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## THANK YOU and Congratulations

Thank you to all of our members, parents and volunteers who put in endless hours to be sure our 4-H members and their projects are displayed and shared with the public. The Somerset County 4-H Fair was another example of how well you all work together towards the common goal of recognizing how awesome our members and volunteers are!

## **Don't forget to apply for the STEM Youth Summit!**

We are accepting applications to take a team of youth from New Jersey to the **National STEM Youth Summit**. The summit will be held October 24-27, 2019 at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center in Chevy Chase, MD. Applicants must be in grades 9-12 as of September 2019 and be a member in good standing. The cost of the trip which includes lodging, meals, educational programming, tours, and transportation from New Jersey to the National 4-H Center is approximately \$800. We have some scholarship money to reduce the cost for the attendees. At the National STEM Youth Summit, teens will gain knowledge while they explore emerging STEM careers and related skills necessary for entry into tomorrow's workforce.

The application form and information can be found on the NJ 4-H website at the following URL:  
<http://nj4h.rutgers.edu/set/stem-youth-summit/>

The application deadline is September 4. The form can be emailed ([reakeyword@njaes.rutgers.edu](mailto:reakeyword@njaes.rutgers.edu)) or mailed to Jeannette Rea Keyword, 1636 Delaware Avenue, Cape May, NJ 08204.

## **VOTE FOR OUR STATE FARM GRANT!!**

**Voting is between 8.14- 8.23**

The 4-H/Middle Earth Student Ambassadors is in the running for a State Farm Grant. But the grant is awarded by the number of votes they receive! Please vote...Voting opens on **August 14th at 12:00:01 A.M ET and closes at 11:59:59 P.M. ET on August 23rd**, so get ready! Remember, each person can vote up to 10 times per day. Use this link and share <https://www.neighborhoodassist.com/entry/2023328>

To vote, you need to be a U.S resident and 18 years or older, have a valid email address, and one of the following supported browsers: Firefox FF 54 and above, Internet Explorer IE 11 and above, Chrome C 62 and above or Safari S10 and above.

## **4-H members get discounts on boots!!!**

For the months of August and September, **Georgia Boot will provide 50% off to anyone affiliated with the 4-H program** (staff, families, members, alumni, and volunteers) by using a discount code. Plus they make a donation to 4-H! The code works on their website only, not other retailers, and excludes sale/clearance merchandise. This discount code will expire after August 31<sup>st</sup>. The August coupon code is GB4HAUG and the link to the Georgia Boot website is: <https://www.georgiaboot.com/>

## **Dale Artfitch Sportsmanship Award Recipients**

Congratulations to Jason Pasquale for being the 2019 Dale Artfitch Sportsmanship Award Recipient, and to Teresa Buzzoni for receiving Honorable Mention! Thank you to all members that voted.

## **New Jersey 4-H Days at the New York Jets games**

August 29 and December 8.

The tickets are discounted, and the State 4-H Association will receive \$10.00 for each ticket purchased. For more info go to <http://www.somersetcounty4h.org/open-to-members> Click here to purchase tickets: <http://jetsgroups.com/NJ4H>

### **Rummage Sale**

The rummage sale will be here before you know it and once again we need your help.

Drop off will be Sunday Sept 8, noon-3pm, Mon & Tues Sept 9 & 10 from 9am -12 & 6pm -8pm.

Please schedule your volunteer hours on the link below. Our volunteers truly mean the world to us. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c054aafa722a5f94-4hassociation1>

### **The Delicious Discussion - Sept 16<sup>th</sup> – 7 pm**

Delicious Discussion #2

September 16, 7pm in large conference room

All 4-H Families welcome!

This will be a 30 minute presentation by 4-H leader and bee keeper Adele Barre on honey bees and beekeeping with a varietal honey tasting of NJ honeys. There will be props and pictures, beekeeping equipment that attendees can handle. We know about pollination and that pollinators are endangered. Let's talk about it and how it affects the plants in the 4-H garden and throughout the Garden State. Sweet treats provided by the 4-H Garden and Bee Club with help from Da Bug Club!