

Fulton-Montgomery Clover News

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Beyond Ready

Rabbit & Cavy Show

Saturday, April 25
Fonda Fairgrounds
Scott Hall
Show starts at 9am
Follow QR code for more info



I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking
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.

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CCEFM Office Reminders

- When sending mail to the 4-H Office please use this complete address:

**CCEFM, PO Box 1500, 20 Park St, Room 202,
Fonda, NY 12068.**

If "PO Box 1500" is not included, mail will be returned to sender

- **The CCEFM Office is closed on Fridays.**

If you need to deliver paperwork outside of office hours, please utilize the mail slot on the side of our shed (Off the end of the annex parking lot, go in between the two sheds and look to the right to locate the mail slot) larger packages must be delivered to the office during Monday-Thursday office hours (8:30am-4:30pm) or by preset appointment on Friday.

Do not leave anything outside of the Shed or the Montgomery County Annex Building.

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Website: www.ccefm.com



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Due June 1st!

* Member Project Data Sheet:

Be sure to use the month of May to check what 4-H projects you enrolled in at the beginning of the current 4-H year. June 1st is the last day to enroll in a project to be eligible for entry in the 2026 Fonda Fair. You must be enrolled in the correct project area to exhibit items from that project. If you have any questions concerning which projects you are enrolled in or if you need to update your project list, please contact the 4-H office.

Non-Registered Livestock



* Animal Certificates:

*All Horse Project Animals (only those with submitted horse papers will be notified of horse events focused on handling, riding or driving a horse project animal)

*Animal Certificates for non-registered, grade/commercial dairy, beef, swine, goat & sheep

Horse Certificate



◆ Animal Lease Agreement:

* If you are leasing an animal from another person, you must fill out an “animal lease agreement.”

* **NEW for 2026** You are now allowed to lease two animals of the same species, and allowed to show two at 4-H shows (Junior Livestock, Fonda Fair, etc..)**

* A lessor/owner cannot lease to a family member of the same farm operation. The lessee involved in a family farm cannot lease from another family member from the same farm.

Animal Lease Agreement



* 2025-26 Member Enrollments:

If your child or members of your club have not officially enrolled or re-enrolled for the 2025-2026 4-H Club Year, you need to submit your enrollment/re-enrollment papers and project updates by June 1st! A youth must be enrolled to:

- *be recognized as an official 4-H member
- *be eligible for 4-H insurance coverage
- *remain on the 4-H mailing list
- *be eligible for participation in 4-H at the 2026 Fonda Fair

◆ 4-H Livestock Auction Entries:

The 4-H Livestock Auction packet will be released in April outlining the rules, accepted classes, entry information and more. To participate in the auction please review the packet and submit the entry form with entry fee payment in full by June 1st. Please note: This is a market auction and only market class animals will be eligible in Beef Cattle, Sheep, Meat Goats, Swine, Poultry and Rabbits. Cloverbuds are not eligible to participate in the 4-H Livestock Auction.



PLAN AHEAD FOR THE 2026 FONDA FAIR

- Mark your calendars: All entries, both animal and non-animal, must be pre-entered by 4:00pm on August 1st. Fair entries must be postmarked by July 28th.
- All animal science youth are required to complete showmanship in each species they exhibit at the Fonda Fair. This is required for all youth, even those that won Master Showman or Grand Champion Showman for their species in a previous year.
- Please be mindful of all deadlines! Fair deadlines will have both a “received by” date and time and/or a “postmarked by” date. Absolutely no exceptions to these deadlines will be made.
- No additions to entries after deadlines will be allowed.
- It’s never too early to get your animals registered with their breed associations! Registration papers are required to be submitted with fair entries for dairy, beef, sheep, swine and goats. No papers pending will be allowed.
- Reminder: Exhibitors are limited to two entries per class in Dairy and General Livestock. 4 Entries per class for Rabbit, Cavy & Poultry.
- Youth are encouraged to keep track of 4-H projects made throughout the year to enter in the 4-H Non-Animal show at the 2026 Fonda Fair. Past years’ 4-H Exhibitor Handbooks are available for guidance on classes offered. Please note: Items made in school, home school, after-school program, or at camp are to be entered in classes 1103 (Camp) or 1104 (School, home school or after school) on page 63 of the 4-H Exhibitor Handbook. These entries will not be eligible for Best of Show.

