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# The Lucky 4-H'er Gazette

Spring 2011

*Hello to Spring & farewell to a 4-H legacy!*

## Spring marks the beginning of many things...

In 4-H, Spring means lots of hours preparing for the annual Monmouth County Fair! We are looking forward to seeing the wonderful showcase of 4-H projects and talents there, as well as all of you! Please refer to the 4-H Fair Exhibit Guide Book for information about the various 4-H Fair Divisions, Classes, and Forms. Sections of the Exhibit Book are highlighted in this newsletter. Please remember that 4-H'ers can exhibit projects in division areas other than their club focus areas. The Fair Exhibit Guide is available online, in hard copy at the 4-H Office, and is sent to club leaders.

In addition to the Fair, we are also excited to welcome a few new 4-H faces this Spring - AmeriCorps VISTA Volunteer Interns, Stephanie Cole and Marlena Colicelli. Both interns have committed to one year of service through the AmeriCorps Program, and have been selected to assist our 4-H Program! They will be working on Fair preparations, as well as planning for the new 4-H Mentoring Program in Freehold.

**This Spring also marks the ending to an era...** Rita Silvestri, longtime 4-H Secretary has retired as of May 1st. For over 22 years, Rita has answered the 4-H phones and front desk with a smile. She has a treasure chest of 4-H memories, is a friend to many, and will be truly missed in the 4-H Office! Rita was recognized for her many years of service with a Rutgers Cooperative Extension staff luncheon (see surprised Rita in the photo below). A 4-H volunteer and member farewell to Rita event is in the works! Rita lives nearby, and plans to visit the 4-H office and events when possible. Please join us in wishing Rita the very best in all that the future holds!

## GO GREEN 4-H!



If you would rather receive an electronic version of the 4-H Newsletter, or if you no longer wish to receive this publication, please let us know. Email recipients will receive a link to the online newsletter and recognition for helping us GO GREEN at the annual 4-H Achievement Night! Call (732) 431-7264 / E-mail: [4h@co.monmouth.nj.us](mailto:4h@co.monmouth.nj.us)



**DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER: August 15th**  
**PUBLICATION: August, September, & October 2011**



# NEW 4-H LEADERS, MEMBERS, & CLUBS!

## ABOVE AND BEYOND

Karlee N. Camme  
Nicole L. Fischetti  
Alexandra R. Knighton  
Laura J. O'Neill  
Jessica R. Woolley

## ANIMAL SCIENCE

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Kaleigh Farrell  
Robert W. Figarotta  
Leighanna D. Gash  
Johnna Knowles  
Athena N. Perry  
Christina C. Perry

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Justin C. Chingwe  
Maryan K. Chingwe  
Zamir R. Johnson  
Zaire McMillan

## BACKSTAGE TO BROADWAY

Rebecca T. Bludgus

## BETTER TOGETHER

Richie J. Bridge

## BITS & BRIDLES

Samantha L. Glowzinski  
Stephanie L. Glowzinski  
Kara M. Jonsson

## I4 CARROT RABBIT

Shauna L. DiRienzo  
Laik J. Green  
Hannah N. Valdes  
Madison Valdes

## CURRY COMBS

William J. Lanigan

## FREEDOM RIDERS

Margaret Albinowski  
Maureen Albinowski  
Jenna Anzengruber  
Alexis R. Bell  
Siobhan Cinquegrana  
Kristin Como  
Jamey Connelly  
Ryan J. Paige

## M-14

Andrew J. Smith  
Emily C. Smith  
Kaitlin R. Smith  
Matthew D. Smith  
Melinda C. Smith

## MONMOUTH CLOGGING

Leah F. Wilson-Lyons

## MONMOUTH 4-H S.E.T.

Raymond C. Cole  
Zachary R. Johnson  
Christopher M. Sherwin  
Emma B. Strehl

## NATURE'S NAVIGATORS

Rhea E. Granfield

## RAGING REPTILES

Ryan F. Farrell  
John R. O'Connell  
Jasmine E. Josefowitz  
Ethan T. Plunkett  
Jesse M. Plunkett  
Timmy J. Rother  
Tyler Rother

## TEEN COUNCIL

Gautam Boggavarapu

## VARIETY CLUB

Carla Rios

## TEEN DRAMA CLUB

Lauren Keenah  
Linette Reeman

## NEW 4-H CLUBS & LEADERS

### Blink 18 Teens

### Afterschool Earle Club

Both located at the Naval Base, Colts Neck, Leader: Kara Haugland

### Broadway Bound Teen Players

Long Branch, Leaders: Karen Reeman & Debby Schwartz

Remember to send us your club reports and photos for inclusion in the quarterly newsletter and 4-H yearbook!

### Virginia Krzyzanowski

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### Sabrina Brown

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### Gladys Tarantino

4-H Secretary

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### Rita Silvestri

4-H Secretary, 22+ years!

Best wishes to Rita in her retirement!

### Kate Everett

Monmouth County 4-H Agent, keverett@njaes.rutgers.edu

# Heard Around the Clover

Delaney Gray and Paul Yoncak, both of Freehold and Monmouth County **4-H Teen Ambassadors**, attended the New Jersey State Agricultural Convention Delegates' Dinner on Tuesday, February 8th. Gray and Yoncak, along with 27 other New Jersey Fair, Commodity and 4-H youth representatives, were presented at the dinner as part of a longstanding convention tradition. They young people were honored as the future of the state's agricultural industry. At Right, Delaney Gray and Paul Yoncak are pictured with New Jersey Secretary of Agriculture Douglas H. Fisher (left) and New Jersey State Board of Agriculture President W. Scott Ellis.



## NATURE'S NAVIGATORS

By: Jeevan Bogg

Several members from Nature's Navigators club went on a trip to the Novin's Planetarium at Ocean county college on the 18th of March. It is located in Tom's River, NJ. There were about twenty members who attended the show. The name of the show we saw was "Bad Astronomy" and we were amazed by it. The show was about myths regarding UFO citations, things they show in sci-fi movies, etc. For example, a while back, a man who had proof with pictures that he saw a UFO. It was proved wrong when the man sold his house and the new owner found a model of a UFO in his attic and later it was found that the man was an expert photographer and knew how to superimpose pictures so he took a picture of the sky and he took a picture of his model UFO and then put them together to prove that he saw a real UFO.

We also learned about the various constellations and how they were formed and what they meant. We also learned that the appearance of the sky changes day by day and by seasons. Our 4 H club's leader, Ms. Yoncak, suggested that we go outside every night and draw a schematic of the sky with the major stars that we can see and then compare the drawings to see the changes and the movement of the stars. The show was about an hour and half long and was very informative and a fun experience.



