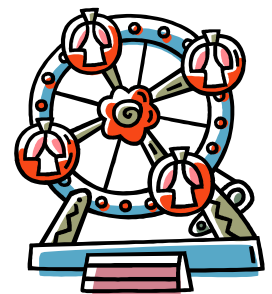
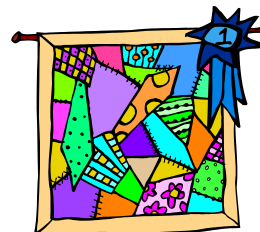
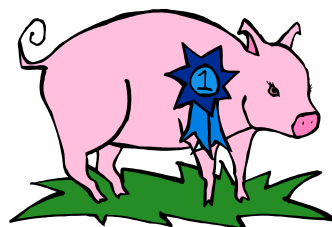


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Calendar

June 25-29	Science Engineering and Technology (SET) Camp at LG Cook 4-H Camp
July 1	ALL entries for NJ State Fair/SCF&HS due at RCE/4-H Office
July 8	Pass Request Forms due to Fairgrounds
July-August	One Week Summer Camp Sessions at LG Cook 4-H Camp
July 7-13	Citizen Washington Focus (National 4-H Event)
August 2-11	2013 NJ State Fair/Sussex County Farm & Horse Show
August 13	State 4-H Dairy Show (Hunterdon County)
August 17	State Equestrian of the Year Interviews
August 22	State 4-H Goat Show
August 23-25	NJ State 4-H Horse Show
September 7	NJ State 4-H Rabbit, Small Animal, Cavy, Herpetology & Poultry Show
September 13	4-H Open House at Shotwell Building
October 19	Halloween Happenings at LG Cook 4-H Camp

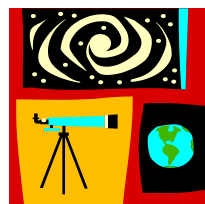


Upcoming Events

Science, Engineering and Technology (SET) Camp

June 25-28, 2013

LG Cook 4-H Camp



The Lindley G. Cook 4-H Youth Center for Outdoor Education and the NJ4-H Science and Technology Program Committee invite you to the overnight science camp

program this summer at LG Cook. The program begins Tuesday and ends with group presentations on Friday. Parents are invited to attend the workshop demonstrations.

The cost of the program is \$300.00 per child. Youth in 5th – 8th grade will spend four days at camp for hands on learning experiences in one of the S.E.T initiative subject areas. Each camper will choose one workshop topic to explore, and will have six sessions in that topic area. Each session will last approximately one hour and fifteen minutes.

Visit the S.E.T. page for details and a link for registration at www.nj4hcamp.rutgers.edu/SET.

DEADLINE for Fair Entries and Project Books

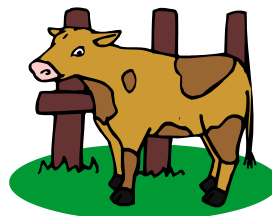
Monday, July 1

All entries for the NJ State Fair/Sussex County Farm & Horse Show and project books are due to the 4-H office by 4pm on **Monday, July 1st**. Late entries will **not** receive fair passes! Entry forms and project books must contain all signatures before being accepted as *on time*.

Please be sure to check your entry forms and project books before turning them in!

NJ State Dairy Show

Monday, August 12
(Salem County)



The NJ State Dairy Show will be on August 12 and will be hosted by Salem County.

Youth in the 4-H Dairy

Cattle project learn how to care for and show dairy cattle throughout the year. At the end of the 4-H year, these individuals come together to compete in type and showmanship classes. Youth may exhibit animals they own or lease which are of any of the six Dairy Breeds.

State 4-H Equestrian of the Year

Saturday, August 17

The Equestrian of the Year contest is an ambassador program that encourages 4-H'ers to become well-rounded individuals with a comprehensive background in the horse field. Emphasis is placed on participation in the educational equine events such as Horse Bowl, Horse Judging and Hippology; Public Speaking skills through county, state and the Equine Presentation contests; Leadership proficiency by participation in State Horse Project Teen Council (HPTC) and county level teen leadership programs; Community Service Projects; and other equine related activities.

