



Clover Chronicle

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April 2023 Event Schedule

April 1	Auction Program Marketing Meeting
April 2	Young Farmers Plant Science Workshop
April 3	Beginner Painting Class
April 4	Spring Into Painting Class
April 7	Avian Bowl Practice
April 13	Teen Council Meeting
April 12	Pet Club Meeting
April 14	Rabbit Showmanship Clinic
April 15	T-Shirt Designs Due
April 15	State Horse Bowl Contest
April 15	Junior Superintendent Applications Due
April 16	Horticulture Club Meeting
April 16-18	Capital Days Trip
April 22	Market Poultry Procedures Clinic
April 23	WHEP Bird Outing
April 28	Poultry Showmanship Clinic
April 29	Rabbit & Cavy Show—Genesee County

Looking Forward...



May 2023

May 1	Interview for Junior Superintendents
May 2	Horse Club Meeting
May 6	Animal Crackers
May 11	4-H Volunteer Leader Training
May 13	Poultry Processing Tour
May 15	Teen Leader Training
May 20	Poultry Processing Plant Tour

June 2023

June 27-30	Career Explorations at Cornell
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July 2023

July 13	Fair Cleanup
July 21	4-H Project Judging *NOTE NEW DATE!*
July 24	Animal Move In Day
July 25-29	Ontario County Fair



THE FAIR BOOKS ARE OUT!

It's Time to Start Planning!

Our 2023 County Fairbooks are now published! Check them out at this link: [Cornell Cooperative Extension | County Fair \(cceontario.org\)](https://cceontario.org)

4-H Young Farmers Plant Science

Sunday April 2nd 1-3pm
RSVP to Amy at anr32@cornell.edu

Hemdale Green House
1688 Leet Rd, Stanley, NY 14561

Join us for an afternoon of exploring the growing that happens at Hemdale Farms. Hemdale is a large producer of cabbage and we will get a hands on tour of their greenhouses!



Upcoming Programs

Pet Club Meeting

April 12, 2023

Do you want to learn more about pets? Join our pet club! Our next meeting will be April 12 6:30 PM-7:30 PM at the CCE bldg. in Canandaigua. We are learning about dog training, specifically working dogs. Border Collie trainers are coming to speak to the kids. Please email Sarah if you are interested!



Rabbit Showmanship Clinic

April 14, 2023

Want to show your rabbit at fair but need to know more about showmanship? Hens and Hares club is hosting a rabbit showmanship workshop at the 4-H office on April 14th from 6-8pm. Please email Sarah or Molly if you are planning to attend.

T-Shirt Design Contest

Get creative and design a 4-H t-shirt! We plan to get more Ontario County 4-H t-shirts made this year! We are asking 4-H'ers to submit their designs by April 15th. Remember, our theme this year is "4-H: A field of opportunity". Then the CCE staff will vote on the winning design. Winner of the design contest will receive a free t-shirt with their design on it.



Horticulture Club

April 16, 2023



Want to learn about vegetables? Join us at our next horticulture club meeting. We will be meeting Sunday, April 16th from 5:00 PM—7:00 PM. We will be learning all about vegetables! Please email Sarah at sab423@cornell.edu to sign up for this meeting.

Market Poultry Showmanship Clinic April 22, 2023

Josh Hurd is teaching a market poultry showmanship clinic on April 22nd at the 4-H office. Please email Sarah or Molly if you are planning to attend



WHEP Bird Outing

April 23, 2023

The April WHEP birding outing will be on Sunday, April 23, 2023. We are planning on visiting the Cornell Lab of Ornithology in Ithaca, NY. While there we will visit inside the Lab (including its gift shop), bird the trails of the famous Sapsucker Woods and get a look at some of the Lab's skin collection (dried specimens of various species of birds). We will be hooking up with the Tompkins County 4H youth bird club so it promises to be a fun time. On the return trip we will stop off at the Taughannock Falls gorge and try for a look at the peregrine falcons who have successfully nested there the previous three seasons. We will be meeting the Tompkins



County 4H Youth Birding Club at the Lab of Ornithology in Ithaca, NY. We are meeting them at the Lab parking lot at 10 am. On our return home we'll be stopping at Taughannock Falls State Park (Rt. 89 about 9 miles north of Ithaca on the west side of the lake) to try for a glimpse of the nesting Peregrine falcons.

