



# 4-H FOCAL POINT

July, 2009

4-H is a **COMMUNITY** of **YOUNG PEOPLE** across **AMERICA** who are learning **LEADERSHIP, CITIZENSHIP** and **LIFE SKILLS**.

## Quick Calendar - July

- 6,13,20,27 - Parenting Workshops at CCE
- 13 Deadline for State Fair Teen Opportunities
- 13-16 Primitive Pursuits Events at Acres
- 14 Quilt Show and Awards registration deadline
- 17 Cortland Gymkhana Show (qualifying)
- 18 Cortland Performance Show (qualifying)
- 22-25 Youth Fair at 4-H Acres
- 23-26 Northeast SET Youth/Adult Forum
- 27-30 Primitive Pursuits Events at Acres

## Looking Ahead

- August 3,10,17,24 - Parenting Workshops at CCE
- August 15 - NY Institute Registration Due
- Aug. 30-Sept. 3 - Tompkins County at State Fair
- September 2 - Tompkins Pub. Pres. at State Fair
- September 16 - Consumer & Family PDC meeting
- September 17 - Cultural Exchange Club meeting
- September 19 - New York Institute
- October 3,4 - Quilt Show TC3 campus

## Monthly Spotlight: Erik Jorgensen

Erik is a very enthusiastic and energetic 4-H member. He is involved in many aspects of 4-H including rabbit club, exchange club, poultry, dairy and goats. He has helped at Kritter Kamp for several years and he always has great ideas and he's not afraid to offer them up. Erik is a pleasure to have in the Little Bunny Foo-Foo's rabbit club. Erik is also a proud member of the Taughannock Area Rabbit Breeder Association (TARBA). They are really lucky to have such a terrific member! Kudos to you Erik!



*Submitted by Gail Kaiser  
Club Leader Little Bunny Foo-Foo's*

Hello 4-H participants, volunteers and families,

Last month I wrote about the 4 essential elements of 4-H being Independence, Generosity, Belonging and Mastery. We are in the Fair and show season of 4-H, so this month I am focusing on **Mastery**. To the **YOUTH** involved in our program, your volunteer 4-H leaders and staff strive to help you feel and believe you are capable and successful. This statement describes what Mastery means to us in the 4-H program. What it looks like is youth completing a project or program, youth developing new skills and new interests, and youth feeling supported to do the best you can do. Have fun this summer, learn new skills, help another 4-H member learn something new, and show your best sportsmanship skills at all times.

Best wishes,

Megan



**If you have a 4-H'er that you want to nominate for the spotlight, please fill out the nomination form on page 8. You can also nominate a club to be in our spotlight. Just complete the form and send it in to the office. We will do our best to get your nominee in the spotlight. Mail nominations to: 4-H Youth Development - 615 Willow Avenue - Ithaca NY 14850 - Attention Focal Point**

# INSIDE TOMPKINS COUNTY 4-H

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Wildcats • Edith Cooper  
T-burg Robins • Vera McLafferty, Paddy Redihan, Laura Nelkin  
Newfield Trailblazers • Carol Cook  
Hill Country • Karen Gunning  
Toes Up Heels Down • Dannielle Cornelius  
Finger Lakeslivestock League • Cathy Holden  
Life Explorers (Family Club) • Sue Roenke  
Cultural Exchange • Chris Ashdown, Debbie Teeter  
Covert Cowbells • Kate and Jill Stilwell  
Laid Back Ranch (Family Club) • Nancy Moore  
Jr. Master Gardeners • Lori Bushway  
Hill n' Dale • Susan Barr  
Patchwork • Lorraine Aichele  
Jr. Tailwaggers • Cindy Wagner  
4H2O Monitors • Jan Liotta  
Little Bunny Foo-Foo's • Gail Kaiser  
Namaste Friends • Bridgid Beames

\*It is our policy to not release contact information for our volunteers to the public. For contact information, get in touch with Brenda or Sherron.