State 4-H Goat Show

Thursday, August 22

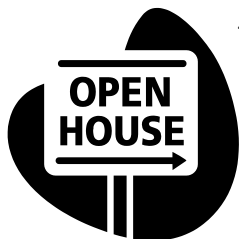
The State 4-H Goat Show will be held at the Hunterdon County 4-H and Agricultural Fair on Thursday, August 22. Goat project members can show their dairy goats and their meat/fiber goats! All animals **must** have legible identification that matches their health papers!

More information can be found on the state 4-H website, <http://nj4h.rutgers.edu/goats/goatshow/> or by contacting Chad Ripberger at 609-989-6833.



4-H Open House

Friday, September 13



The annual 4-H Open House is scheduled for Friday, September 13 at the Shotwell Building from 7-9 pm. Fair visitors who express interest in 4-H, as well as the general public are invited to attend.

If you have friends interested in learning about 4-H, invite them!

Flyers will be available during the fair at the 4-H information table.

Your club is invited to share information and recruit new members by hosting a table at the Open House. Contact the 4-H Office for more information.

NJ State 4-H Rabbit, Small Animal, Cavy, Herpetology and Poultry Show

Saturday, September 7 (Gloucester County)



The New Jersey State 4-H Rabbit, Small Animal, Cavy, Herpetology and Poultry Show will be held on Saturday, September 7, 2013 at the Gloucester County 4-H Fairgrounds (245 Bridgeton Pike, Mullica Hill) This event will be hosted by Salem and Gloucester County with assistance

from 4-H volunteers from other counties. The day will include events such as Showmanship, Breed Classes, Breed ID, and Art Contest, and a Rabbit Agility and Hopping Demonstration

More information is available on the Rabbits and Small Animals section of the New Jersey 4-H website. Details on registration materials can be found at <http://nj4h.rutgers.edu/smallanimals/smallanimalshow/>.

Entries are due August 21, 2013.

Halloween Happenings

Saturday, October 19 (LG Cook 4-H Camp)



The annual Halloween Happenings event will take place Saturday, October 19 at the Lindley G. Cook 4-H Camp at 100 Struble Road in Branchville from 5-8pm. Cabins will be available to decorate as part of the torch-lit trick or

treating trail. Please remember that all decorations need to be kept **outside** the cabins. No haunted house cabins. This is a small child-friendly event! There will be pumpkin painting and crafts inside the dining hall as well as a hay ride through the woods. Last year's event was extremely popular with the largest attendance ever!



Club Updates:

Awesome Alpaca Adventurers:

Members of Awesome Alpaca Adventurers recently sheared their alpacas and included fund raising. Visitors were invited to watch alpacas being shorn, learn about them, and purchase snacks sold by club members.

Club members are also training for the Mid-Atlantic Alpaca Association Show, the largest alpaca show in the United States! Members are training with their alpacas for events in agility, socializing, and using alpaca fibers to create things such as clothing items.



Krafty Krafters:



The members of *Krafty Krafters* have been very busy since the beginning of the project year.

They have helped out at several One Step Closer Animal Rescue

(<http://www.oscaranimalrescue.org/>)

adoption events as well as organizing a road side clean up.

Awards and Results:

County Public Presentations

The 2013 Public Presentation program was a tremendous success! 301 Sussex County 4-H members registered to give presentations! Despite weather problems the second week, 278 members went on to present.

Fifteen Cloverbud members participated. Overall, 96 members qualified to participate in 4-H State Public Presentations June 8th at Rutgers.

Several 4-H alumni say the public speaking skills learned in 4-H were among the most valuable they learned in 4-H!

