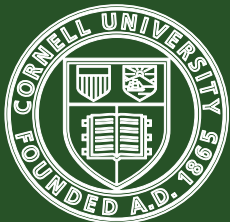




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## Show Opportunities for the Family Dog

By: Karen Soule, 4-H Educator



As of April 2010, AKC began their Canine Partners Program so that owners of dogs of mixed parentage could compete alongside their purebred counterparts. Dogs in this program must be spayed or neutered in order to comply with the regulations. Prior to this program, there were few venues in which these dogs could compete. This program allows you to enter agility, obedience and rally obedience trials at shows that accept entries from the CP Program. More recently they, as well as purebred non-sight hound breeds, were able to compete in coursing agility tests. Whether purebred or mixed breed, we all share one common thing: a passion for our dog.

For more information on this program, contact the AKC at [www.akcphp.com](http://www.akcphp.com).

## 4-H Teen Winter Weekend

By: Karen Soule, 4-H Educator

Once again, the Oswegatchie Educational Center in Croghan will be the site of this year's Teen Winter Weekend. 4-H members that are ages 13 to 19 (as of January 1) may attend. The cost is \$60.00 for participants and chaperones alike, which will cover the cost of lodging, meals, snacks and most workshop supplies. If you are interested, please contact Karen or Holly. Registrations, payment and medical consent form must be submitted to Lewis County CCE by Monday, January 30. Registration Forms are available Jefferson County CCE office. The theme this year is a 1920's Murder Mystery. Some possible programming for 2012 includes:

- Cross Country Skiing
- Snow Sculpture
- Ice Skating
- Snowshoeing
- Night Hike
- Indoor Hands-on Workshops
- Ice Breakers



If you want to snowshoe and don't have your own, they are available for rent for \$15.00 for the weekend. If you're interested in cross-country skiing, you will need to bring your own.



The 'Human Table' as demonstrated here during the 2006 Teen Winter Weekend.

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## A Travel Bugs Journey

By: Karen Soule, *4-H Educator*

One of the things I find most interesting about geocaching is the possibility of finding a travel bug. In a previous issue of Green Ink, I told you a little about these trackable items. What I find so interesting is that you can view a map of where the item began its journey and where it is now on the geocaching website. This is the story of two of them that I have found and sent on their way.

**In August I found 'Gunner the Yellow Lab' off Route 3 between Mexico and Oswego. Gunner had begun his travels in 'Moose on the Loose,' in Colorado in 2007. After camp season was over, I placed him in 'Destination 4-H Camp' at 4-H Camp Wabasso. Gunner was picked up, traveled to several other locations and is, as of the day I am writing this, in Rarotonga in the Cook Islands!**



When the Furry Friends 4-H Dog Club hosted the Cache In-Trash Out Event at Black Pond on October 1, a CITO event Geocoin was placed in the cache located on the grounds. It has traveled around a few locations in New York State, has been to Michigan, Ontario, Canada and now resides in a cache in Alberta, Canada.



## LEAP Program Update

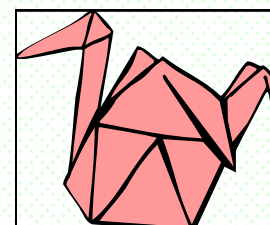
By: Mitch McCormick, *Program Coordinator*

December was a great month to be at the Extended Day (LEAP) Program in Belleville Henderson! The students participated in many fun community events. One of the highlights was the holiday cookie and ornament making. We had about 35 children and 15 parents stay after program to work on the activities. The youth had the opportunity to use cookie cutters to form the dough into their favorite holiday shapes. What a sight to see so many children at once having fun with the cookie dough and rolling pins! While the cookies were in the oven they made ornaments including snowflakes, gingerbread men and silver bead ornaments. The event concluded with cookie decorating with the children choosing from various types of frosting and sprinkles to decorate. Everyone had a great time and left with plates full of cookies!



Our program was fortunate this month to have a guest speaker; 4-H Educator Karen Soule. Karen did two presentations on dog training for all of the students in the program. She brought her Australian Shepherds, Roper and JR, and explained what is involved in training the dogs. The children watched as she had the dogs follow commands, execute different maneuvers and do tricks. Some of the youth were even allowed to take the dogs through a rally course.

