



# 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 4-H at [www.4-H.org](http://www.4-H.org), find us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/4-H](http://www.facebook.com/4-H) and Twitter at <https://twitter.com/4H>.

## **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. Please let Jenny know where your club's display is set up will be by October 4: [jmg422@cornell.edu](mailto:jmg422@cornell.edu) or 664 -2312.

## **Tractor Supply Fall Paper Clover Fundraiser October 9 – 20 to support 4-H**

Tractor Supply Fall Paper Clover Fundraiser will be held October 9-20. Customers at local Tractor Supply can support 4-H by purchasing paper clovers for \$1 or more at checkout. All funds raised will be donated to 4-H, and over 70% will remain at the county and state level where the store is located. Having more 4-Hers in stores during the event helps raise more money, so contact your local store/store manager to request a presence and to schedule a time and indicate your needs. See how your club can get involved to help raise funds for the Steuben County 4-H Program and/or your 4-H Club. 4-H clubs can set up displays (4-H on display) and help sell paper clovers. Clubs can have bake sale (must make sure to complete fundraiser request form and hand into the CCE office). You can visit the toolkit website at [www.4-H.org/paper-clover-toolkit](http://www.4-H.org/paper-clover-toolkit) and username is [paperclover@4-H.org](mailto:paperclover@4-H.org) and password is paperclover.



## *Upcoming Events*

### **October**

TBA 4-H Dog Obedience classes at Hillside Children's Center, Snell Farm, Bath 6-8 p.m. on various Thursdays

October 6-12 – National 4-H Week – Get those 4-H Displays up!!!

October 9 – 20 Tractor Supply Fall Paper Clover Fundraiser

October 11 – Friend of 4-H, Favorite Leader, Behind the Scenes Nominations Due to CCE Office

October 14 – Columbus Day – CCE Office Closed

October 15 – 4-H Livestock Advisory Committee Meeting, 7 p.m. at Empire Livestock

October 12 – 13 - Southern Tier Outdoor Show – Wilkins RV, Bath, NY

October 18-20 – N.Y. Junior Beef Producers Fall Festival, SUNY Cobleskill

October 19 – Insectapalooza, Cornell University, Ithaca, Comstock Hall 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

October 21 – Cheese and Maple orders due to CCE Office by 4:30 p.m.

October 21 – 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl and Dairy Judging Interest form due to the CCE Office

### **November**

TBA 4-H Dog Obedience classes at Hillside Children's Center, Snell Farm, Bath 6-8 p.m. on various Thursdays

November 2 - 4-H Awards Program, 6:30 p.m., Avoca School

November 9 – General Public Presentations, 9:00-noon, North Cohocton

November 11 – Veteran's Day, CCE Office Closed

November 21 – 4-H Cheese arrives pick up between noon-6 p.m.

November 21 – 4-H Program Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

November 18 – NYS Farm Bureau Agricultural Youth Scholarship Due [www.nyfb.org](http://www.nyfb.org)

November 23 – JP's Tack Sale & Auction – Location TBA – Noon Preview, Auction starts 1 p.m.

November 28 and 29 – CCE Office Closed for Thanksgiving

### **December**

TBA 4-H Dog Obedience classes at Hillside Children's Center, Snell Farm, Bath 6-8 p.m. on various Thursdays

December 9 – Payment for cheese orders due to CCE Office

December 25 – Happy Holidays, CCE Office Closed

### **January**

TBA 4-H Dog Obedience classes at Hillside Children's Center, Snell Farm, Bath 6-8 p.m. on various Thursdays

January 1 – Ownership Deadline for Market Beef and Dairy Steers

January 1 – CCE Office Closed. Happy New Year

January 6 – **Members must be Re-enrolled to participate in 2013 Steuben County Fair**

January 6 - Market Beef (Steer and Heifer) and Dairy Steer I.D. Forms due to CCE Office by 4:30 p.m.