NJ State 4-H Horse Bowl



The State 4-H Horse Bowl competition was held in New Brunswick in February. Sussex County sent Junior and Senior teams along with an individual member. The

Senior team included **Lauren Sanders, Kaela Denno, Sascha Hernandez** and **Brianna Dunn. Nicole Youngclaus, Madeline Teitsma, Caitlyn Ranieri** and **Emily Ranieri** made up the Junior Sussex team. The Junior Sussex team took 2nd place overall! **Nicole Youngclaus** took 1st high individual, Caitlyn

Ranieri placed 6th high individual and **Emily Ranieri** took 7th high individual.

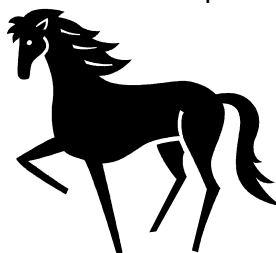
Congratulations for a job well done to all who participated!

Volunteering from Sussex County was:

- **Abby Gildersleeve** coached the Junior Team and served as scorer during the competition.
- **Michelle Teitsma** coached the Senior Team.
- **Cathy Porter** composed the questions and served as a senior official.
- **Emily Wunderlich** assisted in organizing the event, served as a senior official and oversaw the master scoring.

2013 State 4-H Equine Arts Show

The NJ State Equine Arts Show was held in conjunction with the NJ State 4-H Horse Bowl Competition. Competing from Sussex County was **Shya Beth** from the *Back in the Saddle*



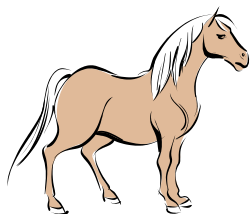
club and **Scarlett Welfel, Lily Welfel,** and **Angela Howard** from *Equistarz*.

Shya took *Best in Show* with her exhibit *My Dentzel Carousel Horse*. Shya received the title of *Champion Junior Art* as well as participating in 3-D Art and Miscellaneous Photography.

Scarlett received *Champion Senior Photo* and also participated in Senior Black and White Photography. Lily entered artwork in Junior Horseshow Project and Angela entered a project in the Senior 3-D Art class. Congratulations!



2013 State 4-H Model Horse Show



Warren County hosted the annual NJ State Model Horse Show competition in January. Competing from Sussex County was **Alexandra**

Rogers from *Sussex Shepherds 4-H Club*. She received Senior Performance Champion, Senior Halter Champion and Open Custom/China Champion. She also received Reserve Champion in the Senior Do It Yourself division. In addition to the championships, Alexandra brought home numerous ribbons from all the classes she entered.

Congratulations on a job well done!

2013 NJ State 4-H Horse Judging and Hippology Competition

Sussex County 4-H took home some high honors from the 2013 Horse Judging competition this past April!

The Sussex Senior Team came in 1st place High Team Overall. The team included **Samantha Elliott, Meghan Carolan, Amanda Clawson**, and **Kaela Denno**, all from the *Bit by Bit 4-H Club*. This team also received 1st place in Team Oral Reasons. The 2nd place High Team Overall was a combination team of Somerset and Sussex counties that included *Bit By Bit* member, **Alice Pyror**. This team also placed 5th in Team Oral Reasons.

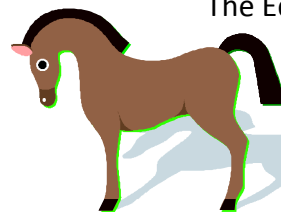
In the High Individual awards, **Samantha Elliott** took home 1st Overall Senior and 1st Senior Oral Reasons, **Meghan Carolan** came in 8th Senior Overall, and **Amanda Clawson** claimed 10th Senior Overall and 3rd Senior Reasons. Through her hard work and dedication, **Samantha Elliott** has qualified to compete on the Eastern National 4-H Round Team for Horse Judging.

Congratulations to her and to all those that participated!

Sussex County 4-H was well represented at the 2013 Hippology Contest. The Sussex County Senior team was among the top ten Overall High Teams. Congratulations to **Amanda Clawson** who came in 6th High Individual Overall. This award has qualified her to compete on the Eastern National 4-H Round-Up Team for Hippology.

