a Polymer has 3 stages: gas, liquid and solid. A polymer is created by a chemical reaction bonding monomers together called polymerization. Most of the items we use everyday are made of polymers. There are natural and synthetic polymers." Olivia's enjoyed the Botanical Gardens the most.

Participating in Focus for Teens Media Corps: Nolan Bennett; Focus for Teens Cardiac Engineering Program: Madison Conrad; Focus for Teens I've Got Something to Tell You: Podcasting Victoria Kelly; Focus for Teens Chemical Engineering: From Tiny Particles to Giant Explosion: Everett Smith and Focus for Teens Science and Animals Grow Here: Isabel Sprague. Madison reflects that Career Ex helped her realize that her future career path was truly what she was interested in and enjoyed doing. Thank you to Marlaina Bennett who participated in the Learning to Program Robots with Roibu Program and Tracy Smith who participated in the Focus for Teens Maps, Apps & Drones:4-H Geospatial Exploration for serving as chaperones for the trip. Victoria Kelly was selected to serve as a 2019 Focus Assistant.

2019 Citizenship-Washington Focus Trip



Victoria Kelly, Country Critters 4-H Club, and Rachel Eckler, Country Bunch 4-H Club, attended the 2019 Citizenship-Washington Focus Trip (C.W.F.) on July 7-13, 2019. Laura Eckler served as their chaperone along with Mark Eckler as an additional volunteer driver. Raven Foote, Former Steuben County 4-H member from the Willing Workers 4-H Club served as their Program Assistant while they were at CWF. CWF is a week-long 4-H citizenship program for youth ages 14-19 that takes place at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center just miles from Washington, DC. CWF provides 4-H youth with opportunities to explore, develop, and refine their community and civic engagement skills to be outstanding leaders in their communities. Through hands-on educational workshops, and sightseeing tours in the “living classroom” of Washington, D.C., youth learn about the history of our nation, the leaders who have shaped it, and how they can apply the leadership and citizenship skills they learn during CWF when they return home. Every summer, thousands of young people participate in the program, which provides opportunities for them to:

- strengthen their communication, leadership, and citizenship skills on a national level
- understand the importance of civic and social responsibilities as they relate to the development of better citizens and leaders
- exchange ideas, practice respect, and form friendships with other youth from diverse backgrounds.
- experience hands-on learning using the historical backdrop of Washington, DC.

While on Capitol Hill they met with staff from Senator Kirsten Gillibrand’s office, staff from Senator Charles Schumer’s office, and staff from Congressman Tom Reed’s office. They had a Capitol Tour and were even able to arrange for a White House Tour. Thank you to Dianne Miller, Director of Federal Relations at Cornell University

and Christine Towner for arranging these meetings and tours.

Rachel reflects "Citizen Washington Focus was an educational time for me. Through writing mock bills, hosting a congressional session, and visiting some of our nation's most treasured artifacts and places, I can honestly say that I learned a lot! CWF strengthened my skills in civility (a topic we focused on); having a chance to practice it when discussing controversial topics with other 4-Hers and even some of New York state's representatives. My favorite portion of the trip was visiting the Thomas Jefferson memorial and learning about the legacy he left to our nation and the impact it left to many presidents after. Another memorable portion of my trip was being able to connect with other 4-Hers from around the United States and learn how 4-H functions around them."

Victoria echoed, “Citizenship-Washington Focus may be my favorite 4-H trip that I have been on. It was amazing to see the Capitol, the White House, and numerous monuments, but I also greatly enjoyed our mock 4-H Congress. We practiced writing bills, debating, reviewing and rewriting, and holding a Congressional session. The memories of the history I experienced, the lessons I learned, and the people I met will definitely remain with me for years to come.”

Lastly, Laura shared, “Citizen Washington Focus is an amazing trip! 4-Hers spend a week in Washington DC, learning about our nation’s legislative branch, conducting their own congressional session, as they learn how to write, revise, question and vote on the bills they write. In addition to their hands-on learning, participants visit with New York State representatives, sharing with them their experiences in 4-H and its impact on their lives. Sightseeing tours into our nation’s capital highlight the history of our country and the impact of that history on our government today. It has been a fantastic week, watching our future leaders impact the world today!”

