

# PREPARE FOR THE FAIR!

## 2011 NEW JERSEY STATE FAIR®/SUSSEX COUNTY FARM AND HORSE SHOW

### IMPORTANT FAIR DATES

<b>July 31 Sunday</b>	Drop off projects (Forestry & Conservation, Child Care, Home Furnishings, Arts & Crafts, Art, Ceramics, Needlecraft, Photography, Construction, Hobbies & Collections at Shotwell Bldg.	3-5 pm
<b>August 2 Tuesday</b>	Drop off projects (Woodcraft Engineering, Shooting Sports, Club Booth and Prep Display, Clothing) at Shotwell Bldg <b>&amp; Booth set up</b>	3-9 pm
<b>August 3 Wednesday</b>	Drop off projects (Woodcraft Engineering, Shooting Sports, Club Booth and Prep Display, Clothing) at Shotwell Bldg <b>&amp; Booth set up</b>	3-9 pm
<b>August 5 Friday</b>	2011 NJSF/SCFHS Begins!	10:00 am
<b>August 5 Friday</b>	Drop off Fruits, Vegetables, Flowers & Herbs at Shotwell Bldg	9-11am
<b>August 5 Friday</b>	Show Dee Oh!—in the Ag Arena	7:00 pm
<b>August 9 Tuesday</b>	NORWESCAP food drive (see page 6 for more information)	All Day
<b>August 10 Wednesday</b>	Drop off of Baked Goods, Foods & Nutrition, and Food Preservation in Shotwell Bldg	9:30 am – 12 pm.
<b>August 10 Wednesday</b>	Prep Carnival	6-8 pm
<b>August 11 Thursday</b>	Round Robin	6-9 pm
<b>August 14 Sunday</b>	50/50 Raffle drawing	3pm
<b>August 14 Sunday</b>	Premium Pick up (leaders); Project Pick Up, Club Booth Breakdown	5-7pm

### DEADLINES

July 1	Pink Forms & Record Books Due to 4-H Office
July 8	Fair Pass Request Form due to Fairgrounds
August 9	NORWESCAP food due to Shotwell building
August 13	50/50 Raffle money and stubs due to 4-H Staff

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The 2011 Fair will open at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, August 5 and continue until 5:00 p.m. Sunday, August 14.

## 4-H EXHIBIT CATALOGS

The 2011 4-H Exhibit Catalog and registration forms are available for download from the Sussex 4-H Website ([www.sussex4h.org](http://www.sussex4h.org)) or the NJSF®/SCFHS (<http://www.newjerseystatefair.org/>).

You may download the 2011 Exhibit Catalogue and entry forms from the websites above. If you are unable to do so, please contact the office to request a hard copy.

You may have entries in more than one department. For example, livestock members are invited (encouraged!) to submit art work (paintings, photographs, pastels, etc.) and/or crafts (models, collections, albums, etc.). Information for entering exhibits in the Shotwell Building is included in the 2011 Exhibit Catalogue.

**Please Note:** registration and member entry forms for the 2011 NJSF®/SCFHS are no longer pink (some copies are available in pink). Registration forms may be completed on your computer, manually signed and submitted on white paper (stock).

## FAIR THEME

The theme for the 4-H club booth displays for the 2011 NJ State Fair/Sussex County Farm & Horse Show is **4-H and YOUth: Perfect Together!** Clubs and club members can showcase what knowledge and experience they have gained by participating in the 4-H program or highlight how someone would benefit by joining 4-H. The members should ask themselves and try to answer by way of their booth “What have I gotten out of 4-H” or perhaps “I would recommend 4-H to someone because.....”. To promote conservation and keep 4-H green, please reuse or use recycled materials in your design. Creative interpretation of the theme and use of green materials are among the criteria used by those judging the booths.

## UP-TO-DATE PROJECT RECORD BOOKS

To be eligible for fair passes your project record books must be submitted to the 4-H Office by July 1<sup>st</sup>. If your project is not complete (your project is competing at the fair or you have competitions after the fair) your record book should still be up-to-date and submitted.

