

Fulton-Montgomery Clover News

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My HEART to greater loyalty,
My HANDS to larger service, and
My HEALTH to better living,
for my club, my community, my country and my world.

Club Happenings!

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Hooves, Spurs & Furs 4-H Club

In the month of December we had a Holiday Craft Workshop where we made Christmas crafts, crafts for a local nursing home & learned how to make wreaths. We had quite a few youth from our club go to the poultry breeding meeting, which they all loved. We also had our December meeting where we did Christmas Stem projects, had our Holiday Party and did a Secret Santa gift exchange. We finished off our Holiday Season with youth from our club in the Holiday Art Show & Bucket Drumming.



2024 Jennifer Freeman 4-H Memorial Scholarship

Applications Due by April 30, 2024

The Jennifer Freeman 4-H Memorial Scholarships are sponsored by Fulton and Montgomery Counties 4-H Program. Up to Two scholarships (each \$300.00) are awarded annually to encourage 4-H members to pursue formal education beyond the high school level. Major emphasis is given to a candidate's 4-H experiences and achievements including the influence 4-H has had on the individual's career and educational goals. The scholarship may be used for any legitimate higher education purpose.

Eligibility requirements are as follows:

- Candidate must be a current 4-H member who will be enrolling as a Freshman at an accredited college, university, junior college, community college, technical or trade school, or enlisting in the military in 2024. This includes 2 and 4 year education programs in any field.
- Candidate must have been a 4-H member for at least 3 years with at least the most recent 4-H membership in the Fulton/Montgomery 4-H program.

Applications are available in the 4-H Office. For more information please contact the 4-H office at 518-853-2135.

See our website for the full application:

www.ccefm.com

4-H Volunteer Meeting

Tuesday, March 5th

Montgomery County Annex
Room 214, 6pm

All 4-H Volunteers, Leaders and Interested Adults are invited to attend. Have a favorite recipe that you are dying to try? Bring your favorite snack or dessert to share with your 4-H family. We will also be discussing upcoming 4-H events and share experiences among 4-H volunteers and staff. This is a great way to network with other adult volunteers! 4-H Pie & Cheese sale orders will be accepted at this meeting.

To attend, RSVP by
Monday, March 4th



4-H RECORD BOOK WORKSHOP



Thursday, April 4th

6pm - Room 214
Montgomery County Annex

Record books have you stressed? Fear not, we are here to help! This workshop will take you page by page through the 4-H Record Book and show you how to properly complete each page. All 4-H Youth and Adult Volunteers interested in upping their 4-H Member Record Book game are encouraged to attend.

To participate, RSVP to the 4-H Office by
Wednesday, April 3rd.

4-H Winter Break Fun!

4-H Public Presentation Workshop

Tuesday, February 20

6:00pm - Montgomery County Annex, Room 111



If you have never participated in 4-H Public Presentations before, only given one presentation before or need a little help to find a topic and get started, then this workshop is for you! It's never too early to start thinking about which topic you would enjoy talking about and what kind of presentation that you would like to give at this year's 4-H Public Presentation Nights. This informative and fun workshop is for both Cloverbud and regular 4-H members. The workshop will feature some tips about selecting a topic and creating a poster and/or visual aids. Youth participants will also learn the parts of a presentation and how to organize his/her thoughts.

Each participant will gain some practice in speaking in front of others. *There needs to be at least 5 youth registered for the workshop, or it will be cancelled.* To attend you must RSVP by Thursday, February 15th. Call 518-853-2135 or e-mail ky292@cornell.edu to sign up.

In case of cancellation for any reason, only those who have registered will be notified.

See ad for Public Presentation Nights on the next page.



4-H Movie Night - Chicken People

Wednesday, February 21st

6pm - Annex - Room 214

Join us for a fun filled night watching Chicken People, a documentary about the poultry show world!

Bring a snack to share! Popcorn and beverages will be provided.

RSVP by Tuesday, February 20th to participate.

4-H Adventure at the Wildlife Museum

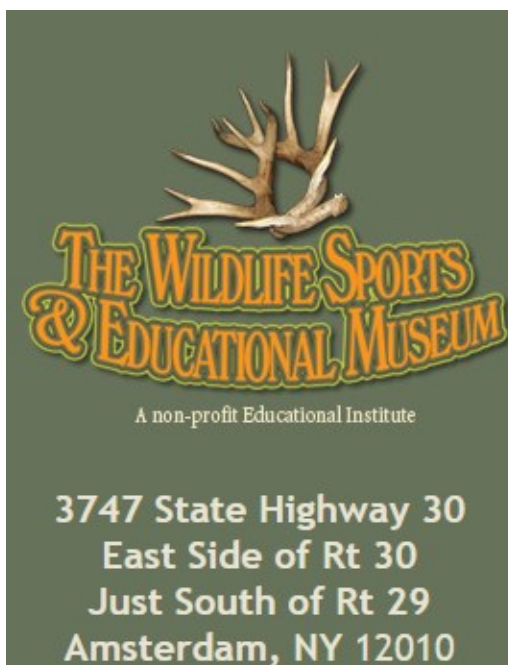
Thursday, February 22nd

Noon-3pm

Open to all enrolled 4-H youth with an interest in wildlife and outdoor sports education. Participating youth must be accompanied by an adult to participate. **Cost for admission is \$5 per youth & \$10 per adult.**

To participate, RSVP with payment to the 4-H Office by Thursday, February 15th. Checks made payable to CCEFM.