NYS Junior DAIRY LEADER Program Graduates Two Steuben County 4-H Members



Bryce Warriner, Dairy Dreamers 4-H Club and Jade Atherton, Blue Ribbon Roundup 4-H Club were two of thirty-one youth to graduate in the 20th Anniversary Celebration of the Junior DAIRY LEADER (JDL) Program in August at the 2019 Empire Farm Days in Seneca Falls. The Junior DAIRY LEADER program is intended to reach youth between the ages of 16 - 19 who have an interest in exploring careers in the dairy industry through hands-on experiential learning. The program presents youth with a realistic view of the dairy industry as a viable, profitable and progressive business sector, while also building personal and professional skills.

From September 2018 - August 2019 the JDL Program built personal, communication, teamwork, problem-solving and leadership skills; networked the students with industry professionals, and provided exposure to dairy internship opportunities. Youth participating in the Junior DAIRY LEADERS learn about a variety of agricultural career opportunities throughout their year experience. Each year's class participates in eight hands-on workshops, attends the National 4-H Dairy Conference and World Dairy Expo in Madison, WI, and tour farms and agribusinesses. Jade states, "JDL was a very eye opening experience with all the great adventures with the group and seeing all the different types of dairy farms in New York State and Wisconsin. It was also great to meet all different people in the dairy industry and making life-long friends along the way." For more information about the Junior DAIRY LEADER Program visit <https://prodairy.cals.cornell.edu/youth/junior-dairy-leaders/>

Finger Lakes District 4-H Dairy Judging Contest



The Finger Lakes District 4-H Dairy Judging Contest was held at Alfred State College on July 2, 2019. Thirty-two 4-H members representing Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Seneca, Steuben and Wyoming Counties participated and judged 6 classes. They consisted of 2 classes of Holstein Cows, a class of Jersey cows, a class of Ayrshire cows, a class of Brown Swiss yearlings, and a class of Guernsey heifers.

The first place winners received a plaque donated by Alfred State College. The top ten individuals and the top 5 teams in each division received ribbons courtesy of the Willman 4-H Dairy and Livestock Fund at Cornell University.

In the Novice Division, Vivien Robarge placed 1st, Griffen Robarge placed 3rd and Josh Place placed 4th. The Steuben Novice Team placed 1st.

In the Junior Division, Cole Sherer, Country Bunch 4-H Club, placed 1st and Faith Sherer, Country Bunch 4-H Club, placed 3rd. The Jr. Team of Cole, Faith, and Connor Stewart placed 1st.

In the Sr. Division Maeve Robarge, Blue Ribbon Roundup 4-H Club, placed 10th.

2019 Steuben County Fair 4-H Highlights

Animal Shows

Number of Exhibits: 848

Number of Exhibitors: 172

Master Showmanship Winners:

Beef- Braxtyn Elliott

Cavy – Ashlee Zschoche

Dairy Cattle – Thomas Sirianni

Dairy Goat – Koralee Dininny

Meat Goat – Brynn Scholl

Rabbit – Zach Hill

Sheep – Trinity Daley

Market Lamb - Sara Stierly

Swine – John Stierly

Market Hog – Sara Stierly

Dog Best Junior in Show – Rachel Eckler

Beef Grand and Reserve Grand Champions:

Grand Champion Market Steer – Brock Miles

Reserve Grand Champion Market Steer – Jillian Miles

Grand Champion Dairy Steer – Daniel Windnagle

Grand Champion Commercial Beef Heifer – Lola Coots

Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Beef Heifer –

Jadyn Dickson

Grand Champion Aberdeen Angus Heifer – Alex Knowles

Reserve Grand Champion Aberdeen Angus Heifer – Alex Knowles

Grand Champion British White – Danica Havens

Reserve Grand Champion British White – Danica Havens

Grand Champion Simmental Heifer- Braxtyn Elliott

Reserve Grand Champion Simmental Heifer – Lana Miles

Grand Champion Shorthorn Plus Heifer – Jillian Miles

Dairy Cattle Grand and Reserve Grand Champions:

Grand Champion Ayrshire – Connor Stewart

Reserve Grand Champion Ayrshire – Joshua Place

Grand Champion Brown Swiss – Megan Ross

Reserve Grand Champion Brown Swiss – Emily McCaig

Grand Champion Guernsey – Lauren Ross

Grand Champion Holstein – Brynn Scholl

Reserve Grand Champion Holstein – Brynn Scholl

Grand Champion Jersey – Connor Stewart

Reserve Grand Champion Jersey – Connor Stewart

Grand Champion Lineback – Austin Bell

Dairy Goat Grand and Reserve Grand Champions:

Grand Champion Purebred Lamancha – Maeve Robarge

Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Lamancha – Vivien Robarge

Grand Champion Purebred Oberhasli – Koralee Dininny

Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Oberhasli – Karoline Dininny

