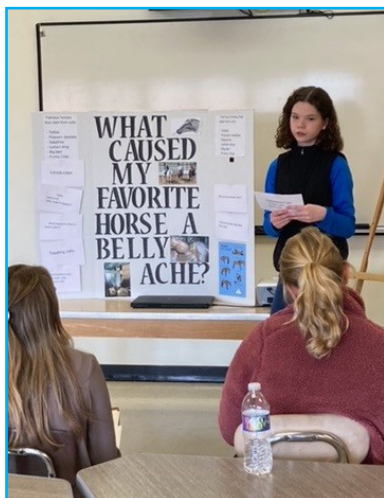


# CHENANGO 4-H SNAPSHOT

Colton R.



Shaelan R.



Makayla C.



Abby-Lynn P.



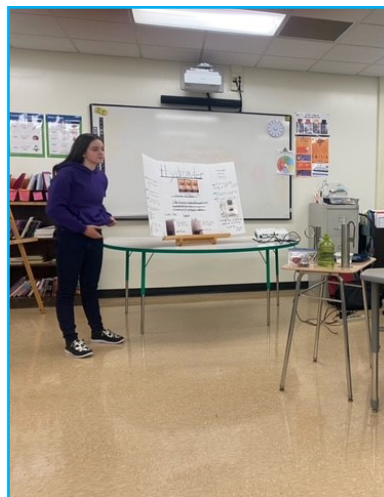
## 2024 REGIONAL PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS !

These eight 4-H'ers went on to compete at the regional presentation competition on April 20th.

Awesome job!



Owen M.



Maranda S.



Katie F.



Abigail M.

# 4-H Spotlights



## ATTENTION 4-H'ers!

Don't forget to get your

## 4-H re-enrollment

sent in or you won't be able to show at the County Fair!

### Attention!!

Clubs and individual 4-H'ers can send in your 4-H photos, stories, and let us know what you have been up to. We'd love to put you in the newsletter!

Send your stuff to Rhonda: [rlt236@cornell.edu](mailto:rlt236@cornell.edu)



## RIBBON WRANGLERS

The Ribbon Wranglers 4-H club held a meeting on April 23rd at Rogers Conservation Center. Club members explored the trails while completing a scavenger hunt. Kristi Gorrell came and taught the club the importance and rolls of club officers. We elected officers then each member was able to plant a variety of seeds to take home with the goal of bringing some finished product to fair! President Mason Harmon, Vice President Abbi Johnson, Secretary Abigail Buchanan, Treasure Danny Johnson, and Recorder Lucy Johnson.



## HIDDEN PONDS HORSE LOVERS

The club met at SPCA to arrange Easter baskets to donate to elderly for their community service project. The club also joined forces with the Curious Kids, in April, to do a felt hand sewn project during sewing camp. The kids made cute felt owls while learning how to do four different stitches.



## CURIOUS KIDS

The Curious Kids joined the Hidden Ponds Horse Lovers for an evening at CCE to work on a hand sewn owl project. It was nice to see two clubs come together to work on a project. These young people learned four hand stitches in order to complete their projects.



## TRACTOR CLUB

At their last monthly meeting kids in the Tractor Club made get well cards for a teen that was badly injured in a farm explosion in a nearby county. The cards were delivered and appreciated. Kudos Tractor club!



## BARN QUILT UPCYCLING PAINT NIGHT!

With the help of Golden Artist Colors, a few 4-H'ers learned a little history of barn quilts and got to turn an outdated thrift store painting into a unique barn quilt for themselves. Once we selected our pattern, a little math was involved to be sure the angles were symmetrical. We had fun seeing what paint colors complimented and contrast one another. Many kids asked about this program so we will try to do it again over the summer.



## FUSION

In April, 4-H Fusion had it's first club meeting at our CCE building! We brainstormed ideas for county fair projects and future club activities, planted flower seeds and did a mini craft!

You can still join us! If you're in a club, 4-H Fusion can be your secondary club or if you are an independat member come join the fun!

Reach out with questions to Kristi or Erica at [kg499@cornell.edu](mailto:kg499@cornell.edu) or [elc97@cornell.edu](mailto:elc97@cornell.edu)



## SHOOTING SPORTS (ages 9 +)

Chenango County 4-H Shooting Sports participation continues to grow. During the winter months we have added several new members and volunteers. We have been running about 15 youth at each session. Our youth continue to improve their safety knowledge and marksmanship.

