



The 4-H *Flash* Has a New Look

Your 4-H staff has put considerable time and effort into giving the *Madison County 4-H Flash* a new and hopefully more useful format. The new format will give you a better Table of Contents – see the column on the left side of this cover. If you save issues for future reference, you can easily see which issue has the information you are looking for and where to find it.

The format will also give you a quick review of upcoming events under the heading “**Save the Dates**”. There will no longer be a separate calendar page but each item will have the dates bolded so you can quickly see them and they will be in order of date. Our two-column format will allow you to quickly look at the left hand column and see which events are of interest to you and your club members. Then you can read more details in the story on the right hand side of the page.

The second set of stories will be under the heading “**Look What We’ve Been Doing**”. This will list results of various events and provide a scrapbook of some of our favorite photos of those events.

The third set of stories will be under the heading “**Club Reports**” these are reports from your club’s reporter sharing what your club has been doing and giving others a chance to get great ideas from you. We will also include photos so you can send copies to your grandparents, aunts, uncles and other family members to show them what you do in 4-H.

The last page of each issue will be a **registration form** so you can sign up for county events and ask us for more information about things that interest you.

This issue is our trial run and we would like your feedback. Please take a minute to fill out the last page form and give us your thoughts on the NEW 4-H *Flash*.

We will be **using our CCE website** to put forms and information that seldom changes as well as to keep copies of the *Flash* for your reference. In times of economic hardship (for you and for us), the use of these electronic wonders will help us save money and paper. We will send out an e-mail to alert everyone on our 4-H families’ and leaders’ list that the current *Flash* is on-line and give you the link to it. We will of course continue to mail hard copies to those who are not able to use the website, but we strongly urge you to place yourself on our e-mail list if at all possible. There’s a place for that on the form at the end of the newsletter too.

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Save The Dates...

Horse Bowl, Hippology and Horse Judging

Open to all regular 4-H members (3rd grade and up)



Putting the Horse Skeleton together



Contest station about breeds



Learning about Horse feeds



Learning about driving attire

Practices starting January 2, 2010

- ◆ If you're a regular 4-H member (3rd grade or higher) and you're interested in horses this is a great way to learn about horses and to meet other people who are horse crazy.
- ◆ You don't have to own a horse or even be in a horse club to participate.
- ◆ **Practices will be held on Saturdays from 3:00-5:00 at the 4-H office, starting 1/2/10.** At this meeting we will go over the spring schedule and set up the rest of the practices. It's not too late to join the fun!

Call or email April amh36@cornell.edu for more information.

NYS 4-H Foundation Scholarship

High School Seniors

February 1, 2010 deadline

The New York State 4-H Foundation offers scholarships for high school seniors each year. The 2010 application is due by **February 15**. In order for your 4-H staff to complete the application for you, please plan to have the paperwork in the 4-H office by **February 1**. You can obtain the application form at the following internet address: <http://www.nys4hfoundation.org/2009/10/nys-4-h-foundation-scholarship-application-form/> or you can get a copy from Peg at the 4-H office. Call her at 684-3001 ext 116 or e-mail her at PGL5@cornell.edu



Rockathon - 4-H FUNdraiser

open to all members
February 6th 10am-1pm

Join the Oneida 4-H Kids Club for Rockathon 2010 on **February 6th** from 10am – 1pm at the North Broad Street School in Oneida. A totally ROCK theme is being planned for an awesome time. There will be rock crafts, rock games and rock music, featuring a ROCK CONCERT for you to participate in. The purpose of the event is to raise money for the Madison County 4-H Foundation, so you are encouraged to acquire sponsors who will donate \$1 - \$5 per half hour of participation in the event. Money is due the day of the event. You are encouraged to sign up ahead of time to assure that you will get to sing at the ROCK CONCERT. Registration forms and a sponsor sheet can be found on the web page or you can use the form on the last page of this Flash to let us know you plan to participate.

Teen Winter Weekend 2010 –

open to all 4-H members ages 13-19
Registration deadline is Monday, February 2

Lewis County 4-H announces its annual Teen Winter Weekend from **February 12- 14** at Oswegatchie Educational Center in Croghan, NY. All New York State 4-H'ers ages 13 to 19 as of January 1, 2010, may participate. The fee of \$55 per participant will cover lodging, meals (Saturday breakfast to Sunday lunch), as well as snacks and workshop supplies. The first 60 youth to register will be accepted. For full details, use the form on the last page of this Flash to let us know you want them.

