



Clover Chronicle

February – March 2024

- 4-H Club Reports 1
- How to reach us.....3
- Leader’s Digest..... 4
- 4-H Teens 5
- Ag Literacy 5
- County Presentations 6
- Public Presentations Guidelines.. 6
- 4-H Tractor Safety (HOSTA)..... 7
- Pheasant Raise and Release 7
- Small Animal School..... 7
- New York Farm Show 8
- Junior Chefs 8
- Horse Bowl / Hippology Season .. 8
- County Horse Communications... 8
- Hackney Hill Farm Tour..... 8
- Georgia Boot Trailblazers Contest 8
- Schaghticoke Fair Gala 9
- Farm Day Out..... 9
- ESports 10
- FAMACHA Training..... 10
- Dyken Pond 11
- Horse Communications Reg..... 12
- Capital Days 13
- Birthdays..... 15
- Calendar of Events..... 16

Bloomin’ Socks Fundraiser



Rensselaer County 4-H is holding a Bloomin’ Socks fundraiser. The socks come in a variety of patterns including the 4-H Clover, several animal fun patterns (cows, goats, horses, chickens, rabbits, and sheep) and tractors. They would make great gifts, or a treat for yourself! The socks are 100% American made and sell for \$13.00 a pair.

Each purchase supports Rensselaer County 4-H. To purchase socks, contact [Eileen](#).

JOANN’s Fabric

From March 3 to May 4, customers can donate or round-up at checkout in JOANN stores to support 4-H.



4-H Club Reports

Club Reports

At the end of each month, club secretaries should submit the Secretary's Monthly Report form to Kandis Freer at the CCE.

Refer to page 27 in the "4-H Club Secretary's Handbook" for examples and forms. Even though the Clover Chronicle is printed bi-monthly, secretaries should submit their reports every month. You receive points on the Honor Club Application for every Secretary's Report submitted on a timely basis.

The Secretary's Monthly Report is also available on the Rensselaer County 4-H website. You can find it on the 4-H Forms page. Secretaries, please email reports to [Kandis](#).

Clover Kids and Critters – Brunswick

The Clover Kids and Critters met in January to plan the next few meetings and to make sun catchers with craft beads.



Equine Explorers – Melrose

The Equine Explorers kicked off our new 4-H year with an awesome October project meeting where we all tapped into our inner artist! First, we had a ton of fun learning to decorate cupcakes! Karen Piper and one of our club leaders, Rebekah Colarossi, taught us how to turn our cupcakes into beautiful creations using homemade frosting, piping bags, and different piping tips. We made cupcake sunflowers and pumpkins, and then after we mastered that, we began to make our own designs! Some members made ghosts, an entire pumpkin patch, and even a firework. Once we cleaned up a bit, we held our club elections, where each member was voted into an office. November was an extremely busy month, especially with one of our members, Kira Colarossi, heading to Louisville, KY for the Eastern National 4-H Horse

Round Up, where she represented NYS as part of the NYS Horse Bowl Team. Kira had a lot of fun and did very well! Unfortunately, Kira won't be eligible to compete in the Horse Bowl going forward, as she competed at nationals, but she is looking forward to assisting with the Rensselaer County Horse Bowl teams! The Equine Explorers are excited for another fun 4-H year full of hands-on learning activities and service opportunities.



Grown in Groveside 4-H Club- Hoosick Falls

The Grown in Groveside 4-H group spread holiday cheer this year through the gift of giving and singing! During the month of November, members from both the Grown in Groveside group as well as the Critters 4-H group created wooden ornaments that could be used to decorate a Christmas tree. The ornaments were an angel, snowman, star, and a present. All the wooden pieces were generously cut and donated by Julie Colvin. Also, Morin's Tree Farm donated a Christmas tree to our cause! Our heartfelt thank you to our donors. The club decided to donate the tree to the residents of Wood Park Apartments in Hoosick Falls, NY. On Sunday, December 10th, 4-H members gathered to trim the tree with their ornaments, some lights and even a star for the top! Members introduced themselves, shared their creative ornaments with the residents, passed out candy canes and sang a few carols with the residents. The residents gave the children an unexpected treat of refreshments after the tree decoration. It was a wonderful time of fellowship for all! Merry Christmas and happy holidays!





