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4-H Newsletter

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4-H Youth Development Mission Statement

The mission of Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development is to build youth-adult partnerships to enable youth to become fully engaged in their learning process. New York State 4-H is a leader in enabling youth to develop the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and abilities to become productive citizens and is a catalyst for positive change to meet the needs of a diverse and changing society.

Through 4-H Youth Development, youth will:

- Practice effective problem-solving and decision-making skills
- . Possess positive work attitudes and skills
- . Value diversity
- . Accept community and social responsibility
- . Contribute to positive relationships with families, peers, and community
- . Demonstrate communication and leadership skills
- . Value lifelong learning

Cornell Cooperative Extension values:

- . 4-H Youth development as the focus of all youth development activities
- Partnerships for supporting, conducting, and extending the program
- · Volunteerism as a cornerstone of the program



WELCOME NANCY

Hello everyone. My name is Nancy, and I am the new 4-H Program Coordinator for both Schoharie and Otsego Counties. I was born and raised here in Schoharie County and have been involved in many projects and programs. I graduated from the former Cobleskill High School, and from the College of Saint Rose with a Masters in Special Education. Working with youth has always been in my heart and soul.

Some of you may either recognize me from the Schoharie County Youth Bureau or Harmony Acres. While I was not involved in 4-H as a youth, I have participated as a judge for Public Presentations and for the Art and Craft division of the youth fair entries. Through these, I have learned about the program and those involved in it. I have met some great people along the way. I look forward to continuing to learn more about 4-H, assisting with programming, and getting to meet all of you.

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4-H Calendar Events 2023-2024



September	
5	State Fair items available for pick up at the CCE Education Center
16-17	Harvest Festival, The Farmers' Museum
20	4-H Leader's Reorganizational Meeting, 10am & 6:30pm, CCE Education Center, Cooperstown
21	4-H Leader's Reorganizational Meeting, 10am & 6:30pm, The Rowe House, Oneonta
23	Insectapalooza, 9-3pm, Stocking Hall, Cornell University
27	4-H Leaders' Reorganizational Meeting, 10am & 6:30pm, The Rowe House, Oneonta
Octobor	4-H Leaders' Reorganizational Meeting, 10am & 6:30pm, CCE Education Center, Cooperstown
October	No. 4 II Version
1	New 4-H Year begins Year-End Completions and Re-Enrollment, Leader Recommendation Individual 4-H Awards documentation due to the 4-H Office
1-7	National 4-H Week
2-27	4-H Fall Fundraiser, Heritage Candles
8-15	4-H Paper Clover Sales, Tractor Supply
9	Columbus Day, CCE Extension Offices Closed
17	CCE Schoharie & Otsego Counties Annual Meeting, 6pm, CCE Extension Center, Cobleskill
19-20	Agri-Business Conference, SUNY Cobleskill
November	
1	Project Feeder Watch begins, The Cornell Lab
1	4-H Community Club Workshop, 5:30pm, Fleece Tie Pillows & Blankets, The Rowe House, Oneonta
2	4-H Information Night, 5:30pm, The Rowe House, Oneonta
4	4-H Community Club Workshop, 9am, Fleece Tie Pillows & Blankets, The Rowe House, Oneonta
5	4-H Dog Orientation, 2pm, CCE Education Center, Cooperstown
8	4-H Issue Committee Meetings. 6:30pm, The Rowe House, Oneonta
9	4-H Information Night, 5:30pm, CCE Education Center, Cooperstown
10	Veterans Day, CCE Extension Offices Closed
11	4-H Earn-an-Animal & Livestock Auction Information Event, 9am, The Rowe House, Oneonta
14-16	NYSACCE 4-H Educators Conference, Greek Peak
18	4-H Officer Training, 9am, The Rowe House, Oneonta
21	4-H Community Club Workshop, 5:30pm, Healthy Holiday Snacks, The Rowe House, Oneonta
23-24	Thanksgiving, CCE Extension Offices Closed
29	4-H All About 4-H Project—Pets, 5:30pm, The Rowe House, Oneonta
December	
1	4-H International Night, 6pm, The Rowe House, Oneonta
2	4-H National STEM Challenge, Power Protectors, 9am, The Rowe House, Oneonta
6	4-H Fair Superintendents Meeting, 6pm, The Rowe House, Oneonta
9	4-H Fine Arts Clinic, Painting, 9am, The Rowe House, Oneonta
13	4-H Community Club Workshop, Holiday Craft, 5:30pm, The Rowe House, Oneonta
14	4-H Teen Council Meeting, 6pm, The Rowe House, Oneonta
22-25	Christmas, CCE Extension Offices Closed
27	4-H All About 4-H Project, 5:30pm, The Rowe House, Oneonta
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National 4-H Week



