

# CHENANGO 4-H SNAPSHOT

*Just a few of the many 4-H volunteers, be sure to THANK the volunteers that you know!*



APRIL 17TH - APRIL 23 was VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION WEEK!

This newsletter doesn't come out in time to properly give our volunteers the recognition and thank you that they deserve. It's never too late to thank your 4-H volunteers so, get on board and be sure to do something nice for those that volunteer who lend their time, talents, voice, and support to make 4-H strong! A simple thank you card is all it takes to show your appreciation!





# 4-H Spotlights



**LET'S SHINE THAT SPOTLIGHT**  
4-H'ers are "MAKING THINGS HAPPEN"!  
**Get on board** and join the fun to make 4-H happen for you!

Let's encourage each other with what 4-H is all about. Help us out by sending us your photos. We want everyone to know that our 4-H'ers are "MAKING THINGS HAPPEN"!



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## AMBITIOUS LIONS

During one of their March meetings the Ambitious Lions had a fun time making green slime. What a fun science project for St. Patricks Day while learning how to measure.

Then they joined in the fun during Sewing Camp week. Nine of the club members gathered on Thursday night to have a quick lesson on how to use a sewing machine, practiced sewing on fabric and then dove into making pillowcases. Two of the clubs cloverbuds made things for a sewing kit. They all worked very hard to get their projects done.

WAY TO GO AMBITIOUS LIONS!

## HIDDEN PONDS HORSE LOVERS

The Hidden Ponds Horse Lovers have been busy working on Community Service Projects! At one of their monthly meetings they made tin can planters using popsicle sticks to decorate the outside of the cans. After their crafting was finished they planted spider plants in them to send to the residents at the Chase Nursing Home.

They also made Easter Baskets to be taken to an area Nursing Home. They even took time to have Emilee teach them about different types of bits and how to figure 8 a noseband.

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK!

## KREATIVE KIDS

For our March meeting the Schmidt Family hosted our meeting at Schmidt's Scattered Maples. We began with a tour of their new maple kitchen where Ms Andrea taught us how maple candy and maple cream is made. The kids got some hands on experience making their own candy. Mr Mark showed us the sap collection tank and his pump system. We ended our tour in the sugar shack where they were boiling sap. We were fortunate enough to actually see the final product fill a milk pail.

We had a wonderful time and are very thankful for the opportunity. At our April meeting we will learn the art of tie dye.

AWESOME KREATIVE KIDS!



## OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

Outdoor Adventure had an awesome full moon walk this spring! We made our way to the farm tower at Rogers Center to watch the sunset and the moon rise. We found many interesting animal holes and signs on our walk. 4-H'ers played a few games of camouflage while we waited for the moon to rise. We ended our night with gummy worms in honor of the worm moon. Hope to see you at our next adventure!

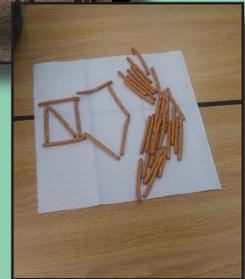
There will be a new series of programs called "Building Your Survival Skills" launching in late spring/early summer! Email Erica at [elc97@cornell.edu](mailto:elc97@cornell.edu) or check out our web page and facebook for updates.



## TEEN COUNCIL (ages 14 and up)

The Teen Council is finishing a toy drive in conjunction with Roots and Wings. In March they not only worked on their community service project they honed in on their communication skills with a fun pretzel project to discover it's not so easy building something when its only described to you. A good lesson on communicating effectively. At each meeting members work to complete community service projects and leadership skills.

Teen Council meets on the second Tuesday of every month for youth ages 14 and up. Contact Richard at [rlt229@cornell.edu](mailto:rlt229@cornell.edu) for more information or call: 607-334-5841 X 1115



## SEWING CAMP

Sewing Camp was a huge success! Cloverbuds came two afternoons prior to the week of camp, then attended the first day. They were able to complete 3 items for a sewing kit and made a toiletries bag.

The week of camp brought a flurry of activity with Intermediate I & II kids making tote bags, fish laundry bags, and garments. The kids all did a fantastic job all while learning; how to operate a sewing machine safely, thread a machine, wind a bobbin, different types of needles, and a whole lot more.