January 6 – Registration due to CCE office for 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program

January 6 – Recipes due to Vicky Dockstader at dvfarms1990@yahoo.com for 4-H & FFA Livestock Sale Cookbook Fundraiser

January 10 – Registration due to CCE office for all levels of Sewing with Grace

January 13 – 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m., County Office Building

January 18 & 25 – Sewing with Grace – 1 – 3 p.m. 3<sup>rd</sup> year sewers

January 20 - CCE Office Closed for Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 20 – 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m., County Office Building

January 26 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, 1 – 4 p.m., Location TBA

January 27 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, County Office Building, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

## **February**

TBA 4-H Dog Obedience classes at Hillside Children's Center, Snell Farm, Bath 6-8 p.m. on various Thursdays

February 1 & 8 – Sewing With Grace, 1 – 3 p.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> year sewers

February 3 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, County Office Building, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

February 9 – 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, Driving Session – 1-4 p.m. Location - TBA

February 10 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, County Office Building, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

February 10 – Public Presentation registration due for February 22

Friday, February 14, 2014 - 2014 NYS 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship deadline <http://www.nys4hfoundation.org/programs/foundation-programs/opportunity-scholarship-program/>

February 15 & 22 – Sewing With Grace, 1 – 3 p.m. 1<sup>st</sup> year sewers

February 17 - President's Day, CCE Office Closed

February 22 - General Public Presentations, County Office Building, Bath 9-noon & 1:00-4:00, Horse Public Presentations, County Office Building, Bath 1:00-4:00

February 24 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, County Office Building, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

## **March**

TBA – March Dog Madness, Cornell University

TBA – Dairy Discovery

TBA – TBA 4-H Dog Obedience classes at Hillside Children’s Center, Snell Farm, Bath 6-8 p.m. on various Thursdays

March 1 - Tentative Region II Horse Extravaganza (Horse Bowl & Hippology contests), Midlakes School

March 1 – Tentative Finger Lakes District Dairy Bowl Contest – Midlakes School

March 2 - 4 - NYS Capital Days Award Trip, Albany

March 3 – 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, County Office Building, 7:30 – 9:30 p.m.

March 8 – 4-H Expo - TENTATIVE

March 9 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, (driving test) 1-4 p.m. location TBA,

March 10 – Pheasant Chick Order due to CCE by 4:30

March 10 – Registrations due for 4-H Garden Meeting on March 18

March 10 - 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, Written Test, County Office Bldg, 7:30 - 9:30 pm

March 16 - Snowdate Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, (driving test) location TBA, 1- 4 p.m.

March 17 - Snowdate- 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program, Written Test, County Office Bldg, 7:30 -9:30 pm

March 17-21 - National Ag Week and New York Ag Literacy Week

March 18 – 4-H Spring Garden Meeting, Steuben County Fairgrounds, Masonic Building, Bath

March 20 – Hoard’s Dairyman Judging Contest Deadline

March 29 – District Public Presentations/Region II Horse Communications Contest, Midlakes School



### *Office News*

## **4-H Office Policy!!!**

**Any items, (Awards program, Fair items, etc.), left in the 4-H Office over 60 days from the date you are notified will be disposed of as the 4-H Staff deems reasonable. You will receive one phone call or email notification. It will be noted on each item the date that you were notified. Please make sure items are picked up, for you or your club, in a timely manner.**

## **Checking The Web!**

It is very important that everyone is checking the web site, [www.putknowledge2work.org](http://www.putknowledge2work.org) and then click on 4-H Youth Development on a weekly basis as new items are appearing on the web site daily. We will keep you informed of upcoming events and changes by posting them on the web site as soon as we get them.

## CCE Steuben Facebook Page

A Facebook page has been created for Cornell Cooperative Extension of Steuben County. Like us on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/ccesteuben> or you can go to [www.putknowledgetowork.org](http://www.putknowledgetowork.org) and click under Timely Topics.



## Choose Health Officer

Remember to elect a Choose Health Officer in your 4-H Clubs this fall! The Choose Health Officer will keep the Health-H front and center in your club and encourage the members to be physically active all through the year. This can also be used for independent families. How-to booklets for the leader (parent) and Choose Health Officer are available to help club or independent members be active and eat healthier. Contact Loree for more information.

## “Choose Health for Food, Fun, and Fitness” Food Project

The *Eat Smart New York* nutrition educators are available to do a foods project for your club or a group of 4-Hers from 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up. This would be a series of six 60-90 minute sessions. Each session would include a cooking activity, a nutrition activity and a physical activity. A facility with a kitchen and table space is needed if you want to cook. For those near Bath the CCE learning center would be available. Contact Loree for more information.