Members of the Gilbertsville Dairy Club celebrated National 4-H Week with an "I Love 4-H" display.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Office of the Secretary Washington, DC 20250

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

October 1-7, 2023

By the Secretary of Agriculture of the United States of America

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS this year's National 4-H Week theme, "I 4-H." reminds us that every child has valuable strengths and real influence to improve the world around us; and

WHEREAS, for 120 years, 4-H has served America's young people to make the best better, and is now the Nation's largest youth development organization, and

WHEREAS, 4H programs are delivered by Cooperative Extension—a community of more than 100. public universities across the Nation—that provide experiences for young people to learn by doing;

WHEREAS, 4H connects young people and adults to their communities, preparing them for work and life through experiential and inquiry-based learning while providing emerging research. for positive youth development, and

WHEREAS, expanding from its strong agricultural roots, 4H helps young people explore the world around them and grow into productive adults;

WHEREAS, supporting future leaders in science, agriculture and community leadership is important for the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the National Institute of Food and Agriculture 4-H program, and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, THOMAS J. VILSACK, United States Secretary of Agriculture, do hereby proclaim October 1 through October 7, 2023, as **National 4-H. Week**, and call upon all Americans to learn more about and celebrate the 4-H program with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

IN WITNESS WHERE OF, I have hereunto set my hand this 28th day of September 2023, the twohundred forty-seventh year of the Independence of the United States of America.

THOMAS J. VILSAGE

Secretary

2023 4-H Graduates



Abbie Ainslie
High School-Mount Markham
Plans-Attend Cornell University to major in Animal
Science and Minor in Agricultural Education

To me, 4-H means being a part of something larger than yourself. The skills that I have gained through 4-H project work have helped guide my future career path in agriculture. I have also made life-long friendships and memories throughout my time in 4-H.

Bethany Barringer
High School-Morris
Plans-Work with kids as an aide at
Morris School and raise beef cattle

4-H means to me: Helping the younger kids that need help showing their animals. One of my favorite memories about 4-H is meeting new people and making new friends.





Hannah Bonczkowski
High School– Gilbertsville Mt Upton
Plans-Attending SUNY Morrisville, studying
journalism and communication in online media

4-H will always be special to me because it has taught me countless life lessons. It has taught me responsibility, dedication, and work ethic. Those qualities will stay with me for the rest of my life and I can thank 4-H for that.

2023 4-H Graduates



Megan Perrine
High School
Gilbertsville-Mt Upton
Plans-Major in Exercise Science at
Cedar Crest College, Allentown
PA

4-H has taught me the importance of community and service, 4-H has also allowed me to meet some of my closet friends. I believe that 4-H has helped me become a well rounded individual.

Chase Burkhart
High School
Cooperstown
Plans-Pursuing a career in the agriculture industry

4-H means to me developing my skills, gaining new friendships, and showing my animals.

I have become more confident through my 4-H activities.





4-H Upcoming Events

Otsego County 4-H Community Club Workshop



ALL 4-H MEMBERS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

MAKE THIS NO SEW FLEECE TIE PILLOW





MAKE THIS NO SEω **FLEECE TIE BLANKET**

WEDNESDAY—NOVEMBER 1—6p.m. OR/AND SATURDAY—NOVEMBER 4—9A.M. 4-H AT THE ROWE HOUSE, 31 MAPLE STREET, **ONEONTA**

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PRE-REGISTER: Teresa Adell,4-H Educator tla47@cornell.edu or 607-547-2536 ext 225, 607-433-2521

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4-H Upcoming Events



OTSEGO COUNTY4-H Dog ORIENTATION





Otsego County 4-H is offering A Dog Orientation class to review required paperwork to participate in the program and discuss the workshops schedule for the year.

