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Hunterdon 4-H Happenings

A Newsletter for 4-H Members, Parents and Leaders

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A Few Words...

Hopefully the winter months are behind us. I hope all of the “snow lovers” had your fill this winter. I am not a “snow lover” so my fill was after the first storm! I am so ready for spring and I am looking forward to seeing all the spring flowers, birds, baby animals, and warm weather.

The months ahead are busy filled with all sorts of 4-H activity. Please sit back and read carefully all the opportunities for you to partake in. There is something for everyone in 4-H. Make it your goal to participate!

4-H 2014 Theme

Thank you to **Katie Conover of Sew, Bake n' Bloom** for submitting a great theme. Your theme highlights our 100 year celebration of Rutgers Cooperative Extension. Please consider using the theme for your Library Display and fair booth.

The 2014 theme is: “Hunterdon County 4-H; Building on a Story of History!”

**Rutgers Cooperative Extension
100 Year Celebration
Sunday, May 4th
12:00 noon - 3:00 p.m.**



njaes.rutgers.edu/extension100years

Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Hunterdon County will be holding a 100th Celebration and open house on Sunday, May 4th, beginning at 12:00 noon. We are hoping to have a large showing of 4-H at this event. Many county offices, freeholders and community organizations will be invited to attend. We really want to make this a nice event.

It is time to bring animals to our facility and fill up our lawn. We invite clubs to participate, not only by bringing animals, but to set up a table with a craft, face painting or something that relates to your club. Please fill out the form on page 19 and let us know if you would like a table and/or a pen.



Each department of the Hunterdon County Extension Services has taken on a job for the event and our job is to provide baked goods for the refreshment table. I am asking each club to bring two baked goods. Finger food items are best, cupcakes, brownies, cookies and cake. Please fill out the registration form in the back of this newsletter and let us know how you can help.

Cooperating Agencies: Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and County Boards of Chosen Freeholders. Rutgers Cooperative Extension, a unit of the Rutgers New Jersey Agricultural Experiment Station, is an equal opportunity program provider and employer.

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4-H Mission Statement

The Rutgers Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development Program uses a learn by doing approach to enable youth to develop the knowledge, attitudes, and skills they need to become competent, caring, and contributing citizens of the world.

The mission is accomplished by using knowledge and resources of the land grant university system, along with the involvement of caring adults.

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Visit the
Rutgers Cooperative Extension
of Hunterdon County website at:
www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/rutgers/4H.htm

Fair website: co.hunterdon.nj.us/4hagfair.htm

Leader Information

Leader's Association Meetings
Thursday, May 15th and July 17th
7:30 p.m. - Extension Center

4-H Association members are hoping that more leaders will come and support the Association. It is time to begin to put serious thought into the 2014 4-H & Agricultural Fair. Please plan on joining us for these meetings.

Club Wish List for the Fair
Club Fair Fundraising
Applications due at the
4-H Association Meeting
Thursday, May 15th



Each year the 4-H Association reviews club wish lists. A club wish list is something that your club may wish to have for the fair. If the Association approves this they may help you with your funding. The 4-H Association also may approve your club to sell items at the fair. If you are interested in submitting a wish list or approval for fair fundraising, you will need to have these forms filled out, signed by your club treasurer, and submitted to the 4-H office by May 15th, or bring it to the 4-H Association meeting. Late forms will not be considered.

Club Websites

If your club has a website...

The site must follow RCE/4-H policies. The site must include the following:

- RCE indicia (official non-discriminatory statement)
- The Rutgers logo
- Official 4-H Clover
- A last modified date
- The phone number, e-mail and address of the Hunterdon County 4-H Office

The site must not have:

- Full names of youth
- Pictures of youth without a signed parental consent form
- Personal phone numbers, addresses or e-mail addresses

If you have any questions please feel free to contact our office at (908)788-1341.

New Leader Training

A new Leader Training has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 29th, 7:00 p.m. at the Extension Center. Interested volunteers should contact Sherrie at (908)788-1341.



County News

Hunterdon County Parks and Recreation Earth Day Celebration Saturday, April 26th 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Deer Path Park

Hunterdon County 4-H will be working together with Hunterdon County Parks and Recreation to celebrate Earth Day on Saturday, April 26th, 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (these times reflect the amount of set-up and clean-up for your club). This year's event will be held at Deer Path Park, Flemington. If your club would like to participate by setting up an exhibit, bringing animals or planning an activity such as face painting or doing a simple craft, you will need to call our office to register by **Monday, April 14th**. We need to know what you are doing so we can plan on space needed for your club and pen space for your animals.

“4-H Goes to the Library” Hunterdon County Library (Rte. 12) May 5th – May 31st Registration Deadline: Friday, April 25th Display Theme: “Hunterdon County 4-H; Building on a Story of History”



This is a terrific opportunity to show county residents what 4-H is all about. The Hunterdon County Library on Route 12 has agreed to host 4-H for the month of May. All 4-H clubs and Cloverbud clubs are encouraged to participate by decorating a free standing display board. Displays can be set up Monday, May 5th - Wednesday, May 7th. Displays will be judged during the week of May 12th, and all displays should be taken down Thursday, May 29th – Saturday, May 31st. Your club may follow the theme or make your own theme. There will be room on the table for other items, to give your display a three dimensional appearance. Tables are 6' long; please do not exceed that space, one table per club. Skinny tables are available; please let us know if you can use one. Remember, the library is open to the public; do not put valuables with your display. Items that have been broken or stolen will not be replaced by the library or the Hunterdon County 4-H Office. Therefore, any item used in your display should be of little value or importance. Please call the 4-H Office today to register. Registration deadline is Friday, April 25th.