## Our MISSION

*"Unleash the power of youth through diverse opportunities that meet community needs."*

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# OPPORTUNITIES & EVENTS

## NEW YORK YOUTH INSTITUTE

High School student leaders from across the state take part in the **1st Annual New York Youth Institute, part of the World Food Prize.** High school students will visit the Cornell to meet professors and researchers from the world of agricultural development. Students will write an essay on National Responses to Food Insecurity and present their essays at Cornell. Three NY students will be selected to represent the state at the Global Youth Institute in Iowa in October (all expenses paid for student and teacher mentor). For more information and registration forms, visit [worldfoodprize.org/youth/states/ny.htm](http://worldfoodprize.org/youth/states/ny.htm) or contact program coordinator Francine Jasper at [fj10@cornell.edu](mailto:fj10@cornell.edu) or 607-255-1907.

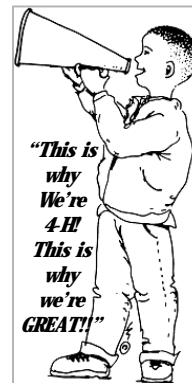
September 19<sup>th</sup>  
Cornell Univ.  
Register by  
August 15<sup>th</sup>



## SHOUT IT OUT!

**Northeast SET  
Youth & Adult Forum  
July 23-26, 2009**

Join us at the New England Center on the University of New Hampshire campus...and it is going to be GREAT!  
**WHO** The goal is to have NYS represented by two teams. A team is comprised of 2 youth (13+) and 1 adult. Teams will be expected to share what they have learned when they return to their county. Youth may support after school groups, 4-H clubs, regional leader trainings, etc... Teams are encouraged to be creative in how they share their knowledge, including the use of technology (podcasts, YouTube video, Facebook, etc.)  
**WHY** Cool Science Challenges: potential topics include Food Science, GPS, Robotics, Wind Energy and more. This is a chance to **promote 4-H as a dynamic and vital youth development organization with opportunities in relevant issues and workforce preparation for the future.**



Work in UNH Labs - true "hands-on" learning for youth as they have the opportunity to access UNH's state of the art equipment! The conference also allows teens an opportunity to explore the University, at an age when many are considering the options available to them. Contact Megan if you're interested at [met38@cornell.edu](mailto:met38@cornell.edu).

## 4-H ACRES NEWS

### ACRES WISH LIST



Here is a short list of items needed to spruce up YOUR Acres. Any assistance will be appreciated. Trees, grass seed, rakes, wheel barrows, bricks for a new fire pit, tables, folding chairs, sawdust, paint and lumber. Contact Brenda or Megan if you'd like to make a donation.

## QUILTING AWARDS AND QUILT SHOW

Quilting Awards and Quilt Show Tompkins County Quilters Guild is sponsoring a junior and senior award at the 4-H Youth Fair this summer. Another great opportunity for 4-H quilters is the Quilters Guild biennial **quilt show coming up October 3-4, 2009 at the TC3 campus in Dryden.** Any 4-Her who has made a quilt is encouraged to join the show. The **deadline for submitting the entry forms is July 14.** Entry forms and more information are available at [www.tcqg.org](http://www.tcqg.org) or by calling Suzanne Broderick at 266-7674.

## MEETINGS

Little Bunny Foo-Foo's: see you at the Fair!

4-H Exchange Club: our next meeting will be September 17 with LOTS to talk about; new members welcome

Consumer & Family Science PDC: Wed., September 16, craft preparation for the National 4-H Conference, 4:00 - 9:00 at 4-H Acres.

Livestock PDC: see you at the Fair!

## GIVING BACK

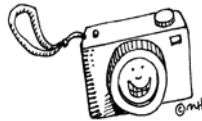
If you did not reach your 4-H Duck Race sales goal, this is a good opportunity for you to make your 4-H Acres support goal. Your 4-H club or program can coordinate the **chicken BBQ at Fair on Saturday, July 25.** Let Megan know ASAP if your 4-H club or program is interested in taking advantage of this leadership opportunity. Email her at [met38@cornell.edu](mailto:met38@cornell.edu) or call the office at 272-2292.

# REMINDERS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

## PHOTOS FOR YOUR STORIES

### ----- REMINDER -----

Please submit pictures when you submit stories to Focal Point. Images really help to draw readers to your article. And besides, everyone wants to see their name in print and their face in a publication. What a great way to add to your record book!