For 4-H Youth, no dogs!

Sunday, November 5, 2 p.m. **CCE Education Center** 123 Lake Street Cooperstown, NY

For More Information or to Register Contact Teresa Adell tla47@cornell.edu 607-547-2536 ext 225



Workshops will offer 4-H dog handlers a variety of choices of classes to learn many skills with their dog, dog sports, rally, obedience, agility and showmanship and many more!

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4-H Upcoming Events



4-H Officer Training Saturday, November 18 9 a.m.



4-H at The Rowe House

31 Maple Street, Oneonta

Games & Prizes in a hands on training offered for

President/Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer,
Reporter, Recreation and Song, Historian, and Health
Officer

Tips and forms will be given to use during your club meetings

Registration required

by November 17

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4-H Otsego County



Earn-an-Animal & Livestock Auction Information Event



THIS IS A <u>MANDATORY</u> MEETING TO PARTICIPATE IN THESE PROGRAMS







An information meeting for the 2024 4-H
Livestock Auction and Earn-an-Animal programs
will be held for 4-H members interested in selling
an animal in the 2024 4-H Livestock Auction and
to earn funding toward a project animal to raise
and show as their own.

<u>Livestock Auction</u> species include: beef, goats, poultry, rabbits, sheep and swine. Requirements of the program will be explained. Youth MUST be accompanied by at least one parent/guardian during the meeting.

The <u>Earn-an-Animal</u> program requires dedication from the youth member and support from their guardians. Youth accepted into the programs will not only learn how to care for their animals, they will experience the process of researching, selecting and purchasing an animal. Participants accepted into the programs will further develop their planning, time management, organization, and recordkeeping skills.

Saturday
November 11, 2023
9 a.m. Livestock Auction
10 a.m. Earn An Animal
4-H at The Rowe House
31 Maple Street, Oneonta

To sign up or for more information, contact
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Pre-registration is required

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<u>The Farmers' Museum</u> Junior Livestock Show Results

Otsego County Winners of the Farmers' Museum 72nd Annual Junior Livestock Show Iroquois Farm Show grounds, Cooperstown, NY Sunday July 9—Tuesday, July 11, 2023



The 75th Annual Junior Livestock Show in Cooperstown hosted 4-H members from nine surrounding counties: Chenango, Delaware, Fulton, Herkimer, Madison, Montgomery, Oneida, Otsego, Schoharie counties.

The show, sponsored by The Farmers' Museum and conducted in cooperation with Cornell Cooperative Extension County 4-H educators and 4-H clubs throughout central New York, brings together youth handlers for three days of competition.

The top winners at the Junior Livestock Show bested over 210 exhibitors and 698 animals, over 50 exhibitors are from Otsego County 4-H. A list of the top winners follows.

Dairy Cattle Grand Champions:

The Farmers' Museum Cup for Best of Show Dairy- Abbie Ainslie with Holstein, Oakfield LO Scarlett Red-ET.

Grand Champions

Dairy Cattle:

Holstein-Abbie Ainslie

Jersey-Chase Burkhart

Milking Shorthorn-Julia Vunk

Sheep: Ella Field

Best Bred & Owned:

Ayrshire-Connor Parker

Holstein-Justin Wolfe

Milking Shorthorn-Julia Vunk

Showmanship Champions:

Sheep-Maxwell Pullis

Meat Goat-Kennedy Louis

Res-Gavin Underwood

Dairy Goat:

Lamancha-Jr Champion-Olivia Hart

Sr Champion & Best Udder-Mason Kupris

Nubian-Jr Champion-Chloe Ellsworth

Saanen-Jr Champion-Olivia Hart

Toggenburg-Res Jr Champion-Brandt Baker

Beef:

Champion Other Breed Cow/Calf pair-Ricky Pegg

Sheep:

Champion Ram-Hollin Stabler

Commercial-Ella Field

Dorset-Connor Doody

Best Fleece-Grace Wing

Champion Market Lamb-Ella Field

Swine:

Crossbred-Trent DeBoer

Meat Goat:

Champion Percentage Doe-Henry Underwood Reserve Champion Percentage Doe-Henry

Reserve Champion Fercentage Doe-Hen

Underwood

Dairy Judging

Beginner:

5th place-Faith Byma

Junior:

2nd place-Deanna Wolfe

10th place-Kaylee Byma

Senior:

2nd place-Justin Wolfe

Chobani Agricultural Leader Scholarship Award:

Junior-Owen Pullis

Senior-Evelyn Kersmanc, Alexis Wolfe

















4-H Otsego County Fair Results

Thank you to all who made the Otsego County Fair a success!

