

February 3, 2011

Dear Clothing Project Leaders and Organization Leaders,

Get ready! Fashion Revue is just around the corner!

## “SEASONS OF FASHION”

The sewing machines are buzzing in preparation for this event.

This packet includes all of the pieces for the Fashion Revue Program.

- Fashion Evaluation
- Fashion Revue
- Fashion Selections

**For your members who don't want to sew, why not encourage them to put together a purchased outfit as part of the Fashion Selections Program? This is for boys and girls age 12 and older. Members can enter both the Fashion Revue and Fashion Selections programs. There are seven categories in Fashion Selections (see the enclosed fact sheet). Members must not spend more that \$50 for their outfit and they will wear it to an interview on April 16<sup>th</sup> at Epsom Elementary School. They can also model it in the Fashion Show on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Participants complete an entry form specific for this event.**

Fashion Revue offers members a chance to have their outfit looked at and evaluated from another's perspective. There are a variety of acceptable sewing techniques used to achieve the same outcome and members often gain new ideas from the judges. They also learn how to improve their project from one year to another. Awards will be presented to the top novice, intermediate, and advanced categories at Fashion Revue.

Please encourage your project members to approach evaluation day

with an open mind, smile and a positive attitude. Each of our members has good reason to be proud of their finished product as well as the time and effort they put into making it. We want evaluation day to be a positive experience for all involved. We are working hard to find individuals with good sewing skills. You could help by letting us know if you have anyone who would be willing to judge. Add them to the volunteer sign up form.

### **AGAIN THIS YEAR!!!!**

All of our novice members will be judged by a group of construction judges recruited just for this category. We are trying this to see if it will simplify the process for our youngest and newest members.

### **Textile and Fiber Art Display**

Do you have members who have made quilts, pillows, knitted or crocheted an item? We would like them to be able to showcase their items at the Fashion Revue on Friday, May 6th. Sign them up on the enclosed form for the Textile & Fiber Art display at Fashion Revue.

**“SEASONS OF FASHIONS”** ....is this year’s theme for the Fashion Show.

If it works out we are going to try to organize our show by the seasons.

## EVENT DETAILS

### FASHION REVUE EVALUATION

When: Saturday, April 16<sup>th</sup>  
Place: Epsom Elementary  
Who: All 4-Hers; novice, intermediate, and advanced categories.  
Time: Each club will receive, about 1-2 weeks prior to judging, a time schedule indicating the time club members are to arrive. Please be sure your club members arrive at designated time only.

#### Sign up Deadline

**Friday, March 25, 2011**

Organization Leaders, independent members, please find a registration form enclosed. Names of participants for Fashion Revue go on the **GREEN** colored form and Fashion Selection on the **YELLOW** colored form.

Apron participants need to be identified on the yellow form. Garment description forms come in on every garment including aprons. Check all parts members are participating in Fashion Judging and Revue **or** Revue only.

#### Judging

**Begins at 9:00 AM sharp for members 8-11 year olds.** First clubs arrive at 8:45 AM.

#### Registration of Members and Score sheets

Members need to be signed up with an assigned judging category level. To determine their level, read the enclosed fact sheet “The New Hampshire 4-H Fashion Revue Program”. Proper placement is important so pay particular attention

to older 4-Hers age, years in the project, and the skills and techniques they are doing in their project to place them appropriately.

#### Novice Members

Again this year we are trying to have a group of judges just for 1<sup>st</sup> year novice sewers to help move the judging along faster.

#### Day of Judging

Each 4-Her will be judged on the following:

- Modeling
- Construction Judging.

#### Fashion Revue Fact Sheet

A fact sheet is enclosed to duplicate and give each of your 4-Hers. Please be sure all members & parents receive a copy. Call the 4-H office if you need copies made or check the county web site at:

[http://extension.unh.edu/resources/files/Resource000091\\_Rep93.pdf](http://extension.unh.edu/resources/files/Resource000091_Rep93.pdf) to copy off for duplicating.