Sewing camp ended Thursday night with the Ambitious Lions getting a quick sewing lesson while making pillowcases.

It was great having 31, 4-H'ers interested in learning how to sew! Our team of 18 volunteers were AWESOME!



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

A downpour forced outdoor cooking members inside to do their prep work. Most recipes are made from scratch so this month they were given ingredients where they decided how much of each was needed to complete a dump cake. Between raindrops they cooked their pizza and blueberry dump cake in dutch ovens outside. The meal was a success despite the rain and it was a good lesson on how to keep your heat source lit through inclement weather. Contact Richard at [rlt299@cornell.edu](mailto:rlt299@cornell.edu) or 607-334-5841 x 1115





## HORSEBOWL / HIPPOLOGY

Only one competition left as things are winding down for the horse kids. 4-H'ers did an awesome job representing Chenango County at the regional and state competitions.

Our 4-H'ers all did a fantastic job at the regional competitions. Horsebowl regional placings.

**Novice 1st place:** Team 2: Maria, Noah, Sophia, Charles

**5th place:** Chenango Team 1: Macie, Mariah, Katie

**Individual Novice:**

1st - Maria, 3rd - Macie, 5th - Sophia, 8th - Noah

**Junior 2nd place:** Team 1: Sarina, Wade, Charolette

**4th place:** Team 2: Cora, Addilyn, Danielle

**Individual Juniors:** 1st - Sarina, 6th - Cora,

**Senior 1st place:** Combo Team: Emilee (4th individual)

Cora and Emilee went on to compete at the State Horsebowl Competition which was held at Cornell. Cora's team placed 4th overall. Emilee's team placed 2nd, 10th individual.

Regional Hippology was held at Tioga Farms. Everyone did a great job working through very cold conditions to compete. The placings for regional hippology.

**Novice 2nd place** Team: Maria, Noah, Macie, Charles

4th place: Mariah, Katie, Lucas

**Individual Novice:** 4th Macey, 6th Mariah, 7th Noah,

8th Lucas, 10th Maria, 11th Katie

**Junior Team:** 3rd place: Cora, Danielle, Charlotte, Makayla

**Individual Junior:** 5th Cora, 9th Charlotte, 10th Maykayla

**Senior Team:** 2nd place team: Emilee (5th individual)

The State Hippology competition will be held in August.

AWESOME JOB EVERYONE!

## REGIONAL EQUINE PRESENTATIONS

Two of our 4-H'ers, Emilee and Abigail went on to compete at regional equine presentations. These are a little different than general presentation, horse kids have to speak 9-12 minutes for a presentation and are penalized if they do not meet the time requirements. They both did a fine job.

Abigail will be going on to compete on May 14th at the State equine competition with her presentation called "Grace, Skill, Endurance".

CONGRATULATIONS ABBY!

## DAIRY BOWL

After several months of practice, it was an honor to see our youth compete in the District Dairy Bowl Competition on March 19th at Oxford Middle School. After an impressive competition, our Novice Team placed 2nd with Addison placing 2nd, Macie 12th, Sullivan 13th, and Jake 16th individually. Chenango County's Junior Dairy Bowl Team placed 4th overall in the competition with Elizabeth placing 3rd, Zane 6th, and Cora 12th overall in the competition. Lastly, the combined Cortland/Chenango Senior Team placed 1st place with Lily scoring 6th place overall in the competition. We are so incredibly proud of you all!

Elizabeth went on to compete at the State Dairy Bowl Competition at Cornell on May 23rd. After an incredible showing the both Junior and Senior South Central teams placed 3rd. Elizabeth did an awesome job representing Chenango County having a 10th individual placing.

WAY TO GO ELIZABETH!

*Congratulations!*

*EVERYONE for representing Chenango County. We are proud of you!*

# 4-H is Happening!



Get on board and  
bring your friends!  
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

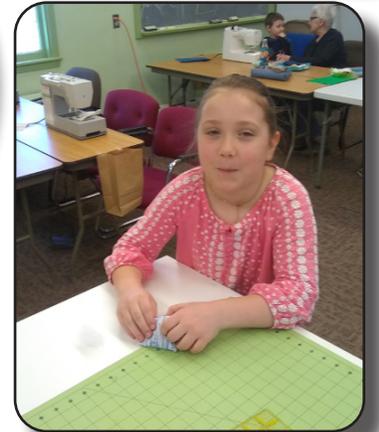
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CRAFT CAMPS

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!