Congratulations to Amanda for her hard work and congratulations to all those who participated in the event!

2013 Equine Presentations



The Equine Presentation

Competition took place at on Sunday, March 17. Sussex County 4-H members, **Scarlett**

Welfel (*Equistarz*), **Shya Beth** and **Hannah Stormes** of (*Back in the Saddle*), **Morgan Herbst** (*Bit by Bit*) participated.

Scarlett competed in the Senior Division with her illustrated talk and took 3rd Senior Individual.

Shya participated in the Junior Division and earned 3rd Junior Individual.

Morgan also presented in the Junior Division and placed 4th and Hannah placed 6th!

2013 Winter Camp



Sadly, Winter Camp was cancelled this year due to bad weather. We hope to have better weather next year for an awesome winter weekend!



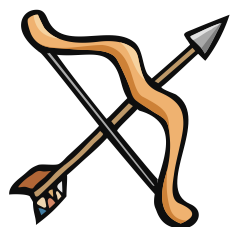
2013 North Jersey Teen Conference



Three members of the Sussex County Teen Council, **Morgan Philhower**, **Tessa Philhower** and **Emily Fisher**, were among the over 100 4-H'ers who participated in the annual North Jersey

Teen Conference held March 8-10 in Somerset NJ. The theme for this year's conference was *4H-Investigations* and featured sessions designed to help teens build the skills and abilities they need to tackle real life issues and challenges. Teens learned about issues they face now and will face in the future through hands-on workshops and programs. There was an interactive dinner theater with a jewel heist mystery theme as well as opportunities to expand horizons, meet new people and learn to survive the challenges that life has to offer!

4-H Shooting Sports Invitational



The Lindley G Cook 4-H camp hosted the annual 4-H Shooting Sports Invitational on May 11. 116 youth participated from 8 counties around

the state. The *Bows and Barrels* and *Shelton's Shooters* 4-H clubs represented Sussex County. Participants from Shelton's Shooters included: **Kristen Snyder**, **Terry Snyder**, **Matthew Crane**, **Tim Crane**, **Aaron Dunn**, **Dylan Halbig**, **John Michael Halbig**, **Tyler Johnstone**, **Jessica Johnstone**, **Catherine Jollie**, **Rosemarie Jollie**, **Connor Shadegg** and **Madeline Teitsma**.

Participants from *Bows and Barrels* included: **Wyatt Bohman**, **Samantha Brady**, **Connor Brady**, **Dana Crowley**, **Michael Crowley**, **Bryson Feichtel**, **Christian Fragomeni**, **Emily Malone**, **Jenn Natoli**, **Drew Rosendale**, **Robert Ross**, **Lauren Staiger**, **Timmy Straway**, **Jonathan Syre**, **Alicja Wesloske**, **Emily Wesloske**

Bows and Barrels team 2 (**Dana Crowley**, **Bryson Feichtl**, **Jennifer Natoli** and **Jonathan Syre**) placed 1st in 3D Archery Games.

Aaron Dunn and **Kristen Snyder** (*Shelton's Shooters*) tied for 3rd place in Junior Individual Archery,

Robert Ross (*Bows and Barrels*) placed 3rd in Senior Individual Archery.

John Michael Halbig (*Shelton's Shooters*) took 3rd place in Senior Individual Rifle.

Christian Fragomeni (*Bows and Barrels*) placed 1st in Junior Individual Shotgun.

Way to Go!

4-H Shooting Sports Jr. Air Rifle Competition

Hunterdon County hosted the 4-H Shooting Sports Jr. Air Rifle Competition on April 13th. The competition consisted of three phases: a Postal match, CMP 3 Position match and a Silhouette match. 11 members from *Bows and Barrels* participated:

Connor Brady, **Alexander DeFinis**, **Bryson Feichtl**, **Christian Fragomeni**, **Emily Malone**, **Drew Rosendale**, **Alec Staiger**, **Lauren Staiger**, **Timmy Straway**, **Alicja Wesloske**, and **Emily Wesloske**.