*Electronic pics only*

## HORSE EVENTS



**Friday, July 17:**  
Gymkhana  
Qualifying show,  
Cortland County  
**Saturday, July  
18, 10**

**a.m.:** Performance Qualifying  
Show (English/Huntseat and  
Western), Cortland County  
**September TBA** - Tompkins  
County Fall Fun Show



## PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS AT STATE FAIR IN 2009

### Wednesday Sept. 2 State Fair Youth Building Stage

Please be aware that the State Level Public Presentations event will be held at STATE FAIR this year. Presenters, please be prepared and spectators, please come and show support for the youth who worked so hard to get to this level. Presentations has always been one of Tompkins County's stronger programs. If you have never been to the Statewide Presentations event, this is a great opportunity to see Tompkins County and New York's best. Please come out to support your fellow 4-H'ers as they show off their skills in the areas of Demonstration, Illustrated Talk, Speech, Recitation, and Dramatic Interpretation. What a great way to see what the younger groups can aspire to! Tompkins County Qualified Presenters are: **Sarah Barden, Hannah Miller, Isabelle Miller and Daniel Stauffer!** Wish them all luck!



## FINGER LAKES LIVE-STOCK LEAGUE 4-H CLUB

Our meeting was held on June 20th in Ithaca. We have 8 members in our club. 3 were present and we had 3 guests attend this meeting. The purpose of this meeting was to learn how to milk a goat and prepare for show. Rosemary showed us how to milk by doing it herself. First, you have to squeeze out some milk on the ground to get rid of impurities. Next, you squeeze it into the bucket. Afterwards, Marie showed us how to trim hooves to get ready for show. She also showed us how to put on a halter. We then went back to the house and they showed us how to pasteurize the milk by heating it up. Finally, we had some muffins and the Welton-Lairs brought grapefruit juice and lemonade.



*Minutes submitted by  
Sarah Welton-Lair*

# PRIMITIVE PURSUITS

For all programs, visit [primitivepursuits.net](http://primitivepursuits.net) for registration forms. Call 272-2292 ext. 195 for even more information. Limited Scholarships are available.



## SUMMER PROGRAMS

Primitive Pursuits is offering the following sessions of hands-on, adventurous, outdoor summer programs:

**7/13/09-7/16/09 at 4-H Acres**

**7/27/09-7/30/09 at 4-H Acres**

**8/10/09-8/13/09 at Finger Lakes National Forest**

**8/17/09-8/20/09 at 4-H Acres**

**8/24/09-8/27/09 at Finger Lakes National Forest**

These are four-day sessions for ages 6-14. Please go to the website for more information including cost and registration forms. Programs usually fill up quickly, so register early!

# LEADERS' LOUNGE

## SO WHAT'S YOUR STORY?

Are you the child who realized she learned more by getting a WHITE ribbon on her 4-H demonstration than she ever learned getting a blue? Are you the engineer who would never have chosen MATH for a career had it not been for that 4-H Rocketry project? Perhaps you are the couple who work so hard together to make sure the county has a 4-H Camp each year or the Exchange student of long ago who STILL writes to his host mom? Are you the motivational speaker who gives speeches based on that speech heard while attending National 4-H Congress in the 50's? Or perhaps you know someone who is!



We all know 4-H can teach the world how to live and we can do it through our stories – YOUR stories. One of the great 4-H educators of all time, Dorothy Emerson, taught us, “Each one, teach one!” What better way to do that than to tell us YOUR story? The 4-H Regional newsletter is in it's final year and the finish line is in sight! Next year the book will be in your hands – teaching you and everyone else through collective stories. But even this close, they still need more stories to get there.

Go to <http://nys4h.cce.cornell.edu/joinus/HouseofStories.php> and read some of the stories submitted so far. Then sit down and write YOUR story. Story submission criteria can also be found on the web page. Are you the one who submitted that great 4-H story; or are you the one who never got “around to it.” **Come on... So what's your story?**

**Please submit stories to Megan Tiftt**

**electronically: met38@cornell.edu or U.S. mail: 615 Willow Avenue - Ithaca, NY 14850**

## PARENTING: The Hardest Job in the World

### **THRIVING WITH YOUR SPIRITED CHILD**

Do you have a spirited child? Share your strengths and learn new strategies. Learn to talk with your children using the five communication skills: *Encouragement, Can Do, Choices, Self-Control, and Respecting Feelings*. Learn about your child's temperament (and yours) and how to develop effective strategies for dealing with temper tantrums, power struggles and other challenging behaviors in this **FREE 8-week series**, led by Cathy Gee and Stephanie Gumaer.