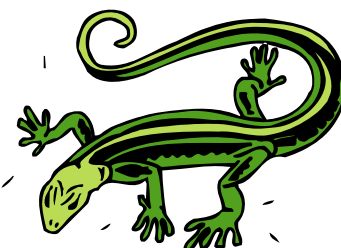
## RAGING REPTILES

By: Marisa Morris

Hello, my name is Marisa Morris and this is my third year as a proud member of 4-H Raging Reptiles. This year I have the privilege of being president of the club. I'm also very lucky to be a member of Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore Troop 1066.

On Friday, February 4th, fellow members of 4-H, Jesse Black, Jeevan Bogg, Ramya Bogg, Gautam Bogg, and their parents Edna and John Black and Navin Bogg came out to Taunton School in Howell to support me in earning my Girl Scout silver award by putting on a reptile show for younger girl scout troops. The event's purpose was to help the public better understand that reptiles aren't as scary as people make them out to be and that they can also make great pets too.

It was both much fun and a great success. The girl scouts learned about different reptiles, how to care for them, and handle them. By the end of the night everyone was no longer afraid. The girls and their leaders were so excited to hold and take pictures with some of the reptiles. Kudos to the 4-H Raging Reptiles! Thanks for your great support.

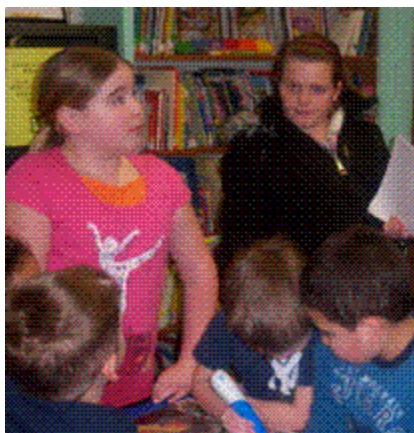
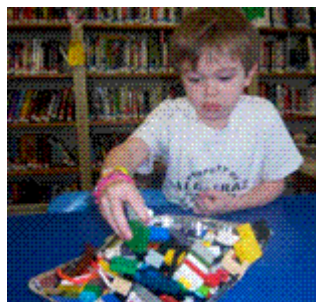


# Heard Around the Clover

## HIGHLANDS VARIETY CLUB

The Highlands Variety Club is always busy. Leader, Lorraine Kephart, has background in photography and shares that interest with the group. During the winter months, Lorraine was in Florida and unable to cover club meetings. During that time, other 4-H Club leaders were able to assist, and 4-H Staff visited when possible. During a February meeting, Sabrina Brown, 4-H Program Assistant, met with the 4-H'ers. They explored vegetable farming through a film, hands on identification, and a vegetable printing craft.

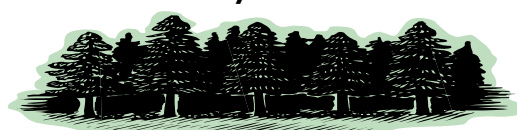
Thanks to Gladys Rios for filling in as a club leader during the winter months!



## TEEN COUNCIL

The Teen Council has been busy the last few months, with South Jersey Teen Conference (March 9th-11th), a Challenge Course team building program in April, a Teen Lock-in scheduled for May, and their annual Seedling Sale fundraiser preparations. This year, the teens sold a large amount of seedlings which will help fund team leadership trips and community service events!

**Thank you to everyone who supports Teen Council, especially volunteer leader Amy Barker!**



## *Turning the Tide with 4-H at the* **2011 South Jersey Teen Conference**

When the second weekend of March came around, there were 14 Monmouth County 4-Hers looking forward to a fun weekend at SJTC! This year Cape May County was hosting, and the theme was "Turning the Tide with 4-H". The Conference was being held at the Grande Hotel (in Cape May, of course)...sure, it was a long ride there, but when we finally arrived we were greeted with the welcoming atmosphere that 4-H always provides, and we felt at home in no time.

After everyone was settled, we were served a light dinner, and then the evening's program began. Last year's South Jersey Youth Representatives – Paul Yoncak from Monmouth, and Samantha Mason from Cumberland – introduced this year's candidates. The five candidates then made their speeches. Our own Delaney Gray was running, and we all wished her luck! When all the speeches were done, all the counties split up into their groups and had their meetings. Monmouth County set up for the interactive program we had put together. We had 8 stations with different activities to run, such as demonstrating how to clean up an oil spill, demonstrating anti-gravity, and having speed-meet sessions. The activities were a success, and everyone had a bit of fun. The next morning a beach walk was offered to the early birds; a few of the Monmouth teens joined in and got some exercise despite the freezing weather. After the walk was breakfast and the morning announcements, then we split up to go to workshops. Most of the workshops offered were centered around ocean conservancy in line with the theme of the conference. We had two workshops in the morning, and then it was time for a quick lunch before we were to head to our afternoon "Out and About in Cape May" activities.

*Did you know...*

*South Jersey Teen Conference has been a tradition for over 50 years? It's true!*



*North Jersey 4-H Programs  
started a similar program in 2007.  
They followed our lead, and it's going strong.*

We had a choice of going to the Cape May Zoo, playing Minute-to-Win-It games, a trolley tour of Cape May and tour of the Physick Estate, exploring the lighthouse and nature trails, participating in a beach clean-up, and visiting the Coast Guard Station. It was a nice afternoon, and everyone enjoyed their activities.

When we got back from being out and about, we had free time until the banquet. We used this time to vote for the SJ Reps, take a dip in the pool, get ready for the banquet and dance, and just to hang out. At 7pm the banquet began (by then we were all dolled up and starving, greatly anticipating the dinner). After we had all eaten, we had free time to change for the casual dance that Atlantic County had organized. By 9pm most of us were out on the dance floor, having tons of fun. We danced the night away! When it finally ended we were all happy, but tired, and ready to sleep! Sunday morning came all too soon, thanks to daylight savings time... At 8am we had breakfast, and then the morning announcements were made. Cumberland County brought a great inspirational speaker who came to talk trash...everyday waste, that is. She talked about how we can reduce the amount of waste we put into the garbage dumps and how the amount of things we throw away can affect the environment.

After that, they announced the 2011-12 SJ Youth Representatives. Congrats to Tori Buhrman from Gloucester and Alexa Forman from Ocean! Then it was time to pack up and head home. There were many hugs and perhaps a few tearful goodbyes, but in the end we knew we'd made good friends and good memories...and, of course, we are all looking forward to next year!