A minimum of 40 participants (youth & adults combined) is needed to hold the event.



4-H Arts Show Results



Best of Show - Photography

Evan Sanborn

Best of Show - Painting

Jocelyn Bates

People's Choice Awards

Painting - Kathryn Russell

Photography - Waylon Peterson



Thank you to all whom helped make this event possible! Amsterdam Free Library, Jenny Galough, Ann Kielbasa and Tamara Healy



So you want to sew?



**Wednesdays at 6pm
March 6, 13 & 20
April 10, 17, 24 & May 1
Montgomery County Annex**

Join 4-H Volunteer, Marge DeBlock for a fun filled sewing series! This series will be open to beginner and advanced youth participants ages 8 and older. Cloverbuds are not eligible to participate. Youth will be taught how to use a sewing machine, hand sew and more. Beginners will complete at least one introductory sewing item (Apron, Skirt, or Pillow). Advanced levels will work on a skill appropriate item/s. At the completion of the classes, participating youth will have completed at least one sewing item. A limited amount of sewing machines are available to use, First come, first served.

To participate, youth must be enrolled 4-H members ages 8-19. Cloverbuds are not eligible.

Please RSVP to the 4-H office by Thursday, February 29, 2024.

4-H Public Presentation Nights



**5:30pm-8:00pm
Both Nights**

**Friday, March 22
Monday, March 25**

Montgomery County Annex
20 Park Street, Fonda, NY 12068

4-H Presentation Night Packets will be available soon for 4-H club leaders and individual members. Watch your email for more details. Hard copies of the packet will be available by request. Club leaders will register club members for the event via the registration form in the packet.

Public speaking is an important skill to learn! 4-H clubs are encouraged to practice in club meetings and all 4-H youth are encouraged to participate in the counties wide 4-H Public Presentation Nights event.

What's Bugging You? Insects & Critters of New York State

4-part Virtual Series on Zoom
6:30pm - Wednesdays
February 28 and March 6, 13 & 20

What makes an insect and insect? And are they different than bugs? This group of animals is the most diverse on the planet with an estimated 5.5 million species, of which 1 million are known and identified. They outnumber humans in every way and affect our daily lives in many ways. Join us for 1 session or all 4!

Each session will be 45 minutes and jam-packed with educational fun. This series will unravel the mysteries of insects, with experts from Cornell University, Albany Pine Bush Preserve & 4-H Educators presenting.

Register with QR Code:



https://pub.cce.cornell.edu/event_registration/main/events_landing.cfm?event=YNOEinsects_208



Fulton-Montgomery 4-H Shooting Sports & Outdoor Education



4-H Shooting Sports & Outdoor Education Task Group Meeting

**Monday, February 26
6pm - Room 214
Montgomery County Annex**

All 4-H Adult Volunteers with an interest in shooting sports and outdoor education are invited to attend. This task group plans and administers 4-H activities and programs pertaining to all areas of outdoor education.

If this sounds like something you would be interested in, please **RSVP to the 4-H office by Thursday, February 22.**

Spring 4-H Archery Series



Sundays - April 7, 14, 21 & 28

Beginner Level - 1-2pm

Advancing Level - 2:15-3:30pm

Pine Tree Rifle Club - 419 Johnson Ave, Johnstown, NY 12095

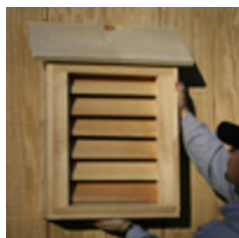
Cost is \$20 per youth participant

Join Fulton-Montgomery 4-H Archery Instructors for a fun filled 4 class series focusing on the fundamentals of learning archery and advancing skills in archery. Enrolled 4-H Youth ages 8 and older are eligible to participate.

**RSVP with payment to the 4-H Office by
Monday, March 18 to participate.**



4-H Bat Box Build



**Friday, April 5
Pine Tree Rifle Club
In the Pavilion
419 Johnson Ave,
Johnstown, NY 12095
10am-12pm**

Join the 4-H Shooting Sports & Outdoor Education Task group for a fun filled activity building bat boxes to hang up at home or in the wild to assist with conservation efforts for bats.

**Open to youth ages 5-19
Cost is \$5 per youth**

Limited tools available for use, please be sure to bring along a hammer and/or drill, if able to do so.