**When:** Monday evenings, 6:30 -8:30 p.m., July 6, 13, 20, 27, August 3, 10, 17, 24 Note: Participation closed after July 13.

**Where:** Tompkins County Cooperative Extension, 615 Willow Ave., Ithaca

To Register call 272-2292 and ask to sign up. For more information, Contact Anna Steinkraus at [ams69@cornell.edu](mailto:ams69@cornell.edu).



*This free workshop series is sponsored by Tompkins County Cooperative Extension ~ Family and Community Development; Parent Education Network/Stone Soup*

# 4-H Youth Fair July 22 to 25

## 4-H YOUTH FAIR NEWS

### CHICKEN BBQ VOLUNTEER JOBS

**Thursday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> in the p.m.**-need 1-2 volunteers to make the chicken marinade and prepare the chicken.  
2-hour maximum time commitment.

**Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> 8-?**-Chicken on the grill. Need experienced chicken BBQ'ers please.

**Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> 9-11 a.m.**-prepare the salt potatoes according to recipe; wash if needed and have on the stove by 10:00 a.m. While cooking, butter can be melted. Cooler? **1 volunteer.**

**Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> 10-11 a.m.**-prepare the Cole Slaw according to recipe, Transfer to serving bowl, cover and place in walk-in cooler. **1 volunteer.**

**Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> 10:30 a.m.-11:45**-set-up serving area. Move tables, cover tables, set out tableware, including to go containers, prepare drinks (2 large coolers) and set up with cups, set out baked goods, rolls in baskets/large metal bowls, set out condiments, bring out cole slaw and potatoes by 11:45, bring out plastic gloves and hats for servers, trivets and serving utensils. **3 volunteers.**

**Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> 11:45--1:45**-Serve food to customers. Need **1 person for chicken, cole slaw, rolls, and potatoes.**

**Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> 11:45--1:45**-Ticket sales-**2 volunteers**

**Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> 2:00-3:30**-clean up-**3-4 volunteers**

Please contact Megan if you are willing to volunteer for any of these jobs.

## A NEW TWIST ON AN OLD FAVORITE

I know we've been good citizens and have been recycling our little hearts out for as long as we can remember. Well, here's an interesting and challenging way to recycle materials that are still useable.

### CREATIVE REPURPOSE CONTEST

Creative ways to repurpose something into a new object. For example: Turn an old t-shirts turned into a quilt, make used flip-flops into a front door mat, or make a dress out of plastic shopping bags or newspaper. You can turn an old dresser drawer into a shelf and so much more!

### CREATIVE REUSE CONTEST

Creative ways of updating an item while maintaining its original purpose. For example: An old table can be fixed up/refurbished into an updated table. You can embroider an old purse so it looks new or take an old wedding gown and make it into a new prom dress. The possibilities are endless!

## STATE FAIR NEWS

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR TEENS

There are several opportunities for teens to get involved at the NYS Fair. **The deadline for letting us know if your teen wants to participate is July 13th.** Here's what they have to choose from:

- **Teen Evaluators/Judges Assistants-** for Foods, Clothing, Home Environment/ Consumer Education/Child Development, Communications and Expressive Arts, Horticulture, Art Objects, Visual Arts/ Photography, Science and Technology.
- **Teen Leaders-**Emcee/Master of Ceremonies, GPS/GIS, Horse "Kids and Horses" tent, Operation Military Kids, 4-H Press Corps, Poultry Teen Leaders, Shooting Sports, Information Booth, Museum of the Earth, Dog Science, and Fashion Revue.
- **State Fair Youth Building Teen Assistant-** [http://nys4h.cce.cornell.edu/program/events/documents/TAJobDescription\\_000.pdf](http://nys4h.cce.cornell.edu/program/events/documents/TAJobDescription_000.pdf)
- **Tompkins County 4-H Booth-** work with other teens from the County to host hands-on activities at our booth during the 5-day time period we are at State Fair.

