## 4-H FACTS

**Cornell Cooperative Extension Herkimer County**

**August/September 2016**

Secretary Reports due the 5th of every month

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4-H Honor Secretaries

Congratulations to: Jordynn Alesia, Kuyahoora Kaprines; Mercedes Lewandrowski, Merry Moos 4-H Club; and Dylan Dyn/Hawkes Family, Independent 4-H members for turning in their May 4-H Club Secretary report by June 10.

Congratulations to: Jordynn Alesia, Kuyahoora Kaprines; and Dylan Dyn/Hawkes Family, Independent 4-H members for turning in their June 4-H Club Secretary report by July 10.

4-H Media Corps

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF PURPOSE AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- 4-H youth who are interested in social media and learning how to represent news at the Herkimer County Fair should volunteer for the 4-H Media Corps.
- Media Corp members will interview and write articles that will be printed in a daily flyer to be handed out to the general public, with articles on what 4-H is doing and experiencing at the fair.
- 4-H members will gain valuable skills that enable them to gather and organize information, to print a daily 4-H news flyer.
- The Media Corps team will cover events and activities that help fairgoers to learn about what 4-H is up to on a daily basis with articles written and produced by youth.

If you will be at the fair and have some down time between shows, or you would love to share a fun experience or show that you attended, or give a little insight to life during fair week, please contact Wendy before and during the fair. Let’s show what 4-H is up to from your point of view.

4-H Rabbit & Poultry Showmanship at Herkimer County Fair

Tuesday, August 16 at 5 pm

Again this year, we will be holding 4-H rabbit and poultry showmanship contests at the Herkimer County Fair. Have your rabbits and chickens ready and be ready to interact with the judge. Prizes will be awarded.
### Herkimer County Fair

Fair time is fast approaching, so here are some dates to remember. Non-animal exhibits can be entered at the fair on August 14 from 11 am – 3 pm. If you would like to help out on the day of judging, please contact the 4-H office. We need adults to help with evaluating; and youth to help as assistants.

All exhibits are released to be taken home on August 22 from 9 am – 11 am. Any exhibits not going to State Fair will need to be picked up at this time. Any exhibits not picked up will remain at the Herkimer County Fair. If you have any exhibits going to State Fair, we’ll be glad to transport them directly from County Fair to State Fair. You must bring appropriate packaging for safely transporting your exhibit (i.e. newsprint or tissue paper to wrap fragile items, cardboard boxes to secure them from sliding around in the vehicle); as well as your completed Exhibitor Entry card and Exhibitor Entry Statement. This is due by 11 am on August 22.

### Smoothie Challenge: Seeking Team Entries

4-H is planning to hold a smoothie challenge on August 16, 17 & 19 at 4 pm at the Herkimer County Fair. 4-H youth will participate in a friendly competition to create the best-tasting, most-nutritious smoothie. The teams are given three main ingredients – ice, yogurt, milk - and a selection of various other fruits and veggies, including: spinach, honey, bananas, and blueberries. They must record their concoction on recipe cards to present, along with smoothie samples, to the “Smoothie Panel.” Teams can consist of 3-4 youth. There is room for 2 teams to participate during each event. Teams should select a team leader, who will be the point of contact before and during the event. The team leader will be asked to briefly explain who is on the team, how the recipe was selected, etc. There are two parts to the challenge:

1. Come up with the recipe, one smoothie recipe per team. Youth should consider that recipes will be evaluated on criteria related to taste and nutritional content.
2. Each team will create their new smoothie, in a blender. Finished team smoothies will be evaluated by a panel of peers.

For any questions, please contact Wendy.

### 4-H Public Presentations and Make N’ Takes at the Herkimer County Fair

4-H would like to encourage 4-H clubs and 4-H members to do a Public Presentation and/or Make ‘N Take activities at the Herkimer County Fair August 16-21. Pick whatever day and time works best for you. We can help you with ideas and supplies if needed. You can sign up as a 4-H club or as a 4-H family for 2 hour shifts. If doing a baking demonstration, please supply us with the recipe so that we can supply all the ingredients needed for you.