**RSVP with payment to the 4-H Office by
Monday, March 25**

*BIG SHOT - LITTLE SHOT
IN YOUR FACE
YOUTH SQUIRREL & RABBIT HUNT*



SATURDAY FEBRUARY 24TH 2024

Sponsored by the Pine Tree Rifle Club

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FOOD FUN AND PRIZES

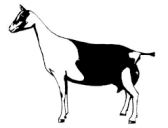
Weigh In at 12 P.M. at Pine Tree Rifle Club

PLEASE CALL JIM FOX AT 518-993-4636 TO ADVISE IF YOU WILL BE ATTENDING SO WE HAVE A HEAD COUNT.

All teams MUST include at least (1) Adult and (1) youth under 17 years old
ALL NYS HUNTING RULES AND REGULATIONS APPLY!



Animal Happenings!



4-H Horse Task Group Meeting

Thursday, March 21

6pm in Room 214

Montgomery Count Annex

or via zoom link

4-H Adult Volunteers with an interest in Horses are welcome to join this committee and assist with planning horse related 4-H events.

To be included email Kyle at ky292@cornell.edu



**RSVP by Wednesday,
March 20**

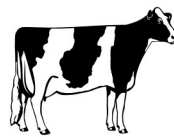
4-H Herd & Flock Task Group Meeting

Tuesday, April 2

6pm in Room 214

Montgomery County Annex

4-H Adult Volunteers with an interest in Dairy, Livestock and/or Small Animals are welcome to join this committee and assist with planning for these project areas.



**RSVP by
Monday, April 1**



NYS Guernsey Calf Scholarship Award

The Calf Scholarship Award Program is sponsored by the New York State Guernsey Breeders Association for the purpose of encouraging those who do not presently own Guernsey's to become involved with the Guernsey Breed. A purebred Guernsey Calf will be awarded to the applicant who shows interest in the Guernsey breed and who has demonstrated the capabilities of developing the animal to its fullest potential. Applicant must be age 9-15 as of January 1st of application year. You do not have to belong to 4-H, FFA, or a breed club to participate. The award will be presented to the winner at the New York State Guernsey Breeders' Annual Meeting in March or April.

To receive an application please contact Kyle at ky292@cornell.edu

Applications are due March 1st

Email applications to:

New York State Guernsey Breeders,
Alison Littlefield Widrick,
littlewidrick@gmail.com



MARCH DOG MADNESS

**MARCH 9TH, 2024
9AM-3PM
FRANK B. MORRISON HALL, CORNELL UNIVERSITY**

\$25/person
Lunch provided
Registration required



Tentative Schedule



<http://tinyurl.com/bdf2s69u>

Registration



<http://tinyurl.com/3cezhs7s>



CONTACT BRIAN AUKEMA, BJA14@CORNELL.EDU WITH QUESTIONS

March Dog Madness
is an event focused on educating 4-H Adult Volunteers, Teens & Staff on leadership aspects in running a 4-H Dog Program. If interested, visit the links or QR codes above.

Capital District 4-H Animal Science Contests & Events - Save the dates!

Horse Quiz Bowl - Saturday, March 9th - CCE Saratoga 4-H Training Center

Dairy Quiz Bowl - Saturday, March 16th - Ballston Spa - Milton Terrace Elementary School

Hippology & Horse Communications - Saturday, April 27th - CCE Saratoga 4-H Training Center

New Livestock Skill-A-thon & Judging - ****Tentative**** Saturday, May 11th—SUNY Cobleskill

New District Dog Show - Saturday, June 1st - CCE Saratoga 4-H Training Center

Capital District Small Animal School - Sunday, June 9th - Altamont Fairgrounds - 4-H Building

4-H Horse Programs!

****Save the dates****

Equine Dentistry

with Kari Mesec

Thursday, February 29th

6pm - Annex 214

RSVP by Tuesday, February 27th

Horse Riding & Driving Evaluation

Outdoor Arena - Fonda Fairgrounds
21 Bridge St S, Fonda, NY 12068

Tuesday, April 30th - 6pm

RSVP by Monday, April 29th to participate


Thursday, May 30th - 6pm

RSVP by Tuesday, May 28th to participate

More programs will be advertised soon! Watch your email for more details.

Are you an **Equine Enthusiast**
with an interest in creative writing?

Consider entering the
NYS 4-H Horse Program
Creative Writing Contest!



<https://cals.cornell.edu/nys-4-h-animal-science-programs/creative-writing>

Contact Jessica Tyson for more information | jms943@cornell.edu

Check out more NY State 4-H Horse related programs by following "NYS 4-H Horse Program" on Facebook.

Regional Dog Bowl

Saturday, February 24, 2024

Alfred State College Farm

Teams typically consist of 4 members but everyone is invited. If necessary, we will combine counties to make a team so everyone can play!!