Thank you to Rockdale Rod and Gun Club for their continued support.

Shooting Sports is for youth ages 9+ and meets the third Sunday of the Month.

For more information contact Richard: [turrellr@protonmail.com](mailto:turrellr@protonmail.com)



## KIDS IN THE KITCHEN

We had a fun 4-H Kids in the Kitchen program this April. 4-H'ers cooked fried rice! They all received food kits, from Grow Cook Serve and cooked in their kitchens. We meet monthly on zoom and learn how to cook with Miss Neisa and Miss Alexis!! 4-H'ers learned how to cut and cook safely. For this recipe they had to cut peppers, onion & garlic, crack eggs and cook the veggies for their fried rice. It was delicious! Thank you to Grow Cook Serve for sponsoring this program.

Join us for our next cooking program on May 21st at 5:15pm. Email Erica for info at [elc97@cornell.edu](mailto:elc97@cornell.edu)



## OUTDOOR COOKING (Second Sat. every month)

4-H Outdoor Cooking continues to find culinary delights to cook in their Dutch Ovens over charcoal. April's rainy weather forced some prep work to be done inside but that didn't stop them from creating some pretty amazing dishes. Over the last two months they have made a Calzone, Mountain Man Breakfast, Nanner pudding, Baked Apples, and Apple Cake. After each session these 4-H'ers take time to critique their creations and suggest changes to the recipes.

Outdoor cooking is for youth ages 12+ and meets the second Saturday of the Month.

For more information contact Richard: [turrellr@protonmail.com](mailto:turrellr@protonmail.com)



## LIVESTOCK SKILL-A-THON

4-H members, educators, and volunteers gathered from multiple counties to attend our first Regional 4-H Livestock Skill-a-Thon. 4-H'ers rotated through various stations which consisted of a written test, equipment identification, grading wool quality, evaluating hay quality, identifying meat cuts, and more. We had a great first turnout and are looking forward to continuing this competition in the years to come.



## NYS HORSEBOWL

The New York State Horsebowl competition was held on Saturday April 13th. Youth from all over New York State gathered to have their horse knowledge tested. Five youth from Chenango County made us proud. On the junior team was Maria F., Charlotter H., Sophie R., and Makayla C., this team placed 3rd overall with teammate Maria F, earning a 1st individual placing. Emilee B., was part of a mixed team from Region 4. That team placed 5th overall. Nice job ladies!



## SEWING CAMP

This years sewing camp was a big success! Wednesday nights in March our Cloverbud 4-H'ers (5-7 yr olds) met to learn how use a sewing machine safely along with some hand sewing skills. These kids were fantastic and eager to learn. They ended their camp with some nice projects. Next came our older 4-H'ers during the first week in April. These 4-H kids are ages 8-14, this group reviewed skills some may already have along with introducing new projects and skills. All of the youth walked away with projects that can be shown at our County fair. We also had the Curious Kids and Hidden Pond Horse Lovers 4-H clubs come in to work on a hand sewn project. The highlight to end camp comes when we showcase these youth at a Sewing Spectacular held at the Norwich Arts Council, recognizing all of their sewing accomplishments.





## DAIRY BOWL

A huge shout out to all our 4-H Dairy Bowl competitors! Chenango County participated in the Regional Dairy Bowl competition. Chenango County 4-H'ers did an awesome job placing 3rd in beginner and 4th in the junior team competitions.

Congratulations to our beginner individuals Emma Jane B., for taking 10th place, Grace H., or placing 8th, Jake B., for placing 3rd, and Eleanor H., for placing 2nd! We would also like to recognize our junior participant Thomas H. for placing 8th and Maria F., for placing 3rd. Nice work 4-H'ers!



## REGIONAL PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

On Saturday, April 20th, we had eight 4-H'ers represent Chenango County at the Regional Public Presentations contest. Colton R., Abby-Lynn P., Maranda S., Owen M., and Katie F., presented a general presentation covering a variety of topics. Abigail M., Shaelan R., and Makayla C., did equine presentations, where the topic had to be horse related all within a specific time requirement. All of these 4-H'ers did an awesome job!





