

# CHENANGO 4-H SNAPSHOT

## WELCOME MISS KRISTI



Hello fellow 4-H families! Many of you already know me but I would like to introduce myself to those who may not. My name is Kristi Gorrell and my roots grow deep with Chenango County 4-H. I am honored to join the CCE Chenango team as a 4-H Ag in the Classroom Educator. I live on a small farm in Columbus, NY with my husband and five children. In my spare time I love sewing, gardening, and traveling. I am passionate about helping young people develop new skills through hands-on education. The iconic green 4-H clover means many different things to many people. To some, it means showing farm animals, participating in public presentations, or perfecting a favorite pie recipe. The best thing about agriculture is that it offers something for everyone. Together, I hope we can “make the best better” by igniting whatever it means to you and having a ton of fun along the way.

## ACHIEVEMENT DAY FUN!





# 4-H Spotlights

The 4-H Year was packed with EXCITEMENT! Now that all of the Fairs are done the excitement has not stopped. With the start of the new 4-H year comes more exciting activities. Please send us photos and stories of what you have been up to so you can see yourselves in the next SNAPSHOT!



Hurray!

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LET'S CHECK OUT WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON WITH CHENANGO COUNTY 4-H!

## HIDDEN PONDS HORSE LOVERS

At Achievement Day the Club was awarded Top Community Service Club, Public Presentation Recognition, and the Top Promotional Club, great end to the 4-H year! To begin the new 4-H year the club celebrated National 4-H Week. As the week went into full swing member Emilee started it off with a photo with George Senek (Chairman of the Board of Supervisors). A bake sale at TSC, small signs for the members yards and as the week went into full swing the the Club made a sign and posted it on the lawn in front of the CCE building, Thank you Hidden Ponds for doing an awesome job helping to promote 4-H in Chenango County!



## THE AMBITIOUS LIONS

The Ambitious Lions ended their 4-H year at Achievement Day by receiving the Al & Thelma Evans Top County Fair Club Award for the most in-depth participation at the County Fair, and the Harry L. Case Top Club Award for completing the highest level of club work. Two of their members received special awards. Natalia Whaley and Lilliane Squires received the Jr. Champion Award which is based on the amount of participation in 4-H. The club volunteers were also very active earning special recognition at Achievement Day. Faith and Wayne Penner were our 4-H Volunteer of the Year, Madeline Stone received the 4-H Alumni Award. Thank you Ambitious Lions for all of you hard work. We are looking forward to seeing what you can accomplish in the new 4-H year!

## THE CORN MAZE KIDS

Welcome to The Corn Maze Kids! One of our new 4-H clubs held their first meeting on October 23. What a great turnout for thier first meeting. We are excited to see what they will be up to in the coming months.

Welcome aboard Corn Maze Kids, we are so glad to have you join us!







# 4-H NEWS



## 4-H PROCLAMATION



October was proclaimed Cooperative Extension and 4-H Month by the Chenango County Board of Supervisors. Each year a youth is selected to speak about their experiences in 4-H. This year's 4-H youth speaker was Calista Beers. She delivered an awesome message about her 4-H experience. After her message, Calista shared her homemade State Fair blue-ribbon brownies and ginger cookies with everyone. It was great to hear her receive compliments on how well she could speak publicly from each member of the board and to have them express how far it would take her in life. A huge thank you to the Chenango County Board of Supervisors for their continued support and dedication to our youth, volunteers, and families. We appreciate all you do! Way to go Calista!

## NYS FAIR HORSE COMMUNICATIONS INVITATION

The NYS 4-H Horse Communications Program is one of our most beneficial programs as it allows youth to learn and practice public speaking skills that can be used in the future. The event is centered around the horse world, encompassing a wide variety of topics. This year we are excited to announce that Chenango County 4-H'er Abigail Mace placed first in New York State for the Junior Division and was invited to give her presentation at the NYS Fair. To say we are proud is an understatement! We want to recognize the support that Abigail's family provided her through the process and her personal dedication to learning. We are looking forward to seeing you continue to grow your communication skills even further.



## COMMUNITY CLUB

4-H'ers had a blast launching rockets at Rogers! They hiked up to the farm tower at Friends of Roger Center and launched rockets in the field. They tested out different sizes and different types of rechargeable rockets. Everyone had fun watching the rockets soar into the sky and chasing after them. A BIG SHOUT OUT to HackFab Hobbies, which generously donated all of the rockets for our 4-H program!! Thank you!!