4-H News:

The Centaurs 4-H Club in Hunterdon County began in 1964, this year marks their 50th anniversary.

The club today, is involved with horse bowl, judging, hippology, equine art, and drill team. Club leaders continue to educate youth about equine. Congratulations to club leaders and members for all your accomplishments!

Lebanon 4th of July Parade



Hunterdon County 4-H will once again participate in the Lebanon 4th of July Parade. If you and your family are interested in helping with the construction and design of the float, please call Dan Mundy at (908) 391-2402 or call our office. Only members who participate in construction of the float will be eligible to ride. Members should wear 4-H t-shirts (fair, club, etc.) to help promote our float and the 4-H Program. Please plan on joining the float this year.

Fundraising Opportunities

4-H Association Antique Show Sunday, May 18th Fairgrounds

The Association is solely responsible for this event. We are hopeful that this will once again be an profitable show.

Set Up

Saturday evening we will be setting up for the event at 6:00 p.m. The set up should take less than two hours. It would be great if six people would volunteer time to this.

Entrance Gate

Help is needed at the gate to collect admittance fee. Helpers need to be at least 18 years of age. Two people are needed; one for each time slot. See below for shift times.

Shift Times (please arrive 20 minutes prior to your shift);

9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Food Concession Stand

The Association will also provide a food concession stand. The concession stand will provide a breakfast and lunch menu, along with baked good items. A team of 6-7 people per shift would be great. 4-H members are welcome to help during a shift. See shift times below.

Shift Times:

7:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m. – 2:00 pm.

2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Interested in Crafts...

Be sure to visit the Fairgrounds on April 12th and 13th, for the Craft Show!

Council Meeting Date Reminders Extension Center, 7:30 p.m. unless noted

Youth Council – Wednesday, May 7th - 7:00 p.m.

Livestock Council – Monday, May 5th - 7:30 p.m.

Dairy Council – Wednesday, May 14th - 7:30 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE The following date changes:

Goat Council – Monday, May 12th - 7:30 p.m.

Pet Council – Monday, May 19th - 7:30 p.m.





Hunterdon County Dairy Princess

Do you have a love for milk, butter and ice-cream, and are you interested in the future of these products? Do you raise dairy cows or dairy goats? If you answered yes, than maybe you would be interested in applying for the 2014 Dairy Princess. For information and application please contact County Dairy Princess *Committee Head*, Sara Phillips at sararose4@comcast.net or 609-397-9365. To apply you must be 17 - 24 year of age. Applications are due to Sara Phillips or the 4-H Office by June 1st.

Teen News

National 4-H Congress

Applications for National 4-H Congress are due to the County Office by 4:00 p.m. on April 7th. If you are intersted in filling out an application form, please call the 4-H Office.

State Public Presentations Contest Saturday, June 14th

4-H'ers in 8th grade and above who received an "Excellent" on their County Presentation are eligible to attend the State Public Presentations Contest in New Brunswick. All 4-H'ers who are eligible will be notified. For now, hold the date.

4-H Ambassador Contest Friday, August 1st, 2:00 p.m. Extension Center

Teens (grades 11-12) with good public speaking skills, knowledge, enthusiasm, and understanding of 4-H and have a flexible schedule are invited to participate in the Hunterdon County Ambassador Contest, August 1st at 2:00 p.m. 4-H Ambassadors represent 4-H to the public at various events. Please call or e-mail the 4-H Office for an application. **Applications are due Friday, July 18th.**

Scholarship Information

Snyder Loan Fund

The Clifford E. and Melda C. Snyder Loan Fund was set up for students to receive interest free loans if pursuing a career in an agricultural related field. Recipients of the loan will be selected based on academic record, extracurricular accomplishments, and related work experience and career goals. **Applications are due by April 15th**, to the Hunterdon County Board of Agriculture. Interested applicants should call the Rutgers Cooperative Extension, Agriculture Department, (908) 788-1339 for an application.

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Rabbit Breeder Association Scholarship

Tho South Jersey Rabbit and Cavy Breeders Association is offering a \$200.00 scholarship to a selected gradutating high school senior who is planning to attend a college, university, vocational or special school. Appli- cations are due by May 1. Prerequisite to applying includes two years of rasing rabbits or cavies. Please contact the 4-H Office for an application.



Career Connections



Many of you do not realize how fast the years pass by, and before you know it you are faced with making career choices. 4-H has been given the opportunity to work with Hunterdon County Polytech and United Way grant funds, to help you decide your pathway to your future. Various workshops and activities have been planned throughout the summer for our 4-H youth grades 5th-13th. Hopefully you will find interest in this Career Connection program which will educate you and help you develop our career choices. You will need to register by filling out the form in the back of this newsletter or by contacting Sherrie at speterson@co.hunterdon.nj.us or by calling the 4-H office at (908) 788-1341. At least 15 4-H participants are needed in order for these programs to happen. More programs will be made available if we get enough participation. These opportunities are open to all 4-H members regardless of what club you are in.

Career Goals in Animal Science

Central Campus Polytech

Taryn Romanczak

Wednesday May 7th, 6:30-9:30 pm.

