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# Hunterdon 4-H Happenings

*A Newsletter for 4-H Members, Parents and Leaders*

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## A Few Words

Happy 2014 to all of our 4-H family and friends. We would like to extend many thanks to all our clubs for the work performed in 2013! As we begin a new year, We wish our members, leaders and clubs much success as we all strive to "Make the Best Better!"

The year ahead will be a year for celebration....as Hunterdon County celebrates its 300th anniversary and Rutgers Cooperative Extension turns 100! There will be many many occasions to celebrate. We will keep you posted on the happenings around the county for the tricentennial as well as our plans to celebrate Rutgers Cooperative Extension!



## Official 300th Birthday Celebration A Spectacular Parade March 22, 2014 Main Street Flemington

Happy Birthday Hunterdon County! March 22nd marks the day when Hunterdon County was established. Join us on historic Main Street in the County Seat of Flemington at 4:00 p.m. for a spectacular parade followed by birthday cake and hot chocolate in the Court Street Park. When it gets dark, fireworks will light up the night sky.

A 4-H float will be a part of the parade, it will be created by Mr. Mundy and any 4-H member who would like to participate. Please contact Mr. Mundy at [mundydj@yahoo.com](mailto:mundydj@yahoo.com) and let him know that you are interested in making the float, and riding on the float. For information on other upcoming events please visit [www.hunterdon300th.org](http://www.hunterdon300th.org).



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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.

#### Visit the

**Rutgers Cooperative Extension  
of Hunterdon County website at:**

**[www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/rutgers/4H.htm](http://www.co.hunterdon.nj.us/rutgers/4H.htm)**

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## Leaders' News

### Cookin' up a good time

**Leader Appreciation**  
**Thursday, January 16th**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**County Complex**  
**Sr. Center, Rte. 31,**  
**Building #1**



On January 16th, our 4-H clubs are "Cookin' up a good time" for our 4-H Leader Appreciation. Leader Appreciation will be held on Thursday, January 16th, 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center, Rte. 31. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend this year's Leader Appreciation!

**Leader's Association Meetings**  
**New Leaders Welcome**  
**Thursday, January 16th, 7:00 p.m.**  
**Sr. Center, Rte. 31, Building #1**  
**Thursday, March 20th, 7:30 p.m.**  
**Extension Center**



Important decisions regarding the fair, fundraising and program direction are made at 4-H Association meetings. Join us and let your voice be heard. **Please plan to attend the Association meeting on Thursday, January 16th (7:00 p.m.), at the Senior Center, Rte. 31. Our March meeting will be held Thursday, March 20th (7:30 p.m.), at the Extension Center.**

### Keep your club in Good Standing

Clubs who are in good standing will be awarded the Honor Club Award at Achievement Night. In order to be recognized clubs must have attendance at 4-H Association Meetings, participate in 4-H Association fundraising, and hand in all important Treasury information by January 15, 2014.

4-H is a **community** of **young people** across **America** who are learning **leadership, citizenship** and **life skills.**

### Important Treasury Information:

As we begin 2014, we want to make sure that each club fills out all necessary forms and paperwork. **All clubs are required to hand in a 4-H Club Treasury Audit Form and 4-H Club Annual Financial Form along with a 2013 December Bank Statement and a list of club assets and value of the assets. This is mandated by the State 4-H Office.** The forms have been mailed out to the main organizational leader of each club. Forms are due back by January 15, 2014.

### Club Member Lists

Club membership lists have been mailed to the main organizational leader of each club. Please update your list and be sure to let us know who is missing and who is no longer a member of your club. Please also check the birthdates and grade level of your members (dates reflect the 2013-14 school year). Please return the form to Anna **no later than Wednesday, January 15, 2014.**

### Inclement Weather Alert:

In the event of inclement weather, a scheduled event will be cancelled.



## Club Mailboxes

This system has been very effective. It is a good way for us to get your club information to you and save on postage too! You never know what might be waiting for you in the box. It could be thank you letters, certificates, or flyers for upcoming events. Please have a representative from your club stop by for your club mail. If your club is new, please be sure to give us your club name so a box can be made for you.

## 2014 Hunterdon County 4-H Calendar

Calendars are just about completed. The expected date for pick up is **Thursday, January 16th**. Each family will receive one calendar for 2014. The calendars will be distributed at Leader Appreciation. Each of our photographers featured in the calendar will receive an extra copy.

## 4-H Meeting Rooms

There are three available county buildings at which leaders can book meetings. The three locations are: the Extension Center (our office); County Complex, Rte 12, Building #1; or the Senior Center Rte. 31. The rooms are available on a first come, first served basis.