Please plan to help showcase 4-H in the exhibit building by participating in a presentation or Make N Take with the general public. Contact Wendy by August 11 with supply list for recipes and to be eligible to receive a presentation premium and to reserve your time.

### 4-H Herdsmanship at the Herkimer County Fair

Once again, the 4-H Office will be holding a Herdsmanship contest at the Herkimer County Fair. Judging will done anonymously at a random time each day. If you are exhibiting animals (dairy, beef, goats or sheep) your area will be judged daily for:

- Cleanliness of animals and area
- 4-H message/educational component
- Politeness/friendliness to the public
- Are you manning your exhibit to interact with the public

Jenn will have clovers for you to put up at your exhibit to signify you and your animal(s) as a 4-H project and displaying the clovers will show us that you want to participate in the Herdsmanship contest.
## Exhibitor Entry Card and Statement for NYS Fair

Items that are selected to go on to State Fair will have a purple “Selected for State Fair” seal attached to their County Fair ribbon. It will be the exhibitor’s responsibility to check and see if they have anything selected. If you have an exhibit selected, you will need to pick up and fill out the **Exhibitor Entry Card** and **Exhibitor Entry Statement for NY State Fair**. You will attach them together and then attach to the exhibit when completed.

The Exhibitor Entry (EE) Card will be on green card stock. This card is the basic information about the exhibit and the exhibitor. The Exhibitor Entry Statement will be completed and attached to the green Exhibitor Entry Card. The Exhibitor Entry Statement can be copied and completed by hand, from the following link: [https://blogs.cornell.edu/cceherkimer/files/2013/03/NYSFairExhibitorEntryStatement-1iqt73i.pdf](https://blogs.cornell.edu/cceherkimer/files/2013/03/NYSFairExhibitorEntryStatement-1iqt73i.pdf) Copies will also be available from 4-H staff at the County Fair and at CCE office.

It is important the exhibitors understand that the EE Statement is their voice to the person evaluating your exhibit at the fair. When this Exhibitor Entry Statement is complete, it can be attached to the Exhibitor Entry Card and securely attached to the exhibit. These will be available on **Sunday, August 14**, as well as from 4-H staff during the week.

Since the County Fair categories do not completely align with the State Fair classes, you will need to spend extra time to ensure your exhibit is entered correctly. You will need to check the State Fair Youth Building Exhibits premium book available in the youth building or from 4-H staff during the week. Your EE cards and EE statement should include all additional information requested on the form as well as any specific information requested within a section/class.

4-H staff will be available to assist you with completing the necessary EE cards and EE statements on **Tuesday, August 16 from 11 to 1 pm** and **Thursday, August 18 from 9 am - 11 am** in the exhibit building at the County Fair.

We hope this will help to avoid the hectic environment created because the EE cards and EE statements are not filled out when you come to pick up your exhibits and premium checks at the end of the fair. This is a time consuming procedure. That is why it is imperative the EE card and EE statement are obtained and filled out by the member (not the parent or the leader) ahead of time.

The EE card and EE statement are another important step in reinforcing what the 4-H member has learned from their project.

Only exhibits with entry cards and statements, filled out completely and attached by August 22, at 11am, can go on to the State Fair.

**NOTE:** The 4-H staff will **NOT** be available to assist in completing EE cards and EE statements on August 22. Do this ahead of time!

If you have any exhibits going on to State Fair, we’ll be glad to transport them directly from County Fair to State Fair. You must bring appropriate packaging for safely transporting your exhibit (i.e. newsprint or tissue paper to wrap fragile items, cardboard boxes to secure them from sliding around in the vehicle); as well as your completed EE card and EE statement.

Perishable exhibits including foods, vegetables and flowers must be dropped off at the 4-H office by **11 am on Tuesday, August 23**. NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED. State Fair exhibits will be available to be picked up from the 4-H office from **Wednesday, September 7** thru **Friday, September 9**.
**GROUP ACTION BOOTH AT THE NY STATE FAIR YOUTH BUILDING**

**Attention 4-H clubs and families**

A group of three or more youth and one adult can earn a premium of $20/day, by showcasing a project or activity that your club has worked on this year, or help county personnel work with the public on a STEM activity. Herkimer County is covering a booth in the youth building at the NY State Fair during the first rotation, August 25–28. Contact Wendy for details and to sign up.