**Tompkins County will be at State Fair this year from August 30th-September 3rd.**





# FOCAL POINT FEEDBACK



Over the past 5 issues the Focal Point has undergone a makeover in response to feedback from leaders. The *sole objective of the Focal Point is to provide a means of clear, communication between the Tompkins County 4-H Office and all those involved in 4-H programs.* Your thoughtful feedback would be most appreciated. Please either complete and mail this survey to the Education Center (attn: Sherron) or email [scb42@cornell.edu](mailto:scb42@cornell.edu) for a digital copy of the survey.

*Thank you very much for your time and comments!*

**ALL RESPONDANTS WILL RECEIVE A COUPON FOR A COMPLIMENTARY CHILI COOK OFF DINNER AT THIS YEAR'S 4-H YOUTH FAIR. SEND YOUR SURVEY IN AND PICK UP YOUR FREE DINNER!**

❶ Did you notice that the Focal Point had undergone a makeover/changes?  Yes  No

❷ How do you view the Focal Point?  
 Website  Hardcopy/mailed  Emailed

❸ Do you receive Focal Point Flashes via email?  
 Yes  No

❹ If yes, do you typically read them?  Yes  No

❺ To what extent do you typically read the Focal Point?  
 None  Skim though  Read closely for content

❻ How would you rate the usefulness/applicability of the information in the Focal Point?

Worthless  Some is relevant

I learn about new opportunities  All is useful

❼ Should the Focal Point be continued?  Yes  No

**The below questions are about the new sections.**

**Please rate usefulness/quality on a scale of 1-5 (circle):**

**1 (waste of space) to 5 (excellent addition)**

Message from Megan 1 2 3 4 5

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Directory Listing 1 2 3 4 5

List of Clubs/Leaders 1 2 3 4 5

Photo of the Month 1 2 3 4 5

Less color and graphics 1 2 3 4 5

Format of the blurbs  
(date/time bolded) 1 2 3 4 5

Under the 4-H Umbrella  
(Reality Check, Primitive Pursuits) 1 2 3 4 5

Club Announcement Section 1 2 3 4 5

Would your club post requests to work with other clubs?  Yes  No

Has your club submitted a secretary's report?  Yes  No

**Please rate from 1 (terrible) to 5 (desirable)**

For mailed issues - double fold 1 2 3 4 5

Fun Page with hands on activities 1 2 3 4 5

Format of the back cover 1 2 3 4 5

General ascetics and use of space 1 2 3 4 5

Length of the Focal Point (pages) 1 2 3 4 5

What else can be done to improve the Focal Point?

What other features/content should be included?

What content should be removed?

Other ideas to improve communications between the 4-H Office and you:

**Thank You!**

# SPOTLIGHT NOMINATION FORMS

## CLUB Nomination Form

Is your **club** doing something 'Spotlight Worthy?'

Want to let your members know just how exciting **their club** is by having it featured on the **FRONT** page of the Focal Point?

Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spotlight Worthy recent activity/event/community service: \_\_\_\_\_

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Other upcoming activities to mention: \_\_\_\_\_

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Attached photos of the 4-Hers in action:    yes    no

Would you like your meeting information listed in the FP:    yes    no    If yes, please email

Are you interested 'advertizing' for activities to do with other clubs in the FP:    yes    no

Mail completed forms to the 4-H Office attn: Sherron Brown or email [scb42@cornell.edu](mailto:scb42@cornell.edu) for a digital form.

## 4-HER Nomination Form

Is one of your **4-Hers** 'Spotlight Worthy?'

Do you want to recognize **their** achievements and involvement for the county to see by featuring it on the **FRONT** page of the Focal Point?

4-Her's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Why are you nominating this 4-Her?: \_\_\_\_\_

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Activities/interests outside of 4-H: \_\_\_\_\_

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Ambitions in 4-H, in the future: \_\_\_\_\_

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Years in 4-H: \_\_\_\_\_ Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Hometown: \_\_\_\_\_

Attached photos of the 4-Her in action:    yes    no

Mail completed forms to the 4-H Office attn: Sherron Brown or email [scb42@cornell.edu](mailto:scb42@cornell.edu) for a digital form.



