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Help Plan 4-H Project Exhibit Prep Night – May 9

Please complete an easy doodle poll at <https://doodle.com/poll/qzybuga8snsuwsfz> to let us know your project interests and areas in which you could use more information to show project exhibits at fair. “Project Exhibit Prep Night” is planned for May 9 at the Extension Education Center to answer all your fair questions, provide helpful tips and more. Members, parents, and leaders are encouraged to attend. Make sure to note all interests on the Doodle poll before **Monday, April 30** to help us secure the mentors needed on May 9!

Raise Your Hand 2018 is Underway!

Help New York State 4-H win \$20K by voting for New York in the Raise Your Hand contest at <https://4-h.org/raise-your-hand/>. Encourage fellow members as well as family and friends to vote by posting tiny.cc/ryh4nys on ALL your social media pages. Results from week one of the campaign show New York in the top 10, with less than 200 names separating us and the top 5!

Fair Entry Online Training – May 2, 6:30 pm

Animal entries for Youth Fair must be made by youth participants (or their project leaders) in the new, online “Fair Entry” 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. **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 or Barb bjm292@cornell.edu.

4-H Shooting Sports Safety Night – May 4

On **May 4** at the CCESC building starting 6:00 pm, the 4-H Shooting Sports program will have its annual Safety Night. All youth who plan to participate in the 4-H Shooting Sports program must attend the Safety Night, which is held before the beginning of the season. If youth have not already re-enrolled in 4-H, enrollment paperwork will be available as well as 4-H Medical Release forms.

Youth must be a 4-H member to participate in the program and complete a medical release form.

The program is FREE. To pre-register for the Shooting Sports Safety Night, or if you have questions about the program, contact Kaitlyn Smith at krs257@cornell.edu.

4-H Project Exhibit Prep Night – May 9

Exhibit at the Sullivan County Youth Fair and show case your youth development project work! Learn how to navigate 4-H fair books, identify the guidelines and requirements for each class, complete the entry process, and pick up information on finishing techniques that achieve successful exhibition. Members, leaders, and parents are encouraged to attend this free workshop at the Extension Education Center on **May 9**, 6:30-8:00 pm. Please register (845-292-6180) and share your project areas of interest.

4-H Livestock Auction Meeting – May 10

Youth interested in participating in the Livestock Auction are required to attend two meetings and become Youth Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) certified. The first meeting on **May 10** will present livestock auction expectations and requirements, marketing ideas, and signing of the auction agreements. The meeting will be followed by a YQCA Training for those who are not yet certified. The second auction meeting will be held **September 13**. To receive full premiums from auction animals sold, both meetings and YQCA certification are required. For more information, contact Barbara Moran 845-292-6180 extension 109 or bjm292@cornell.edu.

Fair Entry Online Training – LAST CHANCE – May 12

Animal entries for Youth Fair must be made by youth participants (or their project leaders) in the new, online “Fair Entry” system by **June 1**. **NO PAPER OR LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED.** On **May 12** at the CCESC building, 4-H staff will 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. For more information, contact Kaitlyn krs257@cornell.edu or Barb 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.

4-H Maker Series: Garden Stepping Stones – May 12

Garden Stepping Stones will be the featured topic in the May program of the Second Saturdays Maker Series at the Extension Education Center on **May 12** from 1:00-3:00 pm. Goal of the monthly series is to provide ideas and instruction for adult or youth activity leaders to share with youth groups. Registration is required in advance and a \$5 donation per class is welcome to help cover cost of materials. Register by calling 845-292-6180, e-mailing sullivan@cornell.edu or by visiting <http://sullivancce.org/events>. Questions may be directed to Marylin at mlr34@cornell.edu.

NYS 4-H Forestry Weekend – May 11-13

Join youth from across the state for a weekend of forestry activities, games, and competition. This three-day event is for youth aged 10 and up (as well as staff and volunteers) interested in learning more about forests, and to select the NYS team that will go to the 2018 National 4-H Forestry Invitational (must be 14-19 for the national event). The event is held at Camp Shankitunk in Delaware County and the \$43 registration fee includes food, materials, and cabin lodging. For additional info, go to: <http://ccecolumbiagreene.org/nys4-hforestryweekend>.