Hope you can join us for an exciting visit to a world-famous establishment for the study and protection of birds. Please email Sarah if you are planning to attend.

Poultry Showmanship Clinic

April 28, 2023

Want to show your chicken at fair but need to know more about showmanship? Hens and Hares club is hosting a poultry showmanship workshop at the 4-H office on April 28th from 6-8pm. Please email Sarah or Molly if you are planning to attend.



Horse Club Meeting

May 2, 2023

Attention all Ontario County 4-H Horse Participants! Please join us Tuesday, May 2nd at 6pm at the 4-H office for our spring horse meeting. We would love for EVERYONE showing a horse at the 2023 county fair to join us if at all possible. Please let me know if you are able to attend because I would like to make sure that we have a good turnout at this meeting.

We will plan to choose horse evaluation dates for this year, talk about holding some clinics, fill out horse certificates (blue sheets) which are due by June 1st in order to show at fair. If you have your rabies and coggins tests, please bring those as well so we can cross paperwork off the list. If you come to this meeting, it might save you some hand cramps, as I will have your last year's paperwork available. If you are riding the same horse and no information as changed, you will be able to initial last year's sheet



and not fill out a new one. If you don't attend the meeting, you will have to submit all new paperwork like normal.

Looking forward to seeing you on May 2nd! I am excited about another year of county fair horse shows.

Poultry Processing Tour

May 13, 2023

Learn all about how poultry is processed at a tour of HLW Acres Poultry Processing in Attica, New York on May 13th. Start time TBD. Anyone is welcome to attend but please RSVP to Sarah or Molly.

4-H Leader Training

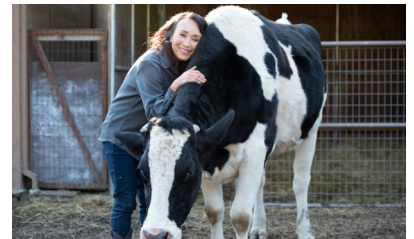
May 11, 2023



Club leaders and other 4-H volunteers - Please mark your calendars for May 11th at 6:00pm for our first leader training. We haven't done this in quite a while in Ontario County, but we want to make sure that we are supporting our volunteers effectively. We are requiring at least one leader or adult representative from each club but any 4-H volunteer is encouraged to attend. We intend for this training to be useful to both new and seasoned 4-H volunteers. We will cover concepts such as the importance of fostering youth "Sparks", learning to teach based on youth ages and stages, and electing club officers. We will also have discussion about new programming such as Junior Superintendent, special interest events, and new achievement night forms. We will be providing light refreshments. Please RSVP so we know who to plan on.

Junior Superintendent Program

We are excited to announce the new 4-H Junior Superintendent Program. Through this program, youth ages 14-19 will work with 4-H barn superintendents and staff members to provide leadership in every aspect of county fair. Positions available include Exhibit Hall Superintendent, Clover Creamery Superintendent, and then superintendent positions for each animal barn. More detailed information about this program can be found at this link or by reaching out to Sarah or Amy: [Cornell Cooperative Extension | County Fair \(cceontario.org\)](https://cceontario.org)



Volunteer Opportunity

Want to show off your rabbits? The Bristol Fire Department needs 4-H's to volunteer at their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 8, 2023 from 8:30 AM to 10:00 AM and show off their rabbits! Young people love to touch rabbits. Please bring a rabbit that doesn't mind being petted and be prepared to answer a lot of questions about your pet. Your rabbit must come in a carrier. We don't want any of them hopping away. If you would like to participate, please call or email Cat Francese at 585-747-1274 or cf468@cornell.edu



Upcoming Programs



GENESEE COUNTY FUR
AND FEATHER CLUB

RABBIT AND CAVY SHOW

A DUAL SHOW WITH WYOMING
COUNTY 4-H RABBIT EARS CLUB



SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH
GENESEE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
QUESTIONS-CONTACT JOY BREWER
JBREWER4109@GMAIL.COM

Save the date!