**TEEN LEADER AT NY STATE FAIR**

***County Display Leaders***

It is not too late to get involved as a leader at the NY State Fair by serving as a Teen Leader in our county’s booth. County Display Leaders conduct hands-on activities throughout the day and will have a high level of interaction with the public, and earn a $10.00 premium per day. Teens in these roles need not be nominated, BUT must be 13 years of age and participate as a TL in a minimum of 6-hour shifts, and follow the same rules as the Teen Leaders/Teen Evaluators. Display Leaders are selected at the county level, so there is no nomination form to turn in to the State 4-H Office. Check with Wendy about the possibilities.

**NYS FAIR ANIMAL ENTRIES**

If you received a blue ribbon with your cow, sheep, dairy goat or swine at the Farmers’ Museum Junior Livestock Show, you are eligible to bring your animal to the NYS Fair. All information including entry forms & codes of conduct are available at http://www.anisci.cornell.edu/4H/nysfair_info.html

Please remember that entries must be signed by Jenn, 4-H Educator, so make sure you get them in time to meet the entry deadline of August 15 (this is the date they need to be to the NYS Fair, not the date to get them into the 4-H Office). It is the exhibitors’ responsibility to make sure entries are to the NYS Fair entry office on time. Be sure to carefully read through the exhibitor letters posted under each species on the website and completely fill out your entry forms.

Dairy exhibitors will also need to read through and sign off on the “Dairy Conduct and Overnight Rules”. If you will be showing animals and not staying in the dorms at the NYS Fair, you must complete and turn in to Jenn the Dorm Exception Form.

Also, please note that starting in 2016, there will be no sleeping in barns, except for the dairy cattle barn (only registered dairy cattle exhibitors can stay in the dairy cattle barn, but also must complete a Dorm Exception Form).

All adults chaperoning youth that will be staying in either the dormitory or the dairy cattle barn must be background checked. Chaperones must be listed on the entry forms. This takes time, so please let Jenn know as soon as possible if you will be chaperoning.

**STATE FAIR CAMPER SPACE**

A limited number of twelve-day RV parking permits for the Youth Animal Science Dept. will be for sale. To obtain an RV parking request, please go to www.nysfair.org/competitions and download the RV request form. The cost is $300 for the 12 days or $25 per day.

Call Mary Ellen Daino at 315-487-7711 ext. 1337 with questions and further details. Please refer to the website for complete details and rules.

**NYS FAIR DORMITORIES**

If you are going to be staying in the dorms at the NYS Fair, you must contact Jenn at the 4-H office by August 11 in order to reserve your bed. The cost is $2 per night/per person; and you must have a chaperone (males must have a male chaperone & females must have a female chaperone).

All chaperones must have a background check done through the 4-H office. Please contact Jenn for the necessary paperwork.
**RE-ENROLLMENT FORMS**
Again this year, we will be giving out the re-enrollment packets to the club Organizational Leader and/or parents of Independent members at the Herkimer County Fair on Sunday, August 14 in the Youth Building from 11 am - 3 pm.

If you are entering any non-animal or showing your animal at the fair and would like to help defray the cost of postage, please go to the Youth Building and see Wendy.

**4-H AGRI-BUSINESS CAREER CONF ~ SEPTEMBER 29 & 30**
This experience offers an awareness of the great diversity of agri-business related careers. It features insights into agricultural opportunities and the academic requirements for professional positions. Youth will stay in Cobleskill and travel to SUNY Cobleskill and surrounding agri-businesses.

This career exploration conference is open to all youth ages 14 and over who wish to become more aware of opportunities with agriculture and also academic requirements for professional positions available in the various agri-business. There will be five scholarships available. Awardees will be chosen based on a competitive application.

Applications and money are due **September 7**. Call or stop by the 4-H office for an application or email Jenn - jlr34@cornell.edu. Materials, including scholarship applications are also available on our website at http://blogs.cornell.edu/cceherkimer/programs/4-h-youth-development/

**4-H CLUB REORGANIZATION MEETINGS**
Each year the Herkimer County 4-H Program conducts reorganization meetings to help 4-H club organizational leaders prepare for the upcoming 4-H year. Meetings will be held on September 28 from 12-noon - 2pm and again from 6 - 8pm. Please pre-register and let us know exactly which meeting you will attend by calling the 4-H Office by **September 21**.