Pre-vet, animal husbandry and veterinary science is an interest with many of our 4-H members. If you are thinking about pursuing a career in any of these areas please plan to attend this program on Wednesday, May 7th. Taryn has participated in our 4-H Life with Livestock program, and has assisted with 4-H Presentations. She is a lot of fun and has planned a wonderful opportunity for you. Please register by Friday, May 2nd. The cost of the program is \$5.00 and it will involve large and small animals..

Culinary Arts Demonstration

Central Campus Polytech

Gary Peabody

Wednesday, May 28th, 6:00 -9:00 p.m.

Please join Mr. Peabody, Polytech Culinary Chef at the Hunterdon Central Polytech Building. You will experience what it is like to work in a real commercial kitchen. Mr. Peabody will provide a tour of the kitchen as well as give you a "hands on" culinary art cooking class. You will be helping to prepare a dinner and dessert, the best part is you will get to eat what you make. The program will be held on Wednesday, May 28th, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Registration is limited to 20 participants. Deadline date for registration is Monday, May 12th. The cost of the program is \$5.00.

Calling all 4-H Photographers

Bartles Polytech

Krystina Barbella

Wednesday, June 4, 6:30-8:30 p.m

If you are doing 4-H Photography, please plan to join this program at Bartles Campus Polytech. Polytech has a great photo lab. Krystina has lined up a "hands on" photo program. The program will relate to photo enhancement. This is limited to 15 participants, so don't delay sign up today. The cost will be \$5.00, and deadline for registration is Tuesday, May 27th.

From Home Garden to Commercial Crops

Education from the professionals at

Rutgers Snyder Research Farm

Thursday, June 26th, 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Please plan to join us in an educational tour of the Rutgers Snyder Research Farm in Pittstown. If you are planning to pursue a career in horticulture, commercial vegetables, fruit crops, farm machinery or you are interested in learning more about the Snyder Farm, then you should plan to attend this tour and to hear from the professionals. There are a lot of career opportunities in Agriculture right here at the Snyder Farm. After the tour you will enjoy lunch at the farm. The cost of this program is \$7.00.

Becoming An Outdoor Family Weekend
May 16-18, 2014
L.G. Cook 4-H Camp

In the spirit of the National Campaign, "Get Outdoors, it's Yours" The L.G. Cook staff invite you to participate in Becoming an Outdoor Family on May 16-18, 2014. The campaign's initiatives are to promote, address, and instill in the general public a basic understanding of environmental conservation, safety and fun in the outdoors. Instructors begin each class with the basics, providing hands-on experience and encouraging participants to ask questions. The variety of experiences includes orienteering skills, hiking, natural arts, outdoor cooking, kayaking, canoeing, shooting sports, fishing, and much more. To see how you and your family can enjoy this weekend visit website at http://www.nj4hcamp.rutgers.edu/Outdoor_Family or contact camp at 4hcamp@njaes.rutgers.edu.

4-H Summer Camp
L.G. Cook
Weeks of July 7th-
Week of August 4th

Five weeks are set aside for 4-H Summer camp. Each week is a different theme and different activities. Register for one week or all five. Discounts are available to 4-H members and families with multiple participants. For more information on the Summer 4-H Camp Program, please visit the camp website at <http://www.nj4hcamp.rutgers.edu/events.html>

Science, Engineering and Technology
Camp Weekend (S.E.T. Camp)
June 30th - July 3rd
L.G. Cook 4-H Camp

The Staff and Volunteers of Lindley G. Cook 4-H Youth Center for Outdoor Education invite you to the overnight science camp program this summer at our camp. The program begins Monday, June 30th and ends with presentations and demonstrations on Thursday Morning, July 3rd. Parents are invited to attend the workshop demonstrations. Campers 5th to 8th grade will be spending four days at camp for hands on learning experiences in one of the S.E.T initiative subject areas. Each camper will choose a workshop topic to explore, and will have six sessions in that topic area. Each session will last approximately one hour and fifteen minutes. The cost of the program is \$350.00 per child. (Discounts and early drop off are not available for the SET Camp Program) Registration, payment and workshop enrollment are online for your convenience. To register your child please visit the <http://www.nj4hcamp.rutgers.edu/SET.html> or contact camp at 4hcamp@njaes.rutgers.edu.



CAMP



Pre-Fair Clean-up

Saturday, August 9th, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, August 10th, 12:00 noon - 4:00 p.m.

Important Fair Information

Many hands make light work at our annual fairground clean-up. Please plan to attend! We will be clearing out the Ramsburg building, painting, powerwashing and many other jobs.



Information Regarding Fair Set-up Policy Information

Attention Livestock Clubs utilizing the barns. There are many groups that rent our barns and these rentals help to pay our mortgage. Some of the events fall right before our fair. The fair committee has voted on the following policy.

The policy is: "On a yearly basis, depending on barn rentals, the fair board will determine when clubs can set-up their barns for the fair. If a 4-H club should have a concern regarding the dates determined by the fair board, then that club should address these concerns to the fair board. The fair board will not rent the barns during the last weekend (Friday-Sunday) before the fair, due to the fact that it is the last weekend for our fair set-up."

There are no events scheduled prior to the 2014 fair, so clubs may set up their barns during the two weekends prior to the fair (August 9th, 10th, 15th, 16th and 17th)



Fair Breakdown

All 4-H projects including livestock, dog, shooting sports, and robotics are required to stay fully in tact until 5:00 p.m. Sunday, August 24th.