2026 FONDA FAIR TIMELINE

Monday, August 24 – CCE Building Clean-Up (9am–Noon), Pot Luck (Noon–12:45pm),

****NEW**** – Clean-Up Afternoon Shift (12:45–3:45pm)

Saturday, August 29 – 4-H Non-Animal Judging Day (10am–3pm)

Monday, August 31 – CCE Building Setup (9am–12pm) and (1pm–4pm)

Tuesday, September 1 – Animal Exhibit Truck-In Day (10am–6pm)

Wednesday, September 2 – Monday, September 7 – 2026 Fonda Fair

Monday, September 7 – 4-H Livestock Auction (11am – Ag2000)

Monday, September 7 – Pick-up Non-Animal Exhibits (7pm–8pm)

Animal exhibits released after 6pm

Tuesday, September 8 – CCE Building Clean-up & Pick-Up (9am–Noon)

****NEW**** Teen Leader Shift for CCE Building Clean-Up & Pick-Up (9am–Noon)



2026 4-H Public Presentations Results!

Congratulations to all youth whom presented this year!
This year we had over 40 youth present between both nights.
The following youth have qualified for district contests!

Capital District Public Presentations

Chloe Bushey - *History of the Beatles*

Kailyn Dening - *Lambing*

Meghan Dening - *Spanish Silver*

Shannon Dening - *Chernobyl*

Olivia Dygert - *How to Make Chocolate Chip Cookies*

Tucker Dygert - *How to Care for Chickens*

Davina Etkin - *Lives of Jewish People in Concentration Camps During WWII*

Harper Gelber - *Hippity Hop - Lops are the Top*

Anna Potter - *The Science Behind the Egg*

Samantha Rice - *Dance*

Victoria Rice - *Competitive Cheerleading*

Capital District Horse Communications

Cassidy Dygert - *How to Groom a Horse*

Aurora Graff-Pongthong - *Horse Gaits*

Christopher Trauger - *Horse Health*

Eva Wilmot - *Farrier*

Youth that have qualified for district events, please watch your email for additional details.

The District Presentation Day will be held Saturday, April 25 at the CCE Saratoga County in Ballston Spa.

Region 5B Horse Communications will be held Saturday, April 25 at the Saratoga 4-H Training Center in Ballston Spa.

Thank you to Gretchen Subik, Andrea Hauser, Linda Sweet, Brooke Morgan & Julia Hudyncia for volunteering their time and expertise to evaluate presentations this year! Many thanks to the adult volunteers and 4-H teens whom assisted with running the event both nights!

2026 Jennifer Freeman 4-H Memorial Scholarship

Applications Due by April 30, 2026

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 must 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 2026. 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 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

QR Code for fillable application:



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GLOVERSVILLE MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Monday, May 25 - 9:30am

Fill out online form to participate:

<https://form.jotform.com/Glovers.../2026-memorial-day-parade>

FONDA MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Monday, May 25 - 9:00am

Contact the Village of Fonda for additional information

518-853-4335

GLEN MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Monday, May 25 - 12:00-12:45pm

For more information about participating,
contact Susan Whiteman (518-922-5512) or Ilene Wagner (518-256-3235)

JOHNSTOWN MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Friday, May 22 - 6:30pm

Fill out online form to participate:

<https://forms.fillout.com/t/ejLwqsB3FBus>

ST JOHNSVILLE MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Monday, May 25 - 9:30am

For more information or to sign-up as a participant,
please call: [Tim Rice](tel:518-207-6943) 518-207-6943 or

Jean Sekel 315-709-2079

NORTHVILLE MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Monday, May 25 - 6:00pm

Contact the Village of Northville for additional information

518-863-4211

BROADALBIN MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Monday, May 25 - 9:30am

Contact the Broadalbin American Legion
for additional information - 518-883-3531

4-H Pie & Cheese Sale Fundraiser High Sellers & Prize Drawing Winners



AWESOME!

CONGRATS!

