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UPCOMING 4-H EVENTS

**Date Is Set!!**
Gloucester County 4-H

**Back To 4-H Night**
Sept. 19, 2017
6-9 pm

4-H Association Hosts Spaghetti Dinner
Available during Back to 4-H Night 6:30 – 8pm
Adults - $10  Children under 12 - $5
Eat in or take out.

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4-H Foragers Bee Club

Spinning

Sheep

Exotic Bird & Poultry

Swine

Rabbit & Small Animal

Herpetology

Goat

Grow with the Green

Community Service Clubs & More!!

**Back to 4-H Night** is an annual event sponsored by the 4-H Youth Development Program and our Advisory Groups (4-H Fair Association, 4-H Association, 4-H Horse Advisory and Senior Council).

This annual event is an opportunity for the community to come out & learn about the Gloucester County 4-H including the educational programs offered and the more than 40 different clubs that make up our program. It is also the time for registered 4-H members to re-enroll for the new 4-H year.

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August 8, 2017

Dear 4-H Family Members,

It’s time for Back to School and also, Back to 4-H for the new 4-H year. You are invited and encouraged to attend our annual 4-H “Open House” held on Tuesday September 19 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Also, the (Annual) Gloucester County 4-H Association Spaghetti Dinner will be available during the event. Adult dinners are $10 - children under 12 are $5. Eat in or Take out. For more information, visit www.gec4h.com or call 856-307-6450 Ext. 3

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: 4-H registrations are now paperless! You should have already visited http://nj4honline.com so that your children are officially registered in Gloucester Co. 4-H. If you have already done this, the re-enrollment process will be much simpler. You will need to click on a few buttons to re-enroll in your current clubs and projects. If you haven’t completed the initial enrollment process yet, please visit the website and do so. If you need help to complete the online enrollment, 4-H staff will be available at Back to 4-H Night to walk you through it.

Enrollment/Re-enrollment must be completed by January 1, 2018 to be eligible to participate in county events, including the annual 4-H Fair, as well as all state and national events.

Here are 10 Reasons why you will benefit from coming to Back to 4-H Night
1. It’s time to turn in your completed 4-H Record Book(s)
2. You will enjoy a yummy spaghetti dinner (4-H Association Fund Raiser)
3. You will meet other 4-H members and volunteers
4. You will meet potential 4-H members and help them understand why 4-H Makes the Best Better!
5. You will learn about some new clubs and project areas and some things you may not have known about existing clubs
6. The Gloucester County 4-H Association will share all the exciting events for 2017-2018 and how you can get more involved
7. You will meet members of the Gloucester County 4-H Fair Association and learn how you can get involved
8. Learn about 4-H Senior Council & the state and national educational trips available to older 4-Hers
9. Help is available if needed for enrolling or re-enrolling in 4-H Online
10. Share your ideas for clubs, projects, activities and events - 4-H is 4 U!

We look forward to seeing you at Back to 4-H. It will be held at the Office for Government Services, 1200 N. Delsea Drive, Clayton, NJ. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact our 4-H officer at 856-307-6450 Ext. 3 or by e-mail:mmetzz@co.gloucester.nj.us.

See you on September 19th

In 4-H Friendship,

Linda Strietert, 4-H Program Coordinator

P.S. Hold the Date! The 2017 Fall Festival will be held on September 30, 2017 4:00pm-9:00pm at the 4-H Fairgrounds in Mullica Hill. More information to follow - Visit GC4H.com for updates or call 856-307-6450 Ext. 3
UPCOMING 4-H EVENTS

FALL FEST

Sponsored By
Gloucester County 4-H Association
GC 4-H Fights Hunger Food Drive

Sept. 30, 2017 4-9 pm
(Rain Date 10/1/17)
Fairgrounds @ 275 Bridgeton Pike (Route 77), Mullica Hill, NJ 08062

Bring a Non-Perishable Food Item for a Ticket to Win a Gift

Hay Ride ★ Haunted House ★ Games ★ Food Marshmallow Roast ★ Costume Contest Vendors ★ Trick or Treating ★ And more!!