4-H Exhibitors118Martin Hall Entries223Contests Entries41Animal Exhibits926



Martin Hall Best of Show

Communication & Expressive Arts
Trent DeBoer-Earn-an-Animal Poster
Fine Arts & Fine Crafts
Lindsay Turnbull-Chameleon drawing
Visual Arts-Photography
Abigail Conroe-Boat/Ocean Picture
Consumer & Family Science
Hannah Bonczkowski-Farm to Market
Clothing & Textiles
Abigail Conroe-Tie-Dye
Vegetables

Vegetables
Colin Erkson-Garlic
Horticulture

Hannah Bonczkowski-Propagation

Woodworking
Alyssa Sorochinsky-Shoe Rack

Engineering
Seamus Corkery-Robot

4-H Beef Champions

Showmanship Champion Nicholas DeBoer Herford Champion Grace Wing Trevor Decker Angus Champion Simmental Champion Nicholas DeBoer Other Breeds Champion Angel Mravlja Crosses or NR Champion Richard Pegg Bull Grand Champion Nicholas DeBoer Grand Champion Trevor Decker Heifer Grand Champion Richard Pegg Cow/Calf Grand Champion Trevor Decker Female Market Animal Grand Champion Marijke Kroon Supreme Champion Beef Nicholas DeBoer

4-H Horse Champions

Hunt SeatWesternSenior Champion Lilly Cleaveland
Senior Champion Lilly Cleaveland
W/T Champion Holly Curtis
W/T/C ChampionHayden Curtis

Senior Champion Aurienna Larson W/J Champion Holly Curtis

W/J/C Champion Hayden Curtis

*W/T –Walk/ Trot *W/J-Walk/Jog *W/T/C-Walk/



Gymkhana



4-H Dairy Champions

Showmanship Champion Justin Wolfe Holstein Junior Champion Luke Byma Jersey Junior Champion Faith Byma Senior Champion Evelvn Kersmanc Junior Champion Ella Field Ayrshire Junior Champion Chase Burkhart **Brown Swiss** Senior Champion McKenna Sellick Milking Senior Champion Ella Field Shorthorn

Supreme Grand Champion Luke Byma

4-H Swine Champions

Showmanship Champion Ella Field
Duroc Champion Trent DeBoer
Cross Breed Champion Trevor Decker
All Breeds Grand Champion Trevor Decker
Market Hog Grand Champion Ella Field
Supreme Best of Show Ella Field

4-H Dairy Goat Champions

Showmanship Champion Winnie Shepardson Champion Olivia Hart Oberhasli Nigerian Dwarf Champion Jov Attanasio Recorded Grade Champion Olivia Hart Alpine Elijah Tompkins Champion Lamancha Champion Olivia Hart Champion Olivia Hart Saanen Best of Show Champion Olivia Hart

4-H Meat Goat Champions

Showmanship Champion Ella Field
% Doe Champion Evelyn Kersmanc
FB Doe Champion Evelyn Kersmanc
Market Wether Champion Owen Pullis
Best of Show Champion Owen Pullis



