



4-H Flash



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2011 Madison County 4-H Youth Fair

Terry Omans, New Woodstock 4-H Club is the winner of this years 4-H Youth Fair T-Shirt design contest.

Congratulations Terry!!



**Youth Fair Judging Day
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Club Booth Setup

Friday, July 15th – 2:00-8:00 pm

All 4-H clubs



class your exhibit should be shown in and how it should be presented and help you with filling out the exhibit tag. Exhibits which are judged at the State Fair will also receive a premium from the State Fair. Whatever you decide, you must fill out the appropriate tag to go on your item when it is on display in the Madison County booth at the State Fair.

Friday is also the day when clubs prepare their club booths. Club displays at the Youth Fair give clubs a chance to share their experiences and accomplishments. It also gives you a chance to view other clubs' work, which can give you ideas for the upcoming 4-H year. **Be creative and original.** Make your club's exhibit the center of attention at the Youth Fair. Your club should spend some time at a meeting planning a theme for your booth and deciding how to carry it out. You may want to elect a member to be in charge so that everything you need is there and ready on Judging Day. Clubs may work on their booths from 2-8 pm on Friday.

Golden Club booths will have a certificate posted recognizing their extra effort and will, of course, receive an extra \$15 premium. A Golden Club is one that does a Make and Take or demonstration for at least one hour during the Fair. A Golden Club might also be one that leads games for the Cloverbuds or other Fairgoers, or offers pony rides.

Photographers – Plan to enter your favorite photos in the **second Annual Photo Contest**. This contest is open to **4-H members (Cloverbuds** may enter their photos for display also) and to **leaders or 4-H parents**. 4-H'ers may enter photos of any subject; adults must enter photos showing 4-H'ers having fun or doing a project. Ribbons will be awarded to all entries. This contest will be separate from the items judged on Friday although you may use the same photo for both judging opportunities. Blue ribbon items may be selected as State Fair exhibits at the discretion of the judge. A "Peoples Choice" award of a basket of 4-H goodies will be awarded at 3:30 pm to the photo that receives the most votes from the attendees at the Fair.

Photographic exhibits will be judged on Saturday afternoon. They must be brought to the registration booth during the day on Friday and will be displayed in the Ag Center from 8pm Friday until 4pm Saturday. Exhibitor must submit an entry form with a signed photo release. These photos may be used in CCE of Madison County promotional materials including the CCE of Madison County website.

Rules for the Saturday photography display:

- Exhibit must have been taken by the exhibitor during the club year. (Photos from the 2010 Youth Fair will also be accepted.)
- Human subjects in the photograph must be 4-H members or you must submit a signed photo release for any non-4-H member in the photograph.
- Exhibits will be evaluated on technical quality, composition, story telling and preparation of exhibit.
- No photograph or digital image shall be smaller than 3 1/2" by 3 1/2".
- Exhibit must be titled or captioned to assist the viewer to interpret the message. Preparation of photo for exhibit should demonstrate good workmanship and use of materials. Exhibit should be mounted on a sturdy background, not in a commercial picture frame. All photos will be displayed on a bulletin board so must be suitable for this type of display.

If you have any questions about either of these photo contests, please talk to Peg Lewis, 684-3001 ext 116 or e-mail her at PGL5@cornell.edu. The entry form will be available at the Youth Fair for you to fill out then or you may find it on our website <http://www.madisoncountycce.org> under 4-H Forms. 4-H members will need a parent's signature on their entry form.



Save The Date ...

FRIDAY FUN and FOOD

Friday, July 15th – 3:00-8:00 pm

All 4-H families

THE FAIR!!!

July 16th – 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

All 4-Hers, family and friends

Open to the public – 11:00 am -

4:00 pm



The Youth Fair Planning FUN Committee has planned a busy Friday of fun and games. Come prepared to have your projects judged, work on your club booth and HAVE FUN! **Fantastic Friday FUN** from 3-8 pm.