Another highlight of the month was the start of Thursday Club Days. On these days, children got their choice of three activities in which to participate. Our choices for December were Paper Airplanes, Origami, Lego-Mania, Lego Robotics, Project Adventure and Gingerbread House Making. This was an attempt to let the children work in multi-age groups and meet other kids in the school while at the same time giving them more of a choice in their activities. It was very well received and we will continue the Club Days through January. Activities in January may include igloo building, snowshoeing and ice sculpting, weather permitting. Stay tuned for more information!

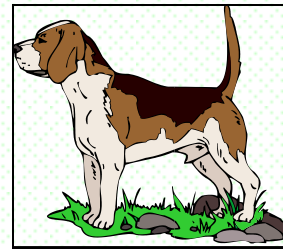


## Changes for County and State Fair Dog Shows

By: Karen Soule, 4-H Educator

Last year the Beginner Novice class was added into our fair program as it was a new offering that AKC had added to their obedience classes. The NYS 4-H Dog Advisory Team decided at the November meeting to take out Beginner A and B and run Beginner Novice A and B at the State Fair Dog Show. Beginner Novice A is for 4-H members that have not previously trained a dog beyond the Beginner Novice Level; are first or second year obedience handlers, or have not obtained an AKC or equivalent obedience title for any dog. The dogs in this class must not have received a blue ribbon in Beginner Novice A at the state level, or **obtained an AKC title or BN. All exercises in 'A' are on a leash. The exercises and scoring are:**

Heel on lead (Rally signs)	40 pts.
Figure eight	40 pts.
Sit for exam	40 pts.
Sit-stay	40 pts.
Recall	<u>40 pts.</u>
Maximum total	200 pts.



Dogs receiving a blue in this class at the state level **MUST** move to Beginner Novice B or higher. Dogs entered in either Beginner Novice class cannot participate in Agility, Brace or 4 Person Team.

Class No. 5 was called Graduate Beginners A and will be changed to Graduate Beginner Novice A for 2012. This class is for 4-H'ers **who have not previously trained a dog beyond the Graduate Beginner Novice level.** Exercises and maximum possible points are:

Heel on lead and Figure 8 on lead	40 pts.
Stand for exam off lead	40 pts.
Recall off lead	40 pts.
Long sit off lead (1 minute)	40 pts.
Long down off lead (3 minutes)	<u>40 pts.</u>
Maximum total	200 pts.



Changes for Grooming and Handling classes came about because it was felt that there are so many youth **competing in the 'B' class. It was decided that it will now be split into two classes, one for Juniors, ages 9-13 (as of Jan. 1) and one for Seniors, ages 14-19 (as of Jan 1).** The number that the county can send will be **two juniors and two seniors for the 'B' class.**

In agility, dogs will jump the AKC preferred jump height (4 inches lower) for all classes. To see the 4-H jump height rule go to: [http://www.ansci.cornell.edu/4H/dogs/jumpheight\\_tips.pdf](http://www.ansci.cornell.edu/4H/dogs/jumpheight_tips.pdf). For example, Roper jumps 20" at AKC shows as he is between 18 and 22 inches tall. If he were being shown in 4-H agility, he would now be jumping 16 inches.

## 4-H Club News

### Dairy Bowl to Begin

By: Matt Greene, *4-H Educator*

Jefferson County will begin to practice for the 2012 Dairy Bowl Competition beginning on **January 23** from **6:30-9 pm**. The practices will be each Monday until the end of March. Participants will learn about a variety of topics including nutrition, anatomy, dairy products, housing, dairy business and management practices just to name a few. If you are at all interested in the dairy industry, this is a great way to learn more and have fun with **4-H'ers that have similar interests**. For more information, please contact Matt Greene or Lisa Porter.