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



- SHOOTING SPORTS
- OUTDOOR ADVENTURE
- PRESENTATIONS
- OUTDOOR COOKING
- HORSE BOWL/ HIPPOLOGY
- DAIRYBOWL
- KIDS IN THE KITCHEN
- LIBRARY PROGRAMS
- COMMUNITY CLUBS
- FUSION
- CRAFT CAMPS
- SEWING CAMP
- COMMUNITY SERVICE
- TEEN COUNCIL





*Give this snack recipe a try!  
Let us know how it came out and if you liked it.  
Be sure to send us a picture!*

# Baked Apple Chips

## Kid-Friendly Recipe: Baked Apple Chips

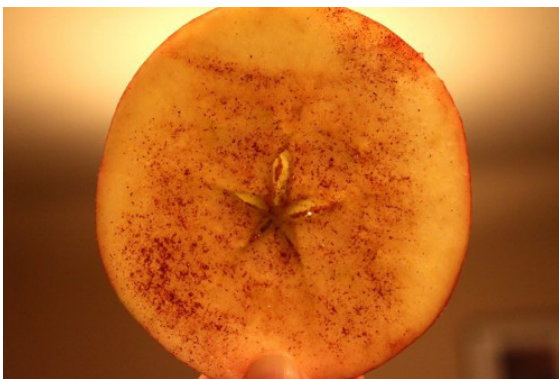
Delicious and easy, you'll be pleasantly surprised at how well these turn out. In just 4 easy steps, make a satisfying, healthful, portable snack.

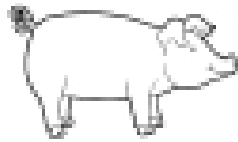
Step 1: Buy apples. Any kind will do. We used Honeycrisp – they make the best-baked apple chips we've found due to their size and sweetness.

Step 2: Slice and dice. A mandolin would have made this extra easy, but we only had a mostly sharp knife. Slice them at about 1/16th inches.

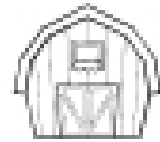
Step 3: Flavorings! We brushed ours with vanilla extract and sprinkled it with cinnamon sugar. The vanilla gave a slight caramel

Step 4: Bake at 200 degrees for 90 minutes on a parchment-lined cookie sheet, flip, 90 more minutes on the other side. Then let them sit overnight in your oven. The next morning you'll have delicious, portable, crunchy baked apple chips! flavor.

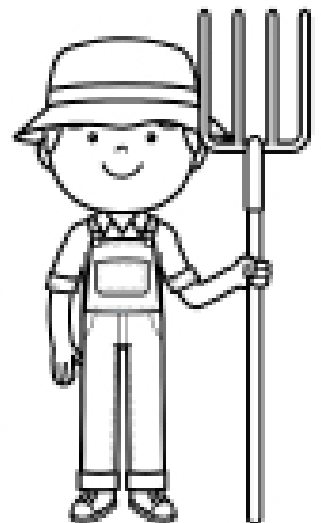
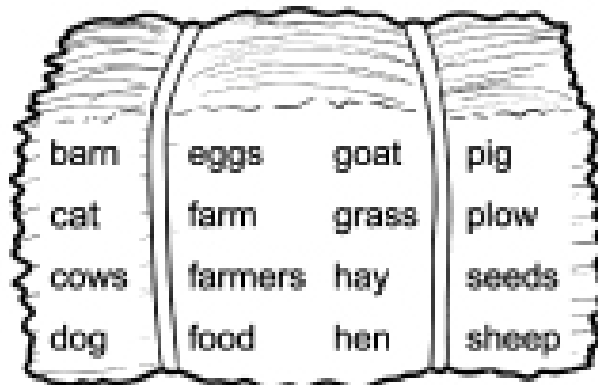
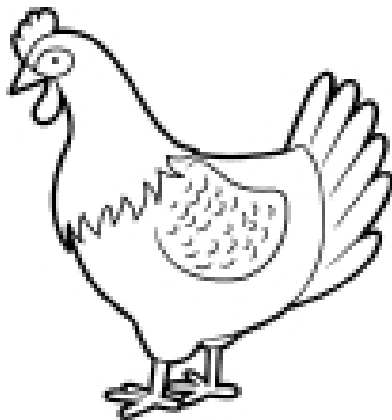