Fabric Fun Day 2010

Open to all 4-H members
February 27, 2010

Fabric Fun Day is tentatively being planned for **February 27, 2010**, in Morrisville. The planning committee will have more details in the next Flash. If you are interested in attending or in helping with the planning, send in the form on the last page of this Flash.

Public Presentations

Open to all 4-H members
March 6, 2010

County Public Presentation Day will be held on Saturday, **March 6** at Morrisville-Eaton Jr-Sr High School. Registration will begin at 9 am with Presentations starting at 9:30. 4-H clubs and members should be starting to plan for their Public Presentation. Check the list and see what you need to do to get prepared.

- Plan a club meeting to discuss the members' topics and if they will participate in Horse Communications, Public Presentations, or both.
- Plan a club meeting to go over the basics of a good presentation.
- Check out the website (www.madisoncountycce.org) for good teaching tips and find out the difference and similarities in Public Presentations and Horse Communications-or call the 4-H office to borrow resources we have available. Be sure to contact Terri if you have other questions or would like her to do a workshop with your club.
- Pick a date for Club Presentation Night
- Encourage all presenters to continue to the County Program
- Be sure to register with the 4-H office which club members did Presentations so they are eligible for the PP trip in July. The form is on the web or available at the 4-H office.

Cheese Sale Dates

all 4-H members – support your
4-H Foundation

The cheese sale will be March 6-20th with delivery week of April 11. Sales information will be available in late February. Please look on the web for sales packets or request the information from the office.



Look What We Have Been Doing...

The following awards were given at the **22nd annual Awards and Recognition Bruncheon** held on Saturday, November 21 at the Rusty Rail Restaurant in Canastota.

We Love Our Leader Award:

Shari Smith, Whitelaw Wonders, Canastota
Ann Janson, Spurs & Spokes, Chittenango
Sue Groetz, Lincklaen Shamrocks, Cazenovia
Heather Jaquay, Young Riders, Hamilton
Penny Hazer, Swift Hooves, Chittenango.

JUNIOR AWARDS

Spirit Awards

Krislyn Adle	Dakota Corney
Zachary Jasmine	Lauryn Mitchell
George Bruno	Emily Cranwell
Ashley Kent	Montana Montgomery
Liza Bruno	Megan Cranwell
Michael Kimberly	Emily Thomas
Maria Groetz	Shannon Marcy
Allison Willson-Casarotti	

Project Encouragement Awards

Sewing-Mackenzie Gregg
Food & Nutrition-Lara Bruno
Dogs-Levi Billy, Lauryn Mitchell, Morgan Lynd, Taylor Lynd
Horticulture-Maria Groetz
Goats-Emmalin Harris-Boyden
Communications-Allison Willson-Casarotti
Dairy-George Bruno, Liza Bruno, Cassie Head, Zachary Jasmin
Mechanical Science-Ashley Kent
Horse-Megan Cotter, Amanda Cranwell, Haley Demenezes, Kallie Jaquay, Emily Kaffenberger, Alex Opperman, Kaitlyn O'Reilly

Community Service

Zach Allborty	Mariah Joslyn
Casey Naylor	Austin Blanchard
Jenna Knapp	Rebecca Thomas
Mackenzie Blanchard	Kira Knapp
Maria Twal	Andrew Corney
Callahan Miller	Danielle Vanderhoff
Jesse Joslyn	Autumn Naylor
Mya Walters	Allie Wright



4-H Clover Award

Jason Randall
 Dani-Marie Ward
 Andy Zamora

Junior Awards

Dairy-Katherine Oster
Creative Arts-Hafeezah Lewis
Horse Bowl-Hayley Klein
Horse Judging-Shawna Kimberly
Dairy Foods & Nutrition-Anthony Willson-Casarotti
Lulu Waterbury-Jade Smith
Junior Achievement-Vanessa Loomis
Horse-Alex Belton
 Sasha Demenezes
 Cole Chandler