## 2013 4-H Awards Program

**ALL** 4-H members, leaders and parents are cordially invited to attend the 2013 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, 2013  
**Social Time** Distribution of County Fair premium money – 6:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
**Awards Ceremony** – 7:00 p.m

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

- **Note: There will not be refreshments this year.**

**Each club is asked to bring: A wrapped gift** to be used as a door prize which we will be selling tickets that night for.

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. Please consider sponsoring an award for a deserving 4-H member at this year’s award program and contact Kim at 607-664-2306 or [ksb3@cornell.edu](mailto:ksb3@cornell.edu) or return the enclosed form by **Monday, October 21.** Your support is greatly appreciated and allows us to be able to continue to offer quality programming to our youth.

All members, leaders and parents are encouraged to attend and recognize the achievements of 4-H members and leaders!

## Behind the Scenes Award

This award is sponsored by the Steuben County Farm Bureau and is presented to a 4-H member in the animal science program 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.

## 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.

## Favorite Leader Contest Nominations

How many times have you thanked your leader for the things he/she has done for you? 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 one of them for the "Favorite Leader Contest". Write a short essay for you to read on Saturday, November 2 at the 4-H Awards Program within the two minute limit. Keep the essay brief, 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 Kim by mail, email at [ksb3@cornell.edu](mailto:ksb3@cornell.edu) or call her at her 607-664-2306 and leave a message by Monday, October 11** with the leader's name you are nominating, and the name(s) of who will be reading your nominations.



## 2013 N. Y. Junior Beef Producers Fall Festival

The New York Junior Fall Festival is holding its 18<sup>th</sup> annual event at SUNY Cobleskill, October 18-20. Day of contest entries will be accepted for the Youth Challenge, although, pre-registrations are appreciated. For questions contact NY Beef Producer's Association rep, Jeanne White [jeanne@SimmeValley.com](mailto:jeanne@SimmeValley.com)

### Fall Festival Youth Challenge

The NY Fall Festival is again happy to offer a fun and educational program for all youth interested in the beef industry. In order to participate in the Challenge, participants must be members of the NY Junior Beef Producers. You can join by sending in \$10 with your entry, or \$25/ family. There will be Pee Wee Division – 8 and under, Junior Division 9–13, Intermediate Division 14-17, and Senior Division - 18-21. (Age as of 1-1 of current year)

**\*Meats Identification and Evaluation** 5:00 pm on Friday

Contestants will judge meat cuts and carcasses. Since this may be a new experience for some people, there will be a brief overview of what you should look for, and an explanation on how to evaluate and place a class of meat cuts. Identification of beef cuts will be a component of this contest as well.

**\*Cattle Judging Contest** 8:30 am on Saturday

Judge 3 groups of cattle. Reasons to follow on one class for Intermediates and seniors.

**\*Beef Practical Challenge Contest** 9:30 am – 11:30 am Saturday

Written quiz on general Knowledge of the beef industry. Multiple choice and True/False questions. Pee Wee division will have approximately 10 oral questions. Topics with visual aids will be tested based on knowledge used every day on the Farm. Pee Wee division will be oral questions.

**\*Team Marketing** - 6:30pm Saturday. Groups of 3(all from same age group)

will market one of their animals to a set of judges. Rules will be sent out.

**\*Team Fitting** – 8am Sunday. Groups of 3 (all from DIFFERENT age group)

**Challenge Awards will be presented following the sale, Team marketing Awards presented on Sunday morning.**



## **Insectapalooza**

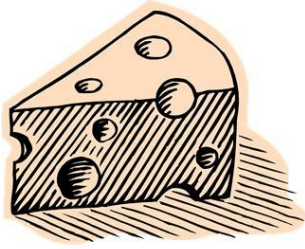
Insects - from the good to the bad to the bugly - will be on display at Cornell University during the 8th annual Insectapalooza Insect Fair on Saturday, Oct. 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Comstock Hall on the Cornell University campus. The cost of entry is less than a cup of coffee: \$2 per person.

Insectapalooza is an interactive, hands-on experience that features hundreds of live insects, spiders, and other fascinating arthropods. This year there are many new exhibits and popular favorites like the live Butterfly room, Arthropod Zoo, and Pollination room. Insectapalooza is fun and educational for children, teens, and adults of all ages.

