CHENANGO 4-H SNAPSHOT



4-H'ERS IT'S TIME TO GET EXCITED!

Count down to the Chenango County Fair!

Get ready with all of those projects that you have been working on throughout the year! It's not just animals, so register your crafts, art, photography, baking, wood working, entomology, public presentations, and plant science projects. There is so much more you can enter so check out the Fairbook to see the possibilities, they are endless!

Registration will be a little different this year. We are asking that you bring us your paperwork and also enter your things on line. Be on the look out for the new link in the Friday Focus!

Come help us Celebrate "TRADITIONS OLD AND NEW", and join in the fun at the Chenango County Fair!



The Fairgrounds are waiting for YOU!



4-H Spotlights

SUMMER FUN!



A lot has been happening!

Take a peek and get excited for what has been going on. Want to see yourself in the Snapshot, send us your photos of what you've been up to.

Share your 4-H fun and Join us in Celebrating even more 4-H Possibilities!



Send your stuff to Richard: rlt229@cornell.edu or Rhonda: rlt236@cornell.edu





















VALLEY BUSTERS

The Valley Busters were hard a work on one of the hottest days we've had so far. Members represented Chenango County 4-H at the Otselic Valley Heritage Days. They had a booth set up with games helping to promote 4-H. They also sold snowcones, much needed on such a hot day!

On Memorial Day the Valley Busters were at it again. These kids and leaders were out promoting 4-H at the Memorial Day parade. The members decorated a float and marched in the parade. Nice work Valley Busters!

HIDDEN PONDS HORSE LOVERS

In May the Hidden Ponds Horse Lovers 4-H club worked on a Community Service Project to be given to a Community Center. A few of the members gathered to make some potted plants to help bring a little cheer to the center. Good job Hidden Ponds!

4-H SEWING SPECTACULAR

The Sewing Spectacular was Held on May 4th at the Chenango Arts Council. The Arts Council was a great place where 4-H'ers could walk across the stage proudly displaying their sewing acheivements. Approximately 60 parents, guests, and 4-H'ers came out to support our sewing program. This awesome turn out gave our 4-H'ers a real sense of accomplishment making the evening a true success!

We ended the evening with gifts for all of our sewers and refreshments provided by the Cottage Bakery. This event could only have happened because of the 18 wonderful volunteers that gave so willingly of their time to help the 31, 4-H'ers that attended this years sewing camp. This event was a wonderful culmination of our 4-H sewing program.

NICE SEWING!

AMBITIOUS LIONS

The Ambious Lions have been busy! One of their latest activities was a bake sale. Members of their club could be seen on the sidewalk during the Pageant of Bands in Sheburne, where they were not only selling yummy baked goods but they were also promoting 4-H by handing out 4-H pencils.

They also were showing off their great t-shirts that Angel made for them! Way to Go!

BUILD YOUR SURVIVAL SKILLS SERIES: Wild Edibles Hike & Cookout

4-H'ers foraged for wild edibles! They harvested leeks, onions and garlic mustard. They cooked a pesto for pasta and made grilled cheeses over the campfire! After exploring, harvesting, cooking and eating, everyone relaxed in the sunshine. A BIG THANK YOU to Rich Taber for hosting the program at his property. He had everything setup and ready to go for us! Thank you!!

Campout!

4-H'ers had a fun campout at Bowman Lake in June. After getting campsites setup, we tie-dyed t-shirts, played in the lake and went fishing. 4-H'ers built campfires to cook foil pack taco dinners over and made s'mores. We all learned what the barred owl call sounds like. For breakfast the next morning we cooked a tasty oatmeal bake over the campfire. A good time was had by all!

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

4-H provides multiple educational opportunities for youth. One of the premier programs is the Communications Program better known as Public Presentations. This project area provide youth the opportunity to plan, research and present presentations to live audiences. Youth as young as five years old are encouraged to present their topics ranging from How to Make Chocolate Milk to The Solar System. Many 4-H graduates express how beneficial learning to give presentations has been in their college and professional careers.

Over the last two months we had two 4-H'ers go on to compete at the Regional General Presentations. Lily Marshman received a blue ribbon for her speech on "Farm Stress", and Shea Breese also received a blue for her illustrated talk about "Illustration and Character Development". Shea also had an opportunity to use her communication skill during a speech she gave for BOCES. One representive from Chenango County went on to compete at the NY State Junior Equine Presentations. Abigail Mace took first place for her presentation called, "Grace, Skill, Endurance".