Club Junior Leaders

Jacob Adle	Renee Groetz
Emily Livermore	Anthony Willson-Casarott
Audrey Hale	Vanessa Loomis
Arica Willson-Casarotti	Nicole Head
Katrina McAllister	Tracy Crandall
Shawna Kimberly	Brian Oster
Mickelle Funari	Jordan Klein
Katherine Oster	Danielle Glasso
Hafeezah Lewis	Jade Smith
Jonathon Whitbeck	

Senior Awards

Horse-Abigail Marcy
Goat-Evy Crumb
Dairy Food & Nutrition-Arica Willson-Casarotti
Natural Resources-Karch Manley
Food & Nutrition-Renee Groetz
Laura Janson Scholarship Award-Danielle Glasso
Millard Thayer-Brian Oster
Deacon Doubleday-Zachary Taylor
Danforth Leadership Award-Audrey Hale & Katrina McAllister
Lois Hickox Memorial Award-Tracy Crandall
Senior Citizenship Award-Jordan Klein
Spirit of 4-H-Mickelle Funari



Awards Brunch Scrapbook

Trip Scholarship Winners



Front: **Capital Days** – Danielle Glasso & Mickelle Funari
Back: **New York City Trip** – Katrina McAllister & Arica Willson-Casarotti

Honors Trip Winners



Front: Abigail Marcy, Alexandria Belton, Vanessa Loomis, Jade Smith
Back: Hafeezah Lewis, Audrey Hale, Tracy Crandall, Anthony Willson-Casarotti
Not pictured: Zachary Taylor, Karch Manley, Evelyn Crumb

Pictured below are the recipients of younger member recognition awards.



Junior Awards - Spirit Awards



Senior Award Recipients



Pictured Below Are Recipients Of Junior Awards.



Look What We Have Been Doing... cont.

First Aid Certification class completed

On November 17th, seven 4-H leaders and teens completed a standard first aid certification class. Thank you to Jim Tuggey for teaching the class. Congratulations to Shari Smith, Melissa Hale, Chelsea Farr, Ron Whitbeck, Jon Whitbeck, Becky Frost and Terri Becker for completing the course. A CPR class is being scheduled soon.

Adopted Platoon in Iraq received CCE Christmas boxes



Many thanks to all who helped with cards and good things for the Christmas boxes to our platoon in Iraq. 4-H'ers made special cards for the troops at Spirit Day and again at the 4-H Awards Brunch. The Whitelaw Wonders 4-H club put together baggies of candy, cookies, and pocket Kleenex packs for each soldier. The Lincklaen Shamrocks made a "cool" tie for each soldier to help keep them cool in the hot weather. Cornell Cooperative Extension staff added candy, toiletries, books, magazines and baggies. We were able to send off 3 large, tightly packed boxes of goodies and they arrived the week before Christmas. Take a look at "our boys" enjoying them.

Cookie Sale results

Thank you to all who sold cookies this year. The sale was a great success. Over 40 cookie 4-H'ers and families joined to celebrate. We ate ice cream, played Bingo and awarded top seller prizes.

The top sellers were:

- 1st – The Loomis/Funari family
- 2nd – The Groetz Family
- 3rd – The Smith Family

The top selling Clubs were:

- 1st - Lincklaen Shamrocks
- 2nd - New Woodstock 4-H
- 3rd - Swift Hooves



Four Madison County 4-H Youth attend Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup



Pictured above are (L-R) Kaitlynn Pfeiffer, Danielle Glasso, Abigail Marcy, Katrina McAllister and Community Educator April Winslow.

Four Youth from Madison County traveled to Louisville, KY in early November to compete at the Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup in Horse Judging and Horse Communications. HorseBowl and Hippology contests are also part of the Roundup. Over 350 contestants from 30 plus states participated this year and 17 were from NY. To qualify for this event local youth competed first at the regional level and then went on to State Competitions at Cornell and the NYS Fair. Congratulations to the following Madison County youth for qualifying to represent the NYS 4-H Horse Program and for the accomplishment of being selected for such an honor:

Abigail Marcy and Katrina McAllister represented NYS with their Team Presentation "Long Ears vs. Short Ears". Their presentation was based on the difference between mules vs. horses and the debate of which is superior. The comical nature of their title carried through the presentation as they kept the audience on their toes and entertained with their wit, knowledge and opinion. The presentation that they gave won the state contest and at Nationals was by far their personal best! Congratulations Kat and Abby!