Tentative Schedule:

9:30 Registration/Check-In

10:00 First Rounds

Noon: Lunch (provided)

**Possible tours of A-State campus,
Agriculture Building and Veterinary
Technology**

1:00 Final Rounds

**Contact: Kathi KChambliss@aacapps.com or
chamblisk@gmail.com for more information
and to sign-up.**

Please register by Feb. 10 for lunch count.

Winter 2024
4-H Dog Trick Challenge!
How many new tricks can you
and your dog learn this winter?
February 27th - April 13th
Registration Required



Contact Kat VanDouser with any questions.
Krollkat@msu.edu or 517-852-6903



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<https://events.anr.msu.edu/DogTricks24/>

MARKET ANIMAL SERIES

Join our guest instructors to learn about selection of stock, daily care, nutrition, and more!

All classes held at 6pm - Montgomery County Annex - Rm 214 (except Swine—which is via zoom only and begins at 6:30pm)

Swine

Monday, February 26th via zoom only with Ashley & Adam McFarland of Top Notch Livestock

Meat Goat

Tuesday, February 27th with Megan Richards

Poultry & Rabbit:

Wednesday, April 3rd with Matt Gogis, Erica Orlowski & Kyle Yacobucci

RSVP to the 4-H Office by the Monday before each class.

4-H Market Animal Ownership dates to participate in the 4-H Livestock Auction

Beef - January 1, 2024

Swine, Sheep & Meat Goat

April 1, 2024

Poultry

Chickens - July 28, 2024

All Other Poultry - May 1, 2024

Rabbits - June 1, 2024

Maximum age for each species on auction day:

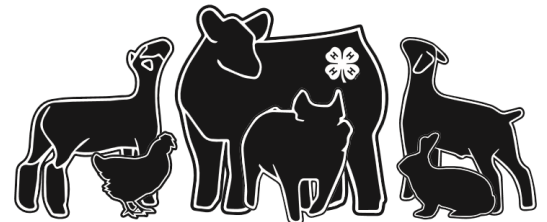
Beef & Meat Goat - No more than 2 years old

Swine & Sheep - No more than 1 year old

Poultry & Rabbit - No more than 6 months old

4-H Livestock Auction at the 2024 Fonda Fair

Enrolled 4-H youth, ages 8-19 are eligible to participate in the 4-H Livestock Auction at the Fonda Fair. (Cloverbuds are not eligible to participate)
The auction will be held on Monday, September 2nd at 10am in the Ag2000 Building. Start planning now if you are interested in participating. Ownership deadlines per species are listed above. Please note, this is a market animal auction. Only specific classes of market/production animals will be eligible to be in the auction. Full information regarding auction entries will be in the April-May 4-H Newsletter.




Update for 2024

2 Part - 4-H Market Animal Project Record Books

Part 1 - Market Animal Project Record Book - Due on Tuesday, August 27th
Part 2 - Financial Breakdown & Reflection Questions - Due Monday, September 16th

DUE TUESDAY, AUGUST 27th BY 7PM AT THE FONDA FAIR 4-H ANIMAL EXHIBITOR MEETING IN THE AG2000 BUILDING

Fulton-Montgomery 4-H Market Animal Project Record Book 

Youth Name: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____ Years in project: _____

County: _____ City/Village: _____

4-H Club Name or Individual: _____

Select species (1 Record Book per species):

BEEF SWINE SHEEP MEAT GOAT

RABBIT CHICKEN TURKEY DUCK GOOSE

OTHER FOWL: _____


Animal Permanent ID (i.e. Scrapies, etc.): _____

Your Animal's Photo Here

Cornell Cooperative Extension - Fulton and Montgomery Counties

Part 1

DUE TO THE 4-H OFFICE BY MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th

Fulton-Montgomery 4-H Market Animal Project Record Book 

FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN & REFLECTION

****To be completed after the 4-H Livestock Auction****

NOTE: Take photos or make a copy of pages 4 and 9 of your main Market Animal Project Record Book before submitting on Tuesday, August 27th. Information from those pages will be needed to complete the financial breakdown and reflection questions in this book.

Youth Name: _____

Age: _____ Grade: _____ Years in project: _____

County: _____ City/Village: _____

4-H Club Name or Individual: _____

Select species (1 Record Book per species):

BEEF SWINE SHEEP MEAT GOAT

RABBIT CHICKEN TURKEY DUCK GOOSE

OTHER FOWL: _____

Animal Permanent ID (i.e. Scrapies, etc.): _____

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Part 2

 Find us on Facebook



NYS 4-H Dairy and Livestock

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2024 4-H Poultry Projects

Mystery Chick - Meat Chickens - Meat Turkeys - Meat Ducks

Mystery Chick

HOW EGGCITING!

4-H youth with an interest in the poultry project and learning the life cycle of poultry are highly encouraged to participate in the 2024 4-H Mystery Chick Project!