Great job ladies representing Chenango County 4-H!











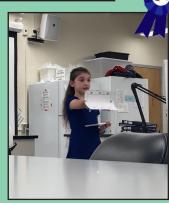






























SHOOTING SPORTS

Our shooting sports program moved outside in May. This gives us more space and opportunities for training. Outdoor training help the participants learn to compensate for the wind blowing and the changing dynamics of sun light and shadows. Our dedicated instructors concentrate on skill development while being ever mindful of safety. For information about the Shooting Sports Program contact Richard @ rlt229@cornell.edu or call the office.

4-H BUG CLUB

In May the Bug Club began with our awesome volunteer Jen C. She lead this series starting off showing her own bug collection and teaching the kids about different insects. Our next bug adventure was a field trip to learn about insects and how to sweep net for them. While exploring open fields, forests, and edge habitats looking for insects, we found, leaf hoopers, butterflies, moths, flies, beetles, and spiders. On the final session in June. 4-H'ers learned how to properly pin insects and started their own collections! We can't wait to see their projects at the fair!

CNY 4-H LIVESTOCK RODEO Sheep and Meat Goat Clinic

On April 30th youth from 8 different counties went to the Broome County Fairgrounds to learn about sheep and meat goats for an all-day hands-on clinic. Representing Chenango County 4-H were David, Amon, Jake, and Emma Jane. Youth learned about specialized livestock nutrition, caregiving, show preparations, and showing. The youth participated in a showmanship contests to get direct feedback and tips from a local judge. For attending participants received a \$20 TSC gift card. We hope you join us next year for this incredibly fun learning opportunity!

Beef cattle clinic

On June 4th the second series of the CNY Livestock Rodeo clinic with a focus on beef cattle was held at the Cortland County Fairgrounds. Youth from many areas of central and southern NY made their way to the fairgrounds for the opportunity to hone their fitting, grooming, and showmanship skills. Representing Chenango County was Amon and Cloverbud Rinoa. Each worked with their selected mentors and cattle from the wash rack to the showring. Amon honed his clipping skills while Rinoa learned the basics of showing. Each youth represented us well and received \$20 gift cards. We would love to have more youth attend with us in 2023!

RIDING EVALUATIONS

In order to ride or drive a horse during the County Fair, 4-H'ers need to be evaluated at some point throughout their riding experience. Several gathered at the end of June for this evaluation. all of the riders / drivers did a good job! We look forward to see them at the Fair!

OUTDOOR COOKING (ages 12+)(2nd Sat. / month)

The Outdoor Cooking 4-H'ers made some awesome macaroni and cheese with a terrific blueberry cobbler for dessert. All of the cooking was done using a Dutch Oven over charcoal. Next month on July 9th, they will be planning the items they want to demonstrate at the County Fair. If you are interesting in this program contact: Richard at rlt299@cornell.edu or 607-334-5841 x 1115



This year's Capital Days marked the NYS 4-H Youth Development Program's first return to the Capital since the COVID pandemic had begun. Representing Chenango County 4-H was Raichel. During the trip, NYS 4-H youth met with local legislators including Assemblyman Joe Angelino to achieve a better understanding of the NYS policy process, state and local government connections, create an awareness of career opportunities within government and public service, and share their 4-H stories. Youth were able to visit the Capitol Building, the Capitol Museum, various state departments, and tour the heart of Albany. As a special event, our group was invited to sit on the assembly floor while it was in session. Please contact Craig to learn how you can make your own memories in this teen-focused event in 2023.

ANIMAL CRACKERS

On May 7th, Noah attended the NYS 4-H Animal Crackers Program with Educator Craig for a fun, hands-on, science-oriented learning experience based on Animal Science topics. This annual workshop is for 4-H members interested in learning more about their favorite livestock, companion or pet animal species; the emphasis on different species groupings and activities varies annually. Participants learned about different aspects of animal care, interacted and exchanged information with faculty, staff, students, professional producers, industry experts, and more, utilizing the unique facilities of Cornell University. Some of the species focused on this year included donkeys, horses, dairy goats, pack goats, canines, and cattle.