Annual Plant Sale & 4-H Club Community Service Opportunity – May 20

4-H members or leaders interested in gardening/horticulture projects should take advantage of the upcoming CCEC Plant Sale taking place on **Sunday, May 20, 2018** from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, while supplies last. Quality plants at great prices! Selection includes perennials, annuals, vegetables, herbs, house plants, free gardening advice, soil testing kits, as well as compost demonstrations. Composter and rain barrel orders should be picked up that day. Call 845-292-6180, or check online <http://sullivancce.org/events> for plant selection chart when available. ***CCEC is inviting 4-H Clubs that have a special interest in composting to have a table at the MG Fundraiser Annual Plant sale. If interested contact Marylin Jones for more information at mlr34@cornell.edu.***

4-H Maker Series: Homemade Campfire Marshmallows – June 9

Learn how to make marshmallows **June 9** in the “Second Saturdays Maker Series” for adult and youth leaders. Goal of the monthly series is to provide ideas and instruction for adult or youth activity leaders to share with youth groups. The monthly program meets at the Extension Education Center from 1:00-3:00 pm. Registration is required in advance and a \$5 donation per class is welcome to help cover cost of materials. Register by visiting <http://sullivancce.org/events>. Questions can go to Marylin at mlr34@cornell.edu.

NY 4-H STEM Camp – June 15-17

The NYS 4-H STEM Camp at 4-H Camp Shankitunk in Delaware County is open for registrations for youth ages 10 and older. Cost is \$75/person. Each camper chooses one of seven available learning tracks for the weekend. Choose from Drones, Coding, Backyard Engineering, Archery Dynamics, Outdoor Survival, or Rocketry I (Beginning) or Rocketry II (Advanced). More information at <https://ccedelaware.org/4h/stem-camp/>.

****Additional Youth Opportunities****

2018 4-H Japanese Exchange Program

The New York State 4-H office is looking for host families again this summer as we welcome 15 youth and one adult Japanese chaperone to the US and New York State! The delegation will fly into

Syracuse again this year and will be with us from **July 21 – August 18**. For more information about the program see <https://www.states4hexchange.org/> or contact mlr34@cornell.edu.

Opportunity for a 4-H Sheep Project!

Apple Pond Farm of Callicoon Center is reducing their flock and are offering sheep to youth for a 4-H project. 4-H'ers who are keen on livestock care and who have space available for a pair of ewes are encouraged to inquire. Please contact Sonja Hedlund at sonja@applepondfarm.com.

ATTN 4-H Clubs – Community Service Opportunity

4-H families and clubs are invited to share a table at Liberty Elementary School's "Fit, Fun Family Expo" on **May 17**. Set-up is 3:30 pm for the 4:00-7:00 pm event; table and chairs will be available. Participants are encouraged to share an activity that involves being physically active, but hands-on make-and-take activities are also welcomed. Share handouts and information about 4-H to earn credit for 4-H Community Service Olympics! For information on how to get involved, please contact srb46@cornell.edu or mgw77@cornell.edu.

4-H Camp Shankitunk – July-August 2018

Sullivan County 4-H'ers are invited to explore the overnight camp experience at 4-H Camp Shankitunk in Delaware County. Overnight camp runs weekly, **Sunday through Friday throughout July and into August**. Camp brochures and applications are currently available at the CCE Sullivan County office or by calling 607-865-6531. Families may register online at www.campshankitunk.org.

Scholarship Opportunities

Over 110 scholarships, totaling more than \$400,000, are available through the Community Foundation for graduating high school seniors in Orange and Sullivan counties this year. Funding is available for various educational aspirations including, but not limited to, athletics, business, music, the arts, farming and much more. If you are a student or parent looking for a scholarship to apply for, visit website <https://cfosny.org/our-funds/scholarships/> and search by your school district or contact your guidance department.