Monmouth County 4-H teens at the 2011 South Jersey Teen Conference banquet. From front left: Maria Elena, Simone, Clair, Delaney, Morgan, Victoria, Mikala, and Sam. From back left: Amanda, Gautam, CJ, Tommy, Paul, and Brian.

# Heard Around the Clover

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MONMOUTH COUNTY EQUINE TEAM!**

**THE TEAM PLACED 3RD IN THE STATE  
FOR EQUINE PRESENTATIONS ON MARCH 19TH!**

**\*\*\*Congrats Carly Eidman & Kayla Kramer\*\*\***

**WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU!**



At the Symposium, 4-H members visited new lambs and learned about livestock production for meat. To the left, Bob Mickel, Hunterdon County Ag Agent, leads the group discussion with youth looking on. The day was full of hands-on activities and lots of different farm animals. Come out to this event next year!

## **JUNIOR BREEDER'S LIVESTOCK SYMPOSIUM AT RUTGERS UNIVERSITY**

On March 26, 2011, Nick Nichols, Dan Moore, Rebecca Carmeli-Peslak and Sarah Bond, members of Monmouth Livestock, Free Spirit Goat, Raging Reptiles and Animal Science Clubs attended the Junior Breeders' Symposium at Cook College. The day was divided into 4 sessions with programs on rabbits, cows, goats, poultry and sheep. The 4-Hers attended sessions on goat and sheep judging, dairy insemination, goat cart building, knot tying, sheep carcasses and handling eggs from your flock. There were many opportunities for hands on experience including using tools to build a goat cart and candling eggs. We even got egg scales and chicken catchers. There was time to meet other 4-Hers. Although the day was cold and the wind was bitter everyone had fun and learned a lot.

We are all looking forward to attending next year!

## **MONMOUTH COUNTY 4-H SMALL ANIMAL SHOW INVITATIONAL**

The 4-H Small Animal Invitational Show was held on Sunday, April 3rd at the Belmar Pavilion. We had a huge number of animals and 20 posters which represented 32 youth! We also had a very good turnout for showmanship. Leigh Whitehouse did a fantastic job with the youth showing animals, and really enhanced their experience with her sensitivity and kindness. Thank you to everyone for the wonderful raffle items you brought, especially to Lorraine for dragging those big cages out of the barn and wrestling them onto the truck somehow. All in all, a very nice show on a beautiful day.



## MONMOUTH COUNTY 4-H PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

On Wednesday, April 6th and Friday, April 8th, 47 youth gave a County 4-H Presentation. Presentations were judged by volunteers and friends on 4-H. We had 3 Cloverbud youth participate in the program, as well as youth from a wide variety of Monmouth County 4-H Clubs. Presentation topics varied widely as well, and included the History of the Automobile, Floral Design, and Proper Horse Trailer Safety.

Teens receiving an excellent score and blue ribbon are eligible to participate in the State 4-H Public Presentation Contest at Rutgers. From Monmouth County, 18 teens received an excellent score and are eligible to take part. Of that number, 12 teens plan to attend and give their best performance in hopes of doing well at the state-wide competition. The Monmouth County 4-H teens participating in the state competition are:

- |                       |                       |                       |                     |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Angela Bekampis    | 2. Ciara Cavanagh     | 3. Samantha Eisenberg | 4. Delaney Gray     |
| 5. Kassy Kasternakis  | 6. Erika Lau          | 7. Samantha Martin    | 8. Clair McKittrick |
| 9. Mary Grace Rapolla | 10. AnnMarie Shalayda | 11. Ryan Singh        | 12. Paul Yoncak     |

*Congratulations and good luck!  
Thank you to all who participated and volunteered!*

### SAVE THE DATE:

#### STATE 4-H PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS ... AT RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

State 4-H Public Presentations will be held on Saturday, June 11th, on Rutgers University's Cook Campus.



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### State 4-H Presentation Day SERVICE PROJECT

*Sponsored by STAC – The State Teen Action Council*

Help us make all-occasion greeting cards for deployed service men and women to send home to their families.

Look for the STAC table and make a card or two during your break. THANKS!

*We will also be accepting monetary donations to mail the cards overseas.*

#### The state 4-H website has undergone some fantastic improvements!

The website is now bright, bold and easy to navigate. Please take a look—<http://nj4h.rutgers.edu>.

**For general science and animal science project youth and volunteers** - go to the left side-bar, select **priority areas**, choose **Science, Engineering and Technology**. Click on **Species**. Here you will find project record books, educational resources, workshop and show date information that is all specific to your project!

Now is a great time to take those animal photos and encourage your members to enter them in other areas of the fair such as the pet photo contest, which raises funds for the local animal shelter. A collage made with copies of registration photos is another idea of a fun club project that you could add to a scrap book or display on its own.

## 4-H Science, Engineering & Technology

# FAIR FACTS:

## TENTATIVE 2001 FAIR SCHEDULE

DATE & TIME / EVENT / LOCATION	DATE & TIME / EVENT / LOCATION
<b>MONDAY, JULY 12</b>	
8:30am-7:30pm, Non-perishables due 4-H Office	2:00-4:00pm Sm. Animals & Poultry arrive
<b>TUESDAY, JULY 13</b>	
8:30am-7:30pm, All Food Entries 4-H Office	3:00-4:30pm Garden Entries Due 4-H Exhibit Tent
<b>WEDNESDAY, JULY 14</b>	
8:30am-12:30pm Items Judged include: Animal/Veterinary Science, Natural Collections, Architectural Design, Photography, Child Care, Recycling, Creative Crafts, Scrapbooking, Creative Writing, Visual Arts, Graphic Arts, Woodworking, Health, Fitness, and Safety. Ribbons will be displayed at fair!	5:00pm 4-H Gardening Entries Judged, 4-H Exhibit 5:00pm, Alumni Quilt Raffle Begins, 4-H Alumni Booth 5:00pm 4-H Pet Photo Opens 4-H Exhibit Tent 5:00pm Club Booth Judging 4-H Exhibit Tent 5:00pm New 4-H Banner Judging 4-H Exhibit Tent 5:00pm <b>FAIR OPENS</b> 6:30-8:30pm 4-H Cloverbud Court & Ambassador Contest, 4-H Show Tent Reception to follow  <b>11:00pm FAIR CLOSSES</b>
<b>SATURDAY, JULY 24</b>	
TBA - Remove items from the 4-H storage barn	<b>THURSDAY, JULY 28</b>
<b>SUNDAY, JULY 25</b>	
9:30am Set-up of all 4-H Display/Equipment	11:00-1:00pm Horses Arrive 4-H Horse Tent 1:00 - 5:00pm Rabbit Show Judging Sm.An. Exhibit 4-H Herpetology Judging, Herp. Tent 1:00-4:00pm 4-H Small Animal Show 2:00-4:00pm Livestock Arrives Livestock Exhibit 5:00pm <b>FAIR OPENS</b>
<b>TUESDAY, JULY 26</b>	
5:00 Decorate 4-H Club Booths/Banner s 4-H Exhibit Tent	
7:00-8:00pm, 4-H Ambassadors, 4-H Show Tent	
7:00-8:00pm, Food Booth Orient., 4-H Food Booth	