Top Sellers

- 1st - Ashtyn Korona
- 2nd - Hannah Flanagan
- 3rd - Wyatt Tylutki

Prize-Drawing Winners

- Andrew Taberski
- Elaina Wells
- Declan Rocklin

*Thank you to all
whom sold or bought
pies and cheese to
support the
Fulton-Montgomery
4-H Youth
Development
Program.*



UPCOMING NEW YORK STATE 4-H TRIPS - SPRING/SUMMER 2026

SAVE THE DATE

4-H Career Explorations

June 30-July 2, 2026
Cornell University



Follow the URL for more information
or visit www.nys4-H.org/career-explorations-2026



Website:



Registration and payment
due to the 4-H Office by
April 22nd

2026 NY 4-H Capital Days, May 17-19, 2026!

Open to enrolled 4-H Youth 14 and older.

For more information:

www.nys4-H.org/capital-days



Fulton-Montgomery 4-H

Shooting Sports & Outdoor Education



4-H Shooting Sports & Outdoor Education Task Group Meeting

Tuesday, May 5

6pm - Room 111

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 Monday, May 4.**

Watch your email!
More information coming soon:

- 4-H Shotgun Series
- 4-H Wildlife Conservation Class
- 4-H Wild Edibles
- 4-H Hiking

If there are any shooting sports or outdoor education topics you would like to see programming for, please send suggestions to Kyle at ky292@cornell.edu

4-H OUTDOOR SAFETY

Night



Save the date

WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2026 - 5:30PM

PINE TREE RIFLE CLUB, JOHNSTOWN, NY

**FIRE SAFETY SHELTER BUILDING
BASIC OUTDOOR FIRST AID AND MORE!**

**WILL BE OPEN TO ENROLLED 4-H YOUTH AGES 13 AND OLDER
MAXIMUM OF 12 PARTICIPANTS**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WILL BE EMAILED WHEN AVAILABLE.

Club Happenings!

Kickin Country Clovers 4-H Club

The Kickin Country Clovers 4-H Club has kept busy over the winter with monthly club meetings. They focused on making Hospice Care Bags and making Goats Milk Bath Bombs with Oak Mountain Toggs Farm. Members also participated in 4-H Public Presentations and various 4-H programs.



Animal Happenings!



4-H Horse Task Group Meeting

Thursday, April 16
Zoom Meeting

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
April 15

4-H Herd & Flock Task Group Meeting

Tuesday, April 14
6pm in Room 214

Montgomery County Annex

Zoom link available to those unable to attend in-person.

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
April 13



4-H Livestock Auction Prep Night

Topics being covered:

- Marketing
- Finding and speaking to potential buyers
- Record Keeping
- Processing Details

Tuesday, April 28th

6pm - Fonda Fairgrounds
Outside the Cooperative Extension Building

Any youth planning to participate in the livestock auction is highly encouraged to attend. RSVP to the 4-H office by Monday, April 27 to participate.

Livestock Auction Entry Deadline:

4:30pm on Monday, June 1, 2026

FULL REGISTRATION PACKET VIA QR CODE →



Species Included:

BEEF CATTLE

SWINE

MEAT GOATS

SHEEP

CHICKENS

TURKEYS

DUCKS

RABBITS

Fulton-Montgomery 4-H Mystery Chick Project



2026 Project Schedule

Wednesday, April 22 - Anatomy & Health

Wednesday, May 20 - Discover Poultry Breeds! At Adirondack Feed Center, Amsterdam, NY

Wednesday, June 10 - Poultry Showmanship at Adirondack Feed Center, Amsterdam, NY

Wednesday, July 29 - Fonda Fairgrounds - Mystery Revealed! Time to Prepare for the Fair

NEW for 2026 - Processed Poultry Classes

Classes added to division B of the Poultry section:

Processed Poultry Classes

(limit of 1 entry per class. All entries must be entered in the 4-H Livestock Auction to participate)

106 - Processed Single Meat Chicken

107 - Processed Pen of Meat Chickens

108 - Processed Single Meat Turkey

Live and processed classes count towards the limit of 2 entries per species in the 4-H Livestock Auction.