### Jefferson County Livestock Club Meeting

By: Matt Greene, *4-H Educator*

The Jefferson County 4-H Livestock Club had its second meeting in December. The ten members present learned about the nutrient requirements for all animals. These six nutrients include carbohydrates, proteins, **fats, vitamins, minerals and water**. They also learned about **what ingredients in their animals' food supplied** which of these nutrients. The members got to see some samples of feed ingredients and then made up cards about the samples to use as a reference for future study. A snack was supplied by the Elcsisin family. We plan to meet again on **January 16<sup>th</sup>** at the **CCE office at 10 am**. We will then depart to tour some local farms that raise market livestock. **4-H'ers attending that day should dress for the weather, because we will be outside for some of the tours**. Membership in the Livestock Club is not dependant on **4-H'ers owning** animals themselves. Anyone interested in learning about sheep, goats, swine and beef cattle are invited to come to our meetings. If you would like more information, please contact Matt Greene at the 4-H office.

The 4-H Livestock Committee  
will meet on January 6 at 6:30 pm  
at the CCE office.

### Skill-a-Thon at State Fair

By: Karen Soule, *4-H Educator*



Again this year State Fair will run the Skill-a-Thon during the first day of the dog show. I hope that you consider taking part in this as it is a great educational piece and a way to meet new friends. Last year 20 Counties represented by 60+ youth participated at ten stations. These stations tested knowledge on breeds, parasites, anatomy, famous dogs, general 4-H knowledge, grooming equipment, how to properly lift a dog, etc. Dog breed pins were awarded to contestants and the state is going to buy them for 2012. It was decided that whatever breed was handled by the winner of the largest class would be the breed pin for the following year. The pin for 2012 will be an Australian Shepherd.

### Fair Book Changes 2012

By: Matt Greene, *4-H Educator*

The 4-H animal portion of the Jefferson County Fair book will begin to be edited in January. If you have any changes you would like us to consider, please contact the 4-H office and we will take these suggestions under advisement. Please let us know if you will be purchasing any particular breeds and we will add them to the fair book.

### Holstein Bowl Practice Dates

By: The Porter Family

**Monday, January 9, 2012, 7-8:30pm**, location TBA  
Holstein Bowl Practice

**Saturday & Sunday, January 14 & 15**  
NYS Junior Holstein Convention in Syracuse

#### Holstein Bowl Teams:

<u>Novice</u>	<u>Junior</u>	<u>Senior</u>
Claire Greene	Casey Porter	Alicia Chisholm
Rebecca Hanson	Josh Chisholm	Marissa Chisholm
Mikaylee Gamble	Seth Jones	Erik Shelmidine
Brandon Phelps	Ethan Geurtsen	Ryan Willits

Chaperones: Lisa Porter, Patty Forbes, Matt Greene

## 4-H Club News

### It's Time For Horse Bowl!

By: Karen Soule, *4-H Educator*

January marks the time for Horse Bowl practices to begin again. If you like horses, a little friendly competition, or want to learn more about horses, then Horse Bowl might interest you.

Practice dates are: **January 9, 23, 30; February 6, 13, 27; March 5 at 7:00 PM at the office.** Practice culminates in a district competition in Oswego County in mid-March. Even if you do not want to compete at the district, we hope you will come join us and let's talk horses!



### 4-H Club Officer Training (Part Two)

By: Holly Wirth, *4-H Educator*

The second Officer Training session will be Sunday, **January 15 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM.** We will cover different topics than the first training, so everyone can participate. There will be snacks and drinks provided. This is for any officer position in any 4-H club in the county. We will focus on how to run an efficient, productive meeting and discuss opportunities for the future.

If you need more information please contact Holly Wirth.



### Adventure Club

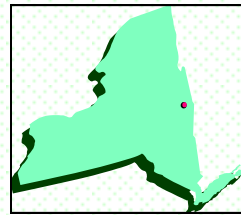
By: Holly Wirth, *4-H Educator*

The next meeting of the Adventure Club will be held at **Gander Mountain on January 5th, a Thursday evening from 7–9 pm.** We will have use of the Archery Range. The **February** meeting will also be held at Gander Mountain on **February 2, from 7–9 pm.**

The **Winter State Shooting Sports** training will be held in Ballston Spa in Saratoga County on **February 24–26.** Several disciplines (archery, rifle, shotgun, muzzle loading, air pistol, or living history) are usually offered, but only one discipline can be selected at the training for the weekend. For more information, check the NYS Shooting Sports website at [www.nys4hshootingandsports.org](http://www.nys4hshootingandsports.org) or contact Holly Wirth for updates. The training is for adults and teens over 13 years of age.