**Go online to access the Monmouth County 4-H Fair Exhibit Guide Book.**

<http://co.monmouth.nj.us/documents/57/Fair%20Book%202001%20%204-11.pdf>

Enter new divisions while you're at it! General Project entry deadline: June 1st

**Did you know...** 4-H 'Did you know' signs will decorate and inform at our Fair this year! Keep your eyes open for them. Suggestions will be taken on fun facts to add next year!



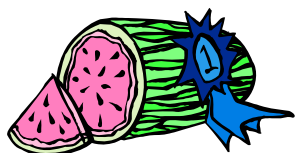
## TENTATIVE 2001 FAIR SCHEDULE (continued)

### DATE & TIME / EVENT / LOCATION

#### THURSDAY, JULY 28

5:00pm 4-H Horse Exhibit Opens, Horse Tent  
 5:00-6pm Presentations & Performances, Show Tent  
 7:00pm Livestock Fun Show Livestock Exhibit  
 11:00pm FAIR CLOSES

#### FRIDAY, JULY 29



5:00PM FAIR OPENS  
 5:00-6:00pm 4-H Goat Show Livestock Exhibit Tent  
 6:00pm Watermelon Seed Spitting 4-H Show Tent  
 (Open to the public, register day of contest)  
 7:00-11:00pm Clogging Invitational, 4-H Show Tent  
 11:00pm FAIR CLOSES

#### SATURDAY, JULY 30

10:00am Poultry Show Livestock Exhibit Tent  
 11:00am FAIR OPENS  
 8:00-3:00pm 4-H Open English Show Horse Ring  
 3:00-4:00pm Sheep/Cattle/Swine Show Livestock  
 4:00-4:30pm Horse Presentations Show Ring  
 4:30-6:00pm Theatre Arts Presentations, Show Tent  
 5:00-6:30pm Monmouth Clogging Exp. Show Tent  
 6:00pm Livestock Fun Show Livestock Tent  
 7:00-9:00pm Square Dancing 4-H Show Tent  
 9:00-11:00pm "Live Band" 4-H Show Tent  
 11:00pm FAIR CLOSES

### DATE & TIME / EVENT / LOCATION

#### SUNDAY, JULY 31

11:00am FAIR OPENS  
 8:00am-3:30pm Open Gymkhana  
 (Games on horseback)  
 Horse Show Ring  
 11:00-11:30am Registration  
 Youth Open Pet Show  
 Open to the public, register day of show  
 4-H Show Tent  
 11:30-1:30pm Open Youth Pet Show (No Dogs)  
 4-H Show Tent  
 3:30-4:30pm 4-H Presentations & Performances  
 4-H Show Tent  
 6:00pm FAIR CLOSES  
 6:00pm - BREAK DOWN, LOAD, AND  
 RETURN EQUIPMENT TO BUILDING

All hands on deck during Fair set-up and take-down. Thank you for your dedication!



*Changes made to the 4-H Schedule for the Monmouth County Fair will be made available via email blast to the 4-H community.*

# Club Opportunities @ the Fair

**WOW!** All of these options might seem overwhelming, especially when you and your club members are already focused on your particular division or tent at the Fair...

A quick run down: **Food Booth** is an annual fundraiser that benefits the entire 4-H program here in Monmouth County, **Dunking Stool and Popcorn Booth** are fundraising opportunities for clubs. The equipment is maintained by the 4-H Association, and clubs must sign up for shifts in advance to participate. To avoid conflicts, shift times are prioritized by clubs and then selected at random by 4-H staff. The **Basket Raffle** is a new opportunity this year. Each club is asked to take part by following the simple regulations below. Please see the 4-H Fair Exhibit Guide Book for more information: <http://co.monmouth.nj.us/documents/57/Fair%20Book%202011%20%204-11.pdf>

## DUNKING STOOL

The 4-H Dunking Stool is a beloved tradition at the Monmouth County Fair. The stool is located just behind the 4-H Show Tent, in the walkway in front of the Petting Zoo Tent. 4-H Clubs must reserve a shift and only older youth are able to be dunked due to safety issues. Please refer to the 2011 4-H Fair Exhibit Guide Book for more information.

## POPCORN BOOTH

The Popcorn Booth is another 4-H favorite! Popping popcorn requires little skill, but clubs can do well if they promote snack sales skillfully! Remember, promotion of 4-H popcorn sales is limited to the 4-H tent area. Clubs are encouraged to make their own signs, wear 4-H t-shirts, and (most importantly) have fun while fundraising!

*Thank you for your participation!*

QUESTIONS??

Call the 4-H Office:  
732-431-7264



## 4-H FOOD BOOTH

The 4-H Food Booth is the Monmouth County 4-H Association's major annual fundraiser, helping to support the entire county 4-H program, as well as scholarships for camp, national 4-H events, leaders' professional development, and the 4-H section of the Monmouth County Fair! Each club participating in the Fair is expected and encouraged to sign up for a Food Booth shift. So come on - have fun, meet new friends, support the program and the 4-H section of the fair!

**\*THIS YEAR, CLUBS MUST SIGN UP FOR A FOOD BOOTH SHIFT IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR DUNKING STOOL & POPCORN BOOTH SHIFTS.**

## 4-H CLUB BASKET RAFFLE

The 4-H Club Basket Raffle will be housed in the 4-H Alumni Tent and coincide with the Alumni Quilt Raffle. Baskets should be themed according to the club project area, or something fun like 'beach time'. Baskets will be collected at the 4-H Office the week before Fair and delivered by 4-H Staff. Baskets should be of equal or greater value than \$30, and considered a donation to the 4-H Association and the greater Monmouth County 4-H Program.

