



Cornell Cooperative Extension | Sullivan County

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### **TONIGHT: 4-H All About Dogs**

The All About Dogs program begins at **6:30 pm** at the CCESC building.

### **TONIGHT: Intergenerational Textile Project**

The CCESC 4-H Intergenerational Textile Project welcomes 4-H members, CCESC enrollees, and community members to bring project work to tonight's meeting, **6:00 – 8:00 pm**.

Learn new skills and information about the Textile Group's new community service initiative for 2017-2018: collecting small blankets for Project Linus. Fleece fabric and worsted weight yarn have been donated to CCESC 4-H in support of this service-learning project. **Those wishing to participate in the project should bring a size "F" crochet hook to work around the edge of a fleece blanket, or if crocheting the entire blanket, bring size "K" and "J" hooks.** The intergenerational textile group meets the third Friday of each month from 6:00-8:00 pm. To learn more about the Textile Project, contact [mlr34@cornell.edu](mailto:mlr34@cornell.edu).

### **Trout in the Classroom – Fridays 6 pm**

**Interested in learning about trout, hatcheries, raising fish, watersheds, conservation, or becoming an environmental steward?** 4-H Shooting Sport's Environmental Science program, Trout in the Classroom has these project areas and more all wrapped up in one program! Youth participants will assist in raising trout fry until their release into a local water system in spring 2018. Youth meet every Friday at the CCESC building at 6pm for the program in addition to weekly rotations of caring for the

fish. YOUTH DO NOT NEED TO BE A CURRENT PARTICIPANT IN SHOOTING SPORTS TO PARTICIPATE. If interested in finding out more information, contact Kaitlyn at [krs257@cornell.edu](mailto:krs257@cornell.edu). Remember to check the 4-H Sullivan County Shooting Sports facebook page for fishy updates and any schedule changes that may occur.

### **4-H Animal Science – Poultry Program – February 23, 6:30 pm**

On **Friday, February 23 at 6:30 pm** at the CCESC building, there will be a Poultry Animal Science program. Topics to be covered include broiler projects, fancy or bantam breeds, ducks, geese, turkeys, how to select the right birds for you, showmanship demo, and more! For more information, e-mail Barb Moran at [bjm292@cornell.edu](mailto:bjm292@cornell.edu). Call the office or visit the website to register.

### **County 4-H Public Presentations – March 3**

Evaluations of 4-H Public Presentations will take place 10:00 am to 3:00 pm on Saturday, March 3 at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County building. 4-H club leaders and Independent Member families should share a registration list of member topics/presentation titles with the 4-H office prior to February 27. If a presenter plans to bring an animal or has any special considerations or needs, please note that on the registration forms. This will help staff and registration volunteers prepare for the day of the event. Presenters who have a conflict on March 3 must notify their leaders and/or the 4-H office in advance so that they may obtain information for Make-Up Night. The Public Presentation requirement for a Certificate of Achievement may also be attained by doing a presentation at the Youth Fair in August however, opportunity to advance to District and State will be missed. Contact [mlr34@cornell.edu](mailto:mlr34@cornell.edu) if you have any questions.

### **Horse & Livestock Photo Contest & Workshop – March 10**

This photography contest is being held for the Sullivan County 4-H horse & livestock club programs and is divided into two sub-categories; one for standard photographs and the other for digitally enhanced or altered photographs. Each category is judged separately and awards will be given in each category. Laverne Black will present a photography workshop **March 10 at 11:00 am** in the Extension Education Center. To get involved, contact Barbara at [bjm292@cornell.edu](mailto:bjm292@cornell.edu).

### **Fair Entry Online Demonstration – March 22 – 6:30 pm**

On **March 22 at 6:30 pm** at the CCESC building, 4-H staff will host an introduction and demonstration to the new 4-H Online Fair Entry system. Get a quick preview of what to expect and how to prepare before entries are due. For more information contact Kaitlyn [krs257@cornell.edu](mailto:krs257@cornell.edu).

### **Order Forms Available: 4-H Pheasant Chicks Program – Deadline March 22**

The DEC is once again distributing day-old pheasant chicks for rearing and release projects to 4-H Youth. The rearing and release of pheasants requires a great deal of responsibility by 4-H youth and a substantial time commitment. Why raise pheasants? Rearing pheasants is enjoyable, challenging and teaches youth responsible behavior. Releasing of the pheasants offer a fall hunting opportunity. Plus, people enjoy seeing and hearing pheasants. For more information, contact Barbara at 845-292-6180 or [bjm292@cornell.edu](mailto:bjm292@cornell.edu). **The deadline for orders is March 22, 2018**

**Interested in participating in the pheasant chick program but don't have the facilities to do so?** 4-H Shooting Sports is looking for interested youth to participate in the pheasant-rearing opportunity (run through the Shooting Sports program). The chicks will be housed at CCESC and families will rotate the responsibilities of taking care of the pheasant chicks. If you are interested in participating, contact Kaitlyn Smith [krs257@cornell.edu](mailto:krs257@cornell.edu) by **March 1**.