In a recent email, leaders were to confirm meeting room, date and time. Please take the time to respond so that your club can be accommodated. **Due to planned activities for the tricentennial, meeting rooms may not be available at the Rte. 12, County Complex, Building #1 at certain times during the 2014 year. You will be given plenty of notice if your room reservation is not approved, and you will need to find another location for your meeting.**

If you need to schedule a room, please contact Anna one week prior to your meeting date. We will try to do our best to find you a location to hold your meeting. If something comes up and you need to cancel a scheduled meeting, please let Anna know ASAP so that she can let the appropriate offices know. The county has been very supportive of trying to accommodate us, please do your part when scheduling and canceling meeting rooms. Thank You!

## 4-H County Event News

**Public Presentations Workshop**  
**Wednesday, February 5th – 7:00 p.m.**  
**County Complex, Route 12, Building #1**  
**Registration Deadline: Monday, January 27th**

A **fun and creative** Presentation Workshop has been scheduled for **Wednesday, February 5th, 7:00 p.m.** You will learn how to put together a presentation, design a good poster, what to wear, and how to deliver your presentation. This workshop will be especially informative for first and second-time presenters. All 4-H members who are first and second-time time presenters are welcome to attend, and pre-registration is required. Please call the 4-H office and register by **Monday, January 27th**.

***Remember you are required to do one club presentation each year to be a member in good standing, and at least one county presentation during your 4-H career in order to receive a county medal.***

**Winter Foods Judging**  
**Monday, March 3rd - 6:30 p.m.**  
**Extension Center**  
**Registration Deadline: Friday, February 21st**

Attention foods members, the Winter Foods Judging is scheduled for Monday, March 3rd. Please call the 4-H office to register and receive an exhibitor number by Friday, February 21st. Rules, score sheet, and exhibitor cards are available at our office.

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**Life with Livestock**  
**Sunday, March 2nd, 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.**  
**Senior Center, Rte. 31, Building #1**



**Pet Council Event**  
**Friday, April 4th, 7:00 p.m.**  
**Senior Center, Rte. 31, Building #1**



Livestock Council and Pet Council are planning some fun learning events. More information will follow mid-January so for now, hold the dates for Life with Livestock and the 2014 Pet Council event.

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**Winter Fest Cook-Off**  
**For FCS Clubs**  
**Saturday, February 8th**  
**10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**  
**County Complex, Route 12, Building #1**

A Winter Fest Cook-Off has been planned for our Family and Consumer Science Clubs. The County Complex, Route 12, Building #1 is sure to be sending off a fantastic aroma on Saturday, February 8th, from 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. FCS Clubs can register multiple teams of 4 participants in any one of the following combinations: 2 Senior/2 Junior; 1 Senior/3 Junior; or 4 Junior members. Senior members are participants who are currently enrolled in grade 9 and above.

How does a cook-off work? Each team will receive rules, registration form, and a list of what to bring. A recipe will be provided the day of the event. Teams will need to know how to measure, cut, dice, and prepare a recipe. Teams will be judged on food preparation, use of equipment, as well as sportsmanship, cooperation, and team work. More information will follow, but for now save the date and be prepared for a fun day!



*4-H - Where the Fun is Learning  
and the Learning is Fun!!*



## Record Book Workshop

### “Get the Inside Scoop”

Wednesday, March 5th

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Record Book Workshop

Sr. Center, Route 31, Building #1

Registration Deadline: Friday, February 21st

Record Books are a vital part of our 4-H Program, and you are awarded for all your efforts and for what you put into your records. This past November there were 120 books handed in, and that is a number to brag about! You all worked so hard throughout the year. There are always questions about the judging of the books and how to put the books together properly, as well as what awards to apply for, and when to apply for them. If you are frustrated over filling out Record Books, and want to know how they are judged, what the judges look for, and the proper way to compile your information, then it is time to “Get the Inside Scoop” and learn how you can improve your Record Book. **This workshop is especially helpful to parents. Come to the workshop on Wednesday, March 5th at 7:00 p.m., and hopefully your questions will be answered. Pre-registration is a must, please register for this workshop by Friday, February 21st.**

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## County Public Presentations Contest

Tuesday, March 25th (4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.) - limited space

Tuesday, March 25th (7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.)

Friday, March 28th (4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.)

Friday, March 28th (7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.)

Senior Center, Route 31, Building #1

**This year’s contest will be held on Tuesday, March 25th, and Friday, March 28th.** All presentations will be held at the Senior Center. We need a host/hostess to help keep time and distribute ribbons for each room. Please consider volunteering to serve as a host/hostess. Be sure to complete the registration form in the back of this newsletter and return it to the 4-H office. **Registration deadline is Friday, February 28th. There is a limit to 40 participants per time slot, which will be granted on first come, first served basis.**

## Information Regarding Power Point

There are many of you who give Power Point presentations, which are very popular in today’s society. Given the number of Power Point presentations last year and the complications that arose with equipment in the past, **it is imperative that you have your own laptop** if you are presenting with Power Point. You must know how to set up your laptop to our projector. Our equipment is set up for IBM, so if you have a Macintosh you will need to have a special cord to work on our projector. **We do not have internet access**, so please keep this in mind when putting together your presentation.