Emily Malone took 4th place Overall and

Drew Rosendale took 8th place Overall

Congratulations to all



NJ 4-H Dairy Judging Contest 2013



Members of the *Sussex County Milkmakers* participated in this year's NJ 4-H dairy judging competition including, **Neal Southway, Laina Southway, Hannah Southway, Sadie Southway, and Becky Freeborn.**

Southway, and Becky Freeborn.

- **Neal Southway** placed 1st in the Junior Division
- **Laina Southway** took 2nd place in the Junior Division

2013 State Dairy Princess

Sussex County Milkmakers member, **Kayla Vaughan** was chosen as the NJ State Dairy Princess!

Kayla will be representing dairy in various media and at fairs throughout New Jersey. She will be spreading the news about how dairy products help us to live healthier lives.

Congratulations to Kayla on this great achievement!

2013 Fashion Show/Honor Court



Sussex County 4-H sewing clubs modeled their projects at the 2013 4-H Fashion Show held at Selective Insurance on June 5.

This year's Honor Court will include: **Teresa**

Toriello, Marissa Puizina, Emily Fisher, Maria Wilson and Renee Collins.

Marissa Puizina was named 2013 Dress Review Girl!

Be sure to check out all the sewing club projects at the fair!

Saint Patrick's Day Parade



The annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade was held on March 17 in Newton. *Back in the Saddle* and *Shelton's Shooters* 4-H Clubs participated this year! *Shelton's Shooters* decorated a float and sported a green dog as a mascot for the day, *Back in the Saddle* saddled up several horses and rode in the parade!

New Leaders

Since the beginning of the project year 11 new leaders have been added to our family of 4-H volunteers!

- Athina Savva—Bunnies n Buddies
- Gina Barbagallo—All Star Rabbits
- Rachael Zeberl—Sussex Shepherds
- Alya Utter—Breeders & Feeders
- Nicholas Civitan—All Star Rabbits
- Brittany Vogel—Wild Whiskers
- Robert Sutton—Hands on Learning
- Kathleen Saradarian—Shelton's Shooters
- Christopher Kerr—Wild Whiskers
- Stacey Kerr—Wild Whiskers
- Laura Noury—Bows and Barrels

Miscellaneous:

Summer Camp

It's not too late to sign up for summer camp at the Lindley G. Cook! Registration for the 2013 summer season is ongoing. There will be 6 *themed* summer sessions beginning July 1.

- July 1-6: *4th of July Celebration*
- July 8-13: *Campfamous*
- July 15-20: *Chaos! (girls section is full)*
- July 22-27: *Time Travel*
- July 29-August 3: *Color Wars*



- August 5-10: *Classic Camp Smorgasbord*

Drop off will be 10 am Monday and pick up will be 10 am the following Saturday. The cost of camp is \$550.00 however there is a discount for current 4-H members.

For more information and registration materials, please visit www.nj4hcamp.rutgers.edu or call 973-948-3550.

5k Run Fundraiser



The Sussex County 4-H Foundation is planning a new fundraising effort to support the 4-H Scholarship Fund. The event date has yet to be determined but is planned for October.

We need help for an organizational committee as well as volunteers the day of the event.

Volunteers will be needed for things such as: sponsorship, setting up the course, registration, handing out water to runners, etc.

We encourage clubs to get involved with this fun event to raise funds to support the further education of 4-H members.

If you are interested in help us with the 5K committee please call Michelle or Abby in the 4-H Office at 973-948-3040.

Heritage & Agriculture Association Summer Event and 3rd Annual Pet Day

Saturday, June 22, 9 am-3 pm
Lusscroft Farm



The Heritage & Agriculture Association will be hosting their summer event and 3rd

annual pet day on Saturday, June 22nd at Lusscroft Farm, 50 Neilson Road, Wantage from 9am to 3pm.

The organization is a non-profit group working to stabilize and restore the buildings of historic Lusscroft Farm (now part of High Point State Park). There will be dog training demonstrations, equine activities, rescue groups, vendors, nature walks and more.