Birds entered in the processed poultry classes will be judged live at the Fonda Fairgrounds on Monday, August 24 at 6pm. After judging, arrangements will be made by the 4-H office to have all entries in these classes processed. The processed birds will be displayed in a viewing freezer for the duration of the Fonda Fair. Assessments will be made of the processed bird vs. live bird for educational purposes and a danish will be awarded by the judge to denote eligibility.

NOTE: If a white danish is awarded to an entry at the live animal judging (August 24) it will not be eligible for the auction. The bird will be able to be processed, but will be returned to the youth to take home. Only those qualifying to be in the auction with a blue or red danish will be displayed throughout the Fonda Fair. Youth whom participate in these classes are also still required to do 4-H Poultry Showmanship with a live bird at the Fonda Fair. The 4-H Poultry Show is Wednesday, September 2nd. Birds entered in these classes are not eligible for selection in the Champion Production Poultry award.

*Note: Processing fees will be deducted from the auction lot sale amount or paid in full by the exhibitor.

4-H Market Animal Feed Scholarship

POULIN GRAIN
Leading Animal Nutrition

This scholarship is open to currently enrolled Fulton-Montgomery 4-H youth ages 8-19. Cloverbud members are ineligible. Youth must own the market animal/s they intend to show for the 2026 Fonda Fair 4-H Show by the respective species ownership deadlines for the 4-H Livestock Auction to be eligible. One scholarship recipient will be chosen by Poulin Grain to receive feed for their respective species from May 1, 2026 or beginning of species project ownership deadline until Monday, September 7, 2026.

Note: Applicants do not need to participate in the 4-H Livestock Auction to be eligible, only need to show in their respective species market animal class.

Completed applications due to the 4-H office by 4:30pm on Monday, April 20, 2026.

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APPLICATION →



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!★
First Annual
YOUTH SHEEP SHOW

Held in conjunction with the
CNY Fiber Arts Festival

DATE: JUNE 6 - 7, 2026

Saturday - A Day of Learning
Clinics, Workshops & Hands-On Fun!

Sunday - Youth Sheep Show Day
Show Off Your Skills in the Youth Sheep Show!

For More Info & Updates:
Visit: www.cnyfiberarts.org
Facebook: [CNYFiberFestival](#)

Exhibitor Camping Available - Info on the CNY Website.



4-H DOG OBEDIENCE

Herkimer + Oneida County

Open to Youth
Ages 8 to 18

WHEN: Wednesdays
4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6,
5/13, 5/20, 5/27, 6/3

TIME:
6pm to 6:45pm

LOCATION:
Herkimer Fairgrounds
135 Cemetery St
Frankfort, NY 13340

Cost: \$25
Registration Deadline:
April 10th

Questions: cch244@cornell.edu



The goal of the 4-H Dog Obedience Program is for youth to have fun, bond with their dog and learn the basic skills and knowledge to train their dog in basic commands of sit, stay, down, recall and heel.



2026 NYS 4-H ANIMAL CRACKERS

SATURDAY, MAY 2ND, 2026

FEATURING DOG, SWINE, EQUINE, SHEEP

AGES: 8-12

COST: \$30 PER YOUTH AND CHAPERONE
LUNCH AND TSHIRTS WILL BE PROVIDED WITH REGISTRATION!

REGISTRATION OPENS MARCH 18TH, 2026!
DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS
APRIL 22ND, 2026 (UNLESS IT FILLS BEFORE THE DEADLINE)!

CONTACT YOUR COUNTY EDUCATOR
FOR REGISTRATION INFORMATION

WEBSITE: [HTTPS://CAL.S.CORNELL.EDU/NYS-4-H-ANIMAL-SCIENCE-PROGRAMS/STATE-EVENTS/PROGRAMS/ANIMAL-CRACKERS](https://cals.cornell.edu/nys-4-h-animal-science-programs/state-events/programs/animal-crackers)



Beef Cattle & Swine

Market Class at

Oops-A-Daisy Farm

Saturday, May 9 - 1pm
Oops-A-Daisy Farm - Ft. Plain, NY

All enrolled 4-H youth interested in Beef & Swine Market Animal projects are welcome to attend. Youth will learn about proper selection, care and other aspects that go into raising beef cattle and swine for market.

