

KEYNOTES



Cornell Cooperative Extension
Washington County

July—August 2023 Edition



Hello from the CCE/4-H Office

Hello Everyone,

I am so ecstatic that fair time is here! I can not wait to see all the amazing items that get entered. I maybe bias but I think Washington County kids are the most talented in all of New York. We have been rounding up judges, ordering supplies, and double checking our lists, so nothing is missed. As every year we need an abundance of volunteers to pull this off so please encourage family, friends, and neighbors to get involved. To those of you that we count on, year after year we can not thank you enough.

***We do have some extra 4-H t-shirts of all sizes for sale if anyone would like to purchase one. #4-hproud**

***We also have some magnificent curriculum available, stop by and browse our selection.**

If you see me wandering around the grounds, please stop me for a chat or give a quick wave. As always if any one ever needs anything, never hesitate to reach out. We got your back!

Lisa VanGuilder

Upcoming Events & Important Dates

Sew 4U—July 25

Fair Entry Deadlines:

- If mailing, postmarked **July 26** or earlier
- If dropping off, hand delivered by **July 28**
- Online entries due midnight **July 31**

Dairy Goat Classic—**July 30**

Antique & Flea Market Show—**August 5—6**

Youth Building Judging—**August 19**

County Fair **August 21—27**

Exhibits leave for State Fair— **August 31**

State Fair exhibits returned—**September 5**

Adirondack Wool & Arts Festival—

September 23—24

<https://washington.cce.cornell.edu/youth-4-h>

Opportunities for you

Ice Cream Booth Needs Shift Leaders!

We are very grateful to all that stepped up at Fair 2022 to help lead our volunteers in the 4-H Ice Cream Booth! We are very grateful to Cindy Blank for her overall leadership. For Fair 2023 we are looking for **Adult Shift Leaders** to assist Cindy as her availability is limited. The Shift Leader will oversee the operation which may include opening & closing, managing the cash box, filling the dipping cabinet, replacing the milk. Adult/teen teams will work, too. We do provide a stipend for anyone that takes that on.

Food Booth & Ice Cream Booth

Sign up forms are attached. We are in need of volunteers! Friends are welcome. Please contact the office to schedule (518)746-2560.

Sew 4U

This sewing & fiber workshop for novice & intermediate sewers. Youth, ages 9 – 17 as of 1/1/23 will have a chance to learn how to use a sewing machine, using a pattern, do some fiber art plus have some fun, too. Here's the scoop:

Date: & Time: Tuesday July 25 from 9 am-5:00 pm (check in at 8:45)

Location: Fair Office, Washington County Fairgrounds

Cost: \$10/ person (\$15/ non 4-Hers) pays for supplies

To register: https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/Sew_4U_2023_253 Please register by July 19

Agribusiness Career Trip

The New York State 4-H Agribusiness Career Conference aka 4-H ABC trip will be held on October 19 - 20, 2023 at SUNY Cobleskill. This career & college focused conference is open to all youth ages 14 and over who wish to learn about opportunities in the various agri-businesses. Included are workshops, meeting staff from area agri-businesses, and tours including the SUNY Cobleskill campus and agriculture facilities PLUS meeting teens from across NYS! Let us know if you have a teen that might be interested; workshop & tour details have not been released yet. Registration is due in early September.

NYS State Fair

Calling any & all teens who might be interested in going to the NYS Fair! We leave midday Thursday August 31 & return late Saturday September 2. Teens help set up our exhibit then do fun activities with young fair-goers on Friday & Saturday. Let us know if you know of teens who might be interested.

Antique & Flea Market

We are looking for volunteers to fill our shifts. Each club that sends a team of 3 youth & 1 adult earns \$30 .

Individual members & parents are welcome, too! The shifts are:

Saturday: 6:30 am—1 pm; 12—5:30 pm

Sunday: 7:30 am—1 pm; 12—4:30 pm

Newsworthy

Scholarship Winners 2023 :

Alyce Harrington will be attending Suny Cobleskill for Dairy Production Management. As a 4-H participant she has shown dairy cattle at the fair, provided public presentations, volunteered for the food booth, and exhibited food and crafts. She is an FFA member and was even selected as Washington County Dairy Princess.

Jackson Wilhelm has applied to World of Life Bible Institute. Well working with 4-H he has volunteered for the food booth, participated in teen council, went on the Wonders of Washington Trip, attended tractor safety and more. Outside of being an avid 4-her Jackson also plays soccer, hunts, and fishes.