## 4-H KIDS IN THE KITCHEN WITH GROW COOK SERVE

4-H'ers began another season of cooking this September and made a delicious pasta salad! This program aims to help youth and their families incorporate more fruits and veggies into their meals, while also learning cooking basics. 4-H'ers chopped lots of local produce to add into their pasta salad, as well as ham and cheese. Great job cooking, it looked tasty! We cook on the 3rd Tuesday each month, via zoom, and kids cook a dish in their home kitchens, to share with their families. Families pick up a food kit the day prior to cooking. Email Erica Clark, at [elc97@cornell.edu](mailto:elc97@cornell.edu), for more info and to sign up for the next program. We are planning to do a special in person cooking program for December.



## SHOOTING SPORTS

Another great day at shooting sports. Our 4-H'ers have a fun time learning the different aspects of shooting sports because of the great instructors and the generosity of the Rockdale Rod and Gun club. Archery, air rifle and .22lr are taught depending on the age of the 4-H'er. We have some nice sharp shooters in 4-H.





# MORE 4-H NEWS

## CHENANGO COUNTY AT THE NYS FAIR DAIRY COW BIRTHING CENTER



This year we spotted many Chenango County 4-H'ers at the NYS Fair Dairy Cow Birthing Center. This birthing center experience not only allows individuals and families to witness the miracle of life, it also allows farmers and animal agriculture industry professionals to talk with the public about their work and why they do what they do back on the farm. We were proud to see 4-H'ers from Oxford, Sherburne-Earlville, and Cornell with their local FFA chapters answering questions and tending to the newborn calves. Thank you for all the work you do!



### Fossil Hunt

4-H'ers found many fossils from the Devonian Period. They had fun looking for and hammering the shale rocks to find lots of different fossils, which are over 350 million years old! They found numerous brachiopods, a few cephalopods, corals, and even trilobites! Thank you to everyone who went fossil hunting, we had a beautiful day for it.



### 4-H FUN NIGHT

October's fun night was held at the corn maze at the Peila View Farm. What a great adventure the kids had. This is not just a corn maze, the Peila's offered so many wonderful activities for the 4-H'ers to do. A tractor pulling cows, playing in a corn pit, climbing on round bales, riding the barrel horses and getting to pet the critters were just some of the fun things offered.

## NEW YORK STATE FAIR SHOWCASE

### 4-H DAIRY

Congratulations to Lily Marshman for placing 4th in the Junior Dairy Judging Competition, 5th overall in the 4-H Senior Showmanship Competition, and for her several successes during Holstein week at the Great NY State Fair! Lily always shows excellent Sportsmanship, and we could not be prouder of all she has accomplished. We also want to recognize Cora Hodge for placing 1st and Ahnalee Kappauf for placing 5th in today's Junior FFA Judging Competition at the State Fair! In addition, placing 4th in the senior competition was Elizabeth Vincent! The Oxford FFA team walked away with 3rd place overall. Incredible job ladies!

During week 2 of the NYS Fair, our youth continued to show their incredible showmanship skills and top-quality dairy cattle. Congratulations to Addison Dickey for placing 1st, Grace Hodge for placing 2nd, and Macie Vincent for placing 6th in the 8-9 year-old showmanship class! Congratulations to Cora Hodge for placing 2nd in the 10-11 year old showmanship class, Taylor Hodge for placing 1st, and Elizabeth Vincent for placing 4th in the 12-year-old showmanship class! A HUGE Congratulations to Chenango County 4-H'er Cora Hodge and her cow Tinsel for winning the 2022 NYS Fair Grand Champion Jersey.



### YOUTH BUILDING

Animals weren't the only thing shown at the NYS Fair by Chenango County 4-H'ers. Many exhibits were taken to be judged in the Youth Building. All of the youth that sent exhibits did a fantastic job! A wonderful variety was displayed: photography, sewing, fleece, cake decorating, crafts, wreaths, and so much more. Chenango County brought home a lot of Blue ribbons from the NYS Fair. Way to go everyone!