How to Reach Us

Call the CCE Office: (518) 272-4210
Monday through Friday, 8am to 4pm

You can leave a voicemail message
any time!

STAFF

Bernie Wiesen, Executive Director
(518) 272-4210 x102
bw27@cornell.edu

Kandis Freer, 4-H Team Leader
(518) 272-4210 x106
kmf83@cornell.edu

Mamnenge Gbim-Gbade, 4-H Youth and Adult
Agriculture Educator
518-272-4210 x105
mbq242@cornell.edu

Eileen DePaula, 4-H Program Coordinator
(518) 272-4210 x104
emd32@cornell.edu

Josh Pulito, 4-H Environmental Program Educator
(518) 658-2055
jp844@cornell.edu

Fax: (518) 272-1648 - ATTENTION 4-H

Facebook: Rensselaer County 4-H

YouTube: CCE Rensselaer

<https://www.youtube.com/ccerensselaer>

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Rensselaer County

99 Troy Road, Suite 203
East Greenbush, NY 12061

**Cornell Cooperative Extension is a unique
educational network, linking Rensselaer
County with resources from Cornell University,
USDA, and the land grant university system.**

4-H Program Development Committee (PDC)

4-H PDC members are available to you.

*If you have comments or suggestions don't hesitate to
reach out to any of our PDC members.*

Donna Bradbury

donna10_6@yahoo.com

Laura Holmes

laholmes@rcany.org

Liz Ruepp

rueppliz@gmail.com

Kevin Retell

kevinretell@gmail.com

Megan Myers

megan.pb.myers@gmail.com

Dona Ries

luckydmr2@gmail.com

Susan Jacon

sjacon@nyiso.com

The Clover Chronicle is published six times a year by
the 4-H Youth Development staff of Cornell
Cooperative Extension of Rensselaer County as part of
our informal educational programs for youth.

No one shall be denied the opportunity to participate or
receive information based on their ability to pay. If you
have special needs that we can accommodate, please
contact us at (518) 272-4210 or [email](mailto:) us.

The information in this publication is provided for
educational purposes only. All advertisements and
references to businesses, producers, products,
services, or trade names are made with the
understanding that no endorsement or discrimination is
implied or expressed by Cornell Cooperative
Extension.

Leader's Digest

Volunteers are the life's blood of our organization.

We would like to thank all our volunteers for their passion for working with youth, and their dedication to 4-H.

Welcome to our new 4-H Volunteers:

Kenneth Anatriello (Northern Livestock)

Jeremy Diamond (Independent)

Erin Broderick-McCabe (Southern Livestock)



☆ Please remind members that they can find just about anything they need on our website <https://rensselaer.cce.cornell.edu>. Just click on the 4-H tab!

☆ Send/e-mail to Kandis: pictures of meetings, community service, and other special 4-H events and we will showcase them with a little blurb in our next Clover Chronicle.

☆ Don't forget Community Service! Our clubs do amazing things, and one of the greatest things that they can do is give back to our community. There are a lot of opportunities for community service if you only look for them. Everything from volunteering at a local nursing home to planting flowers at a community park or library. Remember, not only is community service rewarding, but also a lot of FUN!

Annual Volunteer Harassment Prevention Training

4-H volunteers, the Harassment Prevention Training is an annual requirement to be enrolled as a Cornell Cooperative Extension volunteer and needs to be completed each year. The virtual training takes approximately 10 minutes and can be found at <http://blogs.cornell.edu/ccevolunteertraining/required-training/>. When completed, please forward the confirmation email to cce-rensselaer-volunteer@cornell.edu

Reenrollment Update

Reenrollments were due back to the 4-H office by November 1st. If you have not reenrolled currently, please know that you are not covered by our insurance. If you plan to participate in any 4-H activities, please send in your enrollment forms. We will be transitioning over to our new distribution lists shortly for communications from the 4-H office to our 4-H families. If you have not reenrolled by then you will not be receiving any further communications from us.

May 15th is the enrollment cut off to participate in fairs.

If you have questions, or need copies of the reenrollment forms, please contact [Eileen](#).