STATE DAIRY BOWL COMPETITION

At this year's 4-H State Dairy Bowl competition, our South-Central Junior and Senior teams both placed 3rd overall! Representing Chenango County on the Junior Team was Elizabeth who played a crucial role in her team's success. We are so proud of their teamwork and dedication to dairy education! We encourage any 4-H'er interested in learning about dairy cattle to join Megan, Victoria, and Craig next January for a program that involves games, tours, friendships, and hand-on learning that will last a lifetime!











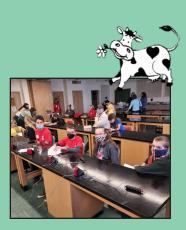












Keep an eye out for all the possiblilities!
Check out all that 4-H has to offer!

TEEN COUNCIL

SHOOTING SPORTS

OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

PRESENTATIONS

OUTDOOR COOKING

HORSE BOWL/ HIPPOLOGY

DAIRYBOWL

KIDS IN THE KITCHEN

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

COMMUNITY CLUBS

EMBRYOLOGY

CRAFT CAMPS

SEWING CAMP

COMMUNITY SERVICE













IMPORTANT UPDATES & EVENTS

Mark your calendars!

There is a lot going on in 4-H, so check out the list of programs being offered and come join in the fun!

OUTDOOR COOKING - July 6th - Aug. demonstration at the Fair! (ages 12+)

Come join the fun as 4-H'ers learn how to cook outdoors using a variety of heat sources. No matter the weather Mr. Richard has something fun cooked up for you to try. Learn the art of cooking with cast iron pans and dutch ovens. It's amazing what you can actually cook outdoors.

For more information contact Richard at rlt229@cornell.edu or 607-334-5841 X 1115



TEEN COUNCIL (ages 14 and up)

The Teen Council meets on the second Tuesday of every month except during county fair week. The Teens primary focus is on Community Service, Leadership, and Civics. They do different activities centered around these goals all while doing things like team building exercises, planning their next community service project, problem solving activities, and more. If you are interested injoining or would like more information contact Richard: rlt229@cornell.edu or call 607-334-5841 X 1115



4-H COMMUNITY CLUB

Rogers Center - July 6th, from 3:30 to 5pm

Join in our fun outdoor 4-H program, at Rogers Center in Sherburne, ages 8 and up. We will explore the property and different habitats. We will be learning about trail cameras and setting a couple up to see what animals we can find! Email Erica to register at elc97@cornell.edu



4-H OUTDOOR ADVENTURE - July 20th, from 3:30pm to 5pm

Learn about the insects and other animals that live under water! We will use various nets, magnifying glasses, and buckets to collect and observe these critters. Learn how scientists use these animals to determine water quality. Email Erica to register at elc97@cornell.edu



KAYAKING & COMMUNITY SERVICE - July 27th, from 10am to 1pm

River Clean-up and Kayaking on the Chenango River! Ages 10+ Join us for a fun time on the water and help pick up litter along our route. Learn padding techniques & play games, while we explore the beautiful outdoors! We have the kayaks, paddles and life jackets. Pack your lunch, we'll eat on the water!



4-H FUN DAY - August 30th, from 9am to 4:30pm

Chenango Valley State Park (rain date: Aug. 31) Ages 10 and up. Join us for a fun day of exploring this beautiful park! We will have games, activities, kayaking, a lunch cook-out and more! Transportation available from our CCE office. Email Erica to register at elc97@cornell.edu



SHOOTING SPORTS- 3rd Sunday of the month,1:00pm

The focus of the 4-H Shooting Sports program is to work on firearm safety and skill. the members learn the fundamentals of archery and air rifle. Once the weather improves we will begin .22 training. The Rockdale Rod and Gun Club has been a great place to help train our 4-H'ers. We will continue to meet there the third Sunday of every month.





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SENIOR RECOGNITION



In special recognition of our 4-H graduating seniors. Thank you for the years that you have given to 4-H!

We are proud of each of you! Congratulations! Morgan Hodge, Shea Breese, Emma Peila, Paige Palmer, Ben Gorrell, Raichel Brandt, and Abigail Daneau.



The Chenango County 4-H Leaders/Volunteers Association is pleased to announce that Morgan Hodge, daughter of Jennifer and Lee Hodge, is the top recipient of the 2022 Leaders/Volunteers Association Scholarship and the Senior 4-H Dairy Scholarship.