Grand Champion Purebred Toggenburg – Koralee Dininny

Reserve Grand Champion Purebred Toggenburg – Koralee Dininny

Grand Champion Recorded Grade – Erin White

Reserve Grand Champion Recorded Grade – Erin White

Meat Goat Grand and Reserve Grand Champions:

Grand Champion Market Goat – Danica Havens

Reserve Grand Champion Market Goat – Brynn Scholl

Grand Champion Registered Meat Goat Doe – Emilee Hurd

Reserve Grand Champion Registered Meat Goat Doe – Danica Havens

Grand Champion Commercial Meat Goat Doe – Danica Havens

Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Meat Goat Doe – Zach Hill

Sheep Grand and Reserve Grand Champions:

Grand Champion Market Lamb – Alyson Chapman

Reserve Grand Champion Market Lamb – Sara Stierly

Grand Champion Hampshire Ewe – Trinity Daley

Reserve Grand Champion Hampshire Ewe – Trinity Daley

Grand Champion Dorper Ewe – Robert Nadjadi

Grand Champion Dorper Ram – Robert Nadjadi

Grand Champion Jacob Ram – Oliva Hakes

Grand Champion Jacob Ewe – Olivia Hakes

Reserve Grand Champion Jacob Ewe – Oliva Hakes

Grand Champion Romney – Dryden Dickerson

Reserve Grand Champion Romney – Dryden Dickerson

Grand Champion Shropshire Ram – Gwen Hargrave

Grand Champion Shropshire Ewe – Gwen Hargrave

Reserve Grand Champion Shropshire Ewe – Gwen Hargrave

Hargrave

Grand Champion Commercial Ewe – Trinity Daley

Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Ewe – Trinity Daley

Swine Grand and Reserve Grand Champions:

Grand Champion Commercial Gilt – Kylene Stierly

Reserve Grand Champion Commercial Gilt – Alyson Chapman

Grand Champion Berkshire Gilt – Sara Stierly

Grand Champion Duroc Gilt – Kylene Stierly

Grand Champion Hereford Gilt – Karoline Dininny

Reserve Grand Champion Hereford Gilt – Koralee Dininny

Grand Champion Landrace Gilt – John Stierly

Reserve Grand Champion Landrace Gilt – Gwen Hargrave

Grand Champion Spots Gilt – John Stierly

Grand Champion Yorkshire Gilt – Gwen Hargrave

Grand Champion Chester White Gilt – Gwen Hargrave

Grand Champion Market Hog – Abigail Barrett

Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog – Tyler Evans

Supreme and Reserve Supreme Champions:

4-H Supreme Champion Beef Heifer – Alex Knowles (Aberdeen Angus)

4-H Reserve Supreme Champion Beef Heifer – Braxtyn Elliott (Simmental)
 4-H Supreme Champion Cow/Calf – Tristyn Risley (Charolais)
 4-H Reserve Supreme Champion Cow/Calf – Alex Knowles (Aberdeen Angus)
 4-H Supreme Champion Dairy Heifer – Austin Bell (Lineback)
 4-H Supreme Champion Dairy Cow – Brynn Scholl (Holstein)
 4-H Supreme Champion Dairy Goat – Koralee Dininny (Purebred Toggenburg)
 4-H Reserve Supreme Champion Dairy Goat – Erin White (Recorded Grade)
 4-H Supreme Champion Ewe – Trinity Daley (Commercial)
 4-H Reserve Supreme Champion Ewe – Gwen Hargrave (Shropshire)
 4-H Supreme Champion Gilt – John Stierly (Landrace)
 4-H Reserve Supreme Champion Gilt – Kylene Stierly (Commercial)
 4-H Supreme Champion Meat Goat – Danica Havens (Commercial)
 4-H Reserve Supreme Champion Meat Goat – Zach Hill (Commercial)

Rabbit Champions and Reserves:

Best Commercial Breed – Julianna Patrick
 Reserve Commercial Breed – Dryden Dickerson
 Best Fancy Breed – Korin Herrington
 Reserve Fancy Breed – Zach Hill
 Best Pet – Danielle Elliott
 Reserve Pet – Charis Button
 Champion Market – Keegan Folckemer
 Reserve Champion Market – Bradley Bottum
 Best in Show – Korbin Herrington
 Reserve in Show – Julianna Patrick