4-H Teens

Teen Exchange

We are still easing into our new two-year Teen Exchange and are in the middle of Smith Orchard Pie Sales fundraiser. Pies will be delivered on March 13th and pie orders must be made by February 21st. Contact your local Teen Exchange member to place an order or keep an eye out for an ordering link in a future email blast to place an order. The Teen Exchange is also putting together a May Donor Appreciation Calendar Sale – so watch for details coming from the CCE office. Lastly, we are hoping to hold a Breakfast Fundraiser tentatively on March 23rd. We will be publicizing upcoming fundraisers via future Clover Chronicles and email blasts.

Scholarships

Check our website for a complete list and most up to date information.

Farm Kids for College Scholarship – Due February 20th

To be eligible for the National Farmers Farm Kids for College Scholarship, you must:

- Be a high school senior
- Major in an agricultural field at an accredited college or university [Scholarships - National Farmers](#)

New York Farm Bureau Agricultural Youth Sponsorship – Due March 1st

The New York Farm Bureau Agricultural Youth Scholarship sponsored by the NYFB Promotion & Education Program will be offered again for graduating high school seniors. More information on the scholarship application which is due by 5:00pm on March 1 can be found at: [Youth Programs :: New York Farm Bureau \(nyfb.org\)](#) If you have any questions, please contact NYFB: proed@nyfb.org or Patti Dugan at 1-800-342-4143.

Rensselaer County 4-H Teen Scholarship – Due April 5th

Presented annually to three high school seniors who exemplify the Essential Elements of 4-H. Applications due first Friday of April. [Instructions](#) and [Application](#) can be found on our website.

Hilldale Farm Scholarship – Due May 1st

Qualified recipients should be high school graduates in Rensselaer County, NY who wish to study agriculture or a related discipline. To be considered, you must have resided in Rensselaer County for at least two years prior to applying; earned a GPA of 3.0 or better in the previous two years of your education; and plan to major in coursework or pursue a trade related to Agriculture. Examples include, but are not limited to, skilled trades such as horticulture, pre-veterinary studies, food science, welding, diesel mechanic, etc.

<https://hilldalefarmfoundation.godaddysites.com/scholarship>

The Beryl H. Moul Memorial Grange Scholarship – Due May 1st

Established in 1958 by West Sand Lake Grange #949 in memory of prominent Grange member Beryl H. Moul. Applicants must be pursuing a career in Agriculture, Home Economics, Human Ecology, Family Sciences, Forestry, Human or Animal Medicine, Education, Consumer Sciences, Nursing, Natural Resource Management, Environmental Engineering, or Pharmacology. Applications due May 1st. [Instructions](#) and [Application](#) can be found on our website.

Ag Literacy

Attention all teens and leaders – The New York State Ag in the Classroom Program coordinates an Ag Literacy event in conjunction with National Agriculture Week which is held in March. We will be looking for willing volunteers to read in our county schools to the targeted 2nd grade classrooms. If you (teens and leaders) are interested in delivering this program that includes actively reading the book, assisting with the delivery of related classroom activities and any other additions you would see as appropriate, contact the CCE office. This would be a great opportunity for teens who may be thinking about going into the teaching field. At this time, we are specifically looking for volunteers to read on March 21st at Tamarac Elementary School.

County Presentations

The County 4-H Public Presentations event is scheduled for Saturday, March 16th, register with Eileen. Don't forget that there is a Presentations Workshop being offered on February 7th to help prepare you for the County Presentations event.

4-H Presentations and Horse Communications Workshop

Wednesday, February 7th, 6:00pm at the CCE Office

Will 2024 be your first year doing a 4-H Presentation or Horse Communication Presentation? Have you done a Presentation before, and want to take it to the next level? There is always something to learn! Join Eileen for a Presentations Workshop on Wednesday, February 7th at 6:00pm at the CCE office. We will be covering everything you need to know about creating and delivering a great 4-H Presentation.

Public Presentations Guidelines

Time Expectancy:

Cloverbud: 1-3 minutes

1st year: 3-5 minutes

2nd– 4th year: 3-8 minutes

5th year and up: 10-15 minutes

Experienced Presenters have served as Teen Evaluators

Pick a topic you like

- Keep it simple– you can do a lot of detail with a simple idea
- Prepare your presentation
- Gather your information
- Prepare your posters
- Develop an outline

☆ You should have an introduction (a question, quotation, or statistic that arouses interest in your topic– something that draws the audience into your presentation)

☆ Your presentation should explain a topic

☆ And a conclusion should sum up what you explained. You should also ask if anyone has any questions.