### **Fair Entry Online Training May 2 – 6:30 pm**

Animal entries for Fair must be made by youth participants (or their project leaders) in the new, online “FairEntry” system by **June 1**. **NO PAPER OR LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED.** On **May 2 at 6:30 pm** at the CCESC building, 4-H staff will offer a training on how to complete animal fair entries using the new 4-H Online Fair Entry system. All animal entries must be completed using the new online system. No paper or late entries will be accepted. Can’t attend this event? There will be another training offered; participants only need to take one of the trainings. For more information, contact Kaitlyn [krs257@cornell.edu](mailto:krs257@cornell.edu) or Barb [bjm292@cornell.edu](mailto:bjm292@cornell.edu).

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Animal entries for Fair must be made by youth participants (or their project leaders) in the new, online “FairEntry” system by **June 1**. **NO PAPER OR LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED.** On **May 12** at the CCESC building, 4-H Staff will be run the final training on how to complete animal fair entries using the new 4-H Online Fair Entry system. This year all animal entries must be completed using the new online system. No paper or late entries will be accepted. For more information contact Kaitlyn [krs257@cornell.edu](mailto:krs257@cornell.edu) or Barb [bjm292@cornell.edu](mailto:bjm292@cornell.edu).

### **4-H Online Fair Entry Office Assistance Hours**

4-H Staff will have office hours **BY APPOINTMENT** on the following dates to assist with questions concerning the 4-H Online Fair Entry system:

- Sunday, May 6 – 1:30- 3:00 pm
- Wednesday, May 16 – 5:30 -7:00 pm
- Thursday, May 17 – 4:30 -6:00 pm

Computers are available for use at the CCESC office with prior arrangement for anyone with limited access to a computer or internet.

### **\*\*Additional Youth Opportunities\*\***

#### **Community Service Opportunity – Callico Geese Quilt Marathon – March 24**

The CCESC Callico Geese Quilters Community Group invites 4-H members 12 years and older to join them in their annual community service project making baby quilts for those in need. The “Baby Quilt Marathon” will take place on Saturday, March 24 at the CCESC education center beginning at 9:30 am. Under the guidance of Callico Geese members, youth will have the opportunity to learn how to press fabrics, sandwich quilt layers, machine sew, hand quilt and more. For information, contact Sally Abrams (845) 439-4359 or Susan Koenig (845) 583-4944.

### **ATTN 4-H Clubs – Fundraising Opportunity**

The Woodbourne First Aid Squad invites crafty 4-H clubs and 4-H entrepreneurs to participate in their Craft Fair/Yard Sale on **April 21** from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. If you want more information about this fundraising opportunity please contact James 845-423-3910 or Amanda 845-798-8648 or send e-mail to [woodbournefdas@gmail.com](mailto:woodbournefdas@gmail.com) and put **vendor information** in the subject line. **PLEASE REMEMBER TO SUBMIT A REQUEST TO RAISE FUNDS FORM** to CCESC 4-H each time you make plans to fundraise.

### **Annual 4-H Animal Crackers – May 5**

The annual Animal Crackers event, held on **Saturday, May 5** at Cornell University, provides New York youth with fun, hands-on, science-oriented learning experiences related to animal science topics.

Participants will learn about different aspects of animal care, and interact and exchange information with faculty; staff; students; professional producers; industry experts; and others, utilizing the unique facilities of Cornell University. Species of interest vary from year to year. This year the species topics will be around dairy cattle and rabbits. For details, click here: <http://4h.ansci.cornell.edu/events-2/animal-crackers/>.

## **\*\*Member Bulletin Board\*\***

### **4-H Explorers Club Seeks Recycled Items**

The 4-H Explorers club is working on a project that uses the following recycled items: coffee cans with lids, soup/bean type cans, wine corks, plastic caps (soda, water, milk 1/2 gallons), soda/beer caps and soda can top tabs. Please contact [Drjamienoeth@hotmail.com](mailto:Drjamienoeth@hotmail.com) if you have questions or donations.

### **Rabbit FREE to Good Home**

Local 4-H family has a black lionhead rabbit that needs a new home. (Free) For more information, please contact Erin at 845-866-4450.