***Information for Dairy Project, if you have milking cows, you may pack up your milking animals and take them home at 4:00 p.m. **no earlier**. All dry livestock must stay until 5:00 p.m. Please be sure to make all arrangements necessary to be available for breakdown.

***Information for Ramsburg Building: The Ramsburg building doors will close to the public at 4:30 p.m., booths will be ready for breakdown at 5:15 p.m. FCS projects can be picked up at 5:15 p.m.



Hunterdon County Fair Ambassador

The 4-H and Agricultural Fair Committee is hosting a Hunterdon County Fair Ambassador Contest. The contest is open to all Hunterdon County youth, ages 16-21. If you are interested please call our office for an application form.

Animal Lease Forms Registration Forms are due by May 1st



If you are a 4-H member and plan on leasing an animal for the 2014 4-H year, you **must have your animal lease forms to the office by May 1st.** You will need to have these forms signed by the animal owner, your parents, and 4-H leader, so please plan accordingly so that you have everything completed by the deadline date. **Late forms will not be accepted.**



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Independent Project Member Information Registration Forms are due by May 1st



If you are a club member interested in entering and participating in shows outside of your project area than you are considered an Independent Project Member. You will need to stop by our office and pick up an Independent Project Member registration form, fill it out, get the appropriate signatures and then return it to our office by May 1st. Some projects have specific guidelines for Independent Project Members, so be sure to inquire about those when you submit your registration form.

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Showing Schedules

All livestock and animal projects please get your showing schedule changes and additions to Sherrie as soon as possible. We will do our best to see that all show times work out.

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Volunteers Needed for the Gazebo

Parents, if you are looking for a way to help out at the fair, we can use help in the Gazebo selling fair t-shirts and sweatshirts. Please contact the 4-H Office for schedule times.

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Fair Exhibitor Meeting Tuesday, August 12th Route 12, County Complex, Building #1

6:30 p.m. – Herdsman paperwork due
7:00 p.m. - General meeting for herdsman and exhibitors



Attention Herdsman... There will be some changes made this year, we will be doing photo ID's for all herdsman and parents who stay overnight. You will be provided a registration form which will need to be filled out properly and your photo will need to be attached. You will need to wear your ID card at all times during the evening hours, and you will not be allowed to stay without it. Please plan on attending the herdsman and exhibitor meeting on Tuesday, August 12th, 6:30 p.m. All forms will need to be handed in at this time or you will not be accepted as a herdsman.

Attention Herdmen and Exhibitors... Get the scoop on the fair at the Fair Exhibitor Meeting immediately following the Herdsman paperwork collection. We will discuss layout, new events, rules and changes for all 4-H members. Please plan on attending. Mark your calendar today!

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Ride Ticket Booth

Volunteers are needed to sell ride tickets again this year. The 4-H Association and Fair Committee have requested that at least 2-3 parents, leaders or teens over 18 from each club volunteer to sell ride tickets for a (2 hr. shift). The schedule is ready; please call the 4-H Office to schedule your shift or fill out the registration section on page 19.

More Fair Information

Important Information for Participants

Entering Photography, Art, Crafts, Sewing, Needlework, and Creative Writing

The Family Consumer Science leaders would like you to enter items in photography, art, crafts, clothing, needlework and creative writing. Any 4-H member is entitled to enter these shows. However, there are project sheets, summary sheets and score sheets that need to be filled out properly and brought to the judging. If you are interested in any of these shows, please call the 4-H Office for an exhibitor number, and get the proper forms for each show from the fair website. **If items are brought to the judging without the proper forms filled out, you will not be allowed to enter them. All participants must also sign up for a shift in the Ramsburg Building or attend the clean-up on August 9th.**

Summer Foods Judging

Monday, July 7th

6:30 p.m. - Extension Center

Please call the 4-H Office by Monday, June 23rd to set up a judging time and receive an exhibitor number if you haven't received one already. Remember all preparation must be done at home (ex. wash, peel, dice or cut all ingredients for a tossed salad and make salad dressing at home.) Only reheating and presentation of products should be done at the judging. Please register by Monday, June 23rd

Summer Sewing Judging

Friday, August 15th

6:00 p.m. - Extension Center

Once again the sewing judging will take place along with all of the Family Consumer Science judging. Items can be brought directly to the judging. **You will need to register for your exhibitor number and judging time by calling the 4-H Office at 788-1341, by Friday, August 1st.** Judging will be scheduled between the hours of 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. If you are entering a garment, you will need to model it for the judge.

Ramsburg Building Tent Sitting

Attention, members of the Family Consumer Science Program and independent members of the Family Consumer Science Program...please be sure to call the office and sign up for your tent sitting shift. Each shift will need three members and one adult. Shifts will be limited to that number since there are a lot of shifts to fill. The Ramsburg Building is the sole responsibility of the Family Consumer Science Clubs and 4-H members who work independently in this project. If you enter Art, Crafts, Food and Nutrition, Bake-Off, Photography or Sewing than you **need** to sign up for a shift. Members will be excused from this shift if they participate in the Ramsburg clean-up on August 9th.