### 4-H Capital Days

By: Holly Wirth, *4-H Educator*



Capital Days, **March 4-6, 2012 plans are underway.** It's time to be thinking of why you might like to try for this trip! The trip is open to any active 4-H member age 13 and up. The trip involves going to Albany and staying overnight. Transportation is provided by your Extension office and staff.

During the trip, you will meet other 4-H teens from across the state, tour the capital buildings, visit departments and meet your legislators and other state representatives. A teen committee plans the food, dance and games. There are speaking opportunities for the county youth attending as well. If you are selected, a letter will be sent to your school for an educational absence excuse.

### 4-H Maple Program

By: Matt Greene, *4-H Educator*



Get your sugar fix with the 4-H Maple Program (sort of). We will learn about a variety of aspects of the maple industry. These will include tree selection, how to tap, collection techniques and boiling. The first meeting is **January 12 at 6:30 pm.** All 4-H'ers are invited to participate.

This year, as in the past, please to submit an essay on **“Why you would like to be selected and what would you like to discuss with your representative.”** Please submit your essay by **January 25<sup>th</sup>** to Holly Wirth at [hrs54@cornell.edu](mailto:hrs54@cornell.edu) or by regular mail to 203 N. Hamilton St., Watertown, NY 13601 Attn: Holly

## 4-H Club News

### Winter Break Activity

By: Holly Wirth, *4-H Educator*

Winter Break Special for 4-H Members is **Wednesday, February 22!!!** Break the winter doldrums and come do some fun Junior Master Gardening activities. Leave with something to watch grow in your window sills. These activities will be available from **9:00 am to noon**. Bring a bag lunch and then we will go to Dry Hill for tubing, skiing and snowboarding.



Please contact Karen by February 17, 2012 if you plan to attend. We will be at Dry Hill from 1:00 to 4:00 pm if you would like to join us there.

### 4-H Friday

By: Holly Wirth, *4-H Educator*

The next 4-H Friday is, **January 27 from 7:00 -9:00 pm** at the CCE office. This 4-H Friday will have some unusual poultry projects featured. There are other species besides chickens that can also provide unique project and hobby opportunities. Come and see some surprises!

We will also have some hands on crafts and food projects to get your mind storming for the County Fair! There are about 180 days until 4-H non-animal project judging day. **Don't let time sneak up on you**, take advantage of the winter months and be creative!

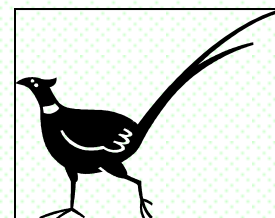
4-H Fridays are a perfect time to invite a friend. A special prize will be awarded to a 4-H member who brings the most guests! Every 4-H Friday is open to the public and all current 4-H members and is a family friendly event. Games and refreshments are included. Contact Holly Wirth for more information.



### Pheasant Rearing Project is on for 2012!

By: Holly Wirth, *4-H Educator*

The DEC Reynolds Game Farm is again working with 4-H families to provide a pheasant rearing experience. This is a wonderful opportunity for a unique project that does a



service for the sportsmen of Jefferson County as well! There is a manual and video in the 4-H office that explains the responsibilities involved. If you are interested you need to review these materials. The youth are provided with 10-100, day-old pheasant chicks by the DEC, free of charge. There are housing and release requirements explained in the manual. Please contact Holly by **March 1, 2012** if you are interested.

Our county order goes in by **March 7, 2012**. The chicks are usually delivered in May.

The 4-H Dairy Committee  
will meet on January 9 at 6:30 pm  
at the CCE office.