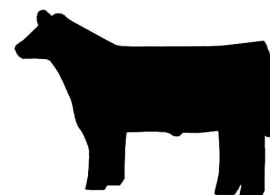
RSVP by Wednesday, May 6

Fenimore Farm

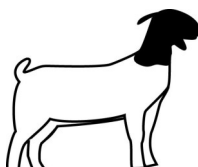
Junior Livestock Show

SAVE THE DATES

July 5-7, 2026



This show is open to enrolled 4-H youth ages 8-19. Eligible species are Dairy Cattle, Beef Cattle, Dairy Goats, Meat Goats, Sheep, Swine.



More information will be shared when available.

2026 Regional 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl

Saturday, February 28 - Ballston Spa, NY

Dairy Quiz Bowl Results

Senior Team

Coach: Carolyn DeBlock
Elaina Wells

1st place team (with Columbia-Greene)
4th Place Individual—Elaina Wells

Junior Teams

Coaches: Becky Ferry

Team 1: Anna Potter, Olivia Dygert,
Carrie Trauger & Mac Manchester

Team 2: Dylan Dygert & Grant Potter
(with Columbia-Greene combined team)

1st Place Junior Team (Team 2)
2nd Place Beginner Team (Team 1)
1st Place Individual - Anna Potter
2nd Place Individual - Dylan Dygert
4th Place Individual - Olivia Dygert
9th Place Individual - Carrie Trauger

Beginner Teams

Coach: Amy Hoefele
Harper Ouderkirk
Grace Potter
Christopher Trauger
Jacob Hoefele (with Saratoga)

1st Place Beginner Team (Saratoga/F-M)
2nd Place Beginner Team (Fulton-Montgomery)
1st Place Individual - Harper Ouderkirk
3rd Place Individual - Grace Potter
5th Place Individual - Christopher Trauger
6th Place Individual - Jacob Hoefele

Thank you to team coaches Carolyn DeBlock,
Becky Ferry, & Amy Hoefele for volunteering your time
and expertise to coach!

Youth advancing to the NY State Dairy Quiz Bowl
contest on April 25th at Cornell University:
Elaina Wells (Senior), Anna Potter (Junior),
Dylan Dygert (Junior), Olivia Dygert (Junior),
Harper Ouderkirk (Beginner), Grace Potter (Beginner),
Christopher Trauger (Beginner)

Congratulations!





2026 Regional 4-H Horse Quiz Bowl Results

Saturday, March 21 - Altamont, NY

Junior Team

Coaches: Karen Trauger

Harper Gelber

Carrie Trauger

Cheyenne Voght

Syerra Buddles

2nd Place Team

3rd Place Individual - Harper Gelber

6th Place Individual - Carrie Trauger

8th Place Individual - Cheyenne Voght



Senior Team

Coach: Amanda Biss

Lily Ann Richvalsky

Tye Buddles

3rd place team (with Albany)

4th Place Individual

Lily Ann Richvalsky

Thank you to team coaches Karen Trauger & Amanda Biss for volunteering your time and expertise to coach.

Congratulations!

4-H Horse Evaluations

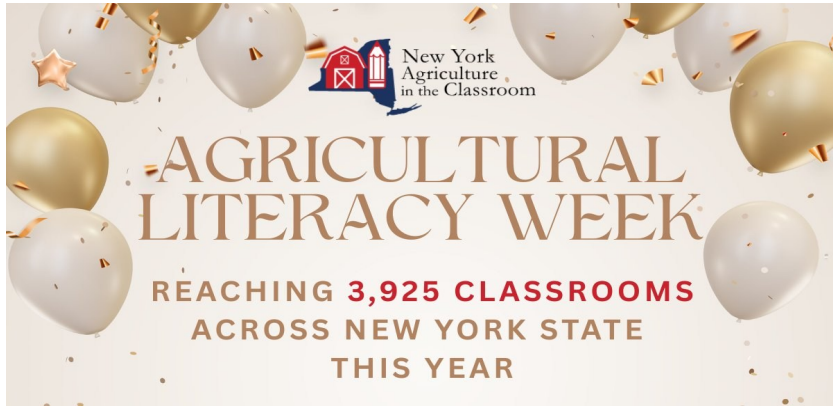
FONDA FAIRGROUNDS OUTDOOR ARENA - 6PM

All youth must be evaluated to ride and/or drive a horse at any 4-H held horse program or show.