4-H youth will have the option of completing the entire project through the growth of the hatched chicks or they may opt to only hatch the chicks and return them. Fertile hatching eggs will be supplied by reputable poultry breeders out of a variety of breeds from their show quality NPIP certified flocks. Those completing the whole project will also be tasked with figuring out which breed and what color variety their chicks are.

Before Fonda Fair entries are due, we will be meeting with project participants to confirm their findings and identify their birds. Youth are highly encouraged to show their birds at the Fonda Fair!

To participate RSVP with the registration form and payment to the 4-H Office by Wednesday, February 14th.

Registration forms available by request or in office.

****Incubators are reserved on a first come, first served basis****

Monthly workshops listed to the right are open to any enrolled 4-H youth whom wishes to participate. RSVP by the Monday before each date to participate.

4-H Mystery Chick Project Timeline

Registration due
Wednesday, February 14th

Incubation Training
Wednesday, February 28th
6pm-Montgomery County Annex-Room 214

Incubator & Egg Pick-up
Monday, March 11th
6pm - 4-H Office

Monthly Workshops:
6pm-Montgomery County Annex-Room 214

Tuesday, March 19th - Chick Care

Tuesday, April 23rd - Anatomy & Health

Wednesday, May 15th - Discover Poultry Breeds!

Wednesday, June 19th - Poultry Showmanship

Wednesday, July 24th - Fonda Fairgrounds -
Mystery Revealed! Time to Prepare for the Fair

Meat Turkeys

Youth ages 5-19 are encouraged to participate and learn how to raise turkeys as a food source.

Participating youth will receive six Broad Breasted White poults, a bag of feed and project record materials. They will also attend an orientation to learn how to properly care for the poults.

Cost for the six poults, feed and project record materials is \$75 per youth.
Poults will arrive in late April.

RSVP to the 4-H Office with payment by March 7th

Meat Chickens

Youth ages 5-19 are encouraged to participate and learn how to raise chickens as a food source.

Participating youth will receive six Cornish/Rock chicks, a bag of feed and project record materials. They will also attend an orientation to learn how to properly care for the chicks.

Cost for the six chicks, feed and project record materials is \$40 per youth. Chicks will arrive in Mid-July.

RSVP to the 4-H Office with payment by April 3rd

Meat Ducks

Youth ages 5-19 are encouraged to participate and learn how to raise ducks as a food source.

Participating youth will receive six Pekin ducklings, a bag of feed and project record materials. They will also attend an orientation to learn how to properly care for the ducklings.

Cost for the six ducklings, feed and project record materials is \$60 per youth. Chicks will arrive in mid-June.

RSVP to the 4-H Office with payment by April 3rd

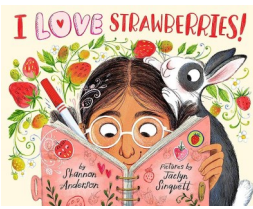
Orientation for Meat Birds, Meat Turkeys & Meat Ducks will be held together in conjunction with the Market Animal Series: Poultry & Rabbit class on Wednesday, April 3rd.

2024 Agricultural Literacy Week March 18-22, 2024

Have a love for agriculture? Want to educate second graders across Fulton & Montgomery counties about agriculture?

If so, volunteering to read for the 2024 Agricultural Literacy Week program may be just for you!

Fulton-Montgomery 4-H is seeking adult volunteers to visit second grade classrooms within Fulton & Montgomery counties. Each volunteer is assigned a classroom or multiple classrooms to read the book *I Love Strawberries!* By Shannon Anderson & Jaelyn Sinquett.



If interested, please contact Kyle at ky292@cornell.edu no later than Monday, March 4th.

Dairy Discovery Workshop March 29-30, Cornell University

The annual Dairy Discovery program provides New York youth with fun, hands-on science-oriented learning experiences in dairy production and management topics that feature the unique facilities, industry professionals, and staff at Cornell University. Youth learn will understand, observe and participate in technical skill training by rotating through a series of hands-on stations that focus on specific aspects of the dairy industry, including:

- Dairy Herd Health and Management
- Calf and Heifer Production Management
- Quality Milk and Milk Production
- Whole Farm Management Planning
- Maximizing the Feed Management Program.

Youth who are 14 to 19 years of age as of January 1, 2024 and have an interest in dairy cattle and production management are eligible and strongly encouraged to attend (with their parents or chaperones). **Cost is \$50 per youth and \$15 per chaperone.**

Visit this site for more information & to register:

<https://cals.cornell.edu/pro-dairy/our-expertise/youth/dairy-discovery-workshop>

Herkimer County

TRACTOR SAFETY COURSE

This course is open to youth and adults ages 14 and over. Youth between the ages of 14 & 15 years old are required by law to hold this certification in order to work with or around machinery for anyone other than their mother or father.