**Score sheets** can be found at:

[http://extension.unh.edu/resources/resource/89/4-H\\_Fashion\\_Revue\\_Advanced\\_Level\\_Evaluation\\_Form](http://extension.unh.edu/resources/resource/89/4-H_Fashion_Revue_Advanced_Level_Evaluation_Form)

#### Modeling on Evaluation Day

##### Members 8 - 11 year olds

All will attend a modeling clinic. First members will go to cleanliness/pressing and degree of difficulty then change into their garment and head to the clinic, change and then to final modeling.

##### Members 12 and older (Garment and Fashion Selection)

Arrive at school 8:00 AM for modeling. Clinic begins at 8:30 AM. Members should bring shoes, accessories, undergarments, etc. and what they will be wearing with their outfit.

#### Garment Description Forms

Each member fills one out and submits with registration. Enclosed is a fact sheet to help

members complete this. We want commentaries that are lively and descriptive of the garment. Commentaries should have first name and club as the first part of the script.

**Example:**

*“Sue Scribner of the Sunshine 4-H club is ready for the beach with her tropical over shirt...”* etc.

Please check members scripts for content. Have members check pattern guide sheets for garment features. **Due March 25<sup>th</sup> with your registration.**

**Script Writers**

We need volunteers to review these and enhance if necessary. I will get the scripts to you two weeks before judging for you to review and revise. Please sign up!!!

**Guide Sheets**

Have members bring these. Make sure they put their names on each piece in case of misplacement.

**Arrival Times for Clubs**

Members attend judging by clubs. A few weeks prior to judging Organization leaders and club identified clothing leaders will be sent a club arrival time. Members are to arrive at designated time only.



**VOLUNTEERS .....WE NEED YOU!**

With a completely volunteer run program, we need lots of help for Fashion evaluation day and at Fashion Revue. See enclosed chart for volunteer roles. Please help recruit community members who may have an interest in seeing these kinds of skills continued. We will only keep this skill going if we, in turn, help this generation of youth learn the skill of garment construction. Volunteers are particularly needed to be hall monitors, script writers and judges for modeling, construction and Fashion Selection. See sign up sheet enclosed or email Debbie at [deborah.cheever@unh.edu](mailto:deborah.cheever@unh.edu). Subject line: FASHION JUDGING.

**Parents at Judging**

Parents ask: “How long will judging take?” It is different due to each member having different amounts of techniques to be judged. Please let parents know they are not allowed to go through the judging process with their children. They may wait in the gym area.

Parents or drivers may want to drop children off, do errands, then come back. As lunch time approaches, members may be a bit longer finishing up due to judges needing a break. This would only apply to clubs scheduled later in the morning. For the past couple of years we have finished up with judging around noon or early afternoon.

**SCHOOL DIRECTIONS & PARKING**

**Epsom Central School - 282 Black Hall Road, Epsom NH 03234 (603) 736-9331**

From I-93 S / US-4 E, Merge onto US-202 E / US-4 E via EXIT 15 E toward LOUDON/PORTSMOUTH.

In Epsom, enter roundabout (Epsom Traffic Circle).

After traffic circle heading toward Portsmouth, turn right at second set of lights onto Black Hall Road.

Just past the school, turn right onto Water Street.

Park in lower parking area and enter school at the gymnasium entrance.

# EVENT DETAILS

## NOTE: LOCATION HAS CHANGED!!

### FASHION REVUE

When: Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011  
Where: Merrimack Valley High School  
Arrival: 6:45 PM for Models.  
(Dressed and ready for show)  
Show Time: 7:30 PM

### Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers the night of show to help seat models, stand at the stage area to direct models along with 5-6 Room Monitors to line up participants for the show.