**What’s the purpose?** To get the new 4-H year off to a super start by discussing and asking questions. Each 4-H club will get all the latest information along with packets containing 4-H enrollment materials.

**Who’s invited?** All 4-H leaders and parents (this includes parents of individual members). Each 4-H club and Cloverbud club must have at least one representative at one of the meetings. 4-H club organizational leaders are strongly encouraged to attend. Plan to stay for the entire time.

**No packets will be mailed or handed out except at these meetings.** The interaction among staff and volunteers, introduction of new 4-H offerings, etc., works so much better face-to-face.

**NEW YORK STATE 4-H PUBLIC SPEAKING EVENT**
2016 NY State 4-H Public Presentations Event was held on Saturday June 4. Jordynn Alesia of Herkimer county gave a demonstration titled “Rotten Teeth: Rethink What You Drink”.

Her presentation placed her in the top Gold Seal division. This rating is determined if the overall level of accomplishment is averaged to be above expectations which is equivalent to a BLUE ribbon. The highest 3 scores of each division that received a gold seal were awarded a medal or medallion. Jordynn received Silver: 2nd highest score. Congratulations Jordynn!! Thank you to everyone who helped out either before the event, during the event, or both!!
4-H EARN-A-CALF

Sponsored by the Central NY Farm Progress Show

**ELIGIBILITY:** Any Traditional Member 4-H’er (8 yr. old & up) involved in a 4-H Dairy project. Previous winners are not eligible. Applicants must be active participants of the Herkimer County 4-H Program for at least one 4-H year prior to applying.

- **APPLICATION:** Completed applications must be at the 4-H Office, 5657 State Route 5, Herkimer, NY 13350, by October 1, 2016.

- **ELECTION:** Winners will be chosen on the history of their achievements in 4-H: (leadership, future plans, improvement in the past year); showing a desire for a purebred Dairy calf; and record books kept on a calf. Call or stop by the 4-H office for an application.

**NATIONAL 4-H WEEK**

4-H members and volunteers from throughout the nation will be designing creative promotions in recognition of their own very special event - National 4-H Week, October 2 – 8.

There are hundreds of ways you can help promote the fun educational offerings available through 4-H. In the past, Herkimer County’s 4-H clubs have made scarecrows holding “4-H is Great” signs; they have painted silage bags with slogans like “We love 4-H”; they have put up displays in schools and local libraries; and painted store windows, all with messages about 4-H.

There are many creative people in local 4-H clubs. When you create your National 4-H Week promotion this year, send us a picture of it and receive a $5 award. Be sure to put your name, club name, address and location of the display on the picture and send it to Wendy at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Office by October 14 so the awards can be given out at the Member Recognition Event. One submission per club please.

Your 4-H Club Organizational Leader will receive full details in their 4-H Club reorganization packet, including an order form for supplies. Don’t forget to let us know what you did. Promote National 4-H Week.

**DEADLINES FOR October 1**

Only those who have turned in their Year End Completion sheets by the October 1st deadline will be guaranteed to receive their awards. To be recognized and receive completion for the 2015-16 4-H year, the following are due to the 4-H Office by **October 1**:

- 4-H Member Year-End Completion Sheet
- 4-H Club Year-End Completion Sheet
- 4-H Re-Enrollment Forms and fee
- Application for Earn a Calf (if applicable)

**ATTENTION LEADERS and PARENTS!!!!!!**

The enrollment fee for 2016-2017 4-H year for all new and re-enrolling members will be $10 on or before October 1. If you have three or more children in one family, the limit is $25/family.

- Re-enrollment forms received AFTER October 1 will be $15/member.
- Re-enrollment forms received after December 31st will be $25/member.
- No family discount will be given after October 1.

New members will remain at the $10/member fee for the 2016-17 4-H year.