## SAVE THE DATE

Mandatory Fair Meeting  
for Herdsmen (animal projects)

**Wednesday, June 15th @ 7:00 pm**



# Cloverbud Corner

In 4-H, Cloverbuds are special... they are our youngest 4-H members and they need extra attention and understanding to get the most out of our program. Fair-time is a great time to brush up on the NJ 4-H Cloverbud Policy. The 4-H Cloverbud Program is designed to provide K-3 youth with age-appropriate experiential learning activities in a small club setting. These youth may be registered members of a 4-H Cloverbud club or in a standard club with assigned, registered volunteers trained in the 4-H Cloverbud Philosophy and curriculum. This program, in the tradition of the Prep Program, will remain non-competitive. The 4-H Cloverbud Program is a nationally recognized program for younger 4-H members.



**May 20-22 ... Becoming an Outdoor Family**

Lindley G. Cook Camp at Stokes State Forest

**June 1 ... Registration for Cloverbud Court**

Monmouth County Fair, Wednesday, July 27th

\*\*\*check out the 4-H Fair Exhibit Guide for more details.

<http://co.monmouth.nj.us/documents/57/Fair%20Book%20202011%20%204-11.pdf>



## TRY IT! GARDEN IN A GLOVE

**Use herb seeds to try this fun Spring garden activity!**

**Glove template on reverse side.**

1. Write your name on a clear plastic glove.
2. Wet five cotton balls and wring them out.
3. Place 3-4 seeds of the same type on each cotton ball (or dip the cotton balls in the seeds to pick them up). You may want to keep track of which seed is in which finger.
4. Put a cotton ball with the seeds attached into each finger of the glove. Hint: You may have to use a pencil to get the cotton ball all the way to the tips of the glove fingers.
5. Blow up the plastic glove and close it with a twist tie.
6. Tape the glove to a window, chalkboard, or wall. You may want to hang a clothes line under a chalk tray and use clothes pins to hold the gloves on.
7. The seeds will germinate in 3 to 5 days. Keep a plant diary and look at the seeds under a microscope.
8. Transplant the seeds about 1 ½ to 2 weeks by cutting the tips of the fingers off the glove. Transplant the cotton ball and small plants into soil or sphagnum moss.
9. Herbs will grow well indoors on a sunny windowsill.



# Garden in a Glove

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## VOCABULARY

Annual – life cycle of one year

Perennial – life cycle of more than two years

Germination – to begin to grow (sprout)

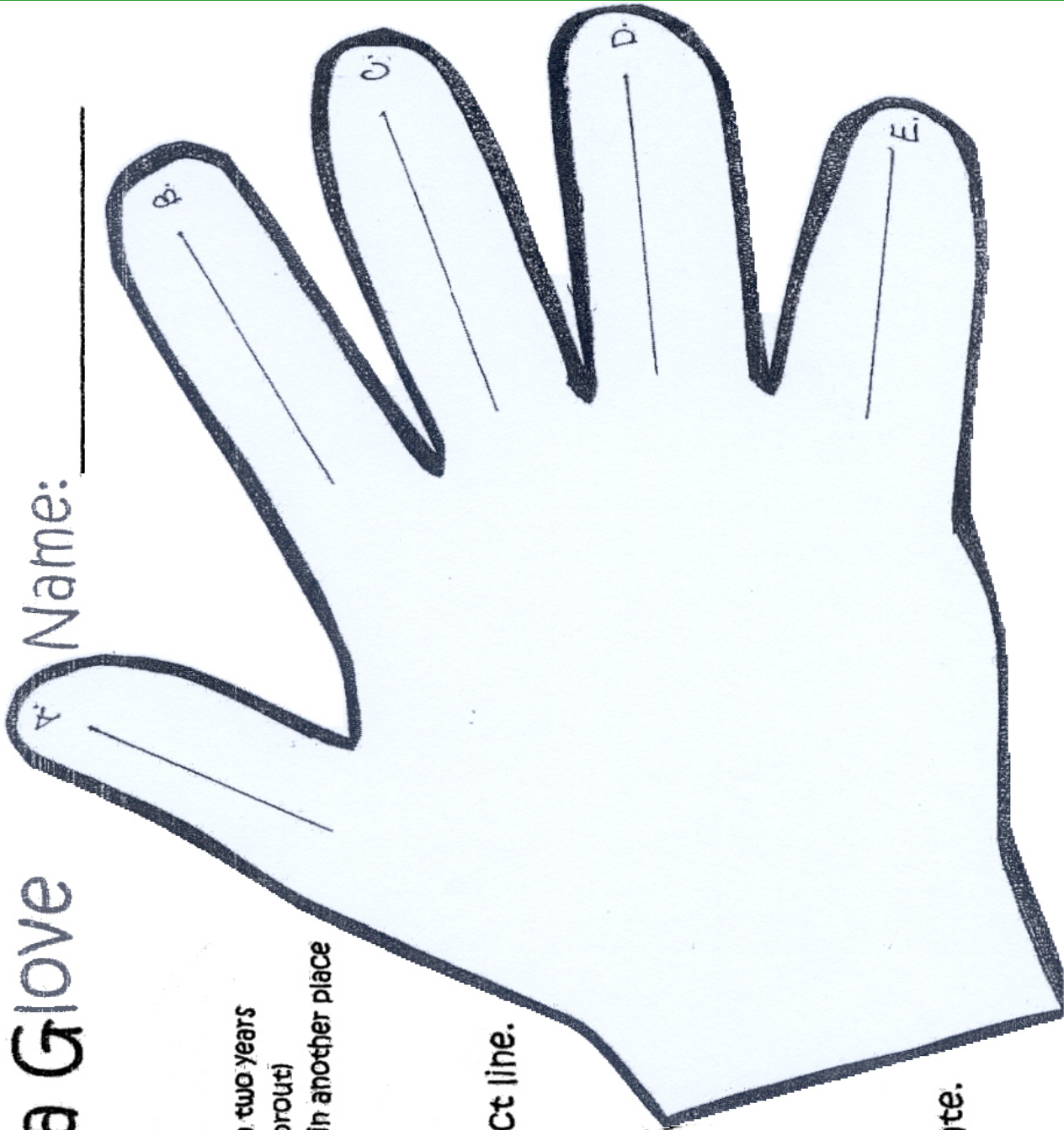
Transplant – to remove and plant in another place

What seeds did you plant in each finger?

Write them on the correct line.

Write the date when you see the first sprout.

Number each finger in the order they germinate.



# Teen Scene

## MONMOUTH COUNTY FAIR TEEN AMBASSADOR CONTEST



**WHO:** Teens entering grades 10 - 13 as of September following the fair. Candidates must have completed at least 2 years of 4-H work as a registered Monmouth County 4-H member.