Lots of Good Ol' Fashion Family Fun!!!

Pumpkin Chunkin'

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$10.00 Per Car

https://www.facebook.com/events/905348309600785/?ti=icl
www.gc4h.com
856-307-6450 x3
4-H Fair Association Meeting—Wednesday September 27 at 7:00 p.m. at the 4-H Building, 1200 North Delsea Drive, Clayton, NJ

The 4-H Fair Association needs your involvement to help maintain a safe, community-focused location at the 4-H Fairgrounds in Mullica Hill for our members. All decisions regarding our annual 4-H Fair and the maintenance, operation and improvements of the Fairgrounds are discussed, coordinated, and voted on at monthly meetings held by the Gloucester County 4-H Fair Association’s Board of Directors. The Board is made up of a representative and alternate delegate (leaders, parents and volunteers) from each project area within Gloucester County 4-H. The remaining seats consist of an elected Executive Board (President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer) and Members At Large. All leaders, parents, and volunteers are welcome to join the 4-H Fair Association committees to help support the ongoing efforts of planning the 4-H Fair and maintaining the fairground year round as a volunteer or support to the board.

1 - PROJECT AREA REPRESENTATIVES If your project area hasn’t already elected a representative and alternate for your project area you still have time. Join us and find out what the Fair Association is all about.

2 - JOIN A COMMITTEE OR VOLUNTEER FOR A PROJECT. There are plenty to go around. If you can spare some time, expertise, or contacts, the Fair Association is looking for you!! To get involved or for more information contact Fair Association Secretary Mike Brown at mbrown@ces-1.com

Please consider joining one or more of the following committees:

Fair Committees
- Advertising
- Entertainment
- Crafters & Vendors
- Food
- Emergency Management/Parking
- Camping

Fair Association Committees
- Buildings and Grounds
- Ways and Means
- Contracts
- By-Laws
- Master Plan
- Leaders’ Association
4-H Association meeting – Wednesday, September 28th at 7:00pm at the 4-H Office, 1200 North Delsea Drive, Building A, Clayton, NJ 08312.

A Nominating Committee will also be formed at this meeting for the upcoming elections.

The Gloucester County 4-H Association needs your involvement to help maintain scholarships, awards banquet, programming, fair, curriculum and resources, supplies and events for our 4-H members. All decisions regarding our annual events and the maintenance, operation and improvements of the Leaders Food Booth and the 4-H Association 4-H merchandise booth at the Fairgrounds is discussed, coordinated, and voted on at monthly meetings held by the Gloucester County 4-H Association’s Board of Directors. The Body is made up of youth, leaders, parents and volunteers from each project area within Gloucester County 4-H. The remaining seats consist of an elected Executive Board (President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer). All teens, leaders, parents, and volunteers are welcome to join the 4-H Association to help support the ongoing planning of 4-H events and scholarships.

- JOIN A COMMITTEE OR VOLUNTEER FOR A PROJECT. There are plenty of opportunities to go around. If you can spare some time, expertise, or contacts, the 4-H Association is looking for you!!
To get involved or for more information contact 4-H Association Secretary Melanie Milne at melanielh24@icloud.com

2017 4-H Association Scholarship Winner

Thank you so much.

Thank you so much for awarding me your scholarship! This will be a great help with funding my education. I plan on putting the money towards tuition at the University of Pittsburgh, where I will be studying Biomedical Science in the fall. My future goal is to study Orthodontics and orthotics in 4th year, and this scholarship will help me achieve my dreams! Thank you again for this opportunity! – Erin Casey
The 4-H Coordinator, Linda Strieter received a special recognition from some of our current and former 4-H members along with Freeholder Frank DiMarco. We will miss Linda once she retires, but, she has assured us she will stay in contact.