# NYS FAIR SHOWCASE CONTINUES

## 4-H GOAT SHOWS

We are proud of all our Chenango County Dairy Goat Showmen. Our kids worked so hard all year and the results spoke for themselves. Placing 1st, 2nd, and 4th in the Junior division were Skyler Graham, Mathew Zinone-Powers, and Isabella Sayles. Placing 2nd and 5th in the intermediate division were Cole Warren and David Palmer III. Placing 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in the senior division were Paige Warren, Devon Fairchild, and Peyton Graham! 5 of the 6 spots in the master Showmanship class ended up being Chenango County 4-H Youth! Winning Overall Master Showman was Cole Warren, followed by his sister Paige Warren receiving Reserve Master Showman. In 3rd place was Devon Fairchild, 4th place was a close friend, 5th place was Skyler Graham, and 6th place was Matt Zinone-Powers. Congratulations to every one of you!

Day 5 of the Fair, Chenango County did an amazing job! Congratulations to David Palmer III for starting the competition off with Reserve Senior Champion and Reserve Grand Champion Alpine. Isabella Sayles received Junior Champion with her LaMancha, In our Saanen classes Cole Warren received Best of Breed and Senior Grand Champion. Paige Warren won Reserve Best of Breed, Senior Reserve Grand Champion, Junior Grand Champion, Junior Reserve Grand Champion, Dam and Daughter. Placing 1st and 2nd in Class 38, and 2nd and 3rd in 43, 44, and 45 was Skyler Graham! In the Toggenburg classes, Congratulations to Peyton Graham for receiving Junior Champion Toggenburg, Paige Warren for receiving Junior Reserve Champion Toggenburg, Senior Champion Toggenburg and Toggenburg Best of Breed, Devon Fairchild for winning Toggenburg Best Dam and Daughter, and Skyler Graham for winning Senior Champion Recorded Grade and Recorded Grade Best of Breed!



## 4-H HORSE

We had the honor to watch several impressive performances by Senior Chenango County 4-H'er Julianna Tomcho at the NYS Fair this year! Julianna represented us well placing 2nd in Showmanship, 1st in Pleasure Driving, 2nd in Reinsmanship, 1st in the Obstacle Driving, and 1st in Gambler's Choice. Julianna is excited to be a part of our 4-H community and looking forward to working with new 4-H youth who are interested in learning about mini horse competitions. Congratulations and thank you Julianna!



## After-school programs in the community

These programs are free and open to all youth (you do not need to be enrolled in 4-H to attend the library programs). Each month we have a different, hands-on, science, nature, or craft activity at the following locations!

Bainbridge/Afton Libraries (All ages)  
Starts Oct. 20 at Afton  
2:30p to 3:30p  
3rd Thursday each month  
Rotates from Bainbridge to Afton

Sherburne Library (age 8+)  
October 24th  
3:30p to 4:45p  
4th Monday each month

Friends of Rogers Center, Sherburne (for 4-H'ers 8+)  
November 2nd  
4p to 5:30p  
1st Wednesday each month

New Berlin Library (All ages)  
November 16th  
3:30p to 4:30p  
3rd Wednesday each month



**Keep an eye out for  
all the possibilities!  
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**

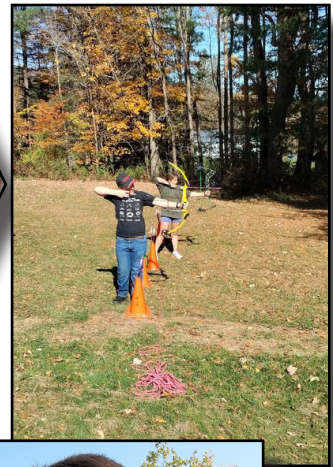
**COMMUNITY CLUBS**

**EMBRYOLOGY**

**CRAFT CAMPS**

**SEWING CAMP**

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**







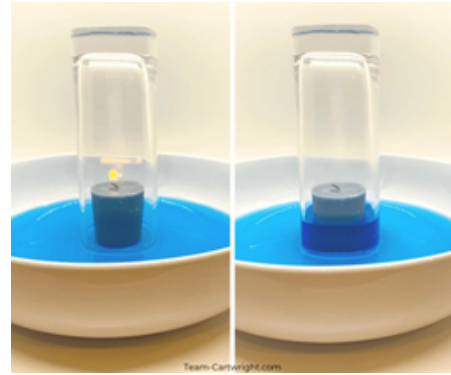
# SUPER COOL SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS

Want to have something to do on those rainy fall days?  
Try some of these boredom busters!