### Stage Set Committee

Youth and adults to volunteer to help develop stage set for our theme, "Fashions Through the Seasons". Meeting Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 7:00 PM at the County Administration Building, Concord. If we need to reschedule meeting due to weather, we call only those who have signed up. **Call the 4-H office to be put on the committee list.**

### Awards

- Every participant receives a participation ribbon, small award, and certificate at Fashion Revue
- Winners named to State receive a flower and award
- Winners will be named to Roundup (8-11), Honor's Evening (12 and older)
- There are several slots open for Advanced level members to be named to model and be judged at State if they are between 12-19 years old.

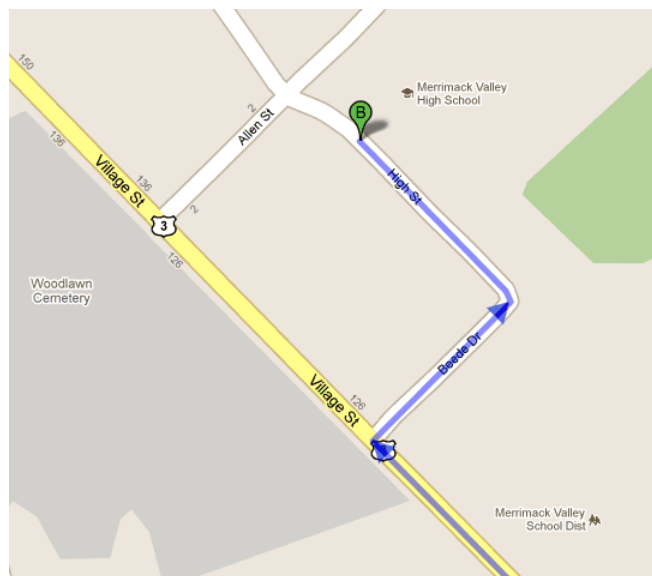
**NOTE:** in order to be eligible for any

award, 4-Hers must be present and carry their own garment through the judging and attend both judging and the Fashion Revue. **NO EXCEPTIONS ARE MADE!** There will be schedule conflicts but 4-Hers will have to choose. If they don't attend the judging, they can still participate in Fashion Revue and garments can be entered for the Hopkinton State Fair.

Directions to  
**Merrimack Valley High School, 106 Village Street, Penacook**

**From Concord (about 5.5 miles)**  
Head North on ROUTE 3 NORTH STATE STREET onto FISHERVILLE ROAD, continues onto VILLAGE STREET.

Turn RIGHT on ALLEN STREET (Woodlawn Cemetery will be on your left as you approach)



## FASHION SELECTIONS EVALUATION AND REVUE

- When: Saturday, April 16th  
Place: Epsom Elementary School  
Time: Arrival 8:00 AM for pre-modeling workshop. Wear outfit and have all accessories with you.  
What: Meet with a panel of judges to talk about your outfit.  
Who: Any Members 12 and older. This is great for any 4-Her to participate in. Members can do both construction judging and fashion selections.  
Registration: Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup> (see enclosed registration form)  
Entry Form: Every participant needs to submit the enclosed Fashion Selection entry form by March 25<sup>th</sup>.  
Volunteers: We need a panel of 3 judges to evaluate the Fashion Selection participants. Judging is done with a score sheet and includes an interview with the member. Sign up on volunteer form.

Fashion Show: Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup> , Merrimack Valley High School, 106 Village Street, Penacook

Recognition: 3 participants go to State Activities Day

If you have any questions give me a call at 796-2151.

Sincerely,

Debbie Cheever  
Extension Educator  
4-H Youth Development

### Enclosures:

- ✓ Garment Description Form
- ✓ 2011 Fashion Revue Fact Sheet
- ✓ NH 4-H Fashion Revue Program
- ✓ Volunteer Sign up
- ✓ Volunteer needs
- ✓ Writing 4-H Fashion Revue Commentary
- ✓ Fashion Revue Garment Registration
- ✓ Guidelines for Clothing Construction Project
- ✓ NH Fashion Selection Fact Sheet
- ✓ NH Fashion Selection Entry form
- ✓ Fashion Selection Registration
- ✓ Fashion Selections Interview Questions
- ✓ Fiber Art Sign Up