Cavy Show

Best in Show – Grace Potter

Reserve Best in Show – Korbin Herrington
Poultry Champions and Reserves:
 Best Standard Breed Exhibit – Austin Bell
 Reserve Standard Breed Exhibit – Sydney White
 Best Bantam Exhibit – Carlee Luckenbach
 Reserve Bantam Exhibit – Griffen Robarge
 Best Waterfowl Exhibit – Isabelle Folckemer
 Reserve Waterfowl Exhibit – Robert Nadjadi
 Champion Market Chicken – Tegan Cary
 Reserve Champion Market Chicken – Tegan Cary
 Champion Market Turkey – Ashlee Zschoche
 Reserve Champion Market Turkey – Korbin Herrington
 Best in Show – Carlee Luckenbach
 Reserve in Show – Austin Bell

Superior Herdsmanship:

Beef – Alex Knowles
Swine – Kalyska Payne
Meat Goat – Danica Havens
Dairy Goat – Maeve Robarge
Sheep – Marshall Brewer
Dairy Cattle – Danica Wakeman
Poultry – Alex, Andrew & Zach McCarthy
Rabbit – Ashlee Zschoche
Cavy – Grace Potter
Horse – Breanna Jorritsma

Youth Building

Number of Exhibits: 857
Number of Exhibitors: 156

Best of Show:

Clothing: Junior: Chelsea Abbott
Senior: Stephanie Fox
Foods: Nick Randall-blueberry muffins
 Tegan Cary- Menu for the Day poster
Horticulture: Austin Bell-pressed flower plaque
 Victoria Kelly- Container Garden
Wood Science: Daniel Windnagle- reclaimed lumber bench/milk can table

NYS Fair Clothing Revue

Aubrie Laverty and Victoria Kelly participated in the clothing revue



Steuben County at NYS Fair: Youth Building



4-H Steuben County had 146 exhibits that went to state fair in the areas of communications and expressive arts, food and nutrition, food preservation, fine arts, home environment, hobby crafts, child development, wearable art, textiles and clothing, photography, horticulture exhibits including vegetables and cut flowers, and STEM exhibits in woodworking, shop projects and electrical. All exhibits did very well.

When exhibits in the youth building at the New York State Fair go above and beyond “excellent”, they receive special recognition- the purple rosette! Or Best of Show

Steuben County’s winners of a purple rosette were:
 Foods: Hannah Stewart-peanut butter cookies
 Stephanie Fox-yeast bread & muffins

Amelia Gleason-yeast rolls
 Fine Art: Alicia Lawson-watercolor painting
 Clothing: Stephanie Fox - dress
 Horticulture: Tegan Cary-container garden
 Victoria Kelly- boutonniere
 Vegetables: Tegan Cary- yellow onions & cherry tomatoes
 Madison Conrad: Ornamental Indian Corn
 Breanna Jorretsma: Roma tomatoes
 Wood Science: Spencer Elliott-reclaimed lumber bench

Best of Show: Stephanie Fox also received a Best of Show for her Yeast Bread.

Cloverbud projects on display at State Fair:
 Alice Hargrave, Bethany Bottum, Emily Cheney, Kaden Cary, Ella Deussenbery, Madeline Slaytom



NY State Hippology Contest

Steuben County’s 4-H Horse Program was also well represented in the Hippology Contest. The hippology contest is a horse knowledge based contest which allows youth who do not own a horse or are unable to compete in the riding contest to still showcase and test their horse knowledge! This year we had two junior level contestants. This year, Steuben County had a 4-member team that represented Region 2 at the Senior level. Morgan Cheney and Isabel Sprague of Harmonyville 4-H Club; Alyson Chapman of Canisteo Valley 4-H Stars Club; and Cheyenne Murat, Independent member. As a first time Senior Team competing at the State Level, they finished in a strong 4th place! Individually, Morgan placed 5th individually and was first alternate to attend the national competition. Cheyenne Murat placed 11th and Isabel Sprague 15 respectively. All four of the girls look forward to competing next year at the Senior level and aspire to earn a spot on the New York team for the 2020 National 4-H Hippology Contest!

2019 NYS Fair 4-H Highlights

4-H Robotics Challenge

Steuben County had 1 team of 4 members participate.

NYS 4-H Dairy Judging Contest

Bryce Warriner placed 6th and Jade Atherton placed 14th in the combined Day 1 and Day 2 Competition that earned them a spot on a NYS 4-H Dairy Judging Team. Bryce will compete at the World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin in October and Jade will compete at the North American International Livestock Exposition (NAILE) on November 10.