2023 SAGES Advancement in Agricultural Studies Scholarship

The Student Association of the Geneva Experiment Station (SAGES) is now accepting applications for the 2023 Advancement in Agricultural Studies Scholarship. SAGES established this scholarship in 2009, and since then has awarded \$14,750 to local high school seniors who have shown leadership in the classroom, in their communities, and who have expressed a desire to pursue higher education in agriculture-related fields of study.

SAGES hopes to build upon this legacy by offering a \$500 scholarship for up to 2 deserving students from the Class of 2023. The scholarship committee will accept applications from graduating seniors. Eligible applicants must be residents or attend high school in the following counties: **Ontario, Yates, Seneca, Tompkins, Cayuga, Schuyler, and Wayne**. Successful applicants must be graduating high school seniors who intend to enroll in a 2 or 4-year degree program in the agricultural sciences or an agriculturally-related field (examples are listed on the application). Eligible students can obtain application materials by emailing the chair of the SAGES Scholarship Committee, Kathleen Kanaley (kk697@cornell.edu), or from their high school guidance counselor. Applications are due by **April 15, 2023** and winner(s) will be notified by the end of May.



State Teen Action Retreat (STAR) Program

Attention 4-H members. Do you want to participate in a program where you can put your ideas to work? Do you want to use your ideas to contribute to your programs? This program might be just for you.

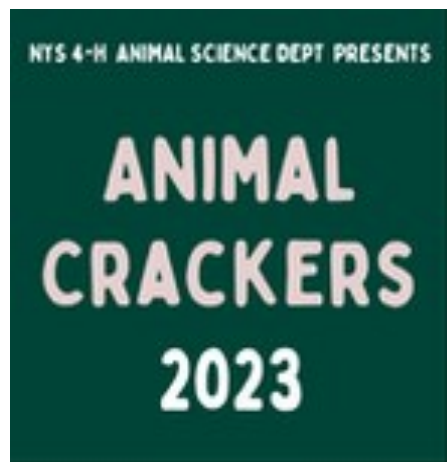
STAR will be held May 19-21, 2023, at [4-H Camp Shankitunk](#) and youth ages 13 and up are encouraged to attend. STAR is the NYS 4-H Youth Development's premiere youth voice event where a youth-adult planning team meets to plan, execute, and explore experiential learning.

Program highlights include:

- New ideas and programs that can reinvigorate 4-H your program offerings in your county.
- A motivational keynote speaker who is a 4-H & STAR alumni.
- Community service opportunities.

Plenty of opportunities to have fun and learn more about others and ourselves! Please call or email Sarah for more information.

2023 Animal Crackers “All Creatures Great and Small” Dairy, Sheep, Poultry, Rabbit/Cavy

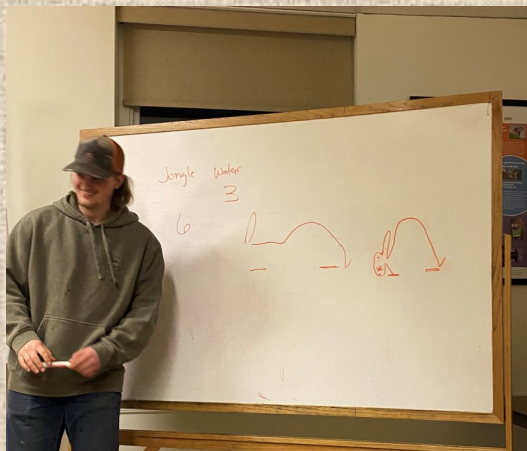
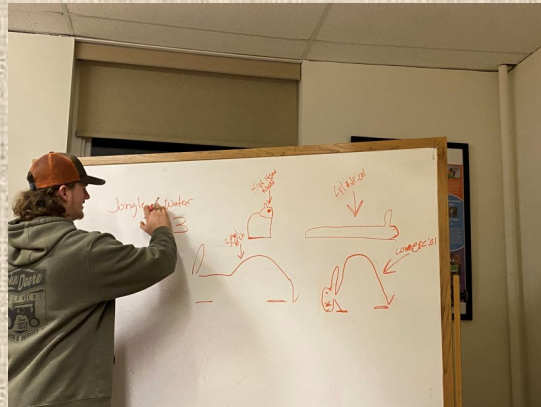


The Cornell University Department of Animal Science is pleased to announce 2023 Animal Crackers May 6, 2023.