Morgan is a twelve year Independent member of the Chenango County 4-H program. Over the course of her 4-H career Morgan has actively participated in many different project areas and programs such as: dairy, woodworking, sewing, baking and arts and crafts. She has participated in the Chenango County Fair, the New York State Fair, Junior Dairy Leaders Program and is the 2021-2022 Chenango County Dairy Princess..

Morgan says "I would have to say my time in 4-H has provided me with numerous lessons that will help me achieve my goals in the future."

Morgan is graduating from the Unadilla Valley Central School and will be attending Cornell University to study Animal Science.



The Chenango County 4-H Leaders/Volunteers Association is pleased to announce that Shea Breese, daughter of Elizabeth and Scott Breese, is a recipient of the 2022 Leaders/Volunteers Association Scholarship.

Shea is a ten year member of the Chenango County 4-H program. Over the course of her 4-H career, Shea has actively participated in many different project areas and programs such as: community service, arts and crafts, photography, leadership and public presentations. She was her club's president and has participated in the Chenango County Fair, as well as the regional public presentations contests. Last year Shea was a integral part of the Chenango County Fair photography team.

Shea says "I know that the skills and experiences 4-H has provided will help me with my education and career goals."

Shea is graduating from Norwich High School and will be attending Cazenovia College to study Visual Communications/Illustration.





THE CHENANGO COUNTY FAIR IS ALMOST HERE! GET READY!

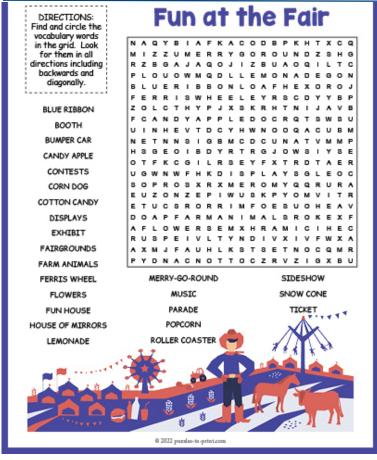
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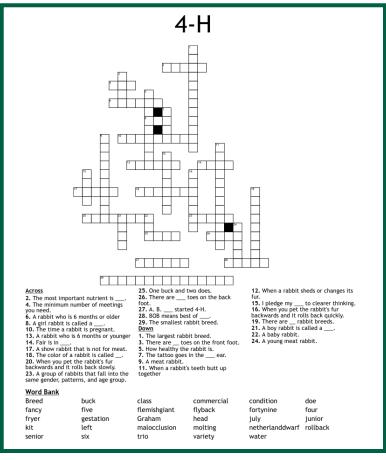
You have already taken the first step in getting ready for the County Fair, you enrolled in 4-H! In just a month or so the fair will begin so start rounding up those projects you have worked on throughout the year. If that seems overwhelming get out that County Fairbook. In that book you will find a ton of show possiblilities, thumb through it with your parents or your leader to see what you have that you can show. Be sure to check out the rules for each project area to make sure you are prepared. And don't forget the double entry cards for Case Building Exhitbits! Don't forget you can enter your animal in the open divisions too! That is done through the Fair office.

The entry process will be a little different this year, keep an eye out on Facebook, the Friday Focus, and Email updates in order to get the latest news on entries! We will be taking your paperwork as we usually do but we have a new on line system that is being introduced so you will need to enter that way as well. Mr Richard will have a special new exhibitor meeting so if you need any help please join him on July 6th, at the Case building, 5:30pm. Please let him know if you plan to attend.

FAIR ENTRIES DUE - JULY 18TH!

Here are a couple of puzzles to help you get excited for the fair!





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4	5	6 Community Club 3:30-5:00	7	8	9 Outdoor Cooking
Junior Livestock Show	11 Junior Livestock show Teen Council 6pm	Junior Livestock Show	Leaders volunteers Picnic	14	15	16
Shooting Sports	18 Fair Entries Due	19	20 Outdoor Adventure	21	22	23
31	25	26	27 4-H Kayaking & Community Service	28	29	30
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If you have any questions about the events in this calendar, please contact Richard Turrell at: rlt229@cornell.edu



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Mr Richard, Mr Craig, and Miss Erica will continue to work hard keeping ideas coming your way, so send photos, we would love to know what you are up to!

Send pictures to Richard: rlt229@cornell.edu or Rhonda rlt236@cornell.edu