NYS 4-H Livestock Skillathon Contest

Jr. Division Reserve Champion Team
Steuben/Chautauqua including Kylene Stierly and Gwen Hargrave
Sr. Division 5th place Team included Robert Nadjadi

NYS 4-H Livestock Judging Contest

Steuben/Chautauqua – Grand Champion Team consisting of John Stierly and Sara Stierly and 4th place Tioga/Steuben with Madison Swan
Reasons Division Individuals: John Stierly 1st, Sara Stierly 3rd place, Madison Swan 11th place
Non-reasons Division Individuals: Robert Nadjadi 11th place
Non-reasons Division Team: Chautauqua/Steuben – 3rd place
Jr. Division Team - Kylene Stierly was on the 3rd place Chautauqua team

NYS 4-H Dog Show

Grand Champion Beginner B Obedience – Rachel Eckler
Grand Champion Graduate Novice Obedience – Rachel Eckler
Grand Champion Advanced Novice Obedience – Cheyenne Murat
Reserve Grand Champion Rally Novice B – Rachel Eckler
Grand Champion Rally Excellent – Rachel Eckler
Reserve Grand Champion Grooming and Handling C – Rachel Eckler
Grooming and Handling B Senior – Zach Hill 1st place

NYS 4-H Dog Skillathon Contest

Grand Champion Advanced Division – Rachel Eckler
Reserve Grand Champion Advanced Division – Cheyenne Murat
Novice – Ian Bennett 4th place

NYS 4-H Dog Photo Contest

People's Choice Award – Rachel Eckler
Other Blue Awards 2 photos of Isaac McFeaters

NYS Youth Dairy Show

1st Half Dairy Youth Showmanship Age 16-18 – Bryce Warriner 4th place Blue Master
2nd Half Dairy Youth Showmanship Age 17-18 – Jade Atherton 3rd place Blue
Ayrshire Best Bred by Exhibitor – Kayla Atherton

NYS Youth Dairy Goat Show

Karoline Dininny - 2nd Jr. Showmanship, 3rd and 4th place Recorded Grade 5-9 months, 3rd place Oberhasli 2-3 years old
Koralee Dininny - 2nd Intermediate Showmanship, 2nd Oberhasli 3.5-5 months, 2nd place Oberhasli 2-3 years old, 2nd Oberhasli Dam and Daughter, 1st Toggenburg 5-9 months, 1st & 2nd 16-24 months Toggenburg, 5th 2-3 years Toggenburg, 1st 3-5 years Toggenburg, 2nd 5 and over Toggenburg, 3rd and 4th Dam & Daughter Toggenburg
Madison Swan – 5th place Toggenburg 5-9 months

NYS Youth Meat Goat Show:

Reserve Champion Market Kid – Emilee Hurd

NYS Youth Swine

Gwen Hargrave – All Other Breeds Champion Gilt, Jr. B Showmanship 4th
John Stierly IV – Landrace Champion Gilt, Spot Reserve Champion Gilt, Pen of Market Hog Reserve Champion, Sr. A Showmanship 2nd
Kylene Stierly – Jr. B Showmanship 3rd
Sara Stierly – Berkshire Reserve Champion Gilt, Sr. B Showmanship 1st

NYS Youth Poultry Show

Carlee Luckenbach – Grand Champion Large Fowl & Grand Champion Bantam

NYS Youth Poultry Judging

Emilee Hurd – 9th individual Senior

NYS Youth Rabbit Show

Julianna Patrick – Best of Breed & Best Opposite of Breed Argent Brun

Ashlee Zschoche – Best Opposite Breed Britannia Petite

NYS Youth Rabbit Decathlon

Ashlee Zschoche – 1st place Senior division
Carlee Luckenbach – 10th place Senior division
Julianna Patrick – 7th place Junior division
Senior Team (Ashlee, Emilee, Carlee) – 3rd place
Combined Junior Team (Julianna, Korbin) – 4th place
Combined Novice Team (Aimee) – 4th place

NYS Youth Cavy Show

Ashlee Zschoche – Best American Breed, Best in Show

NYS Youth Cavy Decathlon

Ashlee Zschoche – 1st place Senior division
Carlee Luckenbach – 5th place Senior division
Emilee Hurd – 7th place Senior division
Korbin Herrington – 6th place Junior division
Isabelle Folckemer – 10th place Junior division
Alexis Hurd – 6th place Novice division
Aimee Hurd – 7th place Novice division
Senior Team – 1st place
Junior Team – 2nd place
Combined Novice Team – 4th place



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