Club Talk

Crystal Clovers

Met at Cambridge Town Hall. 10 Participants painted wooden boxes into treasure chests for father's day. Cleaned up the property and changed the wreath for the Town Hall.

Members & Volunteers: please send us write-ups and/or pictures of what 4-H things you've been doing!



4-H Spotlight



Congratulations to Alumnus Lea Vincent

4-H Alumnus Lea Vincent is headed to SUNY College Environmental Science and Forestry aka ESF! Her chosen major is Environmental Biology with a minor in Indigenous Studies.

As a 4-Her, she was a member of the 4-H Teen Council and also served for two years on the NYS 4-H SafeR Spaces Innovation Project.

Lea created slides for the SafeR Spaces video, crafted the committee's mission statement, and presented at the 2022 FFA Convention in Syracuse.

Her determination "to foster an environment of mutual learning and respect for all" will bode well for her as an ESF student! #4-Hproud #congrats #futureleader



4-H Career Exploration 2023



Above: Matt Ploof, Dawson Honyoust, Aksel Kohler & Chrys



Congratulations to **Sherri Slater** on her retirement from WSWHE BOCES's Conservation Program! Sherri is a Washington County 4-H Alumnus, Salem FFA Alumnus, CCE Board Director in her second term and currently serves as our representative to the Washington County Fair Board. She has touched many, many students' lives over her tenure! We wish her the best!



4-H TEEN COUNCIL FOOD BOOTH

The Food Booth supplies Fairgoers with hot and cold meals all day long. The funds raised from this booth provide funding for several events: Awards, Achievement Night, Educational Trips, and other 4-H events throughout the year. The only way it can be successful is if 4-H leaders, parents and members are willing to volunteer to work a shift! Please complete and submit the form below to the 4-H Office at 415 Lower Main Street, Hudson Falls, NY 12839, by Friday, August 4, 2023. Thank you for your continued support and participation!

Club Name _____ # of members working _____

How many are: _____ 6 to 9 years old _____ 10 to 13 years old _____ 14 and over

Leader's Signature: _____ # of adults working _____

Phone Number: _____

**Each shift needs 8-12 members and 8-10 adults/teens. For smaller clubs, we will try to match another small club in the same shift. For larger clubs, please consider splitting up your club and work two separate shifts.

6 - 9 year olds are not allowed to work the 6:30 - 10 a.m. shift.

The Fair runs from Monday, August 21 - Sunday, August 27

**Please indicate your first, second and third choice of shift by completing the chart below. All clubs must complete this entire form to ensure accuracy on our part. Clubs will be assigned shifts in the order that this form is received. Please call Barb Lapan if you have any questions.

| Shifts August | Monday 21 | Tuesday 22 | Wednesday 23 | Thursday 24 | Friday 25 | Saturday 26 | Sunday 27 |
|--|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|
| 6:30 am 10:00 am (no young Clubs) | | | | | | | |
| 10:00 am 1:30 pm | <i>Clever Clubs</i> | <i>Jr. Bey</i> | | <i>Sheep - Kids</i> | | | |
| 1:00 pm 4:30 pm | | | | | | | |
| 4:00 pm 7:30 am | | | | | | | |
| 7:00 pm 10:30 pm | | | | | | | |



4-H LEADERS' DAIRY BOOTH

The Dairy Booth supplies Fairgoers with ice cream cones and milkshakes. The funds raised from this booth provide youth scholarships and leader training. The only way it can be successful is if 4-H leaders and 4-H parents, as well as older youth, are willing to volunteer to work a shift.

Each shift will be three hours. This gives leaders and parents a chance to enjoy making milkshakes and dipping cones after the initial learning period. What better way to spend 3 hours than to be up to your elbows in ice cream.

2-4 adults are needed, depending on the day and time for each shift. The 10:30 - 1:30 shift only requires 2 adults or older youth.

10:30—1:30 PM 1:30—4:30 PM 4:30—7:30 PM 7:30—10:30 PM

Name(s) _____ Phone No. _____



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| 10:30- 1:30 | | | | | | Busy Bunch | |
| 1:30 - 4:30 | | | | | | | |
| 4:30 - 7:30 | | | | Busy Bunch | | | |
| 7:30 10:30 | | | | | | | |