After the hard work of setting up your booth and having your exhibits judged and displayed, what could be more relaxing than sitting down to a **COVERED DISH DINNER**? The Covered Dish Dinner will replace the traditional Family Picnic this year. This will still give us a chance to have a meal together but be a bit simpler as far as the kitchen goes. The 4-H office will still coordinate the food but will plan on all of us bringing creative dishes – a great opportunity to share your favorite recipe. **Every family is asked to bring a dish to share.** CCE and Morrisville State College will provide drinks, a meat tray and ice cream for dessert! What else we have will be up to you. Thanks to the Youth Fair Planning Committee for this creative idea! Dinner will be served from 5:30-6:30 pm.

Basket Bonanza – If you are donating a basket for the Saturday Silent Auction, please bring it to the Ag Center between 3 and 8pm.

Pancake Breakfast – Morrisville Lions Club – 8 – 11 am, This year on Saturday morning July 16th the Morrisville Lions club will be cooking up a Pancake breakfast at the Youth Fair. The menu will include pancakes, sausage, applesauce, juice and coffee. Pancakes will be served from 8:00 to 11:00 am. The public is encouraged to come and 4-H families will be given a reduced price.

As 4-H families, your job is to invite others from the community to come and support the breakfast, see the Fair and celebrate all the great things 4-H is doing. The proceeds from the breakfast will go to the Madison County 4-H Foundation to help support trips, college scholarships and the Fair. **We really appreciate the Lions Club's willingness to support the 4-H program in this way.**

Plan to come enjoy the delicious food and bring your friends.

Animal Shows: All animals must be in place before 9:00 am

Rabbits and Cavies and small Pets: These animals must be caged in your club booth.

Rabbits will be judged beginning at 9:00 am. **Cavies** will be judged following the rabbits.

Pets will be judged following the cavies. The judging table will be set up under the eaves at the end of the barn unless the weather is bad.

Goats and Sheep: These animals will be penned in Booths 7 & 8 in the barn. They will be shown in the ring across from the pens. **Goats** will be judged at 9:00 am. (If you are showing both goats and rabbits, goats will take priority and you will go to the rabbit table when your goat(s) are finished.) **Sheep** will follow the goat judging.

If you were not able to come to project judging on Friday, have your items judged between 9 and 11 am (**pre-registration ONLY**) and take them to your club booth for display before 11:00 am.

The Fair will be open to the public from 11am to 4pm. There will be club booths, make 'n takes, demonstrations, animals, pony rides, Fair food, the new Basket Bonanza, and games. The photo contest and Tough Cookies Recipe Challenge will be on display in the Ag Center for all to enjoy. Tails and Pals dog club will hold a Meet the Breeds parade and stage show followed by the Pet Show for your favorite pets. State Fair exhibits and contest winners will be announced at 3:30 pm.

New this year is the **Tough Cookies Healthy Recipes Challenge**. If you have a 4-H member who loves to do creative cooking, encourage them to bring their dish with the recipe on Saturday morning. There are 3 categories for them to enter – baked items (limited to cookies, muffins or breads), recipes using local produce, and pet treats. They may



THE FAIR!!! (cont.)

take a favorite recipe and make it healthier through the use of whole grains, less fat, and/or less sugar. Local produce may be grown in their own gardens or purchased from local producers. **See the *Exhibitor's Guide* pages 9-11 for details on this fun contest. If you did not receive your Exhibitors Guide in the mail, find it on the website under 4-H Youth Fair.**

Another exciting new event is the Basket Bonanza. Many baskets have been donated and will be auctioned off in a silent auction during the day. All proceeds from this auction will go to the Madison County 4-H Foundation. The Foundation supports the Madison County 4-H Youth Fair, helps pay for trips during the year, gives college scholarships to worthy 4-H seniors, and provides money to clubs for special projects.

The auction is a great time to find fantastic gifts! Choose from one-of-a-kind theme gift baskets, handmade items, and gift certificates!