### ***For those whose record books will not be complete by 7/1...***

An up-to-date record book should include:

- **Start of Year Goals**—completed and signed,
- **Activities/Events**—up-to-date including club meetings, competitions attended, participation in public presentations and club meetings
- **Financial Records** (up-to-date; totals are not required)
- **Fair Review Signatures\*** (signatures by the member, parent and club leader required)

*\*adhesive labels are available upon request from the 4-H Office.*

After the Fair, you may submit your record books for year-end evaluation. At this time, the books should be complete—*end-of-year signatures must be included*. A completed record book should include the above sections completed as well as...

- **Looking Back** (reflections on the year’s accomplishments)
- **Thinking Ahead** (goals for the coming year)
- **Financial Records** totals for all areas including the net project cost table
- **4-H Story, and all end-of-year signatures.**

**All books are due July 1 and should be completed with all appropriate signatures. Any books turned in without the proper signatures (i.e. start of year goals and fair review or end of year) will not be accepted**

## FAIR PASSES

Fair passes are provided to regular 4-H members in recognition of their participation in the 4-H program and service to the Fair.

It is important that we are able to show the contributions Sussex County 4-H makes towards the success of the New Jersey State Fair®/Sussex County Farm and Horse Show.

### 4-H Regular Fair Passes:

- Enrolled in 4-H by 1/1/10
- 4-H Member in Good Standing (and other criteria as established by your club).
- Up-to-date project record book submitted to the Sussex 4-H Office (completed or with fair review signature sticker) no later than 7/1/10
- 70% attendance at club meetings (or better)
- Made a club level presentation (regular 4-H members)

### 4-H Prep Members

- Enrolled in 4-H by 1/1/10
- Record book--not required
- 70% attendance at club meetings (or better)
- County level presentation--not required

Receiving a fair pass is not just an invitation to attend the Fair; 4-H member are expected to help out. On this year's registration form there is an area for the member to indicate their participation.

- 4-H members with livestock are expected to work with their club in preparing for shows, caring for their animals and answering questions from the public about their animals during the time they are at the Fair. Consider displaying educational posters, giving tours or sponsoring a story hour for your club's project area.
- 4-H Teen Council members are expected to sign-up for shifts in the Dairy Barn
- 4-H members in other clubs are invited to work with their fellow members in designing and constructing a club booth display (before the Fair)—they are also responsible for taking it down at the end of the Fair.
- All members may exhibit their projects in the Shotwell Building (under the guidelines in the 2011 Exhibit Catalogue)
- All members are encouraged to give presentations in the Shotwell Building during the Fair.
- All members of age (12 and up) are encouraged to work a shift at the Ag Division Food Booth. Many clubs take a shift together.

There are many other opportunities to volunteer during the Fair. If a member did not qualify for a Fair pass, they may receive day passes to volunteer at the Fair. See section below on *Volunteering At The Fair*

***Please be sure to sign your pass!***

## VOLUNTEERING AT THE FAIR

Community service and volunteering to help are part of 4-H; we encourage all to volunteer whenever/wherever possible at the fair. The success of the NJSF®/SCFHS has been built on the contributions of hundreds of local volunteers over the years (including 4-H members, parents, and leaders).

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### AG DIVISION FOOD BOOTH

**DESCRIPTION:** Help adults with cooking, serving and other activities related to managing the Food Booth for the Agricultural Division of the Fair.

Shifts are 2-4 hours.

*You must be 12 years of age or older to volunteer.*

**DATE:** Throughout the Fair (8/5-8/14)

**CONTACT:** CeCe Pattison, (973) 383-4109 or [pattison@ptd.net](mailto:pattison@ptd.net)

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### 4-H INFORMATION TABLE

**DESCRIPTION:** Share information about 4-H with interested adults or youth

Shifts are 2 hours

*You must be 14 years of age or bring along an adult to help*

**DATE:** Throughout the Fair (8/5-8/14)

**CONTACT:** Michelle Teitsma ([Teitsma@rce.rutgers.edu](mailto:Teitsma@rce.rutgers.edu)) or Dave Foord ([foord@rce.rutgers.edu](mailto:foord@rce.rutgers.edu))

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### PREP CARNIVAL

**DESCRIPTION:** Help adults and older 4-H members with various jobs and tasks related to the carnival held for prep age 4-H members (K,1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grade)

Clubs are encouraged to take responsibility for a table

Regular 4-H members are encouraged to volunteer; younger members will need a parent to assist

Setting up, helping during the Carnival and breaking it down will take approximately 2 hours.