**WHAT:** Candidates must complete *all* the following requirements to be considered eligible: Complete the Monmouth County 4-H Ambassador Form, a 500 word essay about your 4-H activities, what you have learned as a result of your 4-H experience and what your Ambassador Platform will be, sign the Ambassador's Agreement Form, obtain a letter of recommendation from your club leader or Association Officer describing your participation and ability to serve as ambassador (please be sure to select a leader other than your parent), and solicit a sponsor (other than a parent) to support your candidacy. The sponsor may be your own club, a business or a civic service, a youth or social organization. The sponsor will pay an entry fee of \$15.00 made payable to Teen Council. During the Ambassador Contest, each contestant will be given 2 or more questions (depending on the number of contestants) to answer on stage during the contest.

**WHERE:** This annual Monmouth County Fair opening evening event is held in the 4-H Show Tent and is sponsored by the Teen Council.

**WHEN:** The Ambassador Contest will immediately follow the Cloverbud Court on Wednesday, at 6:30 pm in the 4-H Show Tent. All Ambassador contestants are to be present during the Cloverbud Court section of the ceremony. The current Ambassadors will serve as emcees for the Cloverbud Court.

**WHY:** The winning candidates will be crowned 2011-2012 Monmouth County Ambassador by last year's Ambassadors and other prominent officials. Runners-up will also be recognized. The newly crowned 4-H Ambassadors will serve as official hosts throughout the fair and they will also be asked to represent 4-H throughout the year.

**We want you...  
enter the contest today!**

**Go online to access the Monmouth County 4-H Ambassador Contest guidelines & application.**

The 4-H Fair Exhibit Guidebook can be found at:

<http://co.monmouth.nj.us/documents/57/Fair%20Book%202011%20204-11.pdf>

Enter other divisions while you're at it! Deadline: June 1st!

# Club Leader's Helper

## Greetings from NJ 4-H Camp!

We are looking forward to another great summer. 4-H Summer Camp offers youth grades 3-11 a wonderful overnight camping experience. 4-H members receive a \$50 discount just for being in 4-H! If you apply before June 1st, you can receive an additional \$25 off the registration price if you enter "WELCOME" for the discount code\* when you pay for camp. Also check out S.E.T. (Science/Engineering/ Tech) Camp for grades 5-8. Information can be found here: [www.nj4hcamp.rutgers.edu](http://www.nj4hcamp.rutgers.edu) or call camp at 973-948-3550, ext 22.

We hope to see you this summer!

*Jim Tavares, Director*

Lindley G. Cook 4-H Youth Center for  
Outdoor Education

\* The discount only applies to people who are currently registering their child. The discount cannot be applied to children already registered.



## Dates of Camp and Themes

### Session 1: July 4–9: ????? (Mystery Week)

We can't tell you much about this theme, because it's a mystery- but you never know what can happen at camp! We might have a mystery theater dinner. We might have a game of all camp Clue. We might even try to solve the Mystery of the Lake Shawanni Monster...then again, it's a mystery.

### Session 2: July 11 – 16 Wizards

Following a theme from a popular book about a young wizard, camp will transform into a school for young wizards. Campers will be placed into one of four houses to compete for the Cup. This week will include some Renaissance type activities, games and a wacky form of broomball. Join us for a medieval feast, entertain the King and Queen at the talent show and play renaissance games.

### Session 3: July 18–23 Pirates of Lake Shawanni

A week full of pirate adventures both on and off the lake. Pirate themed meals, recreational activities and a very special Battle-for-the-Lake (where young pirates play capture the flag on Lake Shawanni) are just some of the highlights.

### Session 4: July 25 – 30 Everyday is a Holiday!

Thanksgiving, Halloween, and a birthday party for everyone are just a few of the special days we will celebrate during this week. A different holiday each day! Come help us deck the halls and trick or treat during the dog days of summer.

### Session 5: August 1 – 6 Chaos Week

A week where everything comes with a twist, it might be dinner for breakfast one day or making your counselor into a human sundae the next. Staff even play pranks and are put on trial in the Kangaroo Court!

### Session 6: August 8 – 13 Super Hero Week

Help your fellow campers and staff to make camp even better as we challenge villains and obstacles as a team. The Dreaded Evil Scientist Husqvarna may even make an appearance. Bring your favorite Super Hero's costume or become your very own Super Hero here at camp.

### Teen Week : Aug. 22-27

Campers must be 14 by 1/1/11 and no older than 17 by 8/13/11

# 4-H Summer Camps



## 2011 NJ 4-H Teen Leadership Camp

*Sponsored by NJ 4-H State Teen Action Council & NJ Speak Out for Military Kids*

- Who:** 4-H and Military Youth, grades 6 - 12  
(Grade you just finished)  
Middle School and High School Track  
Adult and Collegiate facilitators
- What:** Leadership, teambuilding, swimming, hiking,  
boating, & more....all set in a beautiful park environment.
- Where:** Monmouth County Park System – Nomoco  
Family Campground (tent camping) - Freehold
- When:** 5:00pm Friday, August 19 to  
10:00am Sunday, August 21, 2011



**Required:** Registration form below, plus a 4-H Event Permission Form

*Come ready to explore outdoor adventures, participate in building life skills and best of all, make new friends!  
You will receive a confirmation letter with directions once you have registered.*

### **REGISTRATION FORM – NJ 4-H TEEN LEADERSHIP CAMP– AUG.19-21, 2011**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_

Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt size (A) \_\_\_\_\_

Are you (check all that apply)  4-H  Military  Other Grade \_\_\_\_\_

List any medical or dietary needs: \_\_\_\_\_



Return this with the 4-H permission form by **August 13th, 2011** to:

Marie Waldron

Rutgers Cooperative Extension, 4-H

P.O. Box 900, Morristown, NJ 07963-0900

[waldron@njaes.rutgers.edu](mailto:waldron@njaes.rutgers.edu)

Fax: 973-605-8195

### **SAVE THE DATE!!!**

## **MONMOUTH COUNTY 4-H CAMPS AT TURKEY SWAMP**

### **TEEN WEEKEND - JUNE 24-26th**

### **FAMILY CAMP WEEKEND - AUGUST 12-14th**

*\*\*\*Additional info to come soon. Contact the 4-H Office with questions.*

# Guide for NJ State 4-H Association

## 50-50 Ticket Sale

### 2011



Youth are NOT permitted to sell tickets, only adults (parents, leaders, staff, alumni, friends of 4-H...)

All tickets and funding will run through the state 4-H association.

Macy will help assist with this process at the state office.

Your county will be responsible for all the numbered tickets that you receive. Initially, each county will be sent 200 tickets, until you ask for more.

Send back ticket stubs with matching funds (or) the full unsold tickets on or before **Friday, October 14th.**

Counties can request more tickets to sell at any time – we have 5000 printed. The more tickets that are sold, the more funding that will be available to support YOUR youth to attend state and national events.