## WATCH THE WATER RISE

Supplies for your Glass and Candle Experiment:  
You only need a few items to make this magic water STEM experiment work. Here is what you need to gather up:

Glass or Jar  
Small Votive Candle  
Shallow Dish  
Water  
Food Coloring (Optional)  
Matches or Lighter



How To Do the Rising Water Experiment

Before we even get started please remember that an adult needs to be present for this experiment. We are using fire, which can be dangerous, so be smart.

Step 1: Take a shallow dish and fill it with water. You want just enough to cover the bottom.

Step 2: If you want, add food coloring to the water. This just makes it easier to see and is fun, so totally optional.

Step 3: Place your small votive in the middle of the dish.

Step 4: Light the candle, then quickly place the empty glass over the flame, touching the water. Now wait while the candle burns out.

Step 5: Watch as the water rises up into the glass!



## Chromatography Experiment with Markers

Supplies needed:

- Washable Markers in a variety of colors (Black works best)
- Glasses with water
- Coffee filter
- Scissors



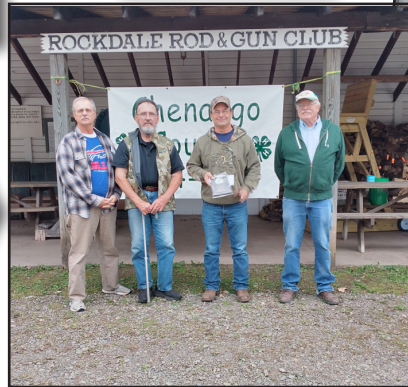
## What to do

1. Cut coffee filter into long strips about an inch wide.
2. Draw a heavy line with a marker near the top of one stripe (black is often a fascinating color that separates into bright blue, green, and yellow).
3. Hang the paper strip over the edge of the glass of water so that the coffee filter touches the water, but the line is above the water.
4. Watch the color spread as the water travels up the paper.





# ACHIEVEMENT DAY FUN





# ACHIEVEMENT DAY 2021



A day to recognize all of the hard work our 4-H Clubs and individual 4-H'ers have accomplished throughout the 4-H year. 4-H'ers have an opportunity to send us their project record sheets that they have filled out for the year. They are reviewed by a panel and possibly recommended for County medals.

## PUBLIC PRESENTATION RECOGNITION

(Clubs that had at least 75% of their members participate in the County Public Presentation)  
Hidden Ponds Horse Lovers

## TOP NYS JR HORSE COMMUNICATIONS AWARD

Abigail Mace

## PROMOTIONAL CLUB AWARD

(Clubs that participated in displays and community activities)

PARTICIPATES:

Ambitious Lions

Teen Council

Hidden Ponds Horse Lovers

**TOP Promotional Club**

Hidden Ponds Horse Lovers

## CHARLES AND PALMA GOODWIN COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

(Clubs or individuals that report their participation in at least one community service project during the 4-H year)

PARTICIPANTS:

Ambitious Lions

Teen Council

Hidden Ponds Horse Lovers

**Top community service club**

Hidden Ponds Horse Lovers

## AL AND THELMA EVANS TOP COUNTY FAIR CLUB AWARD

(Club with the most in-depth participation at the Chenango County Fair)  
The Ambitious Lions

## CLUB CHAMPION AWARD (Top 10 Clubs)

(Each club that has applied for this award will receive a certificate)

Teen Council

Hidden Ponds Horse Lovers

Ambitious Lions

## HARRY L. CASE TOP CLUB AWARD

(Presented to the club that completed the highest level of club work)

2021-2022 Recipient:

The Ambitious Lions

## EXCEPTIONAL CLOVERBUDS

(Cloverbuds that filled out their record sheets)

Liam Callan

Owen Mace

Grace Hodge

Lily Whaley

## COUNTY MEDALS

(Presented to youth that have participated in a project area, excelled, and turned in record sheets. Chosen by a review committee)

Calista Beers – Arts & Crafts, Reading, Gardening, Food & Nutrition

Cora Hodge – Communications, Dairy Judging

Skyler Graham – Meat Goats

Emerie Callan – Arts & Crafts, Clothing & Textiles

Noah Harrington – Arts & Crafts

Dillon Eichler – Arts & Crafts, Clothing & Textiles

Natalia Whaley – Arts & Crafts, Clothing & Textiles

Gregory Russell – Arts & Crafts, Clothing & Textiles

Aleecia Lance – Arts & Crafts, Clothing & Textiles

Lilly Squires – Leadership, Community Service, Arts & Crafts, Clothing & Textiles