## State Events

### **Mandatory Meeting Shooting Sports Team Members, Parents and Coaches**

There will be a mandatory State Shooting Sports meeting for all NJ Shooting Sports team members, parents, and coaches on Monday, January 30th, 7:00 p.m. Extension Center.

### **State 4-H Model Horse Show Saturday, January 25th (Snowdate: January 26th) 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Middlesex County**

There will be a State 4-H Model Horse Show on Saturday, January 25th, in Middlesex County. The event will be held from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Spectators are welcome to view the show. For more information please check out the show information which is posted on the following website: <http://www.nj4h.rutgers.edu/horses/modelhorseshow>.

### **State Dairy Quiz Bowl Saturday, March 22nd Monmouth County**

Many of our Dairy Club members are practicing hard to compete in the State Dairy Quiz Bowl on Saturday, March 22nd. Good Luck to our Hunterdon Teams.

### **Jr. Breeder and Young Farmer Symposium Cook College, Rutgers University Sunday, April 6th 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

The Jr. Breeder and Young Farmer Symposium will be held at Rutgers University on Sunday, April 6th. The day will be filled with hands-on activities for dairy, equine, rabbit, poultry, and small ruminant. There will be a minimal cost for the program, which includes lunch, program materials and guest speakers. Registration forms will be placed in your club mailboxes. For more information please contact Lynn Mathews at (609) 984-4389 or email at [lynn.mathews@ag.state.nj.us](mailto:lynn.mathews@ag.state.nj.us).

### **State Goat Extravaganza Saturday, January 11th 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Senior Center, Route 31**

The 4-H State Goat Council has planned a fun learning event for all of our goat club members. Hunterdon County is hosting the event at the Senior Center, Route 31. There are many activities and fun events planned for this educational day. Included in the events for the day are a poster activity, goat bowl, skill-a-thon, pizza lunch, art show, and ice cream social.

### **Other State Horse Events: State Horse Bowl and Equine Arts Show February 15th Hippology and Horse Judging March 29th and 30th**

Good luck to our 4-H Horse Club members as they prepare for and compete in the Horse Bowl. The event will be held on Saturday, February 15th, at the Somerset County Extension Building. The State Hippology and Horse judging will be held at Centenary College in Warren County. We look forward to hearing how you did.

### **Jr. Breeder Financial Aid Program NJ Department of Agriculture**

Attention 4-H Members, the Junior Breeder Association provides loans to 4-H members looking to purchase livestock. For more information on how you can receive a loan, please contact Lynn Mathews at (609) 984-4389 or email at [lynn.mathews@ag.state.nj.us](mailto:lynn.mathews@ag.state.nj.us)

## News From NJ Department of Agriculture

## Teen News

### **Rutgers Day 2014 (formally Ag Field Day) Saturday, April 26th**

Rutgers Day is an annual celebration of our community spirit which is supported by Rutgers School of Environmental and Biological Sciences students, faculty, staff, alumni, volunteers, and New Jersey residents.

Rutgers Day, formally known as Ag Field Day, has been an opportunity for members of the public to learn about and participate in our programs. Rutgers Day built on that tradition and invited the community to learn more about Rutgers University through tours, performances, hands-on activities, demonstrations, exhibits, and lectures across the L.G. Cook/Douglass, Busch, Livingston, and College Avenue Campuses.

4-H events that will take place during the day's events include: State Dog Show and 4-H Robotics Expo. If you are a 4-H member enrolled in these projects, then you will be entitled to participate in these events. More information will follow but for now...hold the date.

### **Winter Camp Friday-Sunday, January 31st-February 2nd L.G. Cook 4-H Camp Registration Deadline: Monday, January 6th**

Our **2014 4-H Winter Camp** will be held at the **L.G. Cook 4-H Camp, Stokes State Forest, Branchville, NJ, Friday January 31st through Sunday, February 2nd.** We will be camping with Sussex, Essex, and Union Counties. Teens in grades 8-12 are invited to spend a fun-filled weekend enjoying the company of other 4-H teens and fun outdoor activities (think snow!) The fee for Winter Camp is \$60.00 per person; please call or stop by the office for a registration form. **Registration deadline: Monday, January 6th. Male & female adult chaperones are needed!**

### **North Jersey Teen Conference Friday thru Sunday, March 7th-9th Regency House Hotel - Pompton Plains**

Hunterdon County teens are invited to participate in the fifth annual **North Jersey 4-H Teen Conference.** All 4-H members in grades 8 – 13 are invited to join their fellow 4-H'ers for a weekend-long Teen Conference that will be held March 7th - 9th at the Regency House Hotel in Pompton Plains.

A group of dedicated teens have partnered with adult volunteers and 4-H staff to plan and implement this conference. For a registration packet, call our office.