Entering Horticulture at the Fair

If you are interested in entering Horticulture at the fair you must meet the following criteria:

1. A participant must participate in three horticulture workshops throughout the year, holiday workshop horticulture activity is included.
2. A member must be a member in good club standing, attend 70% club meetings and complete the horticulture record sheet and summary sheet and bring all paperwork at the time when the items are dropped off for judging.

All items that are entered in fair judging and made at a Horticulture Workshop will only be accepted in the Horticulture Judging. These items will not be accepted in crafts.

Get your Cameras ready

New Classes for Photography entered in the fair judging

We are excited to announce the following additions to the annual 4-H Photography contest held during the Fair:

-Every club is encouraged to enter one club photo. The picture must show at least one club member involved with the club project, for example, one or more members sewing, shooting, or working with an animal. Any-one, even a parent, can take the picture. Club photos are limited to one picture per club. Club photos can be digital or film, color or black and white. See the fair website for more details. Ribbons will be awarded!

-A new class has been added for old barns and antique equipment. A new class for computer enhanced digital pictures where the enhancements go beyond minor adjustments. Classes have also changed a bit to allow for more entry options. Check them out on the fair website.

-In honor of Hunterdon County's 300th Birthday celebration, a special class has been added for this year only. The pictures can be of a Historic Hunterdon County building or taken during a Hunterdon County 300th Birthday event or celebration starting on January 1, 2014. On the back of the picture include the address or location of historic building or the date and name of the event or celebration photographed. Pictures may be digital or film: color or black and white.

Photography will have the following classes, with options for film or digital, color or black and white:

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|----|-----------------------------|-----|--|
| 1- | 4-H Activity | 8- | Candid |
| 2- | Animal – wild or domestic | 9- | Man made things: cars, crayons, etc. |
| 3- | Nature scenery or panoramic | 10- | Architecture: buildings, historic |
| 4- | Vacation | 11- | Old barns and antique equipment |
| 5- | Natural | 12- | Horticulture: fruit and vegetables |
| 6- | Friends | 13- | Horticulture: flowers and shrubs |
| 7- | Family | 14- | Hunterdon County 300 th Celebration photos* |

Farm to Table Auction

During the Fair

“Local Food produced by Local Kids”

A group of volunteers have formed a committee to implement a Farm to Table Auction possibly during the fair. All 4-H members are invited to participate and auction off their 4-H projects. The exact time and date of the auction has not been determined. A website will be set up that will guide you and buyers to a successful event. The website is currently being worked on so we will let you know the how to access it when it is complete. More detailed information and guidelines will follow; but for now, if you are considering participating than you will need to be prepared by following these standard 4-H guidelines:

1. If you are going to raise a project animal you must have ownership of that animal by May 1, 2014.
2. You must be a member in good standing. The member in good standing guidelines were listed in the January issue of the Hunterdon Happenings.
3. You must complete a project record book on the project you will be auctioning off.
4. If you are working independently on this project (ex: you are in a goat club and wish to raise poultry to sell) you must fill out the independent project form and submit it to the 4-H office by May 1st.
5. The auction is not limited to livestock; 4-H's may consider selling produce, hay, straw, eggs, photos, art etc. Please contact the 4-H office if you have any questions on what would be allowed in the auction.
6. All goods sold must be entered into a grading system. Further information on this will follow.
7. All participants must seek out sponsors or buyers for their items. Information and details will be listed on the website. (website information will be available soon).
8. There will be a limit of the amount of entries per 4-H member.
9. All paperwork and registration dates must be adhered to.

4-H Fairs throughout the State

Many times throughout the summer months we get calls wondering when our surrounding counties have their 4-H Fair. We have all this information printed for you in our 2014 4-H Calendar. The majority of the fairs are during the summer months. Be sure to check out the calendar for these dates.



Event Recap

Winter Food Judging

The Hunterdon County 4-H Foods and Nutrition judging was completed on March 3rd. Twenty-one 4-H members entered items to be judged. **Unit I, beginner included: Josephine Kohanski, Julia Wedeking, Casey Tettemer, Sara Weddeking, Grace Bryhn, and Ashley Diem. Unit II participants included: Kria Sneddon, Alyssa Taglienti, Julie Beck, Mercy Stehlin. Unit III participants included: Lindsay Davis, Zachary Majorossy, Kristy Beck, Krista Watts. Unit IV participants included Claire Vernon, Emily Dabb, Eva Tillett, Katie Conover, and Alexa Johnson. Cathy York and Katie Majorossy entered Unit V. Canned good entries were submitted by Katie Majorossy and Frozen Foods were entered by Grace Majorossy.** Best of Show winners included: Grace Bryhn for Cherry Almond Chocolate Chip Cookies, Mercy Stehlin for Biscuit entry. Zachary Majorossy for Artisan Rolls, Krista Watts for Garden Fresh Tomato Soup, Claire Vernon Leek and Sausage Soup, and Cathy York with her Pamesan Mashed Potatos. First Place winners included Zachary Majorossy with Red Skinned Potato Salad, Kristy Beck for Creamy Coleslaw, Eva Tillet with Chicken Chili Soup, Cathy York Chicken Marsala, and Katie Majorossy for Stuffed Zucchini and Lemon Mint Sorbet.

State Dairy Art Show

Congratulations to all our Hunterdon Dairy members who entered in Dairy Photo Contest, Fine Arts and 3D Art. We commend you on your participation and achievements.

