

## 4-H RENAISSANCE FAIRE

SEPT 6 & 7, 2014  
11:30 – 6:00  
WARREN FAIRGROUNDS



*From the Desk  
of the Agent*



Because **READING** about the Renaissance period isn't as much fun as **EXPERIENCING** it!

Visit DaVinci's Den and check out his latest inventions and build a working catapult. Try your hand at drenching a wench, archery or quarterstaff combat! Want a slower pace? Enjoy medieval music and stroll through Merlin's Maze on your way to watch hawks fly. Meet the ancient breed of greyhounds about the grounds and shop for chainmail or beautiful jewelry.

Jousting twice a day and a living chess match for your entertainment!



**4-H is on Face Book!**

<http://www.facebook.com/NewJersey4H>

<http://www.facebook.com/warren4H>



# Reminders

## The Next 4-H Leaders Association Meeting

Wednesday September 3, 2014.

All registered Warren County 4-H leaders are welcome.

*If you prefer a hard copy mailed to your address, please call the office and confirm your updated contact information so we can send you a paper copy. We will only send paper copies to those families that contact us. We hope that 4-H families take advantage of the Grapevine online and help us save the environment.*

### The Jr. Breeder loan program

a great program for young adults already participating in 4-H to acquire livestock via a low-interest livestock loan. Contact the 4-H office for the forms and additional information.



Going to Rutgers????  
Going to miss 4-H????  
No Need! You can join the Collegiate 4-H Club!  
They do much to support 4-H in NJ

### Our Mission

The Rutgers Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development program uses a learn by doing approach to enable youth to develop the knowledge, attitudes, and skills they need to become competent, caring, and contributing citizens of the world.



This mission is accomplished by using the knowledge and resources of the land grant university system, along with the involvement of caring adults

Family Grapevine  
Bi-Monthly Newsletter  
Rutgers Cooperative Extension  
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(908) 475-6502  
[www.warren4-h.org](http://www.warren4-h.org)

Alayne J. Torretta, County 4-H Agent  
Alex Zolla, 4-H Secretary

## Council of Presidents

If you are elected as an officer in your club for the 2014-2015 4-H year and are in grades 4-13, this meeting is for YOU! You will learn how to run a business meeting, what all those terms mean, have some fun and help plan the countywide community service project! The Council of Presidents meeting/training dates are:

**November 15**

**January 19**

**April 11**

**July 19**



## The NJ Tour de Farm

(<http://www.tourdefarmnj.com>)

Blairstown, NJ September 27, 2014

The purpose of this event is to help promote our NJ farmers and their farms.

They are looking for volunteers to help with parking and to help at the farms along the tour route.

Volunteers will receive a free, world-class Farm to Fork feast (cost is \$75) in exchange for their volunteering.

Contact Mitch Morrison ASAP!

[mitchell.morrison5@mac.com](mailto:mitchell.morrison5@mac.com)

<http://www.tourdefarmnj.com>

<https://www.facebook.com/TourDeFarmNj>



## NJ Junior Breeder and Young Farmer Symposium

***HOLD THE DATE***

Saturday – March 28, 2015

Rutgers University

School of Environmental and Biological Sciences  
(Round House - College Farm Rd, New Brunswick, NJ)

More Information to Follow  
Call 609-984-4389 or Email –

[Lynn.Mathews@ag.state.nj.us](mailto:Lynn.Mathews@ag.state.nj.us)



## Leadership Washington Focus

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Leadership Washington Focus (LWF) will be held July 14-18 at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center in Chevy Chase Maryland. There will be 4-H members representing many states across the nation at Leadership Washington Focus. LWF is a 4-day event (Tuesday-Saturday) **for 4-H members in grades 6-8 at the time of application.** The program will provide an opportunity for youth to listen to motivational speakers and participate in workshops that will develop communication skills, increase leadership capacity and build lifetime skills. The program utilizes Washington, D.C. as a working classroom to learn about leadership and provides hands-on opportunities for our younger teens to promote "Learn to Lead Now - Better Leaders Tomorrow."