The annual, one-day insect fair is hosted by the Department of Entomology at Cornell. "The Good, The Bad, and the Bugly" theme reflects the countless ways that insects interact with people and impact our lives - for better or for worse.

We have plenty of parking for cars and buses. For more information see:  
[www.entomology.cornell.edu/cals/entomology/news/insectapalooza.cfm](http://www.entomology.cornell.edu/cals/entomology/news/insectapalooza.cfm)

We hope to see you there! Dr. Linda S. Rayor, Department of Entomology, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853, [LSR1@cornell.edu](mailto:LSR1@cornell.edu), (O) 607 255-8406  
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## 4-H Fall Fund Raiser: 4-H Cuba Cheese & Henning's Trout Creek Farm Maple Products

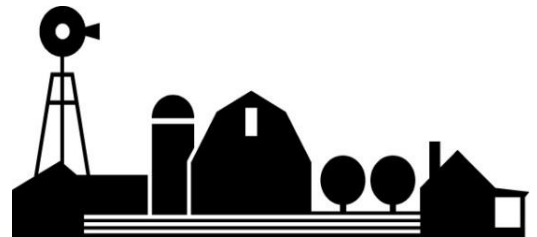


- **By Monday, October 21** Leaders consolidate individual member orders into one club order and complete the form showing **all members** that sold and the **total amount each sold** and mail or deliver to the CCE Office to **reach us by 4:30 p.m. October 21.** **NO PHONE OR FAX ORDERS ACCEPTED**
- **Thursday, November 21** Delivery of Cuba Cheese and Henning's Trout Creek Farm Maple Products will be delivered Thursday, November 21 to the County Office Building, Bath. We will unload the truck and sort the cheese and maple products by item. Volunteers and extra hands are needed for unloading and sorting. **Leader or club representative will pick up your club order** at the County Office Building, Bath, and **will sort your own club order** from **Noon - 6:00 p.m.**
- **New for 2013** Final payment information will be mailed to you prior to pick-up. You will need to sign a copy of the invoice (Organization Leaders sign for the club and parents sign for independent members) and return it when you pick-up your products. You may also call to see if your order is ready for pick-up prior to Noon.
- **NOTE:** If the leader is not able to come to Bath by 6:00 p.m., they must send a representative (parents, etc.). No Returns Products may not be returned to the CCE Office.
- 4-H Clubs and Independent Members who do not pay the \$50.00 family enrollment must participate in the Steuben County Cuba Cheese and/or Henning's Trout Creek Farm Maple Products Fundraiser and sell at least \$50.00 per 4-H member to be eligible for reduced rates on 4-H Award Trips. If a 4-H member does not sell \$50.00 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**

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

New York Farm Bureau is encouraging high school seniors who have been involved with agriculture and plan on continuing studies in this field 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. The first place winner will be invited to present their essay at a NYFB Spring event.



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 submit a brief essay answering the question, "If you had the power to change something in your community or on your farm, what would you change and why?"

At the District level, a personal interview and essay presentation may be scheduled at the discretion of the District Representative. The county winner will be the applicant scoring the highest for each county. The District winner will be overall highest county winner. District winners will be notified on or before the District judging deadline



of January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014. The District winners will have an opportunity to make minor changes (i.e. grammar, spelling, additional awards etc.) to their applications prior to the February 1<sup>st</sup> final deadline, at which time all applications must be into New York Farm Bureau for the state judging. The State competition is based solely upon the application and attachments.

County Farm Bureaus are urged to utilize the talents of these young people for county events such as Earth Day and Ag Day Celebrations, special events, county Annual Meetings and Rural Urban Dinners. These young people are the future of Agriculture in NYS and a voice of hope and passion in this ever-changing environment we call home. Help empower them to spread the message.

The application submission deadline is November 18, 2013. To nominate someone for the scholarship or to request an application, call 1-800-342-4143 or visit <http://www.nyfb.org> and then scroll down to "Farm Essentials" for scholarship information and the application. For more information: Contact Sandra Prokop, (518) 431-5633, [sprokop@nyfb.org](mailto:sprokop@nyfb.org)

### **4-H Awards Trip Committee**

The 4-H Awards Trip committee will be meeting in October at the County Office Building to choose 4-H members for the following award trips based on the 4-H members completed Senior Summary Reports: Capital Days; STARR; Career Exploration Trip, Cornell University; Agribusiness Career (ABC) Trip, Cobleskill; and Citizenship-Washington Focus. The awards trip committee meets once a year. If you are not already on the committee and are interested in serving on this committee contact Kim Randall at the CCE Office at 607-664-2306 or at [ksb3@cornell.edu](mailto:ksb3@cornell.edu).