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Hens & Hares

For our monthly rabbit meeting, all the rabbit 4Hers researched 5 rabbit breeds and everyone shared so we could learn a little bit about the different show rabbits! Senior 4H member Wyatt, happily drew all 6 of the Body Types for us so we could see them. Submitted by Olivia Maslyn



Later that month, we had a Poultry meeting. Once again, our accomplished 4Her Chase, presented about wild turkeys! After everyone's questions, we got right into learning about egg classes to get ready for Poultry Science competitions!

Submitted by Olivia Maslyn

Bird Tidbit From WHEP Leader Pet

Early Spring Migrants

Bird migration, along with the accumulation of fat, breeding and molting, are driven by seasonal changes in daylength - a phenomenon known as photoperiodism. Among the first groups of birds to move north in the spring are waterfowl. Ducks, geese and swans may begin migrating as soon as frozen lakes and marshes start to thaw. In most years, the peak of waterfowl migration in the Northeast begins at the end of March and runs through April. Ponds, flooded fields and open rivers are frequented by these birds during their migration north.

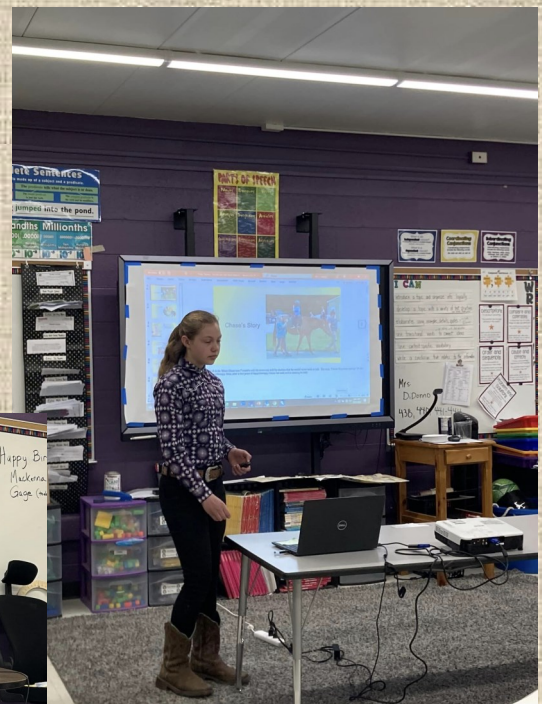
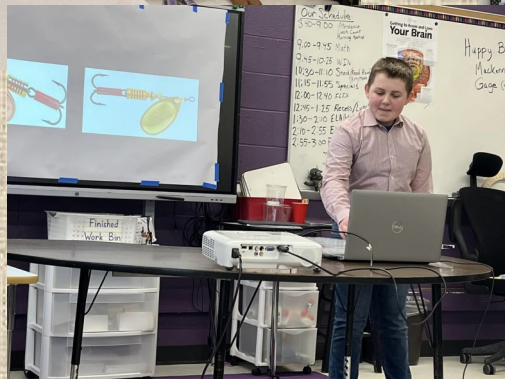
Source: "Naturally Curious Day By Day....A Photographic Field Guide and Daily Visit to the Forests, Fields, and Wetlands of Eastern North America"

by Mary Holland

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District Presentations

Great day at district presentations! The following youth represented Ontario County: Elena Soberon, Isaac Wheeler, Wyatt Wadams, Emmett Smithling, Annika Parshall, Rebecca Pare, Mason Michaelson, Max Manning, Owen Grefrath, Travis Clark, Nadia Gauss, Madison Glaude, Madeline Hayes, and Hannah Czadzeck. Elena placed first in the Junior Individual Presentation category for Horse Communications and will be advancing to NYS Horse Communications contest. Wyatt Wadams, Madison Glaude, Max Manning, and Owen Grefrath earned top presenter awards. Isaac Wheeler, Madison Glaude, and Hannah Czadzeck earned judges choice awards. Congratulations to all youth! We had a great turnout from Ontario county! We had the most youth there of any county. Thank you to Darlene Tytrek, Tim Stryker, and Claire Sheppard for serving as judges from our county.