Activities during the 4-day conference will help delegates to build confidence develop effective communication skills, and youth will visit some of D.C.'s most spectacular sights and learn about the different types of leadership conveyed through the symbolism of our national monuments and memorials.

The cost for the conference is \$800 per person which includes all expenses – registration, lodging, meals, transportation and activities. Applications are due to the county 4-H office by November 1 and are due to the state 4-H office by November 12.

Contact [torretta@njaes.rutgers.edu](mailto:torretta@njaes.rutgers.edu) for an application!



## Citizenship Washington Focus

July 5-11, 2015

Citizenship Washington Focus is a citizenship and leadership program conducted by the National 4-H Council **for youth in 9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade at the time of application** and must go through a local selection process. For further information about attending as a New Jersey delegate click on the link below.

Applications are due on March 1 for the conference in July. The cost for the week is approximately \$900, which includes registration, lodging, transportation, all activities, and most meals.

<http://nj4h.rutgers.edu/citizenship/washingtonfocus/>

## NATIONAL 4-H CONFERENCE

The 2015 National 4-H Conference will be held April 11-16 at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland. Known as the "Secretary's Conference," National 4-H Conference is the premier youth development opportunity to engage youth assisting in the development of recommendations to help guide 4-H Youth Development Programs nationally and in their communities. The purpose of this working conference is to solicit input from a diverse cross-section of the Cooperative Extension System to strengthen and expand the 4-H Youth Development Program at local, state and national levels. The conference is administered by 4-H National Headquarters of the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) within the United States Department of Agriculture.

Approximately 300 youth, volunteer leaders, and state and county Extension staff members from across the United States, the U.S. Territories, and the Canadian Provinces are expected to attend. New Jersey will be sending a delegation of six teen 4-H members and two adult chaperones. **Teens must be in the 10-12 grades as of September 2014** in order to participate in the 2015 event. 4-H members interested in attending must work well in groups, have good communication skills and be leaders. They should also be interested in making a change in their community and be willing to work on a project upon their return.

Interested 4-H members must complete an application form available from the county 4-H office or on-line at <http://nj4h.rutgers.edu/leadership/nat4hconference/>. **All applications are due to the county 4-H office by October 1, 2014.** Group and individual interviews will be held on Saturday, November 1 at the School of Environmental & Biological Sciences, Cook-Douglas Campus, Rutgers University.



## State Shooting Sports Training for adults

September 26-28, 2014  
at  
Lindley G. Cook 4-H Camp

Email [Torretta@rce.rutgers.edu](mailto:Torretta@rce.rutgers.edu) for the registration materials. We have county \$\$ to cover the cost which includes meals, lodging, and curriculum. Archery, Rifle, Pistol & Muzzle loader!

## Discover the Leader in You! Regional Conference

March 21, 2015  
10:00 AM-3:30 PM

Former Agricultural Museum of New Jersey, 103 College Farm Road, Cook Campus, New Brunswick

4-H members in grades 6-7 are invited to attend this leadership conference. You will have fun, meet new friends and develop leadership and personal development skills that you can utilize at home, in school, in your 4-H club, and in your community.

### Cost

\$30.00 (includes snacks, lunch, and supplies)

### Registration

Registration materials will be available in December 2014. Contact Jeannette Rea-Keywood by phone 856-459-1900 ext. 4522 or by email [reakeywood@njaes.rutgers.edu](mailto:reakeywood@njaes.rutgers.edu)



## 4-H Rabbit, Cavy, Small Animal, Herpetology & Poultry Project Educational Symposium

February 28, 2015  
10:00 AM-3:30 PM  
Gloucester County Office, Clayton NJ

### Activities Scheduled

#### 4-H Rabbit Hopping Contest 4-H Avian Bowl

4-H Poultry & Rabbit Showmanship Workshops  
Reptile Workshop  
4-H Rabbit, Cavy, Small Animal, Herpetology & Poultry Project Art Show  
4-H Small Animal Skill-a-Thon  
Animalology Quiz Bowl