4-H Otsego County Fair Results

4-H Sheen Champions

	4-H Sneep	Champions			
Showmanship	Champion	Ella Field			
_	Reserve	Angel Mravlja			
Tunis	Champion Ram	Summer Mayne			
	Champion Ewe	Ella Field			
Cheviot	Champion Ram	Hollin Stabler			
Dorset	Champion Ewe	Connor Doody			
Suffolk	Champion Ewe	Summer Mayne			
Jacob	Champion Ram	Lindsay Turnbul			
Jacob	Champion Ewe	Lindsay Turnbul			
Shropshire	Champion Ewe	Karley Miller			
North Country	Champion Ram	Hollin Stabler			
Border Leicester	Champion Ram	Summer Mayne			
Border Leicester	Champion Ewe	Grace Wing			
BD Southdown	Champion Ewe	Kylie Tophoven			
Market Lamb	Champion	Ella Field			
Ewe	Champion	Karley Miller			
Ram	Champion	Hollin Stabler			
Sheep of Show	Champion	Kassidy Miller			
4-H Rabbit Champions					

Showmanship	Champion	Megan Perrine
•	Reserve	Lillian Perrine
Champ d'Argent	Champion	Lilian Perrine
AOV	Champion	Megan Perrine
Holland Lop	Champion	Lillian Perrine
Mini Rex Solid	Champion	Lillian Perrine
Dutch	Champion	Leeland Miller
Mini Rex Broken	Champion	Lillian Perrine
Netherland Dwarf	f Champion	Megan Perrine
Amer Fuzzy Lop	Champion	Megan Perrine
Market	Champion	Ella Field
Best of Show	Champion	Megan Perrine

4-H Poultry Champions

Showmanship	Champion	Maxwell Pullis
Bantam	Champion	Joseph Attanasio
Large Fowl	Champion	Alexis Youngs
Turkey	Champion	Winnie Shepardso
Exotic	Champion	Joseph Attanasio
Best of Show	Champion	Joseph Attanasio
Exhibition		
Sunreme Grand	Champion	Iosenh Attanasio

4-H Dog Show Champions

Grooming &		
Handling	Champion	Kendra Smith
Rally	Champion	Aniya Kogut
Agility	Champion	Alivia Bennett
Top Dog	Champion	Alivia Bennett















4-H NYS Fair Non-Animal Participants

Otsego County 4-H Exhibitors in the Youth Building

Communications & Expressive Arts:

Maxwell Pullis 4-H Project Book Red Hannah Bonczkowski Poem Blue Trent DeBoer Poster Blue

Food & Nutrition

Hannah Bonczkowski Farm Market Menu Blue

Hobby Crafts & Home Environment

Molly Youngs Embroidered Jean Pockets Blue

Wearable Art

Alexi Youngs Crochet Hat Blue

Fine Arts & Fine Crafts:

Alexis Youngs Chicken Earrings Blue

Visual Arts Photography:

Lilly Cleaveland Barn Photo Red

Horticulture:

Hannah Bonczkowski Propagation Blue*

Gardening

Colin ErksonGarlicRedJulia VunkGarlicBlue

Science & Technology

Maxwell PullisWooden ClockRedSeamus CorkeryConstruction ProBlueSean CorkeryThrowing BotBlueMadison SchultzWelded FlowerBlue

^{*}Special Recognition











4-H NYS Fair Animal Show & Contest Participants

Otsego County 4-H Animal Exhibitors

Dairy-Faith Byma, Luke Byma, Kaylee Byma, Julia Vunk, Justin Wolfe and Alexis Wolfe.

Beef- Angel Mravlja

Meat Goats -Gavin Underwood, Henry Underwood, and **Evelyn Kersmanc**

<u>Rabbits</u>—Megan Perrine, Lillian Perrine <u>Swine</u>—Ella Field

Sheep- Kassidy Miller

Dairy Challenge:

Owen Pullis, Gavin Underwood, Kristina Barringer,

Deanne Wolfe, Henry Underwood, Evelyn Kersmanc,

Julia Vunk, Maxwell Pullis, Alexis Wolfe.

Dairy Judging:

Justin Wolfe, Julia Vunk, Deanna Wolfe, Kaylee Byma,

Luke Byma, Alexis Wolfe, Faith Byma.

Livestock Judging:

Owen Pullis, Henry Underwood, Maxwell Pullis, Evelyn

Kersmanc

Livestock Skillathon:

Gavin Underwood, Maxwell Pullis, Evelyn Kersmanc,

Henry Underwood

Goat Judging:

Gavin Underwood, Henry Underwood, Evelyn Kersmanc,

Maxwell Pullis











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