February 20-22

8:30am - 3:00pm each day

4-H Members: \$25, Non 4-H Members: \$35

Ages 14 & over

Clinton VFW

49 Franklin Ave, Clinton NY 13323

Registrations are due by February 9

Space is limited.

bit.ly/2024tractorsafety



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4-H Tractor Safety Capital District

Learn essential safety skills -Earn your HOSTA Safety Certification

The Capital District 4-H would like to welcome all area youth who are 14 years and older, to participate in the 2024 Capital District 4-H/HOSTA Tractor Safety Program.

This program is a great opportunity for youth who currently work on farms or around machinery, those who will be seeking employment on a farm, or anyone who would just like to learn more about farm and machinery safety. They will also visit a variety of agribusinesses, and receive HOSTA certification upon successful completion of the program.

Tentative schedule

Mandatory zoom orientation - 3/30

In-person classes - 4/10 through 4/12

In-person testing - 4/15

Note: In-person portions of this event will occur in Washington & Rensselaer counties. Times & locations will be released to participants. Transportation to and from the classes will be the responsibility of the participants parent or guardian.

Cost is \$30 per participant

Sign-up with payment to the 4-H Office by March 29th

Fulton-Montgomery 4-H International Night

Thank you to all whom participated in the
2024 4-H International Night event!
We hope you had fun and learned something new!

2024 Participants:

Brazil - Smarty Crafters 4-H Club
Faroe Islands - Hooves, Spurs & Furs 4-H Club
Guatemala - Rusty Bits 4-H Club
Ireland - Aries 4-H Club
Italy - Dirty Boots 4-H Club
Japan- Emily Galough
Leichtenstein - Community Gals & Guys 4-H Club
Mexico - Lucky Green 4-H Club
New Zealand - Ella Galough
Poland - Kline Klimbers 4-H Club
Ukraine - Crispy Kritters 4-H Club
United Kingdom - Mohawk Wranglers 4-H Club

*Many thanks to the Johnstown Moose for
allowing us to hold this event!*



New York State 4-H Trips

Save the dates!

STARR - May 3rd - 5th

NY State Fairgrounds, Syracuse

Capital Days - May 19th - 21st

Albany

Career Explorations - June 26th-28th

Cornell University Campus

More information will be sent via email when available.

***Seeking 4-H Teens ages 14 and over for
leadership roles on the Career Explorations Teen
Planning Committee.***

***If interested please contact the 4-H office no later
than Monday, February 26th.***

4-H International
Exchange Hosting
Opportunities
Information
Session for
Families

Wednesday
February 21st
at 7:00 PM

Register Here



For more information about the
4-H International Exchange Program
contact Autumn Lavine at
aml84@cornell.edu



4-H Pie & Cheese Sale



February 1st, 2024 through March 4th, 2024



All pies come frozen, ready-to-bake, wrapped in plastic, boxed and labeled at the bakeshop. Pies are available in regular or sugar-free. Sugar-free pies are sweetened with Splenda. All crusts are made with soybean oil.



Pie Varieties Include:

- Apple*
- Apple Crumb
- Apple Cranberry Walnut* **
- Blueberry*
- Blueberry Crumb
- Cherry*

- **Contains Walnuts
- * Sugar-Free and Regular

- Pumpkin
- Raspberry-Peach*
- Strawberry-Rhubarb*
- Very Berry*
- Tollhouse Chocolate Chip**

\$18 each - 10 inch pie



\$12 each

1 lb Deli Bar
Cabot Private Stock
Cheddar



\$6 each

- 8 Oz. Deli Bar
- Garlic Herb
- Wildly Horseradish
- 8 Oz. Cheese Curds
- Cheddar
- 8 Oz. Cheese Spread
- Extra Sharp



All Proceeds will directly fund 4-H youth programming, awards and leadership trips in Fulton and Montgomery Counties.

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2024 4-H Youth Development Calendar



(tentative)

4-H Club Secretary Reports

At the end of each month a secretary's report must be submitted to the 4-H office.

We encourage the inclusion of photos from club meetings & activities.

Secretary reports are on our website under Member Resources

<http://www.ccefm.com/viewprogram.asp?progID=3>

Scroll Down and select "Secretary's Monthly Report"

Fill out the form and email it to the 4-H Office at ky292@cornell.edu



February

- 1 4-H Pie & Cheese Sale Fundraiser Begins
- 8 4-H Totally Teens Meeting
- 11 NYS 4-H Horse Judging Clinic
- 14 4-H Mystery Chick Registration Due
- 19 Presidents' Day, CCE Office Closed
- 20 Youth CPR Certification
- 20 Public Presentations Workshop
- 20-22 Herkimer County 4-H Tractor Safety
- 21 4-H Movie Night, Chicken People
- 21 4-H International Exchange Info Session via Zoom
- 22 4-H Adventure at the Wildlife Museum
- 23-25 Winter 4-H Shooting Sports Training
- 24 Big Shot, Little Shot, Youth Squirrel & Rabbit Hunt
- 24 Dog Quiz Bowl, Alfred
- 26 4-H Shooting Sports & Outdoor Education Meeting
- 26 Market Animal Series, Swine - via zoom
- 27 Market Animal Series, Meat Goat
- 27-April 14 MSU 4-H Dog Trick Challenge, via zoom
- 28 Mystery Chick Incubation Training
- 28 What's Bugging You? Insects & Critters of NY State
- 29 Equine Dentistry