## Upcoming Events

By: Karen Soule, 4-H Educator

This year there are several good offerings at Cornell for dog enthusiasts. The March Dog Madness will be held on **March 17**. Topic possibilities are:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How to Prepare for a CGC test</li> <li>• Fun Dog Projects</li> <li>• Anatomy/Diseases/Parasites</li> <li>• CPR/First Aid</li> <li>• Teaching the New Beginner Novice class</li> <li>• Agility Dog Health Care/Injury Prevention</li> <li>• How to Recruit New Kids</li> <li>• How to get kids to do project reports</li> <li>• Clicker or Positive training methods</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grooming &amp; Handling Skills</li> <li>• Dog Club Activities w/o a dog</li> <li>• Dog Sports (Fly ball, Weight Pulling, etc.)</li> <li>• Intro to Rally Signs</li> <li>• How to steward/putting on a match</li> <li>• Back to Basics</li> <li>• Dog Bowl</li> <li>• Dealing with difficult dogs</li> <li>• Animal Behaviorist</li> </ul> |
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**And don't forget Animal Crackers!** This year the theme is dog and dairy and will be held on May 5 at CCE. The possible theme follows the 2011 National 4-H theme with a twist... **Responsible Dog Ownership / Join the Revolution of Responsibility**. Possible topics here may include:

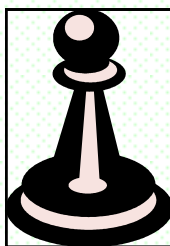
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## OUR MONTHLY CHESS FEATURE... Clearer Thinking: Greco v. NN, Notebook Game 1620

By: John Kunz, Advantage After School Coordinator

This game qualifies as one of the oldest recorded chess games. It was inscribed in the notebook of Gioachino Greco. Greco was an itinerant Italian chess player. His work chronicles many opening traps and checkmate patterns that are still seen today. His games were all published without the names of opponents. Many scholars believe that the games were constructed by Greco rather than played over the board.

The opening used here is the Bishop's Opening. It can provide for some sharp tactics. As the game progresses, watch for batteries, forks, a double attack and two discoveries. Black resigns before mate. See if you can play out to checkmate.



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|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| 1. e4, e5   | 8. Ng5, Nh6   | 15. Bf7+, Kd7   |
| 2. Bc4, Bc5 | 9. d4, Bb6    | 16. Qf4, Nge7   |
| 3. Qe2, d6  | 10. Bxf4, Qe7 | 17. Qxg4+, Kd8  |
| 4. c3, Nc6  | 11. Rf1, f6   | 18. Bxe7+, Nxe7 |
| 5. f4, exf4 | 12. Nd2, fxe5 | 19. Qxg7        |
| 6. Nf3, g5  | 13. Bxg5, Qg7 |                 |
| 7. h4, g4   | 14. Qe3, Ng8  |                 |



# Happy January Birthday!!

**2** Karisa Curran  
Cheyenne Brown

**3** Kaylynn Warner  
Olivia Klock  
Aviauna Beckett

**4** Gina Ebbrecht  
Anna Derouin

**5** Avery Clason

**6** Milagros Gonzalez

**9** Allison Whitmire  
Kayla Salter  
Jayden Salter

**10** Jalen Ly  
Shannon Boston  
Mitchell Peets

**11** Hunter Vincent  
Hallie Forney  
Edward O'Melia  
Madison Watkins

**12** Adrian Bronson  
Kiley Ann Ferguson  
Maurice Bruson

**13** Heather Williams  
Gabriel Feliciano

**14** Tionna Mitchell

**15** Hayden Matice

**16** Carlos Vazquez  
Zachary Tolbert  
Konrad Wojcikowski



**17** Lisa Livingston  
Lindsey Brandon  
Caitlyn Landay  
Dustin Burchett

**18** Issac Bright  
Sara Hemminger  
Tanisha Lacy  
Alexandria Heaton

**19** Alexis Noyes

**20** Fox Richardson  
Naim Friday  
Marisa Orozco

**21** Anthony Reyes

**22** Chantelle Brodt  
Julia Dodge

**24** Logan Brown

**25** Vanessa Gerstenschlager  
Victoria Lennox  
Ardell Henderson  
Annika Jantzi

**26** Shannon Blair

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

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Monday	January 30, 2012	4-H Teen Winter Weekend Sign Up Due	Lewis County CCE	Pg. 3
Wednesday	February 22, 2012 / 9 am-4 pm	Winter Break Activity	CCE / Dry Hill	Pg. 9



## 4-H Slogan and Motto

Slogan: "Learn by doing" Motto: "To Make the Best Better!"

