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Cornell Cooperative Extension Invites Fairgoers

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Otsego County invites Otsego County fairgoers to stop by Floral Hall beginning Tuesday, August 4 to learn how to save money while saving energy, get information about diabetes prevention, and experience “The Magical World of Nutrition” through an interactive display. On Tuesday and Friday, nutrition educators will be on hand demonstrating healthy recipes, offering food samples, and copies of the recipes. A Master Gardener display will feature ways the program can help Otsego County gardeners.

In Gilbert Hall, look for the 4-H rabbit show on Tuesday and the 4-H poultry show on Thursday.

In Martin Hall, fairgoers can view 4-H projects ranging from woodworking, to sewing, cooking, gardening and more. Each afternoon, CCE Otsego staff will be helping 4-H and other youth try their hand at sewing while the youth make dog beds for the animal shelter. In the evenings, staff will be leading hands-on 4-H science activities. These activities will include:

- Constructing airplanes on Tuesday
- Making Gloop on Wednesday
- Building rocket cars on Thursday
- Making parachutes on Friday
- Creating fossils on Saturday

The 4-H Dairy Challenge is a special event happening on Saturday morning in Martin Hall. The Dairy Challenge tests youth on their knowledge of the dairy industry from identifying dairy product and equipment, feeds and feeding, farm safety, and linear trait evaluation.

In the show rings, fairgoers can see the 4-H dog, goat, and dairy cow show on Tuesday; horse, swine and beef show on Wednesday, horse and dairy cow show on Thursday, and horse, dairy cow and sheep shows on Friday. On Saturday, the Livestock show rings will feature the Master Showmanship competition, which pits the top beef, swine, dairy cattle, sheep, and goat showman to see which is best at showing beef, swine, dairy cattle, sheep, and goats. Saturday will also feature the Livestock Auction where youth sell the animals that they raise. Sunday morning youth will have the opportunity to participate in Livestock Judging. This is the process of evaluating a series of beef cattle, swine, and sheep animals and pronouncing a first, second and third place animal based on each animal's qualities.