Practice what you are going to say.

Practice what you are going to do. This is very important. Make sure you handle your equipment, ingredients, diagrams, models, or posters comfortably.

- This should be a positive and meaningful experience.
- Listen to the comments from your evaluators.
- Ask questions so you understand.
- Review the written evaluation.

**Presentations are all about personal growth and building confidence.
Good Luck!**

4-H Tractor Safety (HOSTA)

Rensselaer County 4-H would like to welcome all area youth who are 14 years and older, to participate in the 2023 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. Participants will gain hands-on experience with a variety of equipment including tractors and implements, skid steers, ATVs and chainsaws. They will also visit a variety of agribusinesses and receive HOSTA certification upon successful completion of the program.

The orientation for this year's event will be via Zoom on March 14th at 6:30. The program will take place over Winter Recess, beginning April 1st – 3rd and the testing date on April 6th. The cost is \$30 per participant.

For more information email Kandis

To register visit: [Cornell Cooperative Extension - Event Registration for Programs](#)



Pheasant Raise and Release Program

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is once again distributing day old pheasant chicks for rearing and releasing as a 4-H project. Participants raise day old chicks until they are mature enough to be released into your community (8 to 12 weeks).

The chicks are hatched and delivered to our 4-H office from the DEC Reynolds Game Farm in Ithaca. The only costs involved would be feed, time, and facility. Members and/or leaders who want to raise pheasants this year need to complete the application by March 25th.

Please inform [Mamnenge](#) if participating in the program to coordinate pick up of chicks.

- Release sites **must be open to public pheasant hunting**.
- Birds may not be released on private shooting preserves.
- Landowner consent form must be completed: https://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/wildlife_pdf/docloconsent.pdf
- If this is your first time participating, you will need to attend training on how to properly care for and release your birds.
- Interested 4H'ers or club leaders can apply online at <http://dec.ny.gov/things-to-do/hunting/small-game/pheasant>
- All applications must be submitted by March 25th.

Staff at Reynolds Game Farm will reach out to applicants if there are any questions and let them know if their application has been reviewed.

Chicks will be delivered to the CCE office in mid to late May. It is the responsibility of the participants to have chicks picked up by the end of the day when they are delivered. Participants will be notified of the definite delivery date when it is available. This is a wonderful, short-term project that offers an opportunity for members to enhance their community. Raising pheasants is not only enjoyable but also challenging and gives youth the opportunity to be responsible and improve their natural environment.

CCE Regional Small Animal School

Sunday, June 9th at the Altamont Fairgrounds

Topics will include care, nutrition, and fitting & showmanship for rabbits, cavies, and poultry. More information to follow.

New York Farm Show

February 22nd – 24th

Mark your calendar and plan a day trip to the New York Farm Show at the New York State Fairgrounds. Gates open every day, February 22 to 24 at 8:30am and close at 4pm. Those under 18 years are free. Admission is \$5. CCE has tickets to distribute. If you are planning to attend and would like some tickets, please contact [Mamnenge](#).



**NEW YORK
FARM SHOW.**

Junior Chefs

Monday, March 11th, 6:00pm at the CCE Office

\$10.00



The Junior Chefs will meet on Monday, March 11th at 6:00pm at the Cornell Cooperative Extension office, on the second floor at 99 Troy Road in East Greenbush. This workshop is for youth who like to cook or would like to learn how. The Junior Chefs will be making chicken stir fry and some side dishes. Pre-registration is required, and registration will be limited. To register, or for more information, please contact [Eileen](#).

Horse Bowl / Hippology Season

Horse Bowl is a fun way to learn about equine science and the horse industry. Practices are currently being held on Friday nights at 6:30pm at the CCE office and on Sundays at 1:30pm at Union Gospel Church at 1039 Plank Rd., Averill Park. If you are interested in participating in horse bowl / hippology practices, please email [Bernie](#). She can let you know if practices get changed and enough handouts are ready. Regional Horse Bowl will be March 9th and Regional Hippology and Horse Communications will be April 27th.