**DATE:** Wednesday August 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:00-8:00 pm

**CONTACT:** Cathy Lawrick, (973) 827-7059 (after 5:00 pm), [Rmrs1958@aol.com](mailto:Rmrs1958@aol.com)

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### CLOVER, THE 4-H ROVER!

**DESCRIPTION:** Dress up as the lovable, animated 4-H mascot *Clover, the 4-H Rover*. Walk around the Fair, greet, shake hands and pose with young fair goers.

*Must be 15 years of age or older*

**DATE:** Throughout the Fair (8/5-8/14)

**CONTACT:** Michelle Teitsma ([Teitsma@rce.rutgers.edu](mailto:Teitsma@rce.rutgers.edu)) or Dave Foord ([foord@rce.rutgers.edu](mailto:foord@rce.rutgers.edu))

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## PRESENTATION AND/OR DEMONSTRATION AT THE BILL BENNETT LEARNING CENTER (SHOTWELL BUILDING)

**DESCRIPTION:** The stage is open! You can share your presentation from public presentations, demonstrate a skill you learned in 4-H from how to care for your rabbit/chicken/cow/pig, etc. to how you made that nifty bicycle wheel wind turbine.

*No age requirement!*

**DATE:** Throughout the Fair (8/5-8/14)

**CONTACT:** Susan Murray Flaherty, ([intouch@embargmail.com](mailto:intouch@embargmail.com)), (973) 383-2766

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## RUNNING RIBBONS!

**DESCRIPTION:** Work with Tammy Hayes in confirming that all ribbons are on-hand for various livestock shows and assist her and the judge with awarding the ribbons at these shows.

*Regular 4-H members*

**DATES:** Wednesday (8/10) Junior Dairy Show 9am – 5pm; Thursday (8/11) Colored Breed Dairy show 9am – 1pm; Friday (8/12) Holstein Open Dairy show 8:30am – 4:30pm;

**CONTACT:** Tammy Hayes ([agdiv@njstatefair.org](mailto:agdiv@njstatefair.org)) (973) 948-5500

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## FARMERS MARKET

**DESCRIPTION:** Work in the Farmers Market assisting customers with the sale of local produce.

**DATES:** Throughout the Fair (8/5-8/14)

**AGE:** 14 years or older

**CONTACT:** Donna Traylor ([dtraylor@sussex.nj.us](mailto:dtraylor@sussex.nj.us)) at 973-579-0500 ext 1.

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## BILL BENNETT LEARNING CENTER

A demonstration area, called the Learning Center, was constructed by the late Bill Bennett. At the Learning Center, 4-H members can present information about their 4-H project or other subjects. A demonstration or “show-and-tell” activity with audience interaction tends to work better than a formal lecture.

Contact Susan Murray Flaherty at (973) 383-2766 about scheduling a time to conduct a presentation. *Before contacting Susan please consider whether you would like to present on a weekday or weekend and in the afternoon or evening.*

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## SET-UP IN THE SHOTWELL BUILDING

If parents or adult volunteers are available to help with setting up the Shotwell Building on **Saturday, July 23** (between 9 am. to 2pm.), please call Neil Flaherty at (973) 383-2766.

The following is the drop-off/set-up schedule.

Date	Department	Time
Sunday, July 31	Forestry & Conservation Child Care Home Furnishings Arts & Crafts Art Ceramics Needlecraft Photography Construction Hobbies & Collections	3:00-5:00 p.m.
Tuesday, August 2 Wednesday, August 3	Woodcraft Engineering Shooting Sports Club Booth and Prep Display Clothing	3:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Friday, August 5	Vegetables Herbs Flowers Fruits	9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
Wednesday, August 10	Foods & Nutrition Baked Goods Food Preservation	9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

## 4-H INFORMATION TABLE IN THE 4-H BUILDING

*Register to do a shift at the 4-H Information Table during fair week.*

We are asking that every club sign-up for a two-hour shift at the information table in the Shotwell 4-H Building. Shifts are simple and painless. All you have to do is distribute information promoting 4-H, talk about your 4-H experiences, and help children and adults sign up to receive information about registering as a 4-H member or becoming an adult volunteer. Day passes may be issued for people willing to serve for a two-or four-hour shift.