Junior Fine Arts: 2nd Place - Gianna Novak "Itching My Neck" drawing

Senior Photo Contest: 1st Place & Division Winner - Amanda Wengryn "Classification Beauties"

Senior Fine Arts: 1st Place and Overall Division Winner - Amanda Wengryn "Udderly Gorgeous"

Senior Fine Arts: 2nd Place - Virginia Kutsop "Indy"

State Dairy Bowl

The State Dairy Bowl was held on Saturday, March 22nd. Teams from across the state participated in the bowl. Congratulations to the Hunterdon County team participants. You all did really well. Congratulations to Hunterdon 2, who have qualified for Nationals in Iowa in June 2014!

Junior teams:

1st Place- Hunterdon 2

Alexander Eldridge, John Hunt, Daniel Persichilli

2nd Place - Hunterdon 1

Gianna Novak, Emily Busher, Jared Yazijian,
Jonathan Schutts



Other Junior Participants:

From Hunterdon: Miranda Emery, Sadie Strober, Carli Persichilli, Skylar Delbeni, Gabrielle Myer

Amanda Wengryn tied for 2nd in Senior Individuals

Life with Livestock

Around of applause to the Livestock Council for sponsoring the Life with Livestock Program on March 2nd. Participants enjoyed participating in a Livestock Skill-a-thon featuring stations on Breeds of Dairy, Types of Goats, Meat Cuts of a Lamb, Toxic Plants, Breeds of Poultry, Types of Cheese, Rabbit Trivia, Livestock Grooming and Livestock Feed ID. Participants enjoyed making cheese spreads, cannoli, butter and sausage. Thank you to Teri Staton and Dan Mundy for helping with the food workshops. Thank you also to Jared and Treacy Weeks for supplying milk for the event.

Thank you to the Livestock Council members and teens who helped out with Life with Livestock: **Bennett Mirabito, John Brown, Joe Coppola, Bella Razzano, Sadie Stober, Gianna Novack, Skylar Todd, Brandon Stein, Paige and Josie Whitmore, Brianna Suydam, Bryan Lederach, Emily Busher, Richie Frohman, and Kara Sahlin.**



New Jersey 4-H Hippology, Horse Judging and Equine Presentations

Congratulations to all our Hunterdon 4-H members who participated in the 4-H Hippology and Horse Judging events held on Saturday, March 29th at Centenary College. The event went well with 70 members competing. Anna Piparo qualified for State Roundup Team for the Nationals in Kentucky, Madison Spinelli qualified team alternate. Congratulations to all of you!

Junior Hippology

10th Place - Christina Piparo

Junior Individual Exam

10th Place - Christina Piparo

Team Problems

1st Place - Hunterdon/Warren Team
Christina Piparo and Josie Whitmore

Team Overall

2nd Place - Hunterdon/Warren Team
Christina Piparo and Josie Whitmore

Senior Individual Stations

4th Place - Anna Piparo

9th Place - Amanda Wengryn

Senior Examination

1st Place - Anna Piparo

Senior High Individual

3rd Place - Anna Piparo

Team Problems and Overall

Hunterdon placed 3rd in both events

Congratulations to Jamie Luenberger who placed 8th place in Senior Equine Presentations!

4-H Presentation Workshop

Thank you to **John Paul Hunt of Mt. Airy Dairy, Emily Dabb of Fur n' Feathers and Taylor Lengen and Ashley Gibbons of Hunterdon Hoppers** for their assistance with the 4-H Presentation Workshop. We appreciate the time and energy you put into this program and it was wonderful to have your help with set-up, clean-up as well as presenting and preparing the ice cream table.

Winter Foods Cook-Off

"Bon-Appetite!" Wow, did those members do a great job cooking during the Winter Foods Festival. The aroma of chicken, broccoli, and dessert were just mouth watering. The fifth Winter Foods Fest was a huge success as team members hustled about chopping, frying, and sautéing. The proud look on all the faces of our young chefs was great!

A huge thank you to, **Karen Cito, Teri Stanton, and Sandra Grenci** for judging this event.

Special thanks to the 4-H Family Consumer Science Leaders who spent many hours putting the event together.

County 4-H Presentations

One hundred forty-seven presentations packed the Senior Center during last week's presentation contest. A lot of time and energy goes into preparing for the County Presentations, and I appreciate all the volunteers, 4-H members and staff that helped pull off a successful event. Thank you to all our volunteer judges who gave up valuable time to come and judge. Thank you to our 4-H Alumni, Elizabeth Taylor who assisted with Tuesday session, Zach Freedman who worked registration, Anna Pinkerton who assisted with the event registration process and paperwork, and to Bari-Lynn Everitt and Amanda Kovacs who ran the Friday session. Many thanks to the Senior Center for all accommodating us throughout all our sessions. Thank you to our room hosts/hostesses who organized the room and to all of the 4-H members who stayed and helped with the breakdown of the senior center both Tuesday and Friday.

Congratulations to all of our presenters and those that have qualified to move on states. The judges were impressed with many of the topics, presentations and presenters. Thirty seven participants qualified for state. Good luck as you move on.

Looking Ahead....

Record Books will be due on Monday, October 6, 2014



4-H Achievement Night

Please take notice in your 4-H calendar that Achievement Night is Friday, November 14th, at the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish Center in Three Bridges, 7:00 p.m.