### **4-H Expo Instructors Needed**

4-H Expo, a day of workshops and activities for 4-H leaders, parents and club members of all ages is coming in March. There are workshops in all 4-H project areas such as natural resources, environmental education, nutrition and foods, animal science, horse, dog, textiles and clothing, crafts, and club management. The workshops are assigned a learning level so the classes will be fun for the age it was intended. The levels are: Cloverbuds (5-7 years), level A (8-12 years), level B (13-19 years) or level C (4-H leaders). 4-H leaders can attend any workshop so they can gain new project ideas. Participants will be informed as to what supplies are needed for each project or if the supplies are being provided by the instructor and the cost that will be charged. The brochure with the class descriptions and sign-up sheet will be available early in January, so watch for it on the web or in the mail.

**Instructors are needed for the 1 hr. classes/workshops for all ages. Classes are need in all project areas of 4-H. If anyone has ideas to share and/or would like to teach a class, please contact Loree at the 4-H office by the end of November.**

### **County-Wide Sewing Class Being Offered for 4-Hers and Leaders/Parents**



**Do you want to learn to sew?** Grace Brown is offering free classes to any 4-Her(8 and older) or leader/parent in the county that wants to learn the basics of using a pattern to make a garment and operating a sewing machine/serger. She is offering a Beginners Class for those who have never sewn, a Second year class for those who have one year of experience, and an advanced class for those who have had at least two years of experience.

**All classes will be held at Grace's home- 7258 St. Rt. 415, just west of Bath towards Kanona. Class sizes will be small so pre-registration is required. Register for these classes by January 10, 2014.**

The dates and times are:

Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00pm  
Saturday, February 1<sup>st</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00pm  
Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> from 1:00-3:00pm

3<sup>rd</sup> year sewers will choose a project  
2<sup>nd</sup> year sewers will make pj pants  
1<sup>st</sup> year sewers will make sweatshirts.

Grace is volunteering her time for this project so asks that you commit to attending the two sessions planned for the level sewer that you are. If you don't get done in the two sessions, she will plan another time to work with you so you can finish. This will count as a sewing project for the year and you will be eligible to attend a 4-H Clothing Evaluation in April and the 4-H Clothing Revue on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Avoca Central School.

### **Beginners Sewing Class:**

**This class will be held Saturday, February 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00 pm. Remember to register.**

Grace will provide the patterns and the machines. Each person will need to supply sweatshirt fabric (**do not** get fleece) and ribbing. Grace has a supply of ribbing in many colors which you may not find in fabric shops. You can purchase this from her @.22 cents per inch. She also has sweatshirt fabric available or you can purchase elsewhere. She will provide the thread and sewing supplies.

Sweatshirt fabric: 1 ½ yards sweatshirt fabric for size youth –adult medium  
1 ¾ Yards sweatshirt fabric for Adult L-XL  
Ribbing: 12”

### **Second Year Sewing Project:**

**This class will be held on Saturday, February 1st and 8<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00 pm. Remember to register.**

The project will be pajama pants with an elastic waist. **You will need to furnish your own pattern, fabric and elastic.** Grace will furnish the machines and thread. If you have questions about what to purchase, contact Grace.

### **Third Year Sewing Project:**

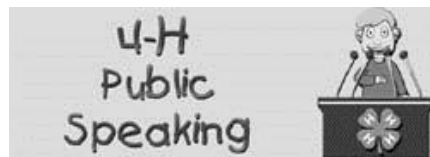
**This class will be held on Saturday, January 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00pm. Remember to register.**

**You will be choosing a project of your choice but you must meet with Grace before you shop** for your pattern, fabric and notions. She will help you with your pattern size, how to “read” the pattern envelope to get the right amount of fabric, what fabrics would be best, and the notions or supplies that you will need (thread, buttons, zipper etc.)

All of these garments will count as a sewing project for the 2014 4-H year. You will complete your project record sheet during the class and you will receive a certificate for completing the class. As part of this project you will also be encouraged to attend a county clothing evaluation in April and the clothing revue that will be held on Friday, May 2, 2014 at the Avoca Central School.