Danielle Glasso represented NYS in Public Speaking with her Speech "A Military Salute". Danielle took the audience on an emotional journey of a military burial and how horses have played such an important role in this time honored tradition. Her speech won the state contest and placed 9th at Nationals. Congratulations, Danielle!

Kaitlynn Pfeiffer was a member of the NYS Horse Judging Team. Her team won the Senior contest at states and she placed 3rd as an individual. At Nationals she judged 8 classes total including 4 halter classes and 4 performance classes. She then gave 3 sets of oral reasons to the official judges justifying her placing. Her team finished 11th in the performance division. Congratulations, Kaitlynn!

All four of these youth are members of the Spurs and Spokes 4-H club in Chittenango NY. Their Leader, Ann Janson, helped them reach this accomplishment by pushing them at the club level. Ann is also involved in the NYS 4-H Horse program as the HorseBowl Chair.



Club Reports

Lincklaen Shamrocks Report On Their Fall Activities

by Maria Groetz, Club Reporter



Lincklaen Shamrocks Crop Walk

Oneida Kids Club Busy Helping Others



Bird Watching



Stuff the Cupboards collection

I am the reporter for the Lincklaen Shamrocks 4-H Club. We have been very busy this Fall. In September we elected officers. The president is Renee Groetz, vice president is Lara Bruno, secretary is Audrey Hale, Mya Walters is treasurer, Maria Groetz is reporter, and Ashley Kent is the photographer. We identified plants as we hiked Panther Mountain near Pesco. The view was magnificent on top of the mountain cliff. It was warm out and we wished we had brought our shorts and shirts instead of our heavy winter jackets. We ate lunch on the mountain while we enjoyed the view. In October we made cool ties for the soldiers in Iraq and we also made covers for our 4-H notebooks. On November 11, we served lunch to the local Veterans in Cazenovia. We also went on the Crop Walk, and we wrapped Thanksgiving baskets. Our latest projects have been making polar fleece blankets and mod podge glass vases. I also want to thank everyone for buying 4-H cookies making it possible to do the many projects we do.

In October the Oneida Kids Club managed the Special Olympics games at Wolf Oak Acres in Oneida. Later that month they went out collecting food for the Community Action Partnership's Stuff the Cupboards. Kim Krula of CAP sent the following thank you: "You collected 827 items on Saturday and the shelves are full. That's amazing!! This will help a lot of families. Everyone did a wonderful job - please let the kids know that they really made a difference this weekend."

In November, they helped clean up the barn at the Great Swamp Conservancy in Canastota and attended a wild turkey workshop by the DEC before taking a hayride to the pond and doing a little bird watching.

Submission Guidelines:

If you have a club report or event you would like to be published in the 4-H Flash, please send it to Peg Lewis at PGL5@cornell.edu. Please make sure that you include contact information in case we have any questions. Photos would also be appreciated along with a brief description of who and what's happening in the photo.



Registration Form

I'm interested in signing up for or receiving more information on the following events:

Sign Up	Send More Information	Date	Price
<input type="checkbox"/> NYS 4-H Foundation Scholarship	<input type="checkbox"/>	February 1 deadline	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rockathon	<input type="checkbox"/>	February 6 10am-1pm	Donation
<input type="checkbox"/> Teen Winter Weekend	<input type="checkbox"/>	February 12-14	\$55.00 enclosed
<input type="checkbox"/> Fabric Fun Day	<input type="checkbox"/>	February 27 9:30am-2pm	\$ _____ enclosed
<input type="checkbox"/> Public Presentation Day	<input type="checkbox"/>	March 6 9:30am- ?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Cheese Sale	<input type="checkbox"/>	March 6-20	

Please give us your comments on our new Flash format:

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Please add me to the Email List to receive the 4-H Flash electronically

If you have any special needs as addressed by the Americans with Disabilities Act and need assistance, please make your needs known by the registration deadline of the event you plan to attend. Reasonable efforts will be made for accommodations.



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