Rutgers Day
Saturday, April 26th
Cook - Douglass, New Brunswick
State Dog Show
Expressive Arts Showcase
Campus Tours

State 4-H Shooting Sports Certification
Friday, April 25th - Sunday April 27th
L.G. Cook 4-H Camp
All disciplines offered

State Events

New Jersey 4-H Dairy Judging Contest
Saturday, May 3, 2014
Cedar Lane Farm, Oldwick, NJ
Registration 8:30 and First Class at 9:00 a.m.
Registration for Judging Contest - 8:30 a.m.
Judge 4 classes of Cattle - 9:00 – 10:00 a.m.
Oral Reasons - 10:00 – Noon
Comments from Judge- 12:30 p.m.

State 4-H Shooting Sports Banquet
Saturday, May 10th
County Complex Rte. 12 Building 1
4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Information to come

For more information on NJ 4-H state programs please
visit <http://nj4h.rutgers.edu>

Youth Council Workshops

Mother's Day Tea Pot Arrangement

Thursday, May 8th, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Extension Center

Cost \$8.00

Make this attractive arrangement for you mom this Mother's Day. This class is limited to nine kids, and first priority will be given to those kids that enter horticulture at the fair. We will take additional kids on a waitlist. The cost of the workshop is \$8.00, please register by Monday, April 28th.



Watermark/Batik Tie Dye Tee Shirts

Wednesday, June 25, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Extension Center

Cost \$6.00

Join Grace Majorossy and Eva Tillett to make your own Batik Tie Dye tee shirts. Please bring two of your own white tee shirts that have been laundered (No softener) and wear old clothing that can get dirty!



Fresh Mozzarella Workshop

Tuesday, June 17th, 6:30 p.m.

Extension Center

Come and make fresh mozzarella with Katie Majorossy. Everyone will have a chance to make mozzarella, taste a fresh mozzarella appetizer and take some home. Bring a large (1.5 gallon or slightly larger) pot and slotted spoon. Registration deadline is Friday, June 9th, cost: \$6.00.



Food Safety

Thursday, June 26, 7:00 p.m.

Extension Center

Chris Endris will be giving a workshop on food safety, Thursday evening, June 26th at from 7:00 pm to 9:00 p.m. Join her for a fun and highly informative evening. The topics will include a number of topics such as safe preparation of food, storage and even safe lunchbox prep. With the summer months approaching this will be especially helpful. The cost of the workshop is \$5.00, please register by Monday June 16th.

Hunterdon County Sheep Club



On November 2, 2013 the Sheep club met at Morales Park early in the morning and discussed future times for club meetings, since not all members were able to regularly attend meetings. We also talked about possible community service projects in the club's future. After the meeting was adjourned, the club worked at Morales Park to clean up trails and clean the park.

On December 1, 2013 the Sheep club met for their annual wreath decorating and Christmas party at the Sheneman home. The club decorated hundreds of wreaths to fill numerous orders. The wreath sale is the club's major fundraiser. After the wreath decorating was concluded, the members went inside for the December meeting. We further discussed future meeting times, and decided on 11:00 a.m. on the first Saturday of every month. Katherine Horner gave an excellent presentation on hoof rot, and concluding the meeting all members and their families enjoyed lunch and a gift exchange game.

Ben Sheneman
Club Reporter

Sew, Bake, 'n Bloom

Throughout the month of November, many exciting activities occurred. Most of these workshops and learning experiences were contributed to the upcoming holidays, such as Thanksgiving and Christmas. Some of the main and interesting events that happened this month were the Samaritan's Purses, the Shoprite Nutrition Program, and Truffles.

The first event that occurred this month was the Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoebox, held at Kristen Bryhn's house - a 4-H member of Sew, Bake n' Bloom - and was held on the third of November. A shoebox - either new or old - that is decorated with colorful wrapping paper, ribbon, and pictures, making it look similar to a present. The shoebox is made for a child in a third-world country. Then, all kinds of goodies - from candy to oral hygiene uses - are placed inside the shoebox. The shoebox is restrained by a rubber band at the end to keep it closed so nothing falls out. Making these gift boxes was a lot of fun and a great time for the 4-Hers to socialize and have fun. At the end, these were sent out so they could be shipped to a third-world country.

One new event that taught many 4-Hers about health and nutrition was Shoprite Nutrition, held at a Shoprite in Flemington on November 12th. This interesting event taught many people from 4-H clubs in the area the importance of the Food Plate and nutrition that we need in our daily lives. During this event, the program leader, Mrs. Saponara, took everyone on a tour through Shoprite, teaching us the importance of food in our daily lives and how it affects us. At the end of the tour, the Mrs. Saponara gave everyone a small presentation on how to make a healthy and delicious meal. Everyone, including the parents, tried this delicious entrée, and even wanted to take the recipe home with them.

The last main event that many of our club members attended was the Truffles Workshop. This workshop was held at the Extension Center on November 21st. During this event, a Confectioner, Mrs. Weisenbacher, came to our workshop to show us how to make homemade truffles, using simple ingredients and a little creation. Many of these truffles were made using the simplest of ingredients, such as Oreo cookies and cream cheese, and then dipped into a chocolate mix. Some of these truffles were even designed with coconut and chocolate powder on the outside. Once these divine treats were finished, they were either placed into a fancy box for the holidays or given out to some of the leaders of 4-H. This event was a great learning experience and social gathering for everyone, even the parents.