County Horse Communications

Friday, March 22nd starting at 6:30pm, County Horse Communications will be held at the CCE office. Please complete the enclosed registration and submit it to the CCE office by March 8th. This year timeslots will be available for participants to sign up for in advance to help keep things moving smoothly. A link to a timeslot will be sent out to registered participants after March 8th. Please follow the instructions on the enclosed [form](#) to sign up. The County Horse Communications is the first leg in a member being considered and selected to move on to Regional and State Contests. If you have any questions, please reach out to [Bernie](#) or call (518) 272 – 4210.

Hackney Hill Farm

Join us for an overview of Hackney Hill Farm and learn all about the unique Hackney Breed and their uses firsthand. Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 24th at 10am and contact [Bernie](#) to RSVP by February 15th. This is a very generous and free program to all members interested in horses regardless of if you have a horse or are in a horse club.

Georgia Boot Trailblazers Contest

- Opportunity for 4-H'ers to share about their projects for a chance to win a prize pack from Georgia Boot valued at \$500 and recognition on Georgia Boot and national 4-H digital channels as a 2024 Trailblazer.
- February 1 – March 3
- To apply: <https://www.georgiaboot.com/4-H-trailblazers-application>

Schaghticoke Fair Gala – March 22, 2024

**SCHAGHTICOKE
FAIR GALA**

DINNER, ENTERTAINMENT, MUSIC & DANCING
\$99/person | \$179/pair | \$700/table of 8

Dinner will include carving station, pasta station,
potato bar, salad station and much more!
Fair-Themed Appetizers & Desserts.
OPEN BEER & WINE BAR

AUCTION TO BENEFIT THE GREAT
SCHAGHTICOKE FAIR.

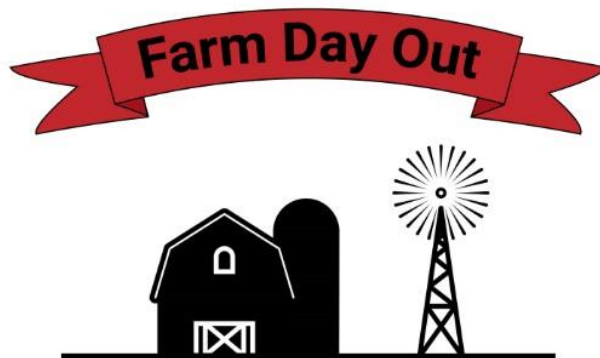
Donations to the auction are needed and appreciated.
Contact us at manager@schaghticokefair.org

MARCH 22, 2024 | 6-11 PM
THE BARN AT HANSEN HILL FARM | JOHNSONVILLE, NY

Rensselaer County 4-H is very fortunate to have a supportive county fair – Schaghticoke Fair where our members get to exhibit and show their year-round 4-H projects of all types. Additionally, CCE can utilize the fairgrounds throughout the good weather months to hold other events on their continually upgraded facility. If you are so inclined, mark your calendar and keep an eye out for more details on their fundraising night – Schaghticoke Fair Gala. There are many ways to support this evening. You could plan on attending; you can make a reservation for individuals or a small group or reserve an entire table. The planning committee will also be looking for monetary donations and very high-end items to include in their fundraising night. As a club or as a 4-H Family, consider contributing in some way. The best place to stay up to date on this event is the Schaghticoke Fair Facebook page.

Farm Day Out

**SAVE THE DATE
MARCH 10, 2024**



Cornell Cooperative Extension
Rensselaer County

Esports

DID YOU KNOW THAT NEW YORK STATE 4-H HAS **ESPORTS?**



WE DO! CHECK OUT THIS GREAT OPPORTUNITY!



AGES 13+

Esports is a competitive online gaming and rapidly growing platform in the gaming industry.

NYS 4-H Esports gives youth the opportunity to meet new friends from across New York State, and learn a variety of new games, and further develop skills such as teamwork, communication, and leadership.

Guest speakers from various aspects of the gaming and Esports industry will join us to talk about their careers, higher education opportunities, career fields, healthy living habits, and much more.

FOR MORE
INFORMATION CONTACT
Kat Leo at
kal64@cornell.edu
Or Scan QR to register



Youth across NYS meet virtually once a month to connect and play games and so much more!