## 4-H KIDS IN THE GARDEN, with GROW COOK SERVE-

**Register with Erica: [elc97@cornell.edu](mailto:elc97@cornell.edu)**

Have fun learning gardening basics, with hands-on activities! We will meet the 2nd Wednesday at the CCE building, each month in May 11th and June 8th, from 4:30pm to 5:30pm.



## 4-H KIDS IN THE KITCHEN BY GROW COOK SERVE! May 17th and June 21st 5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m. Virtual Event

(Register with Erica at [elc97@cornell.edu](mailto:elc97@cornell.edu) to pick up food and receive Zoom Link)

Join us for a family-friendly cooking program, via zoom. Learn cooking basics and ways to incorporate more fruits & veggies into your meals. Parent supervision is required for this program. The program and food are free! Space is limited. The program is free, but space is limited. Food pick-up info & zoom link will be provided when you register.



## SHOOTING SPORTS- 3rd Sunday of the month, May 15th and June 19th, 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.

**Space is limited** so be sure to register with Richard: [rlt229@cornell.edu](mailto:rlt229@cornell.edu)



## OUTDOOR COOKING - May 14th and June 11th (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.

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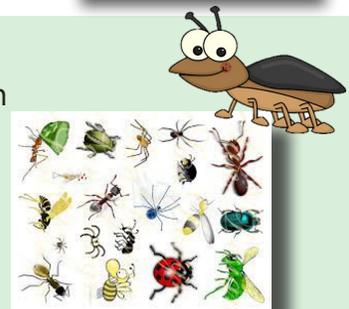
## 4-H BUG CLUB 3 PART SERIES

Learn about the importance of insects and how to identify and collect them. Join in one or all 3 sessions of this Bug Club series. Open to all aged 4-H'ers.

**Session 1: May 12th**, Thursday night, 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm at CCE Office

**Session 2: May 21st**, Saturday, Field Trip to Guilford: 12:00 pm to 3:00 pm (bring your lunch!)

**Session 3:** June 2nd, Thursday night, 6:00pm to 7:00pm, at CCE Office



## COMMUNITY CLUB - FUN NIGHT 4:30-6:00pm

Are you looking for a monthly opportunity to connect with 4-H friends from around Chenango County? Join us at 4-H FUN NIGHT! These events are held on the second Thursday of every month from 4:30 - 6:00 pm and include a variety of youth-driven activities. We play board games, video games, charades, do crafts, launch rockets, visit parks, and so much more! Did we mention that food is provided too? All 4-Hrs are welcome to attend. No cost.

Email Craig at [cbrown@cornell.edu](mailto:cbrown@cornell.edu) to register



# MORE UPDATES & EVENTS

## BUILD YOUR SURVIVAL SKILLS

There will be a new series of programs, called Building your Survival Skills launching in late spring/early summer! Email Erica or check out our webpage and facebook for updates.

## New York State Bans All Fowl Shows and Exhibitions to Safeguard Against Avian Flu

UPDATE: This ban will remain in effect until further notice. The Department is continuing close monitoring of HPAI in New York State and plans to reassess the Notice of Order in late May to determine whether it should remain in place through the summer fair season. The New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets announced that it has issued an order to ban all live fowl shows and exhibitions in New York State to help prevent the spread of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) to the state's poultry population.

Poultry biosecurity materials and checklists can be found on the USDA's "Defend the Flock" website.

Best practices include:

- Discourage unnecessary visitors and use biosecurity signs to warn people not to enter buildings without permission.
- Ask all visitors if they have had any contact with any birds in the past five days.
- Forbid entry to employees and visitors who own any kind of fowl.
- Require all visitors to cover and disinfect all footwear.
- Lock all entrances to chicken houses after hours.
- Avoid non-essential vehicular traffic on-farm.
- After hauling birds to processors, clean and disinfect poultry transport coops and vehicles before they return to the farm.
- Report anything unusual, especially sick or dead birds, to AGM.
- To report sick birds, an unexplained high number of deaths, or a sudden drop in egg production, please contact the Department's Division of Animal Ind



For all those that took part in sewing camp, whether you were the 4-H'ers or the volunteers we want you to attend the SEWING SPECTACULAR! This will be a fun night to recognize our amazing 4-H'ers!