Registration materials available in December 2014. For more information, contact Jeannette Rea-Keywood, State 4-H Small Animal Project Advisory Council Liaison at 856-459-1900 ext. 4522 or [reakeywood@njaes.rutgers.edu](mailto:reakeywood@njaes.rutgers.edu)





# HORSE NEWS



## EQUINE SCHOLARSHIP OFFERED TO 4-H & FFA MEMBERS

The New Jersey Equine Advisory Board has announced a \$1,000 scholarship to help 4-H and FFA members pursue their equine activities. Members of organizations represented on the New Jersey Equine Advisory Board are also eligible. Applicants must be between the ages of 13 and 16 and reside in the State of New Jersey.

The Sara Dubinin Scholarship, in memory of Sara Dubinin, who loved horses, will be presented at the New Jersey Bred Equine Breeder Awards Luncheon on January 25, 2015 At Charley's Other Brother Restaurant in Eastampton.

Sara, a Sayreville resident, graduated from Cardinal McCarrick High School in South Amboy in 2006. The 19-year-old was attending Middlesex County College when she succumbed to injuries suffered in a motor vehicle accident in September of 2007.

Those interested in receiving the scholarship must submit an application form including an essay on, "How horses have affected my life and how horses figure into my future." The application can be found at [www.jerseyequine.nj.gov/dubininapplicationform.pdf](http://www.jerseyequine.nj.gov/dubininapplicationform.pdf). Consideration of applications will be weighted upon the candidate's financial need.

The deadline to submit the essay is January 2, 2015. It can be submitted to Lynn Mathews, 609-292-2888 or [lynn.mathews@ag.state.nj.us](mailto:lynn.mathews@ag.state.nj.us).

Congratulations to **Ryleigh Semanchik** for being Second Runner up for the 2014 State Equestrian of the Year! Well done!



## Tick-Borne Diseases Are on the Rise

Tick-borne disease is on the rise for multiple reasons, including climate change and increased movement of both people and animals.

### Diseases of Concern to Horses

The three main tick-borne diseases that can affect horses are:

- Lyme disease
- Equine piroplasmosis
- Anaplasmosis

Diagnosis for these diseases is made by blood testing. Antibiotics are typically used to treat anaplasmosis and Lyme disease. With piroplasmosis, treatment is based on the species of parasite involved, however, the drugs used have adverse side effects and a definitive cure is unlikely. If a horse is diagnosed with piroplasmosis, state and federal veterinarians will be involved. Never consider any tick on a horse to be a 'safe' tick.

There are no vaccines labeled for use in horses for tick-borne diseases. **Protecting your horse** from ticks is the best way to prevent infection. Ticks aren't just a warm weather concern. They can survive in winter comfortably insulated in the vegetation beneath a blanket of snow.