You may sign up for a shift by calling the 4-H Office at 973-948-3040.

## TENTH ANNUAL SUSSEX COUNTY 4-H/NORWESCAP FOOD DRIVE

Susan Murray Flaherty has agreed to coordinate this annual Sussex County 4-H/NORWESCAP Food Drive. There will be a pre-collection for 4-H clubs that wish to participate. When clubs come to set up their club booth displays, there will be a brown bag with a note requesting the bags be filled with non-perishable foods and left under the booths/tables by **Tuesday, August 9**.

The following is a suggested list of non-perishable items: canned tuna

stew	jelly	paper goods (tissues,	soap
soup	juice	napkins, and individually	shampoo
beans	cereal	wrapped rolls of toilet	laundry detergent.
canned fruit and	rice	paper and paper towels)	
vegetables	pasta	toothpaste	
peanut butter	pasta sauce	toothbrushes	

Thank you to all the clubs that have participated in the past. We look forward to everyone's participation. If you have any questions, please contact Susan ([intouch1@embarqmail.com](mailto:intouch1@embarqmail.com)) or (973) 383-2766.

## PICK-UP OF EXHIBIT ITEMS

Items must remain on display until 5:00 p.m. Sunday, August 15.

Starting at 5:00 p.m. Sunday, August 14, exhibitors will have one hour to pick up their items.

**Any items left after 7:00 pm on Sunday, August 14 will be discarded unless prior pick up arrangements have been made with Dave Foord, Michelle Teitsma, or Susan Murray Flaherty.**

## COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY AT THE FAIR LIVESTOCK PAVILION FOOD BOOTH

While you are attending the fair, why not volunteer to do some community service at the Fair Livestock Pavilion Food Booth? Profits from the food booth are used to support animal project activities at the fair. This is also a great opportunity to meet 4-H members from other clubs. Call CeCe Pattison at (973) 383-4109 or email her at, [cece@blindbrookfarm.com](mailto:cece@blindbrookfarm.com) for additional information and to schedule a time when you and your club can help at the food booth (because of liability concerns, 4-H members must be 12 years of age or older to help at the food booth).

## FUN 4-H ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR THE FAIR

The following events have been scheduled at the fair livestock arena. Please contact Dave or Michelle at the 4-H office, (973) 948-3040, for more information, help with these activities, or become a member of the committee responsible for an activity.

### **4-H Show Dee-Oh**

Friday (8/5), 7:00 pm

*Livestock Arena*

A fun activity that includes relay races, tug of war, hay bale toss, etc. Abby is currently thinking up new and exciting games to play (as well as ways to embarrass Michelle and Dave in demonstrating these games)!

### **4-H Prep Carnival**

Wednesday (8/10), 6-8 pm

*Livestock Arena*

To help, contact Cathy Lawrick, (973) 827-7059

Includes fun activities (such as the ring toss) for prep-aged children and their families. The children receive tickets for participating in the activities and redeem these tickets for inexpensive prizes. Please call if you can help with this year's 4-H Prep Carnival.

Thanks to Cathy and the planning committee for the successful 4-H Prep Carnival last year, and we look forward to another great event this year.

### **4-H Round Robin**

Thursday (8/12), 6-9pm

*Livestock Arena*

4-H members who win the Junior or Senior showmanship honors in one of the following shows: 4-H Sheep, Swine, Dairy Cattle, Beef Cattle, Horse, Rabbit, Poultry, Dairy Goat, or Meat Goat are automatically entered to participate in the Showmanship activity. Participants will receive a quick lesson on showing each animal and then are required to demonstrate what they've learned. The quickest learners with the best skills will receive a \$100 US Savings Bond.

## FUNDRAISING FOR THE 4-H EXHIBIT HALL

Fundraising for the Shotwell building is almost complete! Many of you have made contributions and we sincerely appreciate your help. We appreciate, as well, everything you've done to support our fundraising through the many 50/50's, Tricky Tray's and other efforts. This building is an asset to our program and stands as a proud monument for 4-H in Sussex County!