Congratulations to the recipient of the 4-H Livestock Scholarship & Barbara Colemeco Memorial Award—Shyanna Thomason

Congratulations are also in order for the Gloucester County 4-H Association 2017 Scholarship winner—Erin Casey

At the Opening Ceremonies at the 2017 Gloucester County 4-H Fair, the following Announcements were made:

Our 2017 Gloucester County Equestrian of the Year is Claudia Harding.
Our 2017 Key 4-H Ambassador is Lydia D’Ambra
Our 2017 County 4-H Ambassador is Claudia Harding
2017 4-H Awards Banquet & Dance

The annual 4-H Awards & Achievement Recognition Banquet will be Jan. 12th, 2018
All awardees and 4-H leaders receive a FREE ticket to the banquet!
Here is what you must do:

♦ MEMBERS: Turn in your record book(s) to the 4-H office in Clayton by September 29. You will NOT be eligible to receive an award if you haven’t turned in a project book.

♦ LEADERS: Nominate your club members! You will be receiving an awards nomination packet by mail AND by email. Your members won’t receive awards if YOU don’t nominate them. If you need help with the process, call or email the 4-H office.

♦ ANYONE: The Irma Lentz Spirit of 4-H Award is given annually in memory of Ms. Lentz, a 90 year 4-H member/volunteer. This recognition is given to a Gloucester Co. 4-H Volunteer. If you have a volunteer in mind who embodies the 4-H Volunteer spirit, contact the office for a nomination.

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Looking for a State 4-H Opportunity?

The NJ State 4-H Association will hold its annual meeting on Wednesday, October 4, 2017, 10am in the 3rd Floor Conference Room of Martin Hall, Rutgers, New Brunswick.
Gloucester County 4-H needs parents, leaders, or 4-H youth to attend meetings such as this held annually in October.
For more information, please contact Jeannette Rea-Keywood, State 4-H Agent, at 856-459-1900 ext. 4522.

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NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

OCTOBER 1-7, 2017
### Animal Art Show Results
Hosted by: Helping Paws 4-H Animal Community Service Club
Held on: Sunday July 30, 2017

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| **Clover Bud (K to 4th grade)** | 1st- Gracie Teiper  
2nd- Gracie Teiper  
3rd- Jamie Lawrence  
4th- Elizabeth Finley | 1st- Jamie Lawrence  
2nd- Jamie Lawrence  
3rd- Julia Tonkinson  
4th- Julia Tonkinson |
| Best Bunny Visual Arts- Allison Domen  
Best Bunny Craft- Kyla Tonkinson |                              |                |
| **Junior (4th to 7th grade)** | 1st- Jamie Lawrence  
2nd- Jamie Lawrence  
3rd- Julia Tonkinson  
4th- Julia Tonkinson |                             |                |
| Grand Champion- Aurora Beidle  
Reserve Champion- Emily McGinnis |                              |                |
| **Photography:**          | 1st- Aurora Beidle  
2nd- Aurora Beidle  
3rd- Aurora Beidle |                              |                |
| **Adult**                 | 1st- Kathlyn Lawrence  
2nd- Kathlyn Lawrence & Kathlyn Lawrence  
3rd- Kathy Daws- Lawrence |                              |                |
| **Visual Arts:**          | 1st- Emily McGinnis  
2nd- Emily McGinnis  
3rd- Emily McGinnis  
4th- Aurora Beidle  
5th- Kaeleigh Grasso & Kaeleigh Grasso |                              |                |
| **Craft:**                | 1st- Kathlyn Lawrence  
2nd- Kathlyn Lawrence  
3rd- Kathlyn Lawrence |                              |                |
| **Seniors (8th to 13th grade)** | 1st- Kathlyn Lawrence  
2nd- Kathlyn Lawrence  
3rd- Kathlyn Lawrence |                              |                |
| Grand Champion- Gracie Teiper  
Reserve Champion- Jamie Lawrence |                              |                |
| **Photography:**          | 1st- Lillian Young  
2nd- Lillian Young  
3rd- Jamie Lawrence |                              |                |
| **Visual Arts:**          | 1st- Kathlyn Lawrence  
2nd- Kathlyn Lawrence  
3rd- Kathlyn Lawrence |                              |                |
| **Craft:**                | 1st- Kathlyn Lawrence  
2nd- Monica Gray, Monica Gray & Monica Gray  
3rd- Kathlyn Lawrence |                              |                |
| **Photography:**          | 1st- Kathlyn Lawrence  
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Helping Paws 4-H Club