**Pre-registration is required.** A sign-up form is on the CCE website [putknowledgetowork.org](http://putknowledgetowork.org) or email [las65@cornell.edu](mailto:las65@cornell.edu) or call Loree at the 4-H office (607)-664-2310. If there are questions contact Loree Symonds 607-664-2310 or Grace Brown 607-776-4931.

## Public Presentations for 2013/2014



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, then the member needs to attend at the county level.**

Information on preparing for presentations was given to leaders in the registration packet for the 4-H year and is also 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 North Cohocton Methodist Church on Saturday, November 9, 2013 from 9:00am – Noon. Registrations are due to the 4-H office on Monday, November 4<sup>th</sup>.

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 22, 2014 at the Steuben County Office Building. General presentations and horse will be done on the same day. Check below for more information.**

**General Presentations: All topics except horse. Time: 9:00 a.m. to Noon and 1:00 pm-4:00 pm.**

**Horse Presentations: All presentations with a horse topic. Time 1:00-4:00 only.**

### **Summer General Public Presentation Day -**

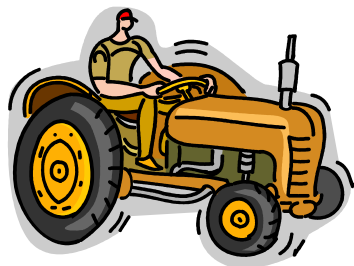
The summer General public presentation event will be in the **Youth Building at the Steuben County Fair on Wednesday, August 13, 2014.** This will also include “Produced in New York” presentations.

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

## **Recipes requested for 4-H & FFA Livestock Sale Committee Cookbook**

The Steuben County 4-H & FFA Livestock Sale committee is putting together a cookbook to sell to help raise money for the show/sale building being built at the Steuben County Fairgrounds in Bath. We are asking you and your family (mom, dad, grandma, grandpa, aunts, uncles, etc.) to send in your favorite recipes to be put in the cookbook. We are looking for recipes in categories of **Appetizers & Beverages, Soups & Salads, Vegetables & Side Dishes, Main Dishes, Breads & Rolls, Desserts, Cookies & Candy, and Miscellaneous.** In the main dishes category, we are especially looking for recipes for Chicken, Turkey, Duck, Rabbit, Goat, Lamb, Pork and Beef. You can submit as many recipes as you want, but the committee will have final selection of the recipes used. We

hope you and your family will participate in this endeavor, so that we can have a large cookbook full of recipes. Please send your recipes to Vicky Dockstader 7201 Harris Hill Rd, Bath, NY 14810, or email them to [dvfarms1990@yahoo.com](mailto:dvfarms1990@yahoo.com). Please put your name and town and if applicable the 4-H or FFA club you are associated with on the recipes so that we can give credit to you in the cookbook. We will let you know when these cookbooks will be available for purchasing. Recipes are to be submitted by Monday, January 6, 2014. If you have any questions please call Vicky at 607-566-2886 or email her at [dvfarms1990@yahoo.com](mailto:dvfarms1990@yahoo.com).



## **4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program Offered**

**Youth who will be 14 and over as of March 1, 2014 can take the course for certification.** Participants who want to earn their certification must pass both the written exam and the driving test. **The cost for this course is \$15.00 for 4-H members to cover the cost of materials and is payable to CCE by Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup> with the enclosed registration form, the Tractor Acknowledgement of Risk Form, the CCE permission Slip/Medical Release form or these forms can be found on the website at [www.putknowledgetowork.com](http://www.putknowledgetowork.com) and click on 4-H Youth Development and then click on other programs or by contacting Kim at Cornell Cooperative Extension at 607-664-2306.**

**Non 4-H members are eligible to take this course but in addition they will need to complete a 4-H enrollment form as an independent member by Monday, January 6 which is found on the above website and pay the \$5.00 4-H enrollment fee.**

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**.

**The schedule for the course is as follows:**

<b>Mondays, January 13, 20</b>	7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Steuben County Office Building, South Conference
<b>Sunday, January 26</b>	1-4 p.m. Location to be announced hands on learning session
<b>Monday, January 27</b>	7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Steuben County Office Building, South Conference

**Monday, February 3** 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Steuben County Office Building, South Conference

**Sunday, February 9** 1-4 p.m. Location to be announced hands on learning session

**Mondays, February 10, 17, 24** 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Steuben County Office Building, South Conference

**Monday, March 3** 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m., Steuben County Office Building, South Conference

**Sunday, March 9 (driving test) or March 16 (driving test date if previous date canceled due to weather)**  
Location to be announced 1- 4 p.m.