RSVP by the Monday before each date to participate

Tuesday, May 12

Thursday, June 18



Thank you to all whom volunteered their time to read to elementary school youth across Fulton & Montgomery counties for the 2026 Agricultural Literacy Week event!

- Cheryl Andrist*
- Mrs. Bakers ENL Class - Amsterdam*
- Cassie Brackett*
- Michael Ciani*
- Jan Duchessi*
- Eric Etkin*
- Fonda-Fultonville FFA*
- Tamara Healy*
- Vicki Jennings*
- Judy & Russ Kelly*
- Chanda King*
- Marcy Matis*
- OESJ FFA*
- Assemblyman Santabarbara*
- Tammy Staie*
- Bernadette Twente*
- Montgomery County Farm Bureau*

Thank you!

Thank you!

4-H Volunteer Meeting



Tuesday, May 19

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!

RSVP to the 4-H Office by Monday, May 18 to attend

AG NIGHT AT THE AMSTERDAM MOHAWKS



TUESDAY, JUNE 9 MEET AT 5:45PM

4-H WILL BE HOLDING THE FLAG FOR THE PRE-GAME NATIONAL ANTHEM.

RSVP TO THE 4-H OFFICE BY THURSDAY, JUNE 4 TO PARTICIPATE. RSVP IS NECESSARY TO BE PLACED ON THE LIST FOR FREE ADMISSION TO THE EVENT.

ANY OF OUR 4-H MEMBERS AND FAMILIES MAY JOIN IN THE FUN!



4-H NIGHT AT THE AMSTERDAM MOHAWKS

TUESDAY, JULY 8 MEET AT 5:45PM

4-H WILL BE HOLDING THE FLAG FOR THE PRE-GAME NATIONAL ANTHEM.

RSVP TO THE 4-H OFFICE BY THURSDAY, JULY 2 TO PARTICIPATE. RSVP IS NECESSARY TO BE PLACED ON THE LIST FOR FREE ADMISSION TO THE EVENT.

ANY OF OUR 4-H MEMBERS AND FAMILIES MAY JOIN IN THE FUN!



4-H FOOD PRESERVATION SERIES



SUNDAYS, 1:00PM-4:00PM

**SHIRLEY LUCK SENIOR CENTER
109 E MAIN ST, JOHNSTOWN, NY**

MAY 31 - QUICK PICKLING

JUNE 7 - PICKLING & TOMATOES

JUNE 14 - FRUIT DAY

JULY 12 - JAM & JELLY

**COST: \$15 PER CLASS OR \$50 FOR FULL SERIES
OPEN TO ENROLLED 4-H MEMBERS, AGE 8+ (CLOVERBUDS INELIGIBLE)
LIMIT OF 12 PARTICIPANTS**

RSVP TO THE 4-H OFFICE WITH PAYMENT BY MAY 14



The 2026 National 4-H Index Study is **LIVE!**



New York State 4-H is supporting the National 4-H Annual Index Study to learn how our programs help youth thrive.

If you're 13-18 and participated in 4-H last year, share your 4-H experience through the online survey! Your feedback is key in shaping the future of youth programs.

NY State 4-H emailed the link. Check your inbox for the email titled: "Be Heard: Share Your 4-H Experience in the 2026 National Index Study!"

4-H Member Record Books

Updated for 2026



4-H Member Record Book



Animal Record Sheet



Record Book How To PowerPoint



Cloverbud Record Book

You may also visit www.ccefm.com and find these linked on the 4-H Member Resources Page.



Totally Teens 4-H Club

Meetings are monthly on the 2nd Thursday

Next meetings:

April 16

(3rd Thursday instead of 2nd this month)

May 14 – Hospice Care Bags

Teens collecting the following items for home care bags for Hospice patients. Items not limited to the list. Any item that you feel may bring comfort. We will be collecting until our Meeting on May 14th. You may drop off at the 4-H office. Thanks for helping.

RSVP by the Tuesday before each meeting date

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.