Make and Takes – We encourage all clubs to do Make 'N Take activities at the Fair. Make 'N Takes are fun for the Fairgoers and fun for the clubs as well. This year's club activities include: Fun and Games Farm activities by Spurs and Spokes, the ever-popular Laser Shot by the Shooting Stars, pony rides by the Young Riders, a community service quilt project (and you get to make a second quilt square to take home) by the Bridgeport Oneida Lakers, Rocket launches by the Lincklaen Shamrocks, Dairy fun with the Madison County Dairy Princess and her Dairy Court, Making your own dog toys by Tails and Pals, Goat Agility demonstration by the Homesteaders, Farm-to-Market for the Cloverbuds, and science fun with the N-W-4-H club. **We can always fit in another make and take! Call Peg today!!**

Madison County 4-H Youth Fair Dairy and Beef Show
July 19-20, 2011
Open to all dairy and beef members from Madison County



Madison County 4-H Youth Fair Horse Show
July 22-23, 2011
Open to all Horse members from Madison and Herkimer Counties



This year we welcome **the Gatekeepers** – a new 4-H club that will be exhibiting Scottish Highland Beef Cattle. It has been several years since we have had a 4-H beef club so let's welcome them to our Fair. **Stop by their club booth on Saturday and find out more about this interesting breed.**

And of course the usual Dairy Cattle will be on exhibit too. All of these cattle will be showing in the Pole Barn behind our Ag Center from Tuesday evening through Wednesday July 20th.

Madison County 4-H has invited Herkimer County 4-H members to join the 4-H Youth Fair Horse Show (July 22-23). This show is held at the Morrisville College Horse Arena on Swamp Road across from Morrisville-Eaton High School. Spectators are welcome to stop by and see all the action.

English and driving will show on Friday, July 22nd; Western and Gymkhana are scheduled for Saturday, July 23rd.

For Sale
 Goat show milking stand - Wooden with wheels and a storage area, would like \$75.00 or BO.
 Reply to Pat Amico -amicop@morrisville.edu



Save The Date ...

Second Annual Barn Dance
Thursday, August 4
Ag Center, Morrisville

The 2nd annual 4-H Barn Dance will be held on Thursday, August 4th, 2011 from 7-10pm! This dance is for 4-H teens and friends and **it is a fundraiser for the Madison County 4-H program**. It will be held in the Ag Center behind the Morrisville 4-H offices. There will be fun, dancing, and great music provided by DJ Brandon Gotham. Admission is \$5 at the door. Last year everyone had a great time, so we hope to see you there! For more info or questions, please contact Penny Hazer (Swift Hooves 4-H Club) at pmhazer10@twcny.rr.com.

The Great New York State Fair
August 25 to September 5, 2011

The Great New York State Fair, New York State Fairgrounds, Syracuse
State Fair 4-H Dog Show - August 31 and September 1, 4-H dog members who qualified at the Madison County Fair on July 9th are eligible to show at the State Fair. Obedience and Agility classes will be held on August 31 at the Coliseum. Rally and Grooming and Handling classes will be on September 1 at the Youth Arena. Come support our Madison County youth!

State Fair 4-H Horse Show - 4-H horse members who qualified at the Madison County 4-H Horse Show on July 22nd and 23rd are eligible to show at the State Fair. There will be various classes almost every day of the Fair. Check out the State Fair website <http://www.nysfair.org> for schedules.

Agribusiness Career Conference
October 6, 2011, Cobleskill, NY

Registration material will be available in August.

Insectapalooza
Saturday, October 29
Cornell campus, Ithaca

Insectapalooza 2011 is coming up on October 29th. Insectapalooza is a one-day Insect Fair to share the science and the allure of arthropods. It is an exciting event for 4-H'ers of any age with over 30 interactive exhibits and displays. Highlights include the Arthropod Zoo, a live butterfly room, and displays on invasive insects and their control. It is one of the largest scientific outreach events at Cornell and draws over 3,000 people from several states. Put it on your calendar now and we'll give you full details in September.