**March 10 (written test) or March 17 (written test date if one of the above sessions end up being cancelled due to weather)**



*Livestock*

**2014 Market Beef Steer, Market Beef Heifer, Dairy Steer Identification Forms and Information**

**In 2014 both beef and beef/dairy cross steers and heifers can show in the market beef class. 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.**

Market Beef Steer, Market Beef Heifers and Dairy Steers must be owned by January 1, 2014. Market Beef Steers, Market Beef Heifers, and Dairy Steer Identification Forms are due to the CCE Office **by Monday, January 6, 2014 no later than 4:30 p.m.** 2014 Market Beef Steer/Market Beef Heifer Identification Form, Dairy Steer Identification Form, and 2014 Market Animals Rules and Regulations are included as an insert in this issue and are available on the web at [www.putknowledgetowork.org](http://www.putknowledgetowork.org)

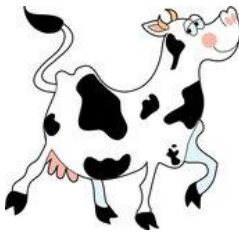
*Please note that the Identification forms do not enter your animal in the Steuben County fair but is one of the steps in order to be eligible to enter them.*

**4-H Livestock Advisory Committee**

Anyone interested in being a member of the 4-H Livestock Advisory Committee are invited to attend the reorganizational meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 15 at 7 p.m. at Empire Livestock and will include the election of officers. All CCE volunteers including Advisory Committee members will need to be an approved current volunteer including having a current volunteer application completed along with the background check which has been approved within the last 3 years. The 4-H Livestock Advisory Committee will meet approximately 7 times a year (October, January, March, June, July, August, September) on a Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. in Bath except for the August meeting is the Monday evening of the fair at the fairgrounds.



# Dairy



## Dairy Quiz Bowl

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 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.

Age of contestants is as of January 1, 2014.

### Novice Contest

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

Junior Contest  
9 years to 13 years old

Senior Contest  
14 years to 18 years old.

### Dairy Quiz Bowl Schedule Dates and Locations TBA – November – March

TENTATIVE Saturday, March 1- TBA Finger Lakes District Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest, Midlakes School  
The Finger Lakes District will send a junior and a senior team to the state competition at Cornell University in April. The Finger Lakes District junior and senior teams will be composed of the top four individuals with the 5<sup>th</sup> place as the alternate in each division.

**If you are interested in participating or receiving more information about Dairy Quiz Bowl please return the enclosed interest form by Monday, October 21, 2013. If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering as a coach please contact Kim at 607-664-2306 or at [ksb3@cornell.edu](mailto:ksb3@cornell.edu). Coaches will need to be approved volunteers consisting of having their background check approved.**

Many 4-H dairy members have enjoyed Dairy Quiz Bowl so plan to be a part of the 2014 Dairy Quiz Bowl.

## Dairy Judging



**What is Cow College?** Cow College is another name for Dairy Judging.

**Who can attend cow college?** 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 January 1, 2014) 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 who will be accompanying them the entire time.**

**Where is cow college held?** Cow college is held in the barn at different farms around the county (dress warm and wear appropriate foot wear because you will be in the barn or at times outside depending on the weather!)

**When is cow college?** Cow colleges will be scheduled during November - April. Each session will be approximately 2 hours tentatively from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**Why should I go to cow college?** Cow college 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.

**What happens after the cow colleges?** There is a county dairy judging tour in May. 4-H families (4-H members including cloverbuds and adults) are encouraged to judge. There will be several judging trips throughout the summer that selected 4-H members will be invited to attend. 4-H members can participate in the Dairy Judging Contest at the Steuben County Fair. There is the State Dairy Judging Contest at the NYS Fair where 4-H members (8-18 years old) will be selected as members of the 3 possible Steuben County Teams:

A Team – 4-H members will need to give oral reasons as part of the contest.

B Team – 4-H members will not give oral reasons as part of the contest.