4-H GROWS HERE

March

- 1 NYS Guernsey Calf Scholarship Applications Due
- 5 4-H Pie & Cheese Sale Orders Due
- 5 4-H Volunteer Meeting
- 6 4-H Sewing Class
- 6 What's Bugging You? Insects & Critters of NY State
- 7 Meat Turkey Project Orders Due
- 9 Region 5B Horse Quiz Bowl, Ballston Spa
- 9 March Dog Madness, Cornell
- 11 Mystery Chick - Egg & Incubator Pick-Up
- 12 Earn-An-Animal, Orientation & Mentor Meeting
- 13 4-H Sewing Class
- 13 What's Bugging You? Insects & Critters of NY State
- 14 4-H Totally Teens Meeting
- 16 Regional Dairy Quiz Bowl, Ballston Spa
- 18-22 Agricultural Literacy Week 2024
- 19 Mystery Chick - Chick Care
- 20 4-H Sewing Class
- 20 What's Bugging You? Insects & Critters of NY State
- 21 4-H Horse Task Group Meeting
- 22 Public Presentations Night 1
- 25 Public Presentations Night 2
- 27 4-H Pie & Cheese Sale Pick-up, Karen's Produce
- 29-30 Dairy Discovery, Cornell
- 30 Capital District Tractor Safety. Zoom Orientation
- 31 Easter
- TBD Sign-up for 4-H Pheasant Project

April

- 1 Livestock Auction, Swine, Sheep & Meat Goat Ownership Deadline
- 2 4-H Herd & Flock Task Group Meeting
- 3 Market Animal Series, Poultry & Rabbit
- 3 Meat Chicken & Duck Project Orders Due
- 4 4-H Record Book Workshop
- 5 4-H Bat Box Build
- 7 4-H Archery Series
- 10 4-H Sewing Class
- 10-12 Capital District Tractor Safety, Washington County
- 11 4-H Totally Teens Meeting
- 13 NYS 4-H Horse Quiz Bowl, Cornell
- 14 4-H Archery Series
- 15 Capital District Tractor Safety, Washington County
- 17 4-H Sewing Class
- 20 District Public Presentations, Ballston Spa
- 21 4-H Archery Series
- 23 Mystery Chick - Anatomy & Health
- 24 4-H Sewing Class
- 24-May 5 TSC Spring Paper Clover Campaign
- 27 Regional Horse Communications, Ballston Spa
- 27 Regional Hippology, Ballston Spa
- 27 NYS 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest, Cornell
- 28 4-H Archery Series
- 30 Fulton-Montgomery 4-H Scholarship Applications Due
- 30 4-H Horse Riding & Driving Evaluation

May

- 1 Livestock Auction, All Poultry (besides meat chickens) Ownership Deadline
- 1 4-H Sewing Class
- 4 4-H Animal Crackers, Cornell
- 3-5 4-H STARR
- 9 4-H Totally Teens Meeting
- 11 Capital District 4-H Livestock Skill-A-Thon & Judging, SUNY Cobleskill
- 15 Mystery Chick - Discover Poultry Breeds
- 19-21 4-H Capital Days, Albany
- 21 4-H Volunteer Meeting
- 27 Memorial Day, CCE Office Closed
- 30 4-H Horse Riding & Driving Evaluation

"Learn by doing"

June

- 1 Last Day for 4-H Member Enrollments for 2023-2024 to participate at the 2024 Fonda Fair & Animal Certificates/Non-Ownership Forms Due!
- 1 Livestock Auction, Rabbit ownership deadline
- 1 NYS 4-H Horse Program Creative Writing Contest Entry Deadline
- 1 Capital District 4-H Dog Show
- 9 Capital District Small Animal School
- 13 4-H Totally Teens Meeting
- 19 4-H Poultry Showmanship Clinic
- 26-28 4-H Career Explorations, Cornell University
- TBD NYS 4-H STEM Camp, Delhi



July

- 2 4-H Volunteer Meeting - Potluck
- 4-5 Independence Day, CCE Office Closed
- 7-9 Cooperstown Junior Livestock Show
- 11 4-H Totally Teens Meeting
- 24 Mystery Chick - Mystery Revealed!
- 28 Livestock Auction, Meat Chicken Ownership Deadline
- TBD Canal Days, Schoharie Crossing
- TBD Montgomery County Youth Day
- TBD Pullorum Clinic, Fonda Fairgrounds