NYS Volunteer Leader Forum
Friday, November 18, 2011
Cornell Campus, Ithaca

Details coming in September

If you submitted a Club Report for this month, we will feature all Club Reports in the August 4-H Flash! Thank you for submitting your article and look for it in the next flash!



Look What We've Been Doing ...

Cheese Sale Results



Once again a successful cheese sale was held. A big thank you goes out to all who sold cheese and helped support the Madison County 4-H Foundation. The BIG Cheese party was a success. Numerous games of Cheez Bingo were played and fun gifts were won. The successful guesser of the total pounds of cheese sold was Ashley Darling and guessing the total number of items sold was Tatiana Nowakowski.

Top selling clubs this year were: Whitelaw Wonders Spurs & Spokes
Top selling individuals were:
Smith Family and Loomis Family (tied) Hale family Davis Family

Volunteer Mary Ann Sawyer sold the 2nd largest amount of cheese – thanks, Mary Ann, your efforts are really appreciated!

From the Madison County Dairy Princess – Emily Livermore



(Editor's Note: It sounds like our new Madison County Dairy Princess, Emily Livermore, has had a very busy spring. Stop by her booth at the Youth Fair or say hello at the Covered Dish Dinner when she makes your ice cream sundae.)

May 9th & 11th the Madison County Dairy Princess, Emily Livermore, visited the Madison Agricultural class. While there she played jeopardy and handed out a different dairy product with each class, including cheese and yogurt. With the 6th graders Emily watched a movie with them about the various animals on the farm and their care, since this is what they are studying in class. While they watched the movie, they enjoyed cheese sticks and made their own butter. Emily made sure they all knew the importance of getting their 3 every day of dairy and would also like to remind everyone to make sure they get 3 servings of dairy every day.



On Saturday May 14th, Madison County Dairy Princess and some of her court members, Alternate Allison Smith & Ambassador Kayla Smith, attended the Susan G. Koman, Race for the Cure in Syracuse, NY. They were joined by Onondaga princess and NYS first alternate Princess Kaitlyn Guptill and some of her court. They handed out Yoplait samples to all the participants to remind everyone to stay healthy with their 3-every-day. Breast Cancer is one of the most known cancers & studies show that dairy can help improve chances of preventing this cancer. The Dairy Court would like to remind everyone to get their 3 servings of milk, cheese, and yogurt every day.

The Madison County Dairy Princess visited the Oneida Castle School May 18th, to meet with grades K-3. In each class she read a book with them, made butter, & discussed how important it was to make sure to get their dairy every day. This was a very special event for Emily as this is the last year the Oneida Castle School will be open. While Emily and her court are busy spreading the word about dairy they would like to remind all of you at home how important it is in your diet and to make sure you get your 3-every-day as well.

On May 19th & 20th, The Madison County Dairy Princess visited the Hamilton FFA 8th grade Ag class. On the 19th, Emily taught them how to make butter and also had a cheese taste testing in which the kids were able to try different cheeses and see if they could tell the difference. On the 20th Emily was joined by Madison County Alternate Allison Smith, and they helped the class make ice cream and played Dairy Jeopardy. Both days the kids were taught fun ways to make sure to get their dairy every day.



On May 23, the Madison County Dairy Princess, Alternate Allison Smith & Ambassador Kayla Smith made their way to the St. Pat's school where they read books, asked questions, played games and made butter! The Dairy Court met with kindergarten-6th grade in St. Pat's. The children got to learn about other products they might buy that no one would know had dairy products in them. The children were all eager to answer questions, which was an amazing help to the dairy court. The Dairy court taught them about their 3 Every Day of Milk, Cheese, and Yogurt products. **The court would like to remind everyone of the importance of dairy every day.**



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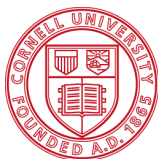
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