### **Citizenship Washington Focus Trip Dates: Sunday - Saturday, July 6th - 12th National 4-H Center - Chevy Chase, Maryland**

This is an excellent opportunity for teens in grades 9-12 (you need to have completed 9th grade by the time the trip occurs) to spend a week at the National 4-H Center with other outstanding teens from New Jersey and other states. Participants will learn a lot about how our government functions through workshops, visits with legislators, and tours of our nation's capital. **Applications will be available by mid-January; please call the 4-H Office for the application form if you are interested in applying.**



## Member Information

**Attention Club Presidents:** At Achievement Night you received very important information regarding Leader Appreciation. **Please** be sure to follow through with the request made from Youth Council. Please contact the 4-H office if you have any questions. Note there is a change in location...the event will be held at the Senior Center Cafe.

**2014 4-H Theme:** In celebration of the 100th anniversary of Rutgers Cooperative Extension, and the 300th anniversary of Hunterdon County, it would be appropriate to have a theme that commemorates one or both of these. Please put your creative minds to work and submit a theme by February 15th. A theme winner will be announced in the April issue of the Hunterdon Happenings. Please submit your theme by filling out the form on page 18 of this newsletter.

### Important Member Information

Members must be registered by January 1, 2014, in order to be eligible to participate in any State 4-H event or State 4-H show.

Deadline date to submit paperwork for Independent Project and Animal Lease is Thursday, May 1, 2014.

Deadline date to purchase your project animal is Thursday, May 1, 2014.

### Early Bird Camp Discount

Registration for the summer of 2014 began December 1st. Be sure to check out the camp website to get the Early Bird Discounts. There are also discounts offered to 4-H members. To register online please click the following link.  
<https://registration.campbrain.com/Portal/Login.aspx?H=LindleyGCook&G=457> or call (973) 948-3550.

### Fair Dates for 2014

It is not too early to begin to think about the Fair. Our 2014 Fair dates are Wednesday, August 20th - Sunday, August 24th. Request for your club to do a fundraiser at the fair, or for your club to receive funds from the Association for fair improvements or projects by May 15th. Requests will be approved on May 15th, at the 4-H Association Meeting. Requests made after May 15th will not be reviewed.

## Council Information

**4-H Animal Council Dates  
Extension Center, 7:30 p.m.  
The following meetings set for 2014 are:**

Livestock Council: Monday, January 6th, Monday, May 5th, Monday, October 6th  
Pet Council on Mondays: January 13th, May 12th, and Tuesday, October 14th  
Dairy Council on Wednesdays: January 8th, May 14th, October 8th  
Goat Council on Monday, January 27th, Tuesday, May 27th, Monday, October 27th

## 4-H Youth Council News

**4-H Youth Council Meeting: Thursday, January 9th** - Members will be discussing plans for a special surprise for Leader Appreciation. Other meetings for 2014 are **Wednesday, May 7th** and **Wednesday, October 1st**. **Youth Council meets at 7:00 p.m.**

Youth Council Workshops will be offered throughout the year. All 4-H members are invited to attend. Some workshops are free of charge, while others have a small fee to cover supplies. Be sure to register for the workshops by their deadline dates. **Registration fee must be paid at the time of registration.** Workshop instructors have the right to cancel workshops if there is not enough participation.

### **Youth Council Workshops:**

#### **“Dance Your Heart Beat Away”**

**Monday, January 20th**

**2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.**

**Senior Center, Route 31, Building #1, Large Auditorium**

**Cost: Donation to the Food Pantry, non perishable food item**

**Registration Deadline: Monday, January 13th**

Dance your heart beat away on Monday, January 20th, from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. on your day off of school. Emily Dabb is ready to teach you how to pop and lock your body to the beat of k-pop! You will learn six moves that will take you through many songs. If you are a fast learning class, then perhaps a show for the parents at pick up may be a fun way to end the day. The more kids the merrier! Don't forget to bring a donation to the food pantry which will be your cost to join the dance party!

#### **Scarf Knitting Workshop**

**Thursday, January 23rd**

**6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**

**Extension Center**

**Registration Deadline: Monday, January 13th**

Learn simple basic steps to knitting and go home wearing a scarf. Jackie Majorossy is excited to teach you how to knit. Scarfs are in fashion, and you will look great wearing the one you created. Please plan to join the group on Thursday, January 23rd.

#### **“Buns of Love” Cinnamon Buns Soap Workshop**

**Wednesday, February 12th**

**6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.**

**Extension Center**

**Cost: \$7.00**

**Registration Deadline: Monday, February 3rd**

Join Emily Dabb with this sweet-smelling soap workshop. Emily's soap was a prize winner in the craft division at the fair, and she is interested in teaching you how to make the soap. The soap would make a great Valentine gift for someone special. The workshop is limited to 12-15 participants; cost of the workshop is \$7.00, and you will go home with two soaps. Don't delay, register today!

#### **Quilt workshop**

**Thursday, February 20th**

**7:00 - 9:00 p.m.**

**Extension Center**

**Cost: \$8.00**

**Registration Deadline: Friday, February 7th**

Come learn how to do a small quilt project with Carol Weisenbacher! You will make a personal snack mat for you to take home using hand and machine sewing techniques. The cost will be \$8.00. There is a maximum of 10 for the and class, this class is limited to grade 6 and up.