August

- 1 4-H All Entries for Fonda Fair Due
- 1 Sign-ups for 4-H Activities, Teen Leader at Fonda Fair Due
- 1 NYS Fair 4-H Animal Entries Due
- 8 4-H Totally Teens Meeting
- 19 CCE Building Clean up, Fonda
- 24 Judging of Non-Animal 4-H Exhibits at Fonda Fair
- 26 Fonda Fair. CCE Building Set- Up Day
- 27 Animal Truck-In Day, Fonda Fair
- 28-Sept 2 Fonda Fair

September

- Aug 28—Sept 2 Fonda Fair
- 2 Livestock Auction, Fonda Fair
- 2 Fonda Fair Ends; Evening Pick-up of Non-Animal 4-H Exhibits from Fonda Fair
- 5 Pick-up Non-Animal 4-H Exhibits from Fonda Fair
- 12 4-H Totally Teens Meeting
- 17 4-H Volunteer Team Meeting
- TBD Montgomery County Sundae on the Farm
- TBD Fulton County Day on the Farm

October

- 2-13 TSC Fall Paper Clover Campaign
- 10 4-H Totally Teens Meeting
- 14 Columbus Day, CCE Office Closed
- 15 4-H Member Record Books Due to 4-H Office
- 15 4-H Club Financial Statement & year end reports.
- 15 4-H Earn-An-Animal Record Book Due
- TBD NATIONAL 4-H WEEK
- TBD ABC Conference, SUNY Cobleskill

November


- 5 Election Day, CCE Office Closed
- 8 4-H Member & Volunteer Recognition & Annual Meeting, Potluck Supper & Awards Program
- 11 Veterans' Day, CCE Office Closed
- 14 4-H Totally Teens Meeting
- 19 4-H Volunteer Team Meeting
- 28-29 Thanksgiving, CCE Office Closed

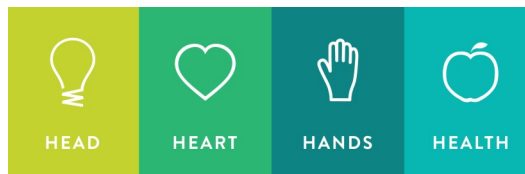
December

- 1 4-H Re-Enrollments Due!
- 12 4-H Totally Teens Meeting
- TBD Holidays, CCE Office Closed
- TBD 4-H Holiday Workshop
- TBD 4-H Officer Training
- TBD 4-H Arts Show, Amsterdam Free Library

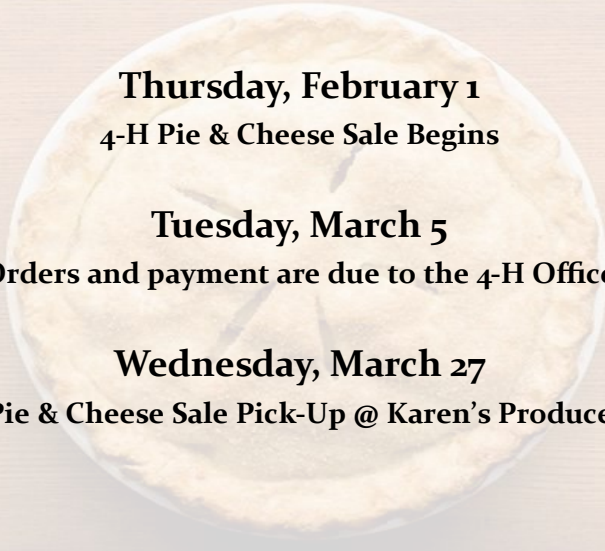
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 **across America** who are learning
leadership, citizenship and
life skills.



2024 4-H Pie & Cheese Sale Fundraiser Timeline



Thursday, February 1
4-H Pie & Cheese Sale Begins

Tuesday, March 5
Orders and payment are due to the 4-H Office

Wednesday, March 27
Pie & Cheese Sale Pick-Up @ Karen's Produce

CHECK OUT THE TOTALLY TEENS 4-H CLUB



Meetings are monthly on the 2nd Thursday

Next meetings

Thursday, February 8
RSVP by February 6

Thursday, March 14
RSVP by March 12

6pm - Room 214 - Montgomery County Annex

Totally Teens is the counties-wide 4-H club for youth ages 13-19 in Fulton and Montgomery Counties. The members focus on community service activities, social activities, planning and facilitating new 4-H events, and participating in special events and programs hosted by other 4-H teen programs in neighboring counties. Do you have friends who are 13 years old or older, but are not presently 4-H members? If yes, then invite them to come with you and they can join 4-H as members of the Totally Teens 4-H Club!

**For more information about the club,
please contact the 4-H Office, 518-853-2135**