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

Home Care Bag Item Ideas

- Crackers
- Canned soup
- Vienna sausages
- Bottled water
- Raisins
- Cup noodle
- Protein drinks
- Chips
- Dried fruits
- Nuts
- Mac-n-cheese cups
- Mashed potato cups
- Gum
- Hard candy
- Band aids
- Cookies
- Fruit cups
- Jello
- Pudding
- Wet wipes
- Hand sanitizer
- Applesauce
- Deodorant
- Peanut butter
- To-go cups
- Fruit & Grain bars
- Granola bars
- Toothbrushes
- Hand/Foot warmers
- Lotion
- Kind notes & messages

Veterans CLEAN-UP



SATURDAY, APRIL 25

ST JOHNSVILLE & FT PLAIN AREA

MOHAWK WRANGLERS 4-H CLUB ASSIGNED
SEEKING OTHERS TO JOIN THEM.

FULTONVILLE, FONDA & TRIBES HILL AREA

LOOKING FOR A CLUB OR
VOLUNTEERS TO LEAD THIS GROUP.

Contact the 4-H office for a copy of the permission form that needs to be returned to us by Wednesday, April 22.

Spring TSC Paper Clover Campaign

4-H Clubs and individual members are encouraged to contact your local Tractor Supply Co to setup a time to promote 4-H during the campaign. Contact information for each store in our counties are listed below.

- Store Manager of Tractor Supply in **Amsterdam** Contact at manager at (518) 627-0269 or by email: str0647@TractorSupply.com
- Store Manager of Tractor Supply in **Gloversville** Contact manager at (518)725-0036 or by email: str1143@TractorSupply.com
- Store Manager of Tractor Supply **Palatine Bridge** Contact manager at (518)673-2565 or by email: str2394@TractorSupply.com

PAPER CLOVER

APRIL 17 THRU MAY 3, 2026

Funds support 4-H camp, scholarships & leadership activities.

 **TRACTOR SUPPLY CO**



2026 4-H Youth Development Calendar



(tentative)