**CENTRAL NEW YORK FARM PROGRESS SHOW**

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!**

**September 9 & 10 from 9 am to 4 pm**

Leonard and Lois Gilbert - Darrel and Jill Gilbert
Len-Lo Farms in Mohawk, NY

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship, and life skills.
YOUTH BUILDING PREMIUM BOOK CHANGES

As you are thinking of projects to complete for Fair time, there are some changes and additions to the NYS Fair 4-H 2016 Youth Building Fair Book for certain projects. (Premium Book) in the exhibit classes.

- POSTERS AND 3-DIMENSIONAL DISPLAYS – All exhibits must include a written summary to help evaluator understand purpose and/or outcome. If you had an outstanding poster for your recent Public Presentations, please consider entering it at the Herkimer County Fair.

- WOOD SCIENCE – Reclaimed Lumber - Must state origin of lumber/wood used. This would be the new class to enter your project, for all of you that made a sign at the Barn sign workshop. Recycled Wood Projects - made from pre-existing items made into a new useable form. (Ex: a bed headboard into a bench). Both projects will be evaluated according to woodworking standards.

- Fine Arts and Fine Crafts - Ceramics have been added back here rather than in Hobby Crafts. While beginning jewelry has been put in Hobby Crafts, only original jewelry or jewelry exhibits made with purchased materials using more creative and intricate forms to string the beads should be put in Fine Crafts.

- Hobby Crafts and Home Environment - CRAFTS - Exhibits are based on projects that focus on a particular topic area and specific learning goals over a period of time. An exhibit can be made from a commercial kit or pattern. This gives a youth the chance to explore new craft areas. If an exhibit takes a short time, multiple items may be exhibited and displayed nicely to create one exhibit. Recycled Craft - items made, remodeled or renovated from recycled material example: picture framed covered in seashells, sculpture made from recycled plastic bags. Please include where the recycle material came from on Exhibit Entry Statement.

ATTENTION ALL UTICA ZOO GARDEN VOLUNTEERS

The Utica Zoo raised gardens are doing great. Herkimer County 4-H has teamed up with the Utica Zoo to grow vegetables for the zoo animals. 4-H members and volunteers have been weeding and maintaining the gardens throughout the summer months. Members and Volunteers will also be harvesting the produce for the use of the zoo into the fall.

We will be having a celebration of the success of our raised vegetable gardens at the Utica Zoo on Monday October 10. All who participated are encouraged to come and go over what worked this year, what did not, possible fall bulb planting, plans for next year, and ways we can expand the program for the future. We will also have a tour of the compost area and food prep area and possibly talk about future careers and volunteer opportunities available at the Zoo.

Please stay tuned for more details and time of event. Any questions or for more information, please contact Wendy.

FARWELL…

After 10 years of working for Cornell Cooperative Extension and calling it my “second home” I will be saying my goodbyes on August 3.

It is a bitter-sweet decision and there are many experiences and adventures with the staff at CCE and 4-H families that I will cherish forever.

Thank you for giving me this opportunity to be apart of such a great organization!!

Yours truly, Rachel
A canvas painting workshop was held on July 19 at the 4-H Office. Nineteen 4-H members learned to paint a barn scene on canvas. Shanna from the Art Box in Canajoharie, led 4-H members in the step-by-step process, as they created their very own masterpiece! Participants then took their completed painting home to display, give as a gift, or exhibit at the County Fair!

Participants were Jordynn Alesia, Ahna and Gami Brackett, Hailey and Hannah Carnright, Rebecca Elwood, Kaitlyn Fitch, Logan and Lucas Humphreville, Jessica Lindsey, Katie Livingston, Kassi March, Kendra and Rachel Shaver, Skye Sophia and Rose Simmons, Carolyn Reinhart, Brooklyn and Chloe Williams.
On June 27, 20 chicken enthusiasts from Herkimer, Lewis, Oneida & Otsego Counties attended a poultry clinic at the 4-H Office to learn about their chickens, how to care for them, how to get them ready for show and how to correctly show them. The poultry clinic led by clinician Karen Brouillette. As part of the clinic, Mrs. Brouillette talked to each participant about their bird, what kind of bird they had and what they could to better get it ready for the show.

Herkimer County 4-H members included: Bo Alesia; Austin & Hunter Becker; Darby & Fern Bick; Hailey & Hannah Carnright; Michael Clemons; Luca & Logan Humphreville; Gavin, Noah & Schuyler Kloczkowski; Jakob & Lily Payne and Lily, Rose, Skye and Sophia Simmons.