# FARM



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## MEET THE 4-H STAFF



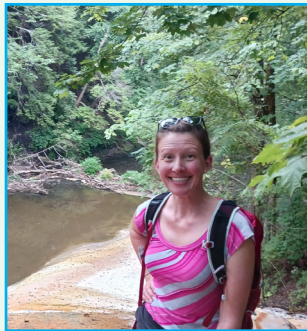
### **KRISTI GORRELL**

Kristi is the 4-H Youth & Family Supervisor. She can answer any questions about club start-up, enrollments, and volunteer information, 4-H projects, 4-H Public Presentations, and any fair questions. Please reach out to her for help with any 4-H programming, fair questions, or 4-H trips. Email her at [kg499@cornell.edu](mailto:kg499@cornell.edu)



### **VICTORIA RYAN**

Victoria is our 4-H Animal & Livestock Educator. She is happy to answer all questions related to project animals, livestock scholarships, and the livestock auction. Reach out to her about animal health and clinics. Contact her at: [vmr39@cornell.edu](mailto:vmr39@cornell.edu)



### **ERICA CLARK**

Erica is our 4-H Natural Resources Educator. She leads the 4-H Outdoor Adventure Program, STEM programming and regularly connects youth with other community groups, libraries, and parks. Reach out to her with questions about outdoors, cooking, camping, kayaking, or Cornell University programs at: [elc97@cornell.edu](mailto:elc97@cornell.edu)



### **RHONDA TURRELL**

Rhonda is our Administrative Assistant but also heads up our 4-H horse programming with Horse Bowl, Hippology, and Equine Presentations. She is also the Sewing Camp coordinator and does our 4-H newsletter. Rhonda can answer all questions regarding the fair and project registration. You can contact her at: [rlt236@cornell.edu](mailto:rlt236@cornell.edu)



### **SHEALYN OTTO**

Shealyn is our 4-H Ag in the Classroom Educator. Her main duties revolve around classroom education and promoting Ag Literacy. She can also be contacted about our new 4-H Fusion Club, Garden club, or the fair. Shealyn's background is in plant Science and is available for any personal or school gardening queries. Reach out at [so425@cornell.edu](mailto:so425@cornell.edu)







## MARK YOUR 4-H CALENDAR

### 4-H RE-ENROLLMENT DEADLINE JUNE 1st

If you are planning to show anything at the Chenango County fair you need to be sure that your 4-H enrollment is in by June 1st. No one will be able to show their craft projects or animals if it is not in by the deadline.

It's not too early to plan those things you want to show. If you need ideas or information please reach out to one of the 4-H staff for assistance.



### 4-H Bug Club

Our annual Bug Club series is back! Come learn about insects with entomology expert Miss Jen! Check out this year's schedule:

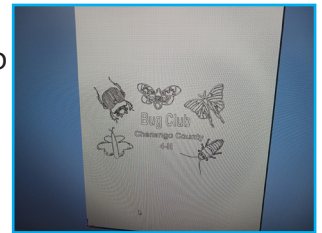
**April 24** from 6pm to 8pm at CCE office in Norwich: Kick-off Bug Club by watching the movie Bugs Life movie with popcorn!

**May 8**, from 6pm to 7:30pm Come learn about the awesome world of insects!! Practice netting for insects.

**June 5**, from 6pm to 7:30pm Learn how to pin, point & preserve insects. Make a box to keep your insects.

**July Date TBD** Insect netting and picnic at Jen's farm in Guilford!!

\*\*Register at: [https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/Entomology\\_208](https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/Entomology_208)



### 4-H 3-D PRINTING SERIES

Session 1: Tuesday April 30, 6:00pm - 7:30pm at CCE

Session 2: Tuesday May 7, 6:00pm - 7:30pm at CCE

Session 3: Tuesday May 14, 6:00pm - 7:30pm at CCE

We are really excited to offer this 3-D printing series! The sessions are currently FULL, but you can get on the waitlist by emailing Erica at [elc97@cornell.edu](mailto:elc97@cornell.edu)

This is a great STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math!) series and youth will learn how to design objects on the computer, how 3-D printers work, & how to print. We have the equipment & supplies for this program. Space is limited. If it fills up, we will make a waiting list. Each session builds upon the previous one, **\*\*please only register if you can attend all 3 sessions.**



### TEEN COUNCIL

**May 23rd, 7:30pm at CCE**

Teen Council is back on so mark your calendars! This will be for 4-H'ers ages 14 and up. For more information contact Kristi: [kg499@cornell.edu](mailto:kg499@cornell.edu)



### Annual 4-H Camping Trip!!

**July 23-25 at Gilbert Lake State Park**

Make new friends while tent camping, outdoor cooking, swimming, exploring, games and more!!