Admission is **free!** For more information please visit their website at

www.lusscroftfarm.com.

New Mailing Address

Rutgers Cooperative Extension has a new **mailing** address. The office is still in the same location! Our new mailing address is:

RCE of Sussex County
1 Spring Street
Newton, NJ 07860

You may still use the drop box located outside the office door. Please let us know when you have left something so we check it. Please keep in mind the box is **not** waterproof!

2013 Blood Drive



American Red Cross

The 4-H blood drive is being scheduled for the fall at the 4-H office. 4-H will partner with the Sussex County Chapter of the American Red Cross. This will be our 4th blood drive. Individuals 17 and older can donate blood. Please spread the word!

To sign up or to volunteer to help, please call the 4-H office or email Abby at sus4hgirl@gmail.com.



New 4-H Photography Judging Classes for Fair



For many years 4-H members participated in photography through pictures they not only composed and exposed to film but processed through

traditional darkrooms mixing chemicals as well as developing film and prints. Obtaining a well exposed, well

developed print was a significant achievement representing many hours in a darkroom. This technical accomplishment was a major part of the criteria for judging 4-H photography projects.

Digital photography has changed the game. Today's cameras allow almost anybody to take and print a technically good picture. The skill comes in what the picture is about. Lighting, exposure and composition still count, but no longer require the technical skills they once did.

In recognition of this advance as well as to allow 4-H members new ways to explore modern photography, we're adopting new judging criteria. While the same types of photographs that have traditionally been entered by 4-H members can still be entered, 4-H'ers are invited to develop and show off new photography skills.

Classes now include areas such as *Macro photography* where members are invited to explore close-up details of a subject. *Digital Darkroom* offers members the chance to share technical skills in manipulating an image. *Dominant Color*, as the name suggests, will evaluate photos based on how a leading color is used. *Elements of Design* looks at how well graphic elements show up a photograph.

Storyboard may be the most interesting and challenging new class. It involves entering a series of three photos that tells a story. Some captioning or text may be used to aid the story, but it should be minimal-the pictures should tell the story.

We hope that Sussex 4-H members will take advantage of these new classes for photography entries to show us their skills and share their perspectives.

Photography is Department 18 in the 4-H Exhibit Catalogue. The rules and classes for entering photographs are on pages 30 and 31 of the Catalogue. The catalogue may be downloaded at, http://www.sussex4h.org/Events/sc4h_njstatefair.html

Deadline Reminders

July 1	Fair entry forms and record books due to 4-H office – no exceptions
July 8	Fair Pass Request Form due to Fairgrounds
August 6	NORWESCAP food due to Shotwell Building

4-H is a **community** of **young people** across **America** who are learning **leadership, citizenship and life skills.**



Fair Information

July 28	Drop off at Shotwell Building 3:00-5:00pm for Forestry & Conservation, child Care, Home Furnishings, Arts & Crafts, Art, Ceramic, Needlecraft, Photography, Construction and Hobbies & Collections
July 30 & July 31	Drop off at Shotwell Building for Woodcraft Engineering, Shooting Sports and Clothing and Club Booth Set Up 3:00-9:00pm
August 2-11	2012 NJ Sate Fair/Sussex County Farm & Horse Show
August 2	Drop off of fruits, vegetables, flowers & herbs in Shotwell Building 9:00-11:00 am
August 2	Show Dee-Oh 7:00pm Ag Arena
August 6	NORWESCAP food drive
August 7	Drop off of baked goods, foods and nutrition, and food preservation in Shotwell Building 9:30a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
August 7	Cloverbud Carnival 6:00-8:00 p.m.
August 8	Round Robin 6:00-9:00 p.m.
August 11	Premium pick-up 5:00-7:00 p.m.

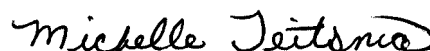
For more information on participating in this year's fair see our *Prepare for the Fair* supplement!

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