You will get your projects and record books at this event so be sure to attend!



*You are cordially invited to attend the  
2022 Chenango County 4-H Sewing Spectacular.*



*May 4, 2022, at 6:00 pm*

*at Council of the Arts*

*27 West Main ST, Norwich*

*For an evening of celebration for all of the*

*Hard work our young 4-H'ers have*

*Accomplished with their sewing projects*

Join us for:  
Refreshments  
Fun  
Awards!



Please  
RSVP



Please RSVP Rhonda @ 607-334-5841 X 1111 or [rlt236@cornell.edu](mailto:rlt236@cornell.edu)



"For over 90 years, the New York State 4-H Office has hosted the annual Career Explorations Conference on the Cornell Campus. Nearly 500 4-H youth and chaperones attend the action-packed, three-day event to immerse themselves in exploring their future education, career opportunities, and to experience Cornell University and campus life! Cornell faculty and graduate students conduct engaged-learning workshops in two age-specific tracks: (1) Focus for Teens programs for youth entering grades 10-12. (2) University U programs for youth entering grades 8-9. Over 20 programs are offered to help youth understand what a particular career field entails, what type of education they would need to pursue, and to learn from the experiences of the Program Facilitators. For more information visit <https://nys4-h.org/career-explorations>."

## May 22nd-24th – 4-H Capital Days

We have 4-H youth from Chenango County going this event held in Albany. We look forward to hearing all about it upon their return. Thought it would be good to post information about it so that 4-H'ers were aware of the possibilities in the future.

4-H Capital Days is a NYSACCE4-HE sponsored event that gives youth an opportunity to meet and interact with legislators and tell their 4-H story. 4-H Capital Days creates awareness of career opportunities in New York State government, better understanding of state government, and network with delegates from other counties. Delegates are chosen by their county 4-H program. Cost \$275. Ages 14+. Youth may ride with Craig to the event in Albany.



## START NOW - BE PREPARE

It's not too early to start planning for the summer and fair time!

- Be working with your project animals, making sure to handle them on a regular basis will not only help you but it will help your animal as well.
- Know what paperwork needs to be done early. Breed Association paperwork has been slow so make sure you get that done early.
- Keep an eye out for the latest information concerning fair requirements.
- Make sure you plan ahead for that Vet visit, they get busy so plan ahead.
- Be sure your animal has the shots required in order to show them.
- Make yourself a checklist of things you may need to get before you need them. Don't depend on your parents they are busy. You make the list to help out, after all its your animal.
- Get those Case Building projects finished up early. If you haven't start any yet, get going. Don't wait until the last minute, its easier to have a plan and stick to it.
- Find recipes ahead if you are interested in showing baked goods. Practice ahead of time, your family will enjoy the test run!
- Want to show vegetables, make your garden plan. Figure out a time line so you can have veggies ripe when you need to show them.
- You may not be able to show your poultry this year but try some poultry art projects or photos of your birds.
- **ANIMAL OWNERSHIP PAPERWORK IS DUE JUNE 1st.**
- **MOST IMPORTANT BE SURE YOU HAVE YOUR 4-H ENROLLMENT PAPERWORK IN BY JUNE 1st IN ORDER TO SHOW AT THE FAIR!**



# Gardening

B J E M L Z H E S O R N A W  
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BED	GROW	SOIL
BUSHES	HOE	STEM
DEAD	LEAF	WATER
DIG	PLANT	WEEDS
DIRT	ROOT	WILT
FLOWER	ROSE	WORM
GARDEN	SEED	YARD



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4 Outdoor Adventure 4 -5:30pm Sewing Spectacular 6pm	5	6	7 Animal Crackers
8	9 4-H Teen Council 6pm	10	11	12 Fun Night 4:30-6:00pm	13	14 Outdoor Cooking 10am State Horse Communications
15 Shooting Sports	16	17 Kids in the Kitchen 5:15-6:15	18 New Berlin Library Erica	19 Community Club 5-6:30pm	20	21 District Public Presentations
22 Capitol Days	23 Capitol Days	24 Capitol Days	25	26	27	28
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**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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