<p>April</p> <p>14 4-H Herd & Flock Task Group Meeting 15 4-H Dog Obedience, Herkimer/Oneida 16 4-H Totally Teens Meeting 16 4-H Horse Task Group Meeting 17-May 3 TSC Spring Paper Clover Campaign 20 4-H Gardening Series - Intro & Soil Testing 20 4-H Market Animal Feed Scholarship Due 22 Mystery Chick - Anatomy & Health 22 4-H Dog Obedience, Herkimer/Oneida 25 Regional Horse Communications, Ballston Spa 25 Regional Hippology, Ballston Spa 25 District Public Presentations, Ballston Spa 25 Veterans Clean-Up 25 Rabbit Show, Fonda 26 Capital & Southeast Regional Livestock Skill-a-thon & Judging Contest, SUNY Cobleskill 28 4-H Livestock Auction Prep Night 29 4-H Dog Obedience, Herkimer/Oneida 30 Fulton-Montgomery 4-H Scholarship Applications Due</p>	<p>May</p> <p>1 Livestock Auction, Swine, Sheep, Meat Goat, Turkey & Goose Ownership Deadline 2 4-H Animal Crackers, Cornell 4 4-H Gardening Series - Composting 5 4-H Shooting Sports & Outdoor Ed Task Meeting 6 4-H Dog Obedience, Herkimer/Oneida 9 Beef Cattle & Swine Market Class, Oops-A-Daisy Farm 12 4-H Horse Riding & Driving Evaluation 13 4-H Dog Obedience, Herkimer/Oneida 14 4-H Totally Teens Meeting 17-19 4-H Capital Days, Albany 18 4-H Gardening Series - Planning Your Garden 19 4-H Volunteer Meeting 20 Mystery Chick - Discover Poultry Breeds 20 4-H Dog Obedience, Herkimer/Oneida 22 Johnstown Memorial Day Parade 25 Memorial Day, CCE Office Closed 25 Broadalbin Memorial Day Parade 25 Fonda Memorial Day Parade 25 Glen Memorial Day Parade 25 Gloversville Memorial Day Parade 25 Northville Memorial Day Parade 25 St Johnsville Memorial Day Parade 27 4-H Dog Obedience, Herkimer/Oneida 31 4-H Food Preservation Series</p>	<p>June</p> <p>1 Last Day for 4-H Member Enrollments for 2025-2026 to participate at the 2026 Fonda Fair & Animal Certificates/Non-Ownership Forms Due! 1 Livestock Auction, Rabbit ownership deadline 1 4-H Gardening Series - Planting & Transplanting 3 4-H Dog Obedience, Herkimer/Oneida 6-7 Central NY Fiber Arts Festival and Youth Sheep Show 7 4-H Food Preservation Series 9 Ag Night, Amsterdam Mohawks 10 4-H Poultry Showmanship Clinic 11 4-H Totally Teens Meeting 14 4-H Food Preservation Series 15 4-H Gardening Series - Flower Gardening & Farming 18 4-H Horse Riding & Driving Evaluation 29 4-H Gardening Series - Garden Up-keep 30-July 2 4-H Career Explorations, Cornell University</p>
<p>July</p> <p>June 30- July 2 4-H Career Explorations, Cornell University 1 Livestock Auction, Duck & Pheasant Ownership Deadline 3 Independence Day observed, CCE Office Closed 5-7 Cooperstown Junior Livestock Show 8 4-H Night at the Amsterdam Mohawks 9 4-H Totally Teens Meeting 12 4-H Food Preservation Series 13 4-H Gardening Series - Harvesting & Marketing 14 Pullorum Clinic, Fonda Fairgrounds 21 4-H Volunteer Meeting - Potluck 22 4-H Outdoor Safety Night, Pine Tree Rifle Club 27 4-H Gardening Series - Preparing for Exhibition 29 Mystery Chick - Mystery Revealed! 28 Livestock Auction, Meat Chicken Ownership Deadline TBD Montgomery County Youth Day</p>	<p>August</p> <p>1 NYS Fair 4-H Animal Entries Due 1 4-H All Entries for Fonda Fair Due 1 Sign-ups for 4-H Activities, Teen Leader at Fonda Fair Due 13 4-H Totally Teens Meeting 24 CCE Building Clean up, Fonda 29 Judging of Non-Animal 4-H Exhibits at Fonda Fair 31 Fonda Fair. CCE Building Set- Up Day</p>	<p>September</p> <p>1 Animal Truck-In Day, Fonda Fair 1-7 Fonda Fair 7 Livestock Auction, Fonda Fair 7 Fonda Fair Ends; Evening Pick-up of Non-Animal 4-H Exhibits from Fonda Fair 8 Pick-up Non-Animal 4-H Exhibits from Fonda Fair 15 4-H Volunteer Team Meeting 17 4-H Totally Teens Meeting 18-20 4-H STAR TBD Montgomery County Sundae on the Farm</p>
<p>October</p> <p>8 4-H Totally Teens Meeting 12 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</p>	<p>November</p> <p>3 Election Day, CCE Office Closed 11 Veterans' Day, CCE Office Closed 12 4-H Totally Teens Meeting 17 4-H Volunteer Team Meeting 25-27 Thanksgiving, CCE Office Closed TBD 4-H Member & Volunteer Recognition & Annual Meeting, Potluck Supper & Awards Program</p>	<p>December</p> <p>1 4-H Re-Enrollments Due! 10 4-H Totally Teens Meeting TBD Holidays, CCE Office Closed TBD 4-H Holiday Workshop TBD 4-H Arts Show, Amsterdam Free Library</p>

Free rabbits available to enrolled 4-H youth

1 Holland Lop, 1 Mini Lop & 1 Rex.

All are females and 2 years old.

Contact the 4-H Office for additional information.

Pullorum Clinic

Required for all poultry except doves, pigeons & waterfowl

Fonda Fairgrounds, Entertainment Building,
21 Bridge St, Fonda NY


Tuesday July 14,
2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Contact Valerie Orlowski at 518-859-9895 or Vorlowski@aol.com

Chicks provided through 4-H projects and purchased from NPIP certified hatcheries do not require Pullorum testing. Youth with large flocks are encouraged to get NPIP testing done at their farm/home. NPIP forms can be requested by emailing Kyle at ky292@cornell.edu

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