# 2014 NJ 4-H State Horse Show Results

## BARREL RACE HORSE

7<sup>th</sup> place Gracie Klimas

## BARREL RACE PONY

3<sup>rd</sup> place Gracie Klimas

## POLE BENDING HORSE

7<sup>th</sup> place Naomi Cronce

## POLE BENDING PONY

3<sup>rd</sup> place Gracie Klimas

## BOW TIE HORSE

8<sup>th</sup> place Naomi Cronce

9<sup>th</sup> place Gracie Klimas

## BOW TIE PONY

2<sup>nd</sup> place Gracie Klimas

## VSE HALTER (Very Small Equine)

1<sup>st</sup> place Maddie Crisp

6<sup>th</sup> place Gracie Klimas

## VSE IN HAND TRAIL

5<sup>th</sup> place Maddie Crisp

9<sup>th</sup> place Alexis Grogan

## VSE JUMPING

2<sup>nd</sup> place Maddie Crisp

8<sup>th</sup> place Gracie Klimas

## ENGLISH

### JR SHOWMANSHIP AND GROOMING

8<sup>th</sup> place Gracie Klimas

### ENGLISH HALTER

1<sup>st</sup> place Megan Lay

## ENGLISH –

### GROWING & TRAINING HALTER

2<sup>nd</sup> place Alexis Grogan

## ENGLISH

### SR Pleasure Horse

6<sup>th</sup> place Megan Lay

## ENGLISH

### JR Pleasure Horse

4<sup>th</sup> place Gracie Klimas

5<sup>th</sup> place Maddie Crisp

## WESTERN

### JR SHOWMANSHIP AND GROOMING

8<sup>th</sup> place Maddie Crisp

## WESTERN

### Halter Mares

6<sup>th</sup> place Pier Semanchik

## WESTERN

### Halter Geldings

2<sup>nd</sup> place Alexis Grogan

## WESTERN

### Growing and Training Mares

1<sup>st</sup> place Alexis Grogan

## Jr WESTERN PLEASURE

3<sup>rd</sup> place Maddie Crisp

4<sup>th</sup> place Alexis Grogan

## Sr WESTERN PLEASURE

9<sup>th</sup> place Megan Lay

## WESTERN

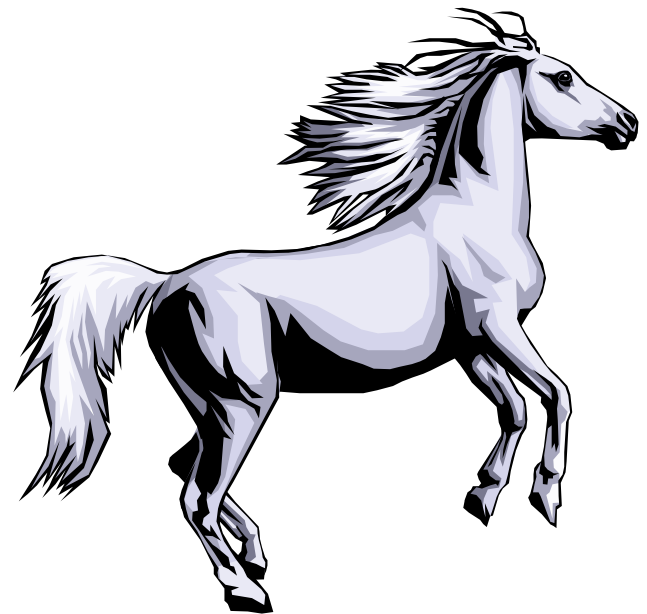
### Jr Horsemanship

3<sup>rd</sup> place Gracie Klimas

## WESTERN

### Sr Horsemanship

6<sup>th</sup> place Pier Semanchik



## Record books

To wrap up the 2013-2014 4-H Year, your completed project record books are submitted to the 4-H office for review. In this newsletter, you will find the **APPLICATION PAGE** that **must accompany your record book!** Print it and put it with your record book. We will also need proof that you did your public presentation in March of 2014 or at the 2014 Fair. That would be your judging sheet.

Project Record Books are due to the 4-H Office September 15 by 4:30 p.m. 4-H Alumni from around the country at Rutgers University will again review the record books of youth who have met all the criteria for member in good standing. These former 4-H members will give you feedback we hope will help you to see strengths in your record keeping, project area(s), community service, and leadership abilities. Also, they can point out how you can improve in these areas as well!



Record books are the only way that reviewers can see, in detail, what you have learned over the past 4-H year – so the books are very important in getting to know you and acknowledging your accomplishments.

We realize that many kids HATE to write (especially when it is not for school) and that record books are the farthest things from your mind in September. But, if you haven't waited until September to begin your record keeping, finishing them up in a month should be a SNAP! Ask mom or dad (or your leader!) to help you set a time to work on your book.

If you need a project record book, you can download from [www.warren4-h.org](http://www.warren4-h.org) and follow the link for RECORD BOOKS, however, keep in mind that filling one out in one month CAN be a burden!

### **Clover bud record books available**

If your child is a clover bud member (grades k-3) of 4-H, or if you have one in your club, you can get them started right. Clover bud record books are a great way to introduce the record keeping skills youth need for an independent adulthood. We would love to display them at the Achievement Night this October.