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4-H Robotics Club

On March 16-18 the Honeoye robotics team, known as the S.U.I.T.S., went to the Finger Lakes Regional Robotic Competition at the Rochester Institute of Technology (RIT). The competition was based on a challenge created by FIRST Robotics. This year's challenge was to score points using cubes and cones on a grid, with poles for stacking cones and platforms for placing the cubes. Your team received more points if you got the cubes and cones in a line on the grid. The other part of the challenge was to try to balance your robot on a charge station, which was a platform that moved up and down when the robot drove onto it. We were randomly paired with 2 other teams known as our alliance partners all throughout the competition. Our alliance partners changed every match.

The first day of the event was all practice matches. The practice matches help teams work out any coding issues and gives the drive team a chance to practice on the actual competition field. Our robot had a rocky start, the coding was not going to plan, but we still got in a few matches which help our drive team who did not get much practice with this robot before the competition. The second day of the competition was the qualification matches, which counted toward our end score on the leaderboard. The beginning of the day started out rough, our team had some problems with both the code and the robot. However, we were able to use the practice field between matches to resolve a lot of our technical issues. By the end of the day, we started winning more matches. On the last day of the competition the morning is spent finishing the qualifying matches. After lunch the finals began. At finals the top 8 teams select their two alliance partners and those teams go with them to finals. We lost one round and won two on the last day of qualification matches. Our last qualification match was against the number 1 team who also happened to be undefeated. We managed to crush them and break their streak. We beat them 110 to 83. Our team was very excited for the win! We ended up not getting picked for finals, but we all had a lot of fun and went home knowing that we had beaten a, no longer, undefeated team.

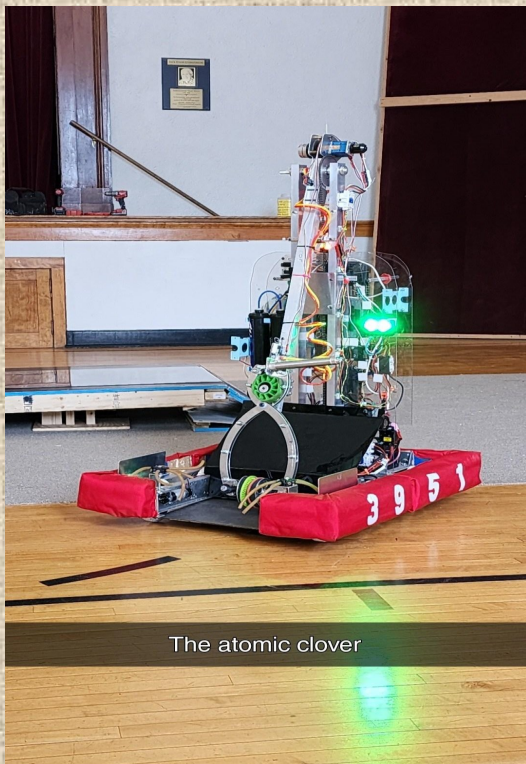
Submitted by Chloe Brunk



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Robotics Club





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Foodlink
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United Way
of Greater Rochester
and the Finger Lakes

CANANDAIGUA POP-UP FOOD PANTRY

APRIL 24, 2023

MAY 22, 2023

JUNE 26, 2023

**11:00-1:00PM OR UNTIL FOOD
IS GONE**

TOWN OF CANANDAIGUA

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BARN

5440 ROUTE 5 & 20

CANANDAIGUA, NY 14424

PLEASE USE THE 5 & 20

ENTRANCE.



All are welcome.

No public restrooms.

Please do not come/get in line before 10:00 am.

First come, first served.

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