Cornell Cooperative Extension

4-H Youth Development programs use experiential learning to help youth gain life skills and positive outcomes in four areas:

- Mastery of subject matter interests
- Belonging to groups of positive peers and adults
- Independence from confidence gained and
- Generosity as they contribute to their communities

Cornell Cooperative Extension is an affirmative action/equal opportunity organization for all ages, races, ethnicities, and individuals with disabilities and provides equal program and employment opportunities. Please contact our office if you have special needs.

FAMACHA Training

Small Ruminant Parasite Program for adults and teens

To RSVP or more information email Mammenge

- April 5, 2024
- Cornell Cooperative Extension, 99 Troy Road, Suite 203
East Greenbush, NY 12061
- Time: 6:00pm – 8:00pm



Dyken Pond Environmental Education Center

Preregister for events at dykenpond@gmail.com or (518) 658 – 2055

Snowshoe Hike:

- **Saturday, February 10 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm**
- **Wednesday, February 21 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm**
- **Saturday, March 9 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm**
- **Saturday, March 23 from 1:00pm – 3:00pm**

Hike the trails on snowshoes and enjoy the quiet of a peaceful afternoon in winter. Snowshoe rentals are available for \$5 per person. Preregistration required.

Tuesday Treks: Every Tuesday 12:30pm – 2:30pm

Join Len Tremblay on a moderately paced 3 mile hike every Tuesday in February to explore the wilds of the Dyken Pond Center. Learn the trail system one at a time with a knowledgeable guide. Each week we'll discover new ground and nature. Hikes will be cancelled in bad weather. Preregistration required. Free. This program is for adults and older teens.

Winter Facts

- Around 12 percent of Earth's land surface is covered with snow and ice.
- Every winter at least one septillion (That is 1 followed by 24 zeros) snow crystals fall from the sky.
- Snowflakes usually have 6 sides. Water molecules occasionally form ice crystals with 3 or 12 sides (Either half or double the usual number) but never 5 or 8 sides as often falsely depicted.
- The coldest temperature ever naturally recorded on earth was -128.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Vostok Station in Antarctica in 1983.
- Some animals possess the amazing ability to turn white during the winter. The arctic fox, arctic hare, ptarmigan, and barren-ground caribou all turn white to camouflage during the winter months. Locally the snowshoe hare and ermine are great examples of color changing animals.
- The definition of a blizzard is when visibility is reduced to ¼ of a mile and the wind speed is 35mph or more. The storm also must last at least 3 hours. If any of these conditions are not met, then it is a snowstorm and not a blizzard.

County Horse Communications Registration

For fillable form visit: [County Horse Communication Fillable.pdf](#)

County Horse Communication Event – Registration Due February 17th

Actual Event- Friday, March 22, 2024 - CCE Rensselaer- 99 Troy Road Suite 203, East Greenbush, NY 12061 at 6:30

Club Name _____

You may fill out this form as an individual or as a club. It is very important that this information be sent to the CCE office to help assure enough rooms and judges are secured, to be included in the program, as well as a record to go by should we need to cancel because of weather. Please have this form filled out and sent to the CCE office by March 8th. You can mail to: CCE of Rensselaer County, 99 Troy Road Suite 203, East Greenbush, NY 12061, email to bw27@cornell.edu or fax to 518-272-1648. Please be sure to check off if the member/s want to be considered for Regional Competition and also what type of presentation they will be doing (Public Speaking/ Team/Individual, etc.). Cloverbuds are welcome – not eligible for regionals. Be aware that members must be 9 as of Jan. 1st to be considered to go onto Regional and State contests. After March 8th registrants will receive an email to sign up for a specific time for presenting.

Member Name & Title and Email	Age as of Jan 1st	Public Speech	Ind. Demo	Team Demo	Special Program	Yes Regional	Cloverbud



Capital Days

The 2024 4-H Capital Days event will take place Sunday, May 19th to Tuesday, May 21st.

4-H Capital Days gives youth an opportunity to meet and interact with legislators and tell their 4-H story, create an awareness of career opportunities in New York State government, better understand state government, and network with delegates from other counties.

Two teens will be selected to represent Rensselaer County at 4-H Capital Days! This event fits especially well with the 11th grade social studies curriculum; some teens have even gotten “extra credit” for attending Capital Days!