## MARK YOUR 4-H CALENDAR

### SHOOTING SPORTS (ages 9 +) Please let Richard know if you are coming. May 19th and June 16th, at the Rockdale Rod and Gun Club

Shooting Sports has been held at the indoor range because of the cold weather but they are looking forward to sunny days so that they can hold classes outside. They meet the third Sunday of the month. Our instructors concentrate on teaching firearm safety and marksmanship. If you would like to join our program contact Richard: [turrellr@protonmail.com](mailto:turrellr@protonmail.com) Please make sure you let Mr. Richard know if you are attending



### 4-H KIDS IN THE KITCHEN

May 21st. at 5:15pm

Cooking on zoom! We provide the food and youth cook a meal at home! Youth learn cooking basics and how to incorporate more veggies and fruits into their meals. Free program. Adult supervision is required. Email Erica to register for these programs at [elc97@cornell.edu](mailto:elc97@cornell.edu)



### 4-H KIDS IN THE GARDEN SERIES

May 14, June 11, & July 9

4-H Kids in the Garden Series, at our CCE building in Norwich. May & June we'll meet from 4pm to 5pm. Learn gardening basics, about composting and how to grow veggies & herbs at home! **July 9th** will be a field trip for those who have attended previous garden sessions. July 9th we'll meet from 2pm to 5pm.

Register at: [https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/Kidsingarden\\_208](https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/Kidsingarden_208)



### OUTDOOR COOKING (Second Sat. every month)

May 11th and June 8th, 10:00am at CCE.

This program gives 4-H'ers a chance to cook using cast iron over charcoal. This has been a great opportunity for these cooks to experiment with recipes. These 4-H'ers have enjoyed creating all sorts of goodies outdoors in their cast iron cookware. So, if you are interested in joining the Outdoor Cooking Project contact: Richard at [turrellr@protonmail.com](mailto:turrellr@protonmail.com), this is for ages 12 and older.



### 4-H POST SCHOOL DAY PROGRAMS

These programs are a mix of STEM and nature activities, with hands-on components. For more info, reach out to Erica at [elc97@cornell.edu](mailto:elc97@cornell.edu)



### 4-H at Friends of Rogers, in Sherburne.

May 1st. 1st Wed each month, 4pm to 5:30pm. We will explore different parts of the property & habitats and each month will have a new focus. Next program Wed. Youth 8 and up can join without a parent.



### Sherburne Library

May 20th, Monday, 3:30pm to 4:30pm. Youth 8 and up.

### New Berlin Library

May 22nd, Wednesday 3:45pm to 4:45pm. All age youth!

### FUSION

May 23rd and June 18th, 6:00 pm - at CCE

The definition of FUSION: the act of fusing together a combination of things to form a new whole! Our new community club, 4-H FUSION kicks-off this month. Led by the 4-H educators, this club will normally meet at CCE and will feature a little bit of everything. Come bring your suggestions and tell us your ideas! Our goal is to help our 4-H'ers find a sense of belonging, try different things, and meet new friends. Come join us for some fun! Email Kristi or Erica with questions or to RSVP.



**Who:** Open to all 4-H members, ages 8 and up. Youth can be independent members or existing club members who want to learn a little bit about everything!

**What:** A new club led by your 4-H Educators. Projects, trips, and topics will be youth inspired!

**Where:** Our "homebase" will be at CCE but we plan to use other parks, farms, and local favorites too.

**When:** Our Kick-off meeting will be April 18th at 6:00. We are looking forward to seeing everyone!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Friends of Rogers 4pm-5:30pm	2	3	4
5	6	7 3-D Printing 6pm-7:30pm	8 Bug Club 6pm-7:30pm	9	10	11 Outdoor Cooking
12	13	14 Kids in the Garden 4pm-5pm 3-D Printing 6pm-7:30pm	15	16	17	18
19 Shooting Sports 1pm	20 Sherburne Library 3:30pm-4:30pm	21 Kids in the Kitchen Zoom 5:15pm	22 New Berlin Library 3:45pm-4:45pm	23 Fusion 6pm Teen Council 7:30pm	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	
<b>DON'T FORGET TO RE-ENROLL BEFORE JUNE 1st</b>						
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**If you have any questions about the events in this calendar, please contact the office.**

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