**Photography Opportunity  
Get involved in the 300th Celebration  
Photos Due March 1st**

Hunterdon County is celebrating it's 300th birthday this year. A local artist, Kim Chieffer, has organized a youth workshop for March 15th, based on our local history. She is asking 4-H youth to help out by providing photos of their favorite historical sites in our county - or even "unofficial" sites such as old barns, or old farm equipment, etc. - things that reflect our county's long history. You can send digital photos to Carol Weisenbacher via e-mail, [c\\_weisenbacher@yahoo.com](mailto:c_weisenbacher@yahoo.com), or, if you have a print from film, by dropping it off at the office. The deadline is March 1, 2014. New photos aren't necessary - existing photos would be fine!

**Needle Felting Workshop  
Thursday, March 6th  
7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - Extension Center  
Cost: \$7.00  
Registration deadline is Friday, February 28th**

Needle felting is becoming very popular, and this is your opportunity to learn about needle felting with Maggie Kelly. Maggie will show you how simple it is to make a really cool project with fiber, needle, felt, and a cookie cutter. If you have a cookie cutter you would like to bring please do so; if not, Maggie will have some for you to use. Cost of the workshop is \$7.00, and you will go home with two projects. This workshop is limited to members 4th grade and above.

**Fuse Bead Workshop  
Friday, April 4th  
7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - Extension Center  
Cost: \$8.00  
Registration Deadline: Friday, March 21st**

We're going to be making fun coasters out of fuse beads with Nick Millan. They work great as gifts and decoration, and they also provide a decent utility to keep the table dry. We have four different themes for you to choose from: Spring Flowers, Pac-Man, Minecraft, and Super Mario Brothers. Please indicate which theme you want when signing up. This workshop is for members in 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. It's going to be fun for everyone and I hope to see you there!

**Recycle your Fair Rosettes at the  
Ribbon Wreath Workshop  
Wednesday, April 30th  
7:00 - 8:30 p.m. - Extension Center  
Cost: \$6.00  
Registration Deadline: Friday, April 11th**

Want to recycle some of your old fair rosettes? Let's get creative and make a wreath out of them. Join Sherrie Peterson for this Recycle Your Rosettes Wreath Workshop. If you don't have any rosettes, please don't let that stop you - we have plenty of old ribbons that we can provide for you. The cost of the workshop will be \$6.00 to cover the cost of the wreath frame. Registration deadline is Friday, April 11th.



**Cloverbud Leader Meeting  
Wednesday, January 29th  
Extension Center, 7:30 p.m.**

## **Cloverbud News**

Cloverbud leaders please plan on attending the Cloverbud Leader Meeting on Wednesday, January 29th, 7:30 p.m., at the Extension Center. We will be firming up plans for the Cloverbud Spring Extravaganza, as well as discussing our 2014 Cloverbud Activities.

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## **Cloverbud Members, Parents and Siblings Are Invited To the Cloverbud Spring Extravaganza**

**Sunday, April 13, 2014  
1:00-4:00 p.m.  
Route 12, County Complex building #1  
Event is Free**

Participants will be dying eggs and making spring crafts at the Spring Extravaganza

We will be doing Creative Spring Crafts  
and egg dye,  
with 5 stations of fun activities.  
Participants will also make and bake a  
special snack!



Each Participant should bring  
with them:  
\*A Smock or Apron  
\*6-8 Blown out Eggs (white or  
brown)  
\*Or 6-8 hard boiled eggs



Sure hope you can attend!

Please call to register your family by Friday, April 4th, by calling (908) 788-1341, or fill out the registration form on page 18 of this newsletter

## Events Recap

### Achievement Night

The County Complex, Rte 12, was filled with over 300 participants and invited guests at the Awards Program. Congratulations to the members who turned in a record book and applied for awards. You all did a great job. Congratulations also to the members who participated in the “Best 4-H Story” **Jr. Member winner was Samuel King of Gregarious Goats and Sr. Member winner was Mikaela Kane of PAWS.**

**Congratulations to Jessica Rountree, Jr. Achiever Winner; Mikaela Kane and Sara Rountree, Outstanding 4-H Members; Anne Szmul, Ramsburg Memorial Recipient; and Anna DeSapio, Anna Schick award recipient.**

**Charlie Pierman received the Friend of 4-H Award.** Mr. Pierman has been very supportive of the 4-H program for many years, and has helped out with many of our 4-H programs held at the South County Park. We appreciate Charlie for all his service hours and dedication.

Thank you to all the 4-H members, parents, and leaders who gave a helping hand with Achievement Night. We really appreciated all the extra hands with set up, clean up, and organization of the dessert and drink tables. This special evening is planned for all of our 4-H families and it truly was a huge success. Thank you to Mr. Mundy for the terrific year event slide show, and to the participants who presented on CWF. A special thank you to all of our award presenters and special guests who attended and finally to our Ambassadors Anna, Sara and Mikaela who did a great job with our program.