We will be doing a summer 50/50 raffle. 50/50 Tickets will be distributed with your fair passes. Last year's winner received almost \$3,000! Tickets are on order and clubs will be notified when they arrive. We are asking that each 4-H family sell 1 book of ten tickets. Additional tickets may be picked up at the 4-H office.

Please remember **only adults** (18 and over) may sell 50/50 tickets. 4-H members may promote the sale but **may not** handle the money. The 50/50 raffle is considered gambling under the NJ Legalized Games of Chance Control Commission so no one under the age of 18 may sell tickets.

***Tickets and money will be due back to Michelle, Dave or Abby, by Saturday, August 13 (at the fair) and the drawing will be held on Sunday, August 14, at 3pm in the Shotwell Building.***

## 4-H CODE OF CONDUCT

The 4-H Code of Conduct appears on permission forms and registration forms for the fair. It represents a standard of behavior for 4-H members and their parents. By signing, parents and members agree to behave in accordance with the "Code". As with so many documents we sign, the Code may be overlooked or believed to be understood. Last year during the fair there were some instances where the Code was not adhered to.

Please review the 4-H Code of Conduct and remember to follow it.

For most who read the Code its requirements don't seem stringent or unreasonable. It asks all members of the 4-H community (parents, leaders and members) to practice consideration for others, good sportsmanship and honesty. None of these should be difficult to observe, they should come naturally.

Everyone should remember that at the fair you represent not just your club but the *whole* 4-H program. How leaders, parents and members behave reflects on all of 4-H. This is not just "in the ring" or during competition but everywhere. People generally have a very positive impression of the 4-H program. They read, hear and may have even seen 4-H clubs doing community service or marching in a parade. They come to the fair each year expecting to see 4-H'ers demonstrate their skill, expertise and poise. Positive 4-H behavior is part of the reason people return to the fair year after year.

And while good behavior reinforces people's impression of 4-H, it takes only one bad incident to embarrass the whole program. Unfortunately people generalize so when they see bad behavior by one person, they associate it with the whole group.

Participating in the fair isn't just about *you*. It should be a celebration of what your entire club has achieved. Take time to recognize what others have done whether they're new members just starting out or long time members demonstrating skills they've learned over their years in 4-H. During the fair check out what other clubs have done. We have a big program in Sussex County see what 4-H means to others.

## 2011 4-H LIVESTOCK SHOW SCHEDULE

<b>Friday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011</b>	4-H Model Horse Show	10:00am-1:00pm
	4-H Show-Dee-O	7:00pm-10:00pm
<b>Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011</b>	4-H Horse Show	12:00pm-?
	4-H Swine Show	4:00pm-?
	4-H Rabbit & Small Animal Show	6:00pm-10:00pm
<b>Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011</b>	4-H Dairy Goat Show	9:00am-5:00pm
	4-H Market Goat Show	1:00pm-5:00pm
	4-H Swine Show	4:00pm-?
	4-H Beef Show	5:30pm-8:00pm
<b>Tuesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011</b>	4-H Cow Kids Show	10:00am-12:00pm
	4-H Market Lamb Show	1:00pm-3:00pm
	4-H Market Animal Social followed by Auction/Sale	5:00pm-10:00pm
<b>Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011</b>	4-H Junior Dairy Show	9:00am-5:00pm
	4-H Prep Carnival	6:00pm-8:00pm
	4-H Calf Dressing Contest	6:00pm-10:00pm
	4-H Sheep Costume Contest	7:00pm-10:00pm
<b>Thursday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2011</b>	4-H Sheep Breed Show	1:00pm-6:00pm
	4-H Round Robin Contest	7:00pm-10:00pm
<b>Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011</b>	4-H Dog Clubs Demonstrations	5:00pm-6:00pm
	4-H Rabbit & Small Animal Costume Contest	7:30pm-9:00pm
<b>Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011</b>	4-H Seeing Eye Demonstration	6:00pm-7:00pm
<b>Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011</b>	4-H Alpaca Show	10:00am-3:00pm