While in Albany, the teens and their chaperone will:

- Tour the New York State Capitol building.
- Explore the Empire State Plaza.
- Visit the New York State Museum
- Visit with State Senators and Assemblymen.
- Enjoy the accommodations of a local hotel.
- Network with 4-H’ers from across New York State.

To apply for Capital Days, write an essay of 200-300 words answering the question:

“If you had 5 minutes to talk to your State Senator or Assemblyman, what would you tell them about 4-H in Rensselaer County?”

The selection is made by an unbiased committee and is based on essay content.

Submit your essay **UNSIGNED**. Complete the form below and attach it to your essay. Essays may be handwritten or typed. Essays must be sent to the 4-H Office (via mail or email) with a postmark or date stamp no later than March 1st, 2024.

Submit your application to:

4-H Office (ATTN: Eileen DePaula)
CCE of Rensselaer County
99 Troy Road, Suite 203
East Greenbush, NY 12061



4-H Capital Days Application

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

Age _____ Grade in School _____

Birth Date _____ Years in 4-H _____

As the applicant's parent/guardian, I support her/his desire to act as a 4-H delegate for this trip.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Attach this form to your essay.



Birthdays

February Birthdays

Brennen Michel
Dylan Tubbs
Meghan Hollister
Madelyn Gallese
Savannah Donlon
Dakota Handy
Mackenzie Danish
Aaron Cipperly

March Birthdays

Keegan Luskin
Emily Fink
Nikki Minkler
Avalyn Bevis
Madyson Bull
Juliana French
Victor Hayashi
Marissa Tubbs
Braydon Griswold
Meadow Hunter
Kaylie Millar
Luke Hoag
Devin DeLaMater



Calendar of Events

February

- 2nd Horse Bowl/Hippology Practice 6:30 PM CCE Office
- 4th Horse Bowl/Hippology Practice 1:30 PM Union Gospel Church, Averill Park
- 6th 4-H PDC 6 PM CCE Office
- 7th Presentations Workshop 6 PM CCE Office
- 9th Horse Bowl/Hippology Practice 6:30 PM CCE Office
- 11th Horse Bowl/Hippology Practice 1:30 PM Union Gospel Church, Averill Park
- 16th Horse Bowl/Hippology Practice 6:30 PM CCE Office
- 18th Horse Bowl/Hippology Practice 1:30 PM Union Gospel Church, Averill Park
- 19th Presidents' Day; Office Closed
- 20th Horse PDC Meeting 7:00PM via Zoom
- 20th – 22nd Winter Break Program 9 AM – 4 PM CCE Office
- 22nd – 24th Farm Show
- 23rd Horse Bowl/Hippology Practice 6:30 PM CCE Office
- 23rd – 25th NYS 4-H Shooting Sports Instructors Workshop, CCE Saratoga
- 24th Hackney Hill Farm Tour 10 AM
- 25th Horse Bowl/Hippology Practice 1:30 PM Union Gospel Church, Averill Park

March

- 1st Horse Bowl/Hippology Practice 6:30 PM CCE Office
- 3rd Horse Bowl/Hippology Practice 1:30 PM Union Gospel Church, Averill Park
- 8th Horse Bowl/Hippology Practice 6:30 PM CCE Office
- 9th Regional Horse Bowl Contest, Saratoga 4-H Training Center
- 10th Farm Day Out
- 11th Junior Chefs 6 PM CCE Office
- 14th Tractor Safety Zoom Orientation
- 16th County Presentations 9:30 AM – 1:30 PM CCE Office
- 16th District Dairy Bowl
- 19th Horse PDC Meeting 7 PM via Zoom
- 22nd County Horse Communications 6:30 PM CCE Office
- 22nd Schaghticoke Fair Gala
- 25th Pheasant Applications Due

April

- 1st Tractor Safety NYCAHM Presentation and Tour of Kinderhook Creek Farm
- 2nd Tractor Safety – Ag Tours and Presentations (Location TBA)
- 3rd Tractor Safety – Driving Practice at Washington County Fairgrounds
- 5th FAMACHA Training at the CCE Office
- 6th Tractor Safety – Tractor Driving Test at Washington County Fairgrounds