****Member Bulletin Board****

CCESC Composter & Rain Barrel Sale – Order Deadline May 7

Conserve water, start composting, and harness the natural assets of the Catskills! Rain barrels and composters are available for \$75. Order in office or online at www.sullivanccc.org/events. Pick-up orders at the CCESC Annual Plant Sale on May 20, Extension Education Center. For information call 845-292-6180 or e-mail sullivan@cornell.edu.

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 if you have questions or donations to offer.

JOBS & INTERNSHIPS

Visit the CCE Sullivan County website at www.sullivanccce.org/jobs to view jobs offered by CCE, with partner organizations like Sullivan Renaissance, and local jobs available in the agriculture industry.

Calendar of Upcoming Events & Deadlines

- April 27– Trout in the Classroom– CCESC, 6:00 pm**
- April 28 – District Public Presentations**
- May 2– Fair Entry Training– CCESC, 6:30 pm**
- May 3- Pre-Fair Vet Meeting – 6:30 pm**
- May 4– 4-H Shooting Sports Safety Night – CCESC, 6:00 pm**
- May 5 – Animal Crackers, Cornell University**
- May 6 – Fair Entry Office Hours– CCESC, 1:30 -3:00 pm (by appointment)**
- May 9 – 4-H Project Exhibit Prep Night – CCESC, 6:30-8:00 pm**
- May 10 – 4-H Livestock Auction Meeting #1 – 6:30 pm**
- May 11– Trout in the Classroom– CCESC, 6:00 pm**
- May 12 – Fair Entry Training– CCESC, Time TBD**
- May 12 – Second Saturdays, Garden Stepping Stones – CCESC, 1:00-3:00 pm**
- May 12-14 – NYS 4-H Forestry Weekend, Camp Shankitunk**
- May 16 – Fair Entry Office Hours– CCESC, 5:30-7:00 pm (by appointment)**
- May 17– Fair Entry Office Hours– CCESC, 4:30-6:00 pm (by appointment)**
- May 18 –Trout in the Classroom– CCESC, 6:00 pm**
- May 18 – CCESC Intergenerational Textile Project – CCESC, 6:00-8:00 pm**
- May 20 – CCESC Annual Plant Sale – CCESC, 10:00 am–2:00 pm**
- May 20-23 – NYS Capital Days – Albany**
- May 25 – Trout in the Classroom– CCESC, 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 9 – Second Saturdays, Homemade Mallows – CCESC, 1:00-3:00 pm**
- June 15-17 – 4-H STEM Camp, Camp Shankitunk**
- June 26-28 – Career Explorations – Cornell University**
- June 30 – Upper Delaware BioBlitz– Gales Property, Starlight PA, 9:00 am-3:00 pm**
- July 1-6 – Week One 4-H Camp Shankitunk**
- July 8-13 – Week Two 4-H Camp Shankitunk**
- July 9- 4-H Regional Horse Program Youth Harness Racing Program**
- July 14 – Second Saturdays, Felt Storyboards for Kids – CCESC, 1:00-3:00 pm**
- July 15 – Animal Lease Hours Due- CCESC**
- July 15-20 – Week Three 4-H Camp Shankitunk**
- July 22 -27 – Week Four 4-H Camp Shankitunk**
- July 21 – 22 4-H Horse State Fair Qualifying Show**
- July 29-August 3 – Week Five/ Final Week 4-H Camp Shankitunk**
- July TBA – Fair Work Night**

August 11– Second Saturdays, Wood Burning Artistry – CCESC, 1:00-3:00 pm
August 14-19 – Sullivan County Youth Fair
August 22-September 3 – Great New York State Fair, Syracuse
September 8– Second Saturdays, Silk Scarf Dyeing – CCESC, 1:00-3:00 pm
September 13 – Livestock Auction Meeting #2
September 15 – 4-H Records Due
September 15 – Cornell Country BBQ & Live Auction – SAVE THE DATE!!!