As you well know, National events are higher priced each year and it becomes more and more difficult to find funding for our youth to attend.

***The purpose of this sale is to raise funds to financially support youth and adults from your counties that participate in state and national 4-H events.***

The NJ State 4-H Association history shows they have generously funded group transportation to national conferences as well as additional educational opportunities for the national delegates during their perspective conferences.

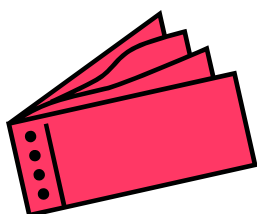
***Two incentives*** for counties who participate in the 50-50 Fund raising project. The county who sells the winning ticket will receive 5% of the NJ State 4-H Association share...so the more tickets that we sell overall, the bigger the county share! **The drawing takes place Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> in Hunterdon County.**

All counties who participate in the sale will be put into a basket and a drawing will take place. The winning county will receive a half scholarship for one teen to attend CWF.

***Please remember, only adults may sell tickets, no youth.***

***Pick up tickets for purchase/sale at the 4-H Office.***

***Thank you for your support!***



# AD SALES INFO...

## To all 4-H families:

It is time to start thinking about our 4-H yearbook again! As last year, this publication will serve as promotional aid for 4-H and a memento of the past year. It is also an excellent fund raising opportunity. The book will be distributed to all 4-H families at the Monmouth County Fair, as well as to the interested public throughout the year.

We hope that you choose to help support the Monmouth County 4-H Program by selling ads in our yearbook! Selling ads is easy, local business love the opportunity to support community programs such as 4-H. Look at last year's book for ideas. For safety's sake, members should always be accompanied by an adult when soliciting ads.

**Ads will cost: \$100 - full page, \$50 - 1/2 page, \$25 - 1/4 page, and \$10 - 1/8 page** (business card size). These ads can be sold to local businesses or individual supporters (special messages to 4-H members or clubs). All ads must be uploaded electronically or scanner-ready for the selected ad size.

In addition to display ads, we will have a "Friends of 4-H" and "Sentiments" pages. "Friends" boosters are \$2 per name only up to 35 characters and spaces. "Sentiments" are short phrases up to 65 characters and spaces and sell for \$5 per line, multiple continuous lines are allowed.

The 4-H member and 4-H Club with the top Ad Sales for the year will win a prize and be recognized at the annual Achievement Night in October.



**The deadline for ad submission is July 1<sup>st</sup>.** Please assist the yearbook coordinator by submitting your Ads as you get them. See the attached Ad, Sentiments and Friends sales forms for more details. Printed forms may be picked up at the 4-H office.

If you have any questions contact Randy Martin at [crmartin151@yahoo.com](mailto:crmartin151@yahoo.com) or Sabrina Brown at [sbrown@njaes.rutgers.edu](mailto:sbrown@njaes.rutgers.edu). Remember, funds raised will support the development of our county 4-H Program!

**Thank you!**

**Did you know... Monmouth County 4-H puts out an annual yearbook of activities & events (called the Clover Review) from the previous program year?** We are always looking for club photos, write-ups, and officer lists for inclusion in the yearbook. 4-H Volunteer, Randy Martin, is instrumental in developing the yearbook each year. Thank you Randy, and all the other volunteers and members who will submit yearbook information this year. Look for a yearbook page template in an upcoming email blast.

# Monmouth County 4H Youth Development Program



## 2010-2011 Yearbook Ad form

Support your local 4-H and promote your business with an Ad in the "Our Supporters" section of the annual Monmouth County 4-H Yearbook! This publication highlighting our clubs and activities of the past year will be distributed freely to all Monmouth County 4-H families and at the 2011 Monmouth County Fair.

### Supporter Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Ad Size (full page size is  $7 \times 9 \frac{1}{2}$ , half  $7 \times 4 \frac{3}{4}$ , quarter  $3 \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \frac{3}{4}$ , eighth  $3 \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \frac{1}{4}$ )*

Full page \$100 1/2 page \$50 1/4 page \$25 1/8 page or business card

Please attach ad-copy and check payable to Monmouth County 4-H Office Account.

If possible send jpeg, PDF or MS Word file to [sbrown@njaes.rutgers.edu](mailto:sbrown@njaes.rutgers.edu).

Forms may be returned to the seller or mailed to:

4-H Office - Attn: Ad Sales  
4000 Kozloski Rd, PO Box 5033  
Freehold, NJ 07728-5033

**Submission deadline is July 1<sup>st</sup>**

4-H'er/Sales Person Information

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

# Monmouth County 4H Youth Development Program



## 2010-2011 Yearbook Friends of 4-H Form

Support your local 4-H with a line in the "Our Supporters" section of the annual Monmouth County 4-H Yearbook. This publication will be distributed freely to all Monmouth County 4-H families and at the 2011 Monmouth County Fair.

4-H seller's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print your name below. NAMES ONLY (ex. - John Smith, Mary & John Smith, Smith Family)

**\$2 per line (up to 35 characters and spaces).**

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
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10. \_\_\_\_\_



***Congratulations on another great 4-H year - Your 4-H Staff***

# Monmouth County 4H Youth Development Program



## 2010-2011 Yearbook Sentiments Form

Support our 4-H'ers, volunteers, and projects with the Sentiments section of the annual Monmouth County 4-H Yearbook. This publication will be distributed freely to all Monmouth County 4-H families and at the 2011 Monmouth County Fair.

4-H seller's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

4-H Club Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Print your name below. NAMES ONLY (ex. - John Smith, Mary & John Smith, The Smith Family)

**\$2 per line (up to 35 characters and spaces).**

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9. \_\_\_\_\_
10. \_\_\_\_\_



# New Jersey 4-H Event Permission Form for Youth



Both sides of this form must be completed by all youth participating in overnight activities, field trips, events requiring group transportation, and any other events sponsored through the 4-H Youth Development Program where it is deemed necessary by the adults (paid 4-H staff and/or registered 4-H volunteer leaders) responsible for the youth participants. The form should be submitted prior to the event and kept by the chaperone for at least 90 days after the event. The form has five parts: (1) information about the participant and activity, (2) parental permission and liability release, (3) medical emergency authorization and health information, and (4) behavior agreement and (5) media policy. *Be sure to complete all five parts and sign where requested!*

## Information about the Youth Participant and Activity

Name of youth participant: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H county: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of activity/event: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of 4-H group sponsoring or participating in this event: \_\_\_\_\_

Location of event: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and time of participation of individual named above: \_\_\_\_\_

## Parent Permission and Release of Liability

I hereby give my son/daughter named above permission to participate in the event listed. Although Rutgers Cooperative Extension and its chaperones will use the utmost precaution in guarding the health of the above participant and preventing accidents, I release them from any liability in case of illness or injury as a result of this activity. Furthermore, I release the owner and driver of the car transporting my child to and from the event, from any liability in case of illness or injury.