Helping Paws 4-H Animal Community Service Club recently held a collection drive during the summer months for the Cohanzick Zoological Society (Cohanzick Zoo/Bridgton Zoo). Members collected needed items from friends, family members, businesses and local communities. Our club received many needed items such as cleaning supplies, treats, towels, empty cardboard rolls, and PVC connectors! We even made some toys for the animals! Thank you to all the friends, families, local business and developments who helped us with this great cause! For our end of the year 4-H party, we will be visiting the Cohanzick Zoo. The donations we have collected will be given at this time. We will also be having our very own meet & greet with some of the animals who live at the zoo!! We can’t wait!!

During the 4-H fair, we held a “name our seal” contest. We adopted a seal from the Marine Mammal Stranding Center in December 2015. After sending needed medical supplies to the Marine Mammal Stranding center, they thanked us by giving us another adopted seal. We decide to make it fun while helping other future injured/stranded seals. Each of our members came up with a name. The two names who raise the most money will become our seals’ names. All the money from this contest will be donated to the Marine Mammal Stranding Center in Brigantine, NJ for the medical care of future injured/stranded marine mammals. Our club will be delivering the money raised to the Marine Mammal Stranding Center at the end of the summer. At that time, we will watch a documentary on how they rescue the seals. Also, just in case you were wondering, Harper and Levi were our two winning seal names! Thank you to all who supported this great cause!!
THE MAGIC OF 4H MADE IT TO THE GOAT BARN

The Gloucester County 4H Fair of 2017 certainly set out to allow us all to “Discover the Magic of 4H” and discover the magic we did, especially within the Gloucester County 4H Goat Club. With an amazing turnout of beautiful goats from babies to milking does, from meat breeds to dairy and mini breeds, we had a variety to show the public. At the front of our barn we had a table set up for the selling of the fruits of our member’s labor: homemade goat milk soap! We are happy to report we sold out and will be sure to expand our sales for next year! We were able to interact with the public, answer their questions, and, most importantly, share what we know about goats so that people who don’t know goats come away loving them like we do.

Our outstanding members came together the day of the show to study together, help each other with grooming, and showcase their knowledge, practice, and abilities in the ring. The kids walked away with ribbons and smiles and even made their way back into the ring for fun classes including a costume class and one where our members became the judges and the parents were on the hook to show if they know enough to enter the ring with their children! Turns out the parents have a lot to learn. This goes to show what a wonderful, uplifting, and skill-building opportunity 4H is for all who become a part of it.

While 4H might be magical, it isn’t magic that makes its members the impressive young people they are; it is hard work, dedication, and continuing education. The Gloucester County 4H Goat Club learned a lot this year at fair and looks forward to the upcoming year to enhance themselves and their experience even more!
In Loving Memory

Brian Joseph Smith August 17, 2017
Beloved husband of Melanie (nee Zintner); devoted father of Brian and Gavin.
Our 4-H Family lost a good man. He will be greatly missed. Our hearts go out to the Smith family. Your Palate Pleasers Cooking Club Family

Thank you, Canine can do 4-H dog club, Nancy Dole and Bonnie Fletcher for helping the Smith family through difficult times by finding a replacement for their broken refrigerator.

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