Following the clinic, the NYS Ag & Markets Health Inspector Debra Toth was on hand to Pullorum Test any birds going to the Herkimer County Fair.
Congratulations to the 46 Herkimer County 4-H members that participated in the 69th Annual Farmers Museum Junior Livestock Show held in Cooperstown July 12-14. Participants included: Bo, Isaac, Jordynn & Paige Alesia; Abigail & Owen Allen, Annabelle Allen, Austin, Brooke, & Jack Bowman; Hailey & Hannah Carnright; Alissa Collins, Aurora Davis, Sam & Seth Donahoe; Josh Douglas, Natalie Fredericks, Kathleen Gallagher, Brogan Graves, Markus Hammont, Austin & Eric Jones; Emily & Kathleen Marhaver; Suzie Phillips, Broc & McCaylia Plungis, Abigail, Ethan & Katelyn Reed; Hayden & Kendra Shaver; Rose, Skye & Sophia Simmons; Denten, Logen & Madesen Spellman; Ashley, Natalie & Nathen Teachout; Emily & Eric VanderGroef; Bryce & Kayla Windecker

Top honors at the 69th Annual Junior Livestock Show in Cooperstown went to young handlers on Tuesday, July 12, during the show’s final event, the Parade of Champions. The show, sponsored by The Farmers’ Museum and conducted in cooperation with Cornell Cooperative Extension, county 4-H educators, and clubs throughout central New York, brings together youth handlers from a nine-county area for three days of competition.

The top winners at the Junior Livestock Show bested over 260 exhibitors and their 600 animals. Earning The Farmers’ Museum Cup for Best of Show Dairy was Bryce Windecker of Herkimer County, who showed his Holstein, Windex Sanchez Tammy.

Dairy cattle Grand Champions were awarded in the Guernsey division to Sophia Simmons of Herkimer County who showed June Bug of Hill Side.

Other Breeds division to Jordynn Alesia, Herkimer County who showed HHA Diametrius Aravis

In the Best Bred and Owned division in the Holstein division to Bryce Windecker of Herkimer County with Windex Fremont Dandy.

The Dairy Goat category went to Hailey Carnright of Herkimer County with Ha Ha Acres Floraline

In the Sheep category Katelyn Reed of Herkimer County with Clarkshire 307 “Baby Peggy

Showmanship Championships were earned by the following: In the Sheep division: Grand Champion Showman to Ethan Reed of Herkimer County, Reserve Grand Champion Showman to Katelyn Reed of Herkimer County

Kudos to all of the participants on a job well done. In total, over 260 youth from nine counties exhibit over 600 animals at this premier show held in Cooperstown each year. 4-H youth put a tremendous amount of time and energy into caring for and preparing their animals for show. They learn responsibility and other life skills that will help make them competent, caring adults.

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4-H Club News

On May 15th, the Merry Moos 4-H club held a chicken BBQ fundraiser for the Alicia Kennedy Memorial Scholarship. It was held at the Tractor Supply in Herkimer. The club raised over $1,000 for the cause, and sold out in just two hours. The Merry Moos also hosted a petting zoo, with small farm animals provided by club members.

Independent Herkimer County 4-H member, Reagan Rudd was asked by a Delaware County 4-H leader if she would make a blanket. Reagan used an embroidery machine with the help of her grandma. She wrote the words in fancy green thread because it reminded her of 4-H. She thought it would be cute to put a sheep on the sheep blanket, so she used 4-H clover material on the sheep to match the green 4-H thread.

Pictured is Reagan with the trophy sheep blanket she embroidered for the Delaware County 4-H Sheep Program to give out for the Best Ewe & Offspring Class. The blanket was a prize for the Delaware County Fair 4-H Sheep Show.

The Delaware County 4-H has asked if Reagan would volunteer to do this in the future. Reagan was so proud to be able to help the other 4-Hers, while being creative. From doing this project, she learned that she can help 4-Hers in other counties.