# KUDOS



## KRITTER KAMP KUDOS



Kudos to the teen mentors who shared their skills and love of animals at Kritter Kamp: **Laura Durfee, Joe Markley, Rogan and Morgan Moore, Abel Stanton, Stephanie Baxendell, Marguerite DeLong, Katie Gray, Marissa Noe, Marie Roenke, Erik Jorgensen, Lydia Shea, Olivia and Marissa Ramos.** Special thanks to our super-duper kitchen staff – **Cathy Holden and Patrick Murphy,** guest speakers **John Loftus, Cornell Vet Student, and Gabe Carpenter, Dairy Nutritionist.**

## 4-H ACRES BEAUTIFICATION CREW (4-H ABC)

A very hearty thank-you goes out to our own 4-H Acres Beautification Crew! They came out in crazy and unpredictable Ithaca weather and spruced up the Acres for all of us to enjoy. The staff sends out a thank you because we really couldn't do it without them! The Acres Beautification Crew consists of: **Pamela Markham, Karen Barden, David Lampman, Betsey Lampman, JoAnn Gruttadaurio, and Sarah Richards.** WE APPRECIATE YOU!



# FUN STUFF

## FUN WITH NUMBERS



School is out for the summer, but we don't want your brains to go to mush. Some of you have summer reading lists, but how many of you will be working on your math skills? Here are a few number tricks that will keep your mind sharp and wow your friends.



### FABULOUS FIVE!

Choose a number from 1-10.  
Double the number  
Add 10 to your new number  
Now, divide the total by 2  
Finally, subtract your original number that you started with.  
Your answer will always be 5!

### FANTASTIC FOUR

Have your friend to think of a number in his/head. That number will be called the "mystery number". Tell them to add five. Now add two and then subtract three. Now have them subtract that by the mystery number. Your friend should end up with 4.

### I CAN READ YOUR MIND!

Ask a friend to randomly select a 2-digit number. Write that number on a scrap of paper, fold it several times and put it in a shoebox. Make sure that no one sees what you are writing. Repeat steps several times until your friend has named about ten different numbers. Have another friend reach into the shoebox and open up one of the scraps of paper without letting you see it. Rip up the remaining scraps of paper so that their powerful mathematical vibrations will not interfere with your mindreading. Ask your friend to concentrate on the number he is holding. Pretend you are reading his mind and then reveal that number!

**HOW it's done:** write the FIRST number on EVERY scrap of paper!

## Secretary's Monthly Report to the County 4-H Office

This report should be filled out completely by the club secretary after the last club meeting of the month.

MONTH AND YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE MAILED: \_\_\_\_\_  
*(This report must be received in the 4-H office by the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the following month)*

NAME OF CLUB: \_\_\_\_\_ TOWN: \_\_\_\_\_

### Meetings Held

Date of Meetings	Activity or Purpose of Meeting	Number of Members in Club	Members Present	Others Present

- REMINDER: Story of 4-H club activities such as parents' night, trips, special activities, committees, etc. to be provided by your **news reporter** to the 4-H Admin. Asst. by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the current month to be included in the Focal Point.
- Please provide a list of elected and/or appointed officers to the 4-H Admin. Asst. as soon as possible when changes are made (President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, News Reporter, Recreation Leader, etc.)

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New members joined this month: *(Completed enrollment form must be provided to 4-H Admin. Asst. by leader)*

Name & Phone number of new member	Mailing Address	Birthday

Members who left the club this month:

Name of member	Reason for leaving

Meetings for the coming month:

Date	Time	Place

Information submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club leader name: \_\_\_\_\_



## IMPORTANT 4-H YOUTH FAIR DATES

July 8	Superintendent Orientation, Pre-Fair Registrations and ALL animal registrations due, 4-H Youth Fair pre-fair Evaluations <i>(for youth who cannot attend Evaluation Day on July 21)</i>
July 20	4-H Fair Clean-up/Set-up Day for pole barn and Kiwanis Hall
July 21	Animals Arrive and Evaluation of stationary exhibits
July 22-25	4-H Youth Fair
July 30	4-H Youth Fair Evaluation Meeting, State Fair Mandatory Meeting



**Cooperative  
Extension**  
Tompkins County

4-H Youth Development  
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Would you like to receive a copy of the Focal Point mailed directly to you each month? - just contact the 4-H office. We ask for a donation of \$5 to offset the cost of printing and postage. The donation is NOT a requirement, any amount is fine. We want all our readers to be informed of the opportunities and events.

Office hours: Monday-Friday 8:30am to 4:30pm  
Focal Point feedback and submission ideas,  
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Have a friend interested in 4-H?  
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