Alma Micklas – Clothing & Textiles

Ruby Lupo – Arts & Crafts, Clothing & Textiles

Emilee Bennett – Equine, Gardening & Horticulture, Communications

Makayla Camenga – Equine

Lily Boudet – Equine

Heavenly Mahaffey – Gardening, Equine, Arts & Crafts, Communications, Photography

Haley VanValkenburg - Equine

Abigail Mace – Clothing & Textiles, Arts & Crafts, Food & Nutrition, Communications

Amon Van Alst – Community Service, Achievement, Cooking, Arts & Crafts, Poultry, Sheep, Goats, Agriculture, Judging, Communications

## JR. CHAMPIONS

(Based on the amount of participation)

Natalia Whaley

Lillian Squires

## JULIE BLANCHARD JR. ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Natalia Whaley

## SR CHAMPION AWARD & WARREN ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Amon VanAlst



# 4-H'ERS MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

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

Don't let the cold weather scare you, the Outdoor Cooking Program will still be taking place throughout those chilly fall and winter months. Outdoor Cooking provides a monthly opportunity to learn to prepare food items using propane, charcoal, and wood heat sources. The next program is Nov. 12th, 10:00am @ CCE. If you are interested in this type of program and would like more information contact Richard: rlt229@cornell.edu or call 607-334-5841 X 1115



## HIPPOLOGY/ HORSEBOWL KICKOFF (Nov. 13th, 1pm-3:00pm)

Come join the fun as we kickoff another season of Hippology/Horsebowl. On November 13th from 1:00pm-3:00pm, 4-H'ers interested in learning about horses are welcome to attend this afternoon of fun. This event will be held at Hidden Ponds Stables. Starting in January we will meet every Friday night from 6-7:30pm to learn many interesting and different things as it pertains to the noble equine. To register for this event contact or for more information contact, Rhonda at: rlt236@cornell.edu or 607-334-5841 X 1111



## TEEN COUNCIL

As the new 4-H year begins our Teen Council will be meeting on the second Monday of every month. 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 in joining or would like more information contact Richard: rlt229@cornell.edu or call 607-334-5841 X 1115



## SHOOTING SPORTS (ages 9 +)

We are very thankful to call the Rockdale Rod and Gun Club our home for 4-H Shooting Sports. This gives us more space and opportunities for training. Outdoor training throughout the warmer months helps the participants learn to compensate for the wind, changing dynamics of sun light and shadows. We have dedicated instructors that concentrate not only on skill development but reinforce safety as well. For information about the Shooting Sports Program contact Richard: rlt229@cornell.edu or call 607-334-5841 X 1115



## 4-H HOLIDAY CRAFTING!

November 17, Thursday 6pm to 8pm  
December 10, Saturday 9am to 12pm



## HOLIDAY HIKE

December 28, Wednesday 10am to 1pm  
For more information contact Erica: elc97@cornell.edu





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 Outdoor Cooking
13 Hippology/ Horsebowl Kickoff	14 Teen Council 6pm	15 Kids in the Kitchen	16	17 Holiday Crafting	18	19
20 Shooting Sports	21	22	23	24 CCE Closed	25 CCE Closed	26
27	28	29	30			

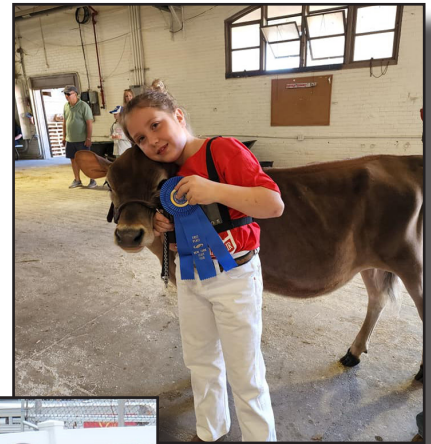
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18 Shooting Sports	19	20 Kids in the Kitchen	21	22	23	24
25	26 CCE Closed	27 CCE Closed	28 Holiday Hike 10am-1pm	29	30	31

**If you have any questions about the events in this calendar, please contact Richard Turrell at: [rlt229@cornell.edu](mailto: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!  
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