### Holiday Workshop and Cloverbud Door Swag

The Holiday Workshop and Cloverbud Door Swag was a terrific success. The building was filled with holiday spirit. Clubs made and sold beautiful craft items. **Thank you to Round Valley Riders for working the refreshment table and selling the 4-H sweatshirts.** The evening was complete with a special visit from Santa. Thank you to the many families and members who stayed and helped with the clean up.

Thank you to the following families who provided delicious baked goods for the holiday refreshment table: **Hunterdon Hoppers, Hunterdon Deadeyes, PAWS, Fur n’ Feathers, Kick Butt Kids, Vipers, and Dilt’s Dairy.**

### Holiday Parade

“4-H Presents...the Nightmare Before Christmas”

Congratulations on another successful Holiday Parade. The participants in the Nightmare before Christmas, glowed as they showed their 4-H spirit at the Flemington Holiday Parade on Sunday December 1st. A huge round of applause and thank you to Mr. Mundy and all the kids who participated.







This newsletter is all about you and 4-H and we like to read about your club! Please send your club news to [apinkerton@co.hunterdon.nj.us](mailto:apinkerton@co.hunterdon.nj.us) or mail them to: RCE 4-H Department, P.O. Box 2900, Flemington, NJ 08822. Your report will be included in the next issue of the Hunterdon Happenings. The idea of club reports is to inform other clubs what you have been up to.

**The following is a guideline for club report due dates:**  
**February 28th for Spring Newsletter**  
**May 23rd for Summer Newsletter**  
**August 8th for Fall Newsletter**  
**December 5th for Winter Newsletter**

## **Hunterdon Hoppers**

This September, the Hunterdon Hoppers members elected new officers. Brandon became President, Emily became Vice President, Jess became Secretary, Sara became Treasurer, Olivia became Corresponding Secretary, Victoria became Reporter, Mandy became Refreshment Chair, and Ashlee became the Librarian. Our new scrapbook committee is chaired by Kaitlyn P., and other committee members are Olivia, Alyssa, Sara, and Jess. Schuyler volunteered for Newsletter Editor. Our Youth Council Representatives are Jess and Kaitlyn P., our Pet Council Representatives are Olivia and Kaitlyn K., and our Livestock Council Representatives are Brandon and Schuyler. The first petting zoo was the Good News Home for Women Fall Festival, and Sara, Jess, Olivia, and Emily all brought rabbits. Upcoming petting zoos include St. Elizabeth Anne Seton, The Old York Winery, Frenchtown Green Fair, Scarecrow contest, Open House and Trick or Trunk.

Emily Szmul  
Club Reporter

## **Creative Kids Club**

We had a very busy fall and new start to the 4-H year. We also saw our club leadership change; after 18 years as club leader, Mary Perrine has turned the club leadership over to Jackie Majorossy and Kerry Millan. We had a small thank you party for Mrs. Perrine in November. Four new families have joined us this year, and we wish to say welcome and we hope you enjoy 4-H as much as the rest of us. In October we elected our new club officers. Katie Majorossy is president; Emily Dabb is Vice president; Grace Majorossy is secretary; and Nicholas Millan is treasurer; Zach Majorossy is club photographer and once again Lindsey Davis is reporter.

Also, October brings the Halloween tailgate party. Our club's theme was "hunger games". And some of our members baked cookies for Thanksgiving In the Country, a Delaware township event that raises money for the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia every year. Thank you to everyone that baked.

November was achievement night and we wish to say congratulations to all of our members who received certificates, medals and awards. November also has us getting ready for the Holiday workshop. This year we will have a return of the popular Santa hats as well as a milkweed pod ornaments. And as part of our November meeting, we practiced our Christmas carols for our December meeting night, when we visit Valley View Nursing home and sing Christmas carols for the residents. But, it's more than that; our member make cards for the residents of Valley View year round for every holiday from Valentine's day, to Veterans day and Christmas.

Lindsey Davis  
Club Reporter

## **Robostorm Robotics Club**

This year at the fair, Robostorm unveiled its most worked-on project: Aqua-bot, a robot that dispenses water bottles. It was driven by members of the club and used LEGO parts and sensors to take dollar bills and dispense bottles. Robostorm also had its first robot competition, Battlebots, which drew many fairgoers into the Robotics tent. One of the robots competing was a robot called Java, which was programmed to defeat its opponent without any human interaction.

On October 26<sup>th</sup>, the day of the Trunk or Treat, Robostorm had a trunk decorated with an angry robot. Robostorm members made it out of wood, metal, screws, and paper. The trunk was also decorated with grave-stones and metal teeth.

In the upcoming months, we will have opportunities to learn HTML website programming, Arduino, video game building, and how to disassemble electronics.