Krista Watts
Club Reporter

Dilts Corner Dairy

The Dilts Corner Dairy club has been very busy this year. Members of our club attended the Mt. Airy Dairy 90 Anniversary celebration on November 30, 2013. It was a lot of fun to gather with fellow dairy members. We welcomed 3 new members and are excited to show them the skills they need to be successful in the dairy project area. We have participated in community service projects such as gathering items for the local food pantry, S.H.I.P., and school supplies for children of Haiti. Many of our members are looking forward to participating in the upcoming dairy contests such as, the dairy quiz bowl, livestock symposium, and dairy judging.

Peyton Bond
Club Reporter

Creative Kids

Creative Kids club has had a busy winter. The holiday workshop was a success and everyone had fun. In January, our club tried their hands at paper quilling and we made chocolates.

In February, two teams competed in the "cook off". Our team of Katie M., Emily D., and Emily G. placed second. Katie Majorossy also placed second high individual senior. And no fire trucks this year! At our February meeting the members tried "Zen doodling". Of course, our members also enjoyed county workshops, like "Buns of Love" and look forward to the Fuse Beads workshop in April. New this year, we are having an organic seed sale to help raise funds to support our members at events like CWF.

March plans include winter foods judging and later in the spring, we will be preparing and serving a meal for the homeless.

Lindsey Davis
Club Reporter

Round Valley Riders

We studied Horse bowl and Hippology with our vet and coach Karen Elbert along with Centaurs. On March 8th, we competed with other counties in the state Horse bowl. Everyone did very well. On March 29th and 30th, we competed in Hippology at Centenary College. Our senior team placed 3rd in the State and the junior team placed 2nd. Two of the seniors qualified for National being held in Kentucky. All of our members participated in County presentations held on March 24th and 28th. Upcoming events for the spring will be our Tricky Tray fundraiser with the Fur and Feathers and Hunterdon Hoppers clubs on April 12th, along with our annual clothing drive and horse related trips. We're also preparing for the fair.

Isabella Razzano
Club Reporter

Hunterdon Deadeyes Presents....



Shooter's Rendezvous

Saturday, May 3, 2014

Noon - 4:00 p.m.

Hunterdon County Range



If you are interested in trying a new skill or just want to learn how to shoot, members of the Hunterdon Deadeyes 4-H will be giving safety instruction on Rifle, Archery, and Shotgun. Featuring, education on firearm safety, fun shooting activities, food and more! For information contact 908-782-1682 or email deadeye4club@gmail.com. \$10.00 per person includes firearm safety lesson and one round of shooting at an air rifle, archery and shotgun station. Additional cost of the event depends on additional activities you choose to do. All ages welcome, grade 4 and up. Come early, stay the day. Join the Hunterdon Deadeyes Team for this Shooter's Rendezvous.



4-H Shooting Sports
Learn by Doing

4-H Event Workshop Registration Form

Please fill out this registration form and send all registration fees to the 4-H office asap to sign up for these fun and educational spring workshops.

Name: _____ Club: _____

Phone: _____ Grade: _____ Number attending: _____

Email Address: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

I will be attending the following Youth Council Workshops: (make check payable to 4-H Youth Council of Hunterdon)

_____ Mother's Day Tea Pot, Thursday, May 8th, 7:00 p.m. Extension Center, \$8.00

_____ Watermark/Batik Tie Dye, June 26th, 7:00 p.m., Extension Center, \$6.00

_____ Fresh Mozerella Cheese, Tuesday, June 17th, Extension Center, \$6.00

_____ Food Safety, Thursday, June 26, 7:00 p.m., Extension Center

County Activities/Events

Career Connections

I am interested in participating in the following:

_____ Animal Science, Wednesday, May 7th, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., Central Polytech

_____ Culinary Arts, Wednesday, May 28th, 6:00 p.m., Central Polytech

_____ Photography, Wednesday, June 4, 6:30 p.m., Bartles Polytech

_____ From Home Garden to Commercial Crop, Thursday, June 26th, 10 a.m., Snyder Farm

4th of July Parade

_____ I am interested in helping construct the 4th of July float and I am available to ride the float

Please register _____ 4-H Club for the following 4-H Events (Leader's Only)

Earth Day Celebration - Saturday, April 26th, Deer Path Park, 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

We will bring _____ (animals) and will need _____ # pens.

_____ We will set up a craft or face painting.

RCE 100th Anniversary Celebration - Sunday, May 4th, HC Extension Center, Noon - 3:00 p.m.

We will bring _____ (animals) and will need _____ # pens.

_____ We will set up a craft or face painting. _____ Our club will provide two desserts

4-H Goes to the Library (check one) _____ 6' regular table or _____ 6' skinny table

Parent Volunteer sign up

Name of parent _____

Antique Show Help

Set-up Saturday, May 17th Evening at 6:00 p.m. _____

Entrance Gate, Sunday, May 18th (Ticket Seller)

_____ 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Session

12:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Session _____

Food Concession Stand, Sunday, May 18th

_____ 7:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

_____ 10:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

_____ 2:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Baked Goods

_____ I will provide a **homebaked** good and bring it to the Fairgrounds at 7:30 a.m.

Fair Ride Ticket Seller

_____ I will help sell ride tickets at the Fair, please sign me up for (circle one) Wed, Thurs, Fri, or Sat

_____ 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m. _____ 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. _____ 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. _____ 7:00 p.m.-9:30 p.m.

(Sun.) _____ 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 _____ 2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.