State Fair Work Day

On Tuesday, August 2, from 10 AM to 3 PM, Tom Davis and Autumn Lavine will be hosting a volunteer work day at the Youth Building on the State Fairgrounds. If you have any teens or adults who might be willing to come and help us with some painting and basic maintenance it would be appreciated. We will provide all the needed supplies and pizza for lunch! Please contact Tom (htd2@cornell.edu) if you or others are interested.

Thank you

Thank you......to all of our volunteers who offer their time and talent to the 4-H Youth Development Program. From setting up club meetings, to preparing youth for Public Presentations, to hours spent at Fair, the time you offer really does make the best better. Without your generosity, effort, and dedication, the Herkimer County 4-H Program could not exist. Thank you for helping to make a difference in the lives of our youth!

4-H Community Service

Clubs & Independent Members... Have you completed a community service project for 4-H? If so, we’d love to hear about it!

4-H Club Banners Displayed at Herkimer County Fair

Show your 4-H Club spirit by making a banner to hang in the Youth Building at the Herkimer County Fair. 4-H would like to encourage all clubs to create or update your banners for the Youth Building. At the end of Fair, banners will be removed and returned to the 4-H office for pickup. For directions on how your club can make a banner, contact Wendy.
All 4-H’ers are welcome to show at the Mohawk Valley 4-H Dairy and Livestock Show & Sale even if you are not selling.

Entries must be dropped off at 4-H office or postmarked on or before September 9. Cost is $5/head. Entry form is on the last page of newsletter. Any questions please contact Jenn at the 4-H office.

- All animals must be in place at the Herkimer County Fairgrounds 9:00AM on Saturday, September 24, 2016.
- Showmanship classes will begin at 10:00AM on Saturday, September 24. Breed and Market Classes will begin at 30 minutes after the conclusion of showmanship.
- All exhibitors must compete in at least one species of Showmanship.
- Exhibitors selling a market animal in the auction MUST SHOW THAT ANIMAL in Showmanship as well as in their market class.
- Animals not being sold at the auction will be released at the conclusion of the awards ceremony following the shows on Saturday afternoon before the auction.
- This is a ‘NO FIT” show. This means that no adhesives, paints, etc. are to be used on the animals at the show. Animals are to arrive at the show clipped. If needed, you may wash, blow out and brush.
- At conclusion of the show, all exhibitors must pull back bedding from the rail. An extra fee will be deducted from any members’ premium check that removes an animal prior to conclusion of show, does not properly feed & care for their animal or does not pull bedding back from rail at time of departure.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS:

- All animals must conform to the Animal Health Regulations as stated by the NYS Department of Ag and Markets.
- A CVI issued by a Category 2 accredited veterinarian with appropriate rabies and BVD tests will be required upon entrance to the show grounds.
- All animals must be vaccinated against rabies. Please note that rabies vaccines have a withholding period, be sure the animal that is going through the sale meets the required withdraw time. Vaccine must have been administered within the past 12 months.
- Cattle, sheep and swine must be identified by USDA approved official identification. Cattle and swine must be identified by official ear tag. Sheep must be identified by official scrapie identification.
**SHOWMANSHIP CLASSES**

(we will sort them by age after all entries are received)

Dairy Showmanship – Class 500
 Beef Showmanship – Class 600
 Sheep Showmanship – Class 700
 Swine Showmanship – Class 800

**DESCRIPTION OF DAIRY CLASSES**

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Dairy Feeder Steers – Class 107
Dairy Market Steers – Class 108

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Sr. lamb is born after 9/1/15
Market Lambs – Class 436
Pair Of Market Lambs – Class 437

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## Beef Classes:

Prospect Steers – Class 237

Market Steers – Class 238 – will be broken by weight day of the show

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Pen of Market Hogs – Class 318

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Entry fee: $5.00 per head

Exhibitor's Name_____________________________________________ County__________________
Parent's Name_____________________________________________________________
Address________________________________________________________________________________________________
Date of Birth______________                      Shirt Size (adult sizes)_________

Class #  Class Description  Animal Breed  Name & Reg/ ID Number of Animal  Bred and Owned by Exhibitor?  Birth Date of Animal  Sire of Animal

Send completed entry and fees to: CCE Herkimer 5657 State Route 5 Herkimer, NY 13350
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