Samuel King  
Corresponding Secretary

## **Sew, Bake 'n Bloom Club**

This month in 4-H has taught many new and old 4-H members how to reuse items such as plastic bags and pieces of wood, and make them into works of art; for the people around them, even themselves. Two special events that occurred during the month of October were the Words on Wood and Plastic Crocheting workshops. The first workshop of the month, Words on Wood, was a workshop led by one of the Sew, Bake, n' Bloom members, Kristen Bryhn. Words on Wood was held on the night of October 8<sup>th</sup>, and many people enjoyed working with wood and acrylic paint. They created beautiful and stunning signs, which may be entered in the 4-H fair for display. The event that was held on the night of October 24<sup>th</sup> was called Plastic Crocheting. Many people enjoyed making decorative bags with old plastic grocery bags that they had. Participants made plarn (plastic yarn) from the bags and then crocheted the plarn into a purse. This workshop also helped to teach some 4-H members how to crochet, which can help in the future.

Krista Watts  
Corresponding Secretary

## **Hunterdon County Sheep Club**

The 4-H Sheep Club has been very busy over the past few weeks and plans to keep up the hard work in the future. At the Hunterdon County 4-H Fair, the Sheep Club was busy participating in many events such as, demonstrations for the Hunterdon Outreach Program (pictured), Round Robin, and their own shows in their barn. Earlier on in September, the club joined together to build a scarecrow for the Pumpkin Junction sponsored by the 4-H. After an eventful morning, they managed to create a "Little Bow Peep" themed scarecrow that displays the Sheep Club's hard work and creativity. In the months to come, they are hoping to participate in their annual clean-up at Morales Park, along with their Winter Workshop in which they make wreaths for their club fundraiser. The Sheep Club has a busy but exciting year in store for them.

Teresa Coppola  
Club Reporter



## **PAWS**

The PAWS Club had its elections. Our new President is Mikaela Kane, our Vice President is Samantha Brown, our Treasurer is Bryan Lederach, our Recording Secretary is Rebecca Jones, our Corresponding Secretary is Daniel Rust, our Attendance Officers are Kayla, Samantha Haven, and Liam Kane, our Fund Raising Officer is Maggie Sell, our Vaccination Record Officer is Michelle Kearsley, our Photographer is Jamie Leuenberger, our Scrapbook Officers are Connie Cifelli and Kaitlyn Jones, our Dues Officer is Zach Freedman, and our Social Events Officers Caitlyn Burns.

At Achievement Night:

Caitlyn Burns won the Outstanding Project Member Award for the Dogs Project.

PAWS won the Honorable Mention for Club Scrapbook.

PAWS won the Best Club Participation Award for clubs with 26 members and over.

PAWS won the Honor Club Award

Mikaela Kane, Anna DeSapio, and Daniel Rust won the Senior Merit Awards.

Zach Freedman, Michelle Kearsley, and Daniel Rust won the Junior Leadership Awards.

Mikaela Kane was the senior winner of the Best 4-H Story Award.

Heather Krupa earned a Gold Certificate.

Rose Fox, Kaitlyn Jones, Michelle Kearsley, and Jamie Leuenberger earned Silver Certificates.

Connie Cifelli, Samantha Haven, and Elise Leuenberger earned Clover Certificates.

Angela Kearsley and Maggie Sell won Dog Care medals.

Caitlyn Burns, Rebecca Jones, and Morgan Krupa won Pet medals.

Morgan Krupa won a Photography medal.

Anna DeSapio and Daniel Rust won Achievement medals.

Samantha Brown and Bryan Lederach won Public Speaking medals.

Liam Kane, Bryan Lederach, and Jamie Leuenberger won Community Service medals.

Zach Freedman and Mikaela Kane won Leadership medals.

Mikaela Kane won the Outstanding 4-H Member Award.

Anna DeSapio won the Anna Schick Memorial Award.

Daniel Rust won the Prudential Spirit of Community Award.

PAWS cleaned up the Somerset County 4-H Fairgrounds after an AKC Dog Show.

PAWS has adopted a Salvation Army family in need.

PAWS is collecting stocking stuffers for critically ill children at St. Joseph's Hospital.

PAWS is collecting gently used coats for the Salvation Army.

PAWS is visiting Rolling Hills with therapy dogs for the holidays.

Daniel Rust

Corresponding Secretary

## **Gregarious Goat Kids**

At the 4-H Fair this summer, Gregarious Goat Kids decorated the goat barn with a banner we made about yarn made from goats. We helped our county win Best County Herd at the State Show. We had a picnic in September to celebrate our accomplishments. At our first meeting of the new 4-H year, we elected new officers and learned how to make cheese and butter. We are looking forward to selling our handcrafted felted ornaments at the Holiday Workshop. We will participate in the NJ State Goat Extravaganza in January.