### **Support 4-H– Save 15% with JOANN 4-H Rewards**

JOANN Fabrics and National 4-H Council are partnering to bring more hands-on 4-H programs to youth in local communities across the nation. Just in time for the holidays, you can now save 15% off your JOANN purchases with the free 4-H Reward Card. When you use this card, JOANN will donate 2.5% of all eligible purchases to National 4-H Council. Current & lifetime 4-H members, parents of members, volunteers and 4-H staff can save 15% off total in-store and online purchases every day with 4-H Rewards. See <https://4-h.org/get-involved/partners/4-h-and-joann/>.

## **Calendar of Upcoming Events & Deadlines**

- February 16– Trout in the Classroom– CCEC, 6:00 pm
- February 16 – All About Dogs Animal Science Program – CCEC, 6:30 pm
- February 16–CCEC Intergenerational Textile Project – CCEC, 6:00-8:00 pm
- February 16-18 – Lewis County Teen Winter Weekend – Camp Oswegatchie
- February 22 – Horse Bowl & Hippology Practice –CCEC, 6:30 pm
- February 23– Trout in the Classroom– CCEC, 6:00 pm
- February 23–Animal Science Program – CCEC, 6:30 pm
- February 24 – Regional Horse Bowl & Hippology – CCE Dutchess
- February 25 – Regional Horse Bowl & Hippology Snowdate – CCE Dutchess
- March 2– Trout in the Classroom– CCEC, 6:00 pm
- March 3 – 4-H County Public Presentations
- March 9– Trout in the Classroom– CCEC, 6:00 pm
- March 16– Trout in the Classroom– CCEC, 6:00 pm
- March 16– CCEC Intergenerational Textile Project – CCEC, 6:00-8:00 pm
- March 18 – NYS March Dog Madness
- March 22 – Fair Entry Online Demonstration/Teaser – CCEC, 6:30 pm

March 22 – Pheasant Orders due to CCE office by 4:00 pm  
March 23– Trout in the Classroom– CCEESC, 6:00 pm  
March 30– Trout in the Classroom– CCEESC, 6:00 pm  
April 6– Trout in the Classroom– CCEESC, 6:00 pm  
April 7 – Regional Horse Communication Dutchess – CCE Dutchess  
April 11 – 4-H Project Exhibit Prep Night – CCEESC, 6:30-8:00 pm  
April 12 – Veterinary Science Series #1 – CCEESC, 6:30 pm  
April 13– Trout in the Classroom– CCEESC, 6:00 pm  
April 13-15 – 4-H STARR Retreat – Syracuse  
April 19 – Veterinary Science Series #2 – CCEESC, 6:30 pm  
April 20– Trout in the Classroom– CCEESC, 6:00 pm  
April 20– CCEESC Intergenerational Textile Project – CCEESC, 6:00-8:00 pm  
April 22 – Horse Program Riding Evaluations  
April 26 – Veterinary Science Series #3 – CCEESC, 6:30 pm  
April 27– Trout in the Classroom– CCEESC, 6:00 pm  
April 28 – District Public Presentations  
May 2– Fair Entry Training– CCEESC, 6:30 pm  
May 3 – 4-H Livestock Auction Meeting #1 – 6:30 pm  
May 4– Trout in the Classroom– CCEESC, 6:00 pm  
May 5 – Animal Crackers— Cornell University  
May 6– Fair Entry Office Hours– CCEESC, 1:30 -3:00 pm (by appointment)  
May 11– Trout in the Classroom– CCEESC, 6:00 pm  
May 12– Fair Entry Training– CCEESC, Time TBD  
May 12-14 – NYS 4-H Forestry Weekend, Camp Shankitunk  
May 16– Fair Entry Office Hours– CCEESC, 5:30-7:00 pm (by appointment)  
May 17– Fair Entry Office Hours– CCEESC, 4:30-6:00 pm (by appointment)  
May 18– Trout in the Classroom– CCEESC, 6:00 pm  
May 18– CCEESC Intergenerational Textile Project – CCEESC, 6:00-8:00 pm  
May 20-23 – NYS Capital Days – Albany  
May 25– Trout in the Classroom– CCEESC 6:00 pm  
June 1 – Youth Fair Animal Registration Deadline  
June 2 – NYS Communications Institute  
June 3 – Multi-Species Showmanship Clinic –Stone Wall Farms, 1:00 pm  
June 15-17 – 4-H STEM Camp, Camp Shankitunk  
June 26-28 – Career Explorations – Cornell University  
July TBA – Fair Work Night  
August 14-19 – Sullivan County Youth Fair  
August 22-September 3 – Great New York State Fair, Syracuse  
September 15 – 4-H Records Due  
September 15 – Cornell Country BBQ – CCEESC, Time TBD