## County Recognition

Remember, in order to be recognized at the county level we need to hear from **YOU!** **Fill out the one page application.** The page is included in this newsletter or get it online at <http://www.warren4-h.org/forms.html> and submit it with your record book. Also you must have:



- Attended 70% of your club meetings
- Given a formally judged presentation at the county or state level (include the judging sheets with the book)
- Completed a project record book in the area you would like recognition by the deadline
- Participated in this year's fair
- Participated in a 4-H sponsored community service project

**Don't miss out because you forgot the application page! The office cannot fill one out for you!!!!**

If you have completed all of the above *and* have COMPLETED 4th grade or higher, county recognition is in the form of achievement medals, or pins, in your project area and are given out at the achievement dinner in the fall.

Recognition for cloverbud members (grades k-3) is in the form of a certificate of participation.

You and your family are invited to participate in **Achievement night October 25** whether you've completed a record book or not! 4-H will honor you with certificates of merit or participation, depending on how active you have been this year.

### **Outstanding Project Member**

In addition to the achievement medals, one outstanding project member is chosen in the more popular project areas and will be announced at the dinner. A 4-H member can be awarded this recognition more than once. This is why your record books are turned in and sent down to the Rutgers 4-H Collegiate Group.

### **Are YOU an Outstanding 4-Her??**

Warren County 4-H will select two outstanding 4-H members for the year, but a 4-Her must apply for this recognition. Get the application online at <http://www.warren4-h.org/forms.html> It can only be awarded once in a 4-H career for a member who maintains a member in good standing status in the year they apply.

**Outstanding 4-Her applications are available in the 4-H office and are due September 15.**



## Warren County 4-H County Recognition Application Sheet

Member's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year: 20\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ Years in 4-H \_\_\_\_\_

In order to be eligible for county recognition you must turn in a completed record book and do ALL of the following. Please indicate and check all you have done.

- Attend 70% of your club meetings:

Name of Club	Meetings Held	Meetings Attended	Office Held

- Participate in the Warren County Farmers' Fair: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

Participation in the fair means: building watch, exhibiting a project, working a milk booth shift, giving a public presentation during fair, showing, etc.

List what you did at fair: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- Participate in a 4-H sponsored Citizenship/Community Service project: yes \_\_\_ No\_\_\_

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- Give a Public Presentation: county level \_\_\_\_\_ state level \_\_\_\_\_

Topic \_\_\_\_\_ Award: \_\_\_\_\_

Be sure to submit your presentation judging sheets with this application!



In addition to these requirements, you may have done the following. Check & describe what you have done.

Leadership role: yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Instructions for turning in your record book for county recognition**

- This application page should be filled out ONCE no matter how many books you turn in.
- If you participated in fair, community service, public presentations, or took on any leadership roles, describe what you did on the application for county recognition form
- All pictures should be added at the END of the record book to which they pertain
- Public presentation judging sheets should be attached to this application
- Project judging sheets must be included in each project record book.

## **Completing record books**

- Try to set at least 2 project specific goals and 2 general goals. Make sure to list the project specific goals in their project book.
- Events/activities for a specific project area should be listed on the “OTHER 4-H ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS I PARTICIPATED IN” page in their project book. Do not mix project areas! Keep rabbit events in your rabbit book and photography events in your photography book. General 4-H activities, such as presentations or road clean ups can go in each of the books. It may be a little extra writing, but it will help the reviewers know what you did in your project area and 4-H year. Things outside of 4-H should not be listed.
- If you do more than one record book “My 4-H story” should be written for each story based on that project area. Please don’t photo copy one massive story for reviewers to sort through to get a picture of what your 4-H year in that project was like. It is acceptable to type a story.
- If you do more than one book, please do not write anywhere “see my \_\_\_\_\_ (other) book.” Reviewers will be looking at your books one at a time and cannot cross reference for each youth.

January 2012