Annarose King

Club Secretary

## Jr. Leaders

The Jr. Leaders club is ready to begin another fun 4-H year. We recently had our club elections: Matt Majorossy is our new president; Dan Rust is our new vice president, and Mikaela Kane, Katie Majorossy, and Sara Rountree will be splitting the job of secretary for the year. In addition, Michelle Kearsley is our new corresponding secretary, Anna DeSapio is our new treasurer, Kevin Sievers is our new club reporter, and Sam Brown and Jonah Dabb are our new members of the Executive Committee. A record number of people attended this past fair, and the club was busy selling water and soda to the public. We look forward to manning the corn maze at the Black River and Western Railroad during the coming months.

Kevin Sievers  
Club Reporter

## Hunterdon Deadeyes

The Hunterdon Deadeyes are proud to announce that **Keegan Sahlin, Erich Neise, Casey Bolanowski, Harlee Peterson, Alison Mroz, Anthony Razzano, Trevor Wene, Eric Gebele, and Jake Peterson** have qualified to represent NJ 4-H Shooting Sports at Nationals in June. They are very excited about their trip and have come up with a few fundraisers to help them get to Nationals. They will be having a hoagie sale. Hoagies will be \$6.00 for a footlong hoagie, freshly made on Super Bowl Sunday, February 2nd. Hoagies are on sale from now through January 27th.

**Super Bowl Hoagie Sale**



On Saturday, April 12th, you can join the team and other Deadeyes members at Applebee's for a Breakfast with the Easter Bunny! The breakfast will be held from 8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m., and tickets can be purchased in advanced for \$10.00 per person or at the door for \$12.00 per person. Your breakfast will include pancakes, eggs, sausage, and a drink. Each child will receive a goodie bag from the Easter Bunny and chance to win an Easter basket. Place an order below for your Super Bowl Hoagies or contact Harlee Peterson at (908) 782-1682 about the Breakfast with the Easter Bunny or email the team members directly at [deadeye4hclub@gmail.com](mailto:deadeye4hclub@gmail.com)

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## Hunterdon Deadeyes Hoagie Sale Order Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to order \_\_\_\_\_ hoagies for Superbowl Sunday

\_\_\_\_\_ Classic Combo (Salami, Bologna, Ham, Provolone)

\_\_\_\_\_ Turkey and Provolone

Make check payable to Hunterdon Deadeyes 4-H Club, and mail form to: Hunterdon Deadeyes, Hoagie Sale, c/o Trevor Wene, 93 Allens Corner Road, Flemington, NJ, 08822

## 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 winter workshops.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_ Dance Your Heartbeat Away, Monday, January 20th, 2:00-4:00 p.m., Senior Center  
\_\_\_\_\_ Scarf Knit Workshop, Thursday, January 23, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Extension Center  
\_\_\_\_\_ Buns of Love Soap Workshop, Wednesday, February 12th, 6:30- 8:00 p.m. Extension Center, cost \$7.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ Quilt Workshop, Thursday, February 20th, 7:00-9:00 p.m, Extension Center, cost \$8.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ Needle Felting Workshop, Thursday, March 6th, 7:00-8:30 p.m. Extension Center, cost \$7.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ Fused Bead Workshop, Friday, April 4th, Extension Center, 7:00-8:30 p.m., cost \$8.00  
\_\_\_\_\_ flowers \_\_\_\_\_ PacMan \_\_\_\_\_ Minecraft \_\_\_\_\_ Super Mario  
\_\_\_\_\_ Rosette Ribbon Wreath, Wednesday, April 30th, Extension Center, 7:00-8:30 p.m., cost \$6.00

### Cloverbud Registrations

\_\_\_\_\_ Cloverbud Eggstravaganza - Sunday, April 13th, Route 12, Building #1, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

### Please register me for the following 4-H Events and Workshops:

\_\_\_\_\_ Public Presentation Workshop, Wednesday, February 5th, 7:00 p.m., County Complex, Rte. 12, Building #1  
\_\_\_\_\_ Winter Foods Judging, Monday, March 3rd, 6:30 p.m., Extension Center  
\_\_\_\_\_ Record Book Workshop, Wednesday, March 5th, 7:00 p.m., Sr. Center, Rte. 31, Building #1

2014 Theme: \_\_\_\_\_

### Presentation Contest Registration Form

#### Senior Center, Route 31, Building #1

**Tuesday, March 25th** \_\_\_\_\_ 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.(limit 14) \_\_\_\_\_ 7:30-9:30 p.m.

**Friday, March 28th** \_\_\_\_\_ 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. \_\_\_\_\_ 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Topic of Presentation: \_\_\_\_\_

I am doing a team presentation with: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Club \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Presentation:

\_\_\_\_\_ Power Point \_\_\_\_\_ Performing Arts Presentation  
\_\_\_\_\_ Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_ Live Animal  
\_\_\_\_\_ Illustrated Talk \_\_\_\_\_ Formal Speech

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to be a room host/hostess

\_\_\_\_\_ This is my first presentation

\_\_\_\_\_ I am a Cloverbud

\_\_\_\_\_ The topic of my presentation is sensitive, and should be viewed by teens only!

Special Request (electric, projector, large area needed, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_