Signature of parent or guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

## Medical Emergency Authorization and Health Information

I authorize the 4-H chaperone(s) to dispense the prescription drugs and/or over the counter medications listed below in accordance with the instructions provided on the label (prescription drugs) or below (over-the-counter medications). In case of sudden illness or an accident to the above named participant requiring immediate treatment or surgery while he/she is a participant in this activity, I authorize the 4-H chaperone(s) to take such action as seems appropriate to protect the health and physical well-being of the above participant. This authority extends to any physician(s) and/or surgeon(s) selected by the chaperone(s) to perform medical and/or surgical procedures including examinations and tests necessary to preserve the health and physical well-being of the above named participant. All efforts will be made to contact the parent(s) or guardian(s) in case of emergency.

Name of parent/guardian	Phone number	Name of additional emergency contact	Phone number
_____	_____	_____	_____

The following information is provided as an aid to the chaperone(s) in dealing with the well-being of the participant. The participant has the following health conditions: (include allergies, handicaps, diabetes, pregnancy, asthma, medications needed, etc.).

Health conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

Medications/Instructions: \_\_\_\_\_

Health Insurance: Company \_\_\_\_\_

Group# \_\_\_\_\_

ID# \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of parent or guardian \_\_\_\_\_

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## Behavior Agreement

The 4-H Code of Conduct outlined below is in effect for all youth activities involving Rutgers Cooperative Extension and the Department of 4-H Youth Development. It applies to all participants in 4-H activities, with participants defined as 4-H members of any age or grade, all other registered youth and adults, and all other individuals who take part and/or attend 4-H events.

Participants who fail to adhere to the 4-H Code of Conduct may be subject to a range of disciplinary actions. Immediate corrective action will be taken to ensure the safety and welfare of all participants at the event. Additional disciplinary action may be taken upon further investigation of the infraction or incident. Participants in county events shall be subject to policies developed at the county level. Participants in state and national events shall be subject to the policy and process outlined in the "4-H Event and Activities Disciplinary Policy," which can be found at [www.nj4h.rutgers.edu/policies](http://www.nj4h.rutgers.edu/policies).

If an individual continually disrupts the group or engages in illegal behavior, he or she will be given an opportunity to discuss the problem with the chaperones before more drastic action is taken. If, after discussion, the behavior continues, or in the opinion of the chaperones it would be detrimental for the individual to continue with the group, he or she will be sent home at the participant's expense.

### 4-H Code of Conduct

1. The health, safety, and welfare of others must be respected at all times.
2. Appropriate language and behavior are expected at all times. Profanity, foul or abusive language, inflammatory statements, derogatory comments, or physical altercations toward any group or individual are not permitted.
3. Participants are expected to be present and participate at all scheduled program activities. Participants are required to wear nametags when dispensed.
4. All participants are expected to be on the site of the event at all times. Unauthorized use of vehicles during an event is prohibited.
5. Participants are responsible for following the instructions of all 4-H staff and event chaperones.
6. All behavior or language of a sexual nature at 4-H events is inappropriate and unacceptable. Dignified and respectable behavior is expected at all times.
7. Curfew hours must be strictly followed.
8. Behavior during unscheduled free time is subject to the supervision of 4-H staff and chaperones.
9. Dress code standards previously set for the event must be met by all participants (i.e., no sexually suggestive, culturally insensitive, tobacco or alcohol industry sponsored shirts, inappropriately cut shirts, shorts, pants or skirts, etc.).
10. Possession, distribution, or use of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs is prohibited. Prescription drugs and over-the-counter medications may be dispensed by adult chaperones only with written authorization provided by the parent/guardian on the 4-H Event Permission Form for Youth filed for the event.
11. With the concern for the well being of self and others, smoking and the use of other tobacco products is prohibited.
12. Care and respect for property, personal and institutional, is expected at all times. Theft, possession of missing property or damage to property is prohibited.
13. Unauthorized possession, distribution or use of weapons, ammunition or fireworks is prohibited.
14. Honesty is expected at all times from 4-H members. Dishonesty, cheating, plagiarism and forgery are inappropriate actions.

I HAVE READ the Behavior Agreement and 4-H Code of Conduct above and discussed it with my son/daughter. I understand and agree to the conditions set forth. I accept the cost and responsibility of having my son/daughter returned in the event it is necessary.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of participant in event

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of parent or guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### New Jersey 4-H Media Policy and Release:

The 4-H program routinely promotes activities through various media. This includes, but is not limited to newsletters, newspapers, brochures, and displays. In doing so, the names and photos of members may be included to help tell the 4-H story. However, New Jersey 4-H policy is that on web sites, youth in photos will not be identified by name(s).

- No, do not use my individual picture for any purpose. I will make an effort to avoid opportunities to be in group photos.
- No, do not use my name for any purpose.

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# Upcoming 4-H Events



## May 2011

**Animal Registrations and Lease Papers Due** - Sunday, May 1, 2011

**Middle School Conference** - Saturday, May 14th

**Teen Council Lock-in Event** - Friday-Saturday, May 20th-21st

**Becoming an Outdoor Family, L.G. Cook 4-H Camp** - Friday-Sunday, May 20th-22nd

**Freehold Area Memorial Day Parade** - Monday, May 30th

## June 2011

**NJ State 4-H Public Presentation Day** - Saturday, June 11, 2011

**Mandatory Fair Meeting for Herdsmen** - Wednesday, June 15th

**4-H Association Meeting** - Thursday, June 23rd

**Monmouth County 4-H Teen Time Camp at Turkey Swamp** - June 24th-26th

**S.E.T. Camp Day, L.G. Cook 4-H Camp** - Tuesday, June 28th-Friday July 1st

## July 2011

**National 4-H Trip - Citizenship Washington Focus** - Sunday-Saturday, July 10th-16th

## **Monmouth County Fair**

**Wednesday-Sunday, July 27th-31st**

*Mark your calendar and be sure to join us!*

## August 2011

**Monmouth County 4-H Family Camp at Turkey Swamp** - August 12th-14th

**Teen Leadership Camp at Turkey Swamp** - Friday-Saturday, August 19th-21st

**4-H Association Meeting** - Thursday, August 25th





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