C Team – youth 8-10 as of January 1, 2014 or any youth 13 and under as of January 1, 2014 who have not previously competed in the dairy judging contest at the State Fair. 4-H members will not give oral reasons as part of the contest.

Dairy Judging Schedule Dates and Locations to be announced (November – April)

Many 4-H members have enjoyed dairy judging so plan to be a part of the 2014 dairy judging program.

**If you are interested in participating or receiving more information about Dairy Judging please return the enclosed interested form by Monday, October 21, 2013**



## 2014 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.**

**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.



## *Past Events*

### **2013-2014 New York State 4-H Opportunity Scholarship Winner From Steuben County Announced**

Congratulations to Lindsey Draper, Independent 4-H member, who was one of six NYS 4-H Foundation Opportunity Scholarship winners for 2013-2014. Lindsey is a 10-year 4-H member from Steuben County. Lindsey's 4-H projects include horticulture, culinary arts, shooting sports and rabbitry. She has been a STARR Planning Committee Member, earned the title of National Shooting Sports Ambassador, and attended the National Shooting Sports Convention, participating in Career Explorations as a Focus Assistant, and working as a Judging Assistant. Her 4-H Honors include the I "Dare" You Leadership Award in 2010, earning the Outstanding 4-H Member award in 2011, and being called as a delegate to the 2012 National Shooting Sports Convention. Lindsey currently attends the Occupational Science/Therapy program at Keuka College.

Recipients attended a reception and award ceremony at Cornell University on June 25. They were presented certificates by New York State 4-H Youth Development Program Leader, Valerie Adams-Bass, and introduced at the opening ceremony of Career Explorations where more than 600 4-H'ers from across the state applauded their accomplishments.

### **2013 Citizenship-Washington Focus Trip**

Sarah Wise, Howard Hillbillies 4-H Club member, attended the 2013 Citizenship-Washington Focus Trip (C.W.F.) on July 7-13, 2013. Thank you to Rachael Draper for serving as her chaperone. 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.

CWF participants enjoy:

- a behind-the-scenes look at our nation's capital and the chance to meet Members of Congress
- motivational speakers, workshops, and assemblies that increase individual commitment to citizen involvement and build lifetime skills for success
- activities that encourage new and lasting friendships
- an enthusiastic staff of young adults that work directly with them





Participants are immersed in the culture and history of Washington through onsite workshops at its most spectacular sights. Destinations include, but are not limited to:

- The Capitol
- Mount Vernon
- Arlington National Cemetery
- Presidential and war monuments and memorials
- Smithsonian museums



The week's signature event called "Nightview" is a spectacular evening tour of our nation's most historic sites.

Here is Sarah's account of the trip: "The Washington Focus trip was so much fun! At first I was worried about being the only one from Steuben County then I found out that I was the only one from New York and I was completely shocked. The first night after opening ceremony we had a pin trade which is a fun way to get to know where people are from and the things they brought to represent their state. Throughout the week I made many new friends and we had a lot of fun it was really sad when we all had to say good bye even though we only spent a week together. The workshops were really great because it let us socialize with teens from across the U.S. and hear their prospective on problems in our society and world. I participated in the open mindedness workshop where we came up with various topics like drug use/ legalization, bullying, and, immigrants. We ran a town hall meeting where we ran discussions on the topics we created in the workshop. The night activities were fun, we played games and got a night view tour of the monuments and we also went to a dinner theater. My program assistant Philip

from California, knew a lot about the monuments and we learned from each other. We went to many different places throughout the week; some of my favorites were the World War II memorial, National Museum of the American Indian, and Arlington National Cemetery. On capitol day I got a tour of the senate and the House of Representatives and met with Congressman Tom Reed. Meeting Tom Reed meant a lot because he took time out of his schedule to meet with me and, he asked for my opinions and ideas on topics. The Citizenship- Washington Focus trip was an amazing learning experience and I'm glad I had the opportunity to spend the week with amazing people and tour Washington D.C."

## **Special Recognition from the NYS Fair**

When exhibits in the youth building at the New York State Fair go above and beyond "excellent", they receive special recognition. Those from Steuben County that were purple rosette winners were: Hannah Patterson, Textiles and Clothing; Katie McAllister, Yeast Rolls; Daniel Northup and Michal Eckler, Fine Arts; and Sarah VanSkiver, Photography.

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