



Clover Chronicle

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Flower Power Fundraiser

Support Rensselaer County 4-H and beautify your world!

Go to [CCE Rensselaer County 4-H](#) and check out all of the wonderful spring bulbs and other options for planting!

Rensselaer County 4-H receives 50% of the sale. Please order today, the fundraiser will end on May 15th.

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 kmf83@cornell.edu

Clover Kids and Critters- Brunswick

Jace Freer

Clover Kids met in February and had a STEM Day, we made slime and Alka-Setzer Rockets and learned about chemical reactions. In April, we met and made Bows and Holes- homemade sugar-coated donuts. Two of our members participated in the February Break Week Program, one member signed up to do a County Public Presentation and we also have a member doing Jr Chefs.



Fashionistas- Hoosick Falls

Amelia Pello

The Fashionistas are back with another holiday themed project! For the upcoming Easter season, we have created a fun carrot craft. Simply using a wooden board, faux greenery, and some ribbon, we produced an adorable decoration for springtime. Arranging the ribbons onto the board was a simple task and took less than an hour! Our group had fun customizing their own carrots how we wished. Each design came out unique, and it is definitely a project we would love to do again!

Northern Livestock- Pittstown

The club met in February to vote for club officers and welcome new members. We also came up with ideas for what we want to do this year. Some ideas are making bird houses and wind chimes. Our leader came up with the idea of shooting sports, like archery. Our club members got awards for being in the Northern Livestock for one year.

Rensselaer Trailblazers- Sand Lake

Maryann Murray and Annabel Reynolds

Over the winter our club has done many things. We created cards for kids in the hospital and started collecting bottles to raise money for our club, but we are not sure what we will do with the money yet. We also gained 3 new members that are willing to show this year with their horses. Now that the weather is getting warmer, we are preparing our horses for the upcoming season and making sure they are in good health and condition.



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!

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.

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

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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.



- ☆ Please remind members that they can find just about anything they need on our [website](#). 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 it's 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 at this time 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

Thank you to so many that supported our Smith Orchard Pie Fundraiser and our recent Pancake Breakfast. We will not soon forget the Pancake Breakfast as it is the first one we have had in recent years and the weather! We look forward to having another try at a Pancake Breakfast later in the year. Members are in the process of completing their biographies to use for matching members up. The Teen Exchange will be traveling this summer to Laramie, Wyoming in July; we cannot wait. Please keep an eye out for the opportunity to purchase a May Calendar from us as our next fundraiser.

Scholarships

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

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 5:00 pm on March 1 can be found at: [Youth Programs :: New York Farm Bureau \(nyfb.org\)](http://nyfb.org) If you have any questions, please contact NYFB: proed@nyfb.org or Patti Dugan at 1-800-342-4143.

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.

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

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](#)

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>

Ag Literacy

Thank you, Lindsey McMahon, a Rensselaer County 4-H Alum and now Senior Policy Advisor for Food & Agriculture with Governor Kathy Hochul, Assemblymen Bendett and County Legislator Wayne Gendron, and Rensselaer County 4-H'ers- Mia Brownell, Maddy Gallese, Brice Retell, Ragan Retell, Emilee Roadcap and Mackenzie Diamond for helping to celebrate Agricultural Literacy Week with us! We appreciate your help in reading to the students and mapping the lifecycle of a strawberry plant with a hands-on activity. Thank you to Turnpike, Miller Hill, Hoosick Falls, and Brunswick Elementary Schools for having us in your classrooms. Special thanks to the Rensselaer County Farm Bureau for donating a copy of the book to each school library.

Agricultural Literacy Week is a yearly statewide effort organized by New York Agriculture in the Classroom to educate students about the importance of agriculture. Agricultural Literacy Week 2024 celebrates strawberries, one of the sweetest fruits of summer. This year's selected book, "I LOVE Strawberries," written by Shannon Anderson with art by Jaclyn Sinquett, shares one girl's unstoppable mission to grow her own food from seedling to table in a colorful introduction to the joy of growing the popular perennial. In the book, young Jolie is determined to convince her parents to let her grow strawberries and she models the qualities of responsibility, creativity, and tenacity. Ranking 8th in the nation in production of strawberries, New York's strawberry crop is one of the first local foods available in markets and roadside stands during each harvest season.



Dairy Bowl

On Saturday March 16th, nine Rensselaer County 4-H members represented the county at the 2024 4-H District Dairy Bowl Contest. The day consisted of a “quiz bowl” competition where teams from within our region competed on their knowledge of dairy cattle and the dairy industry. Everyone had a wonderful and fun filled day where they were able to show off their skills and knowledge that they have spent months practicing. It was also a day spent meeting new and old friends from around the capital district.

The members of the Rensselaer County Teams are as follows:

Senior Team 1 – Captain Connor MacNeil, William Cottrell, Alex Ruepp. Senior Team 2 – Captain Ally Michel, Terrie Ann Cottrell, Luke Hoag. The senior teams placed second and fourth. Individually, William Cottrell 10th place, Ally Michel 7th place, Terrie Cottrell 5th place and Connor MacNeil 3rd place (going on to the state).

Juniors, Captain Declan Cottrell and members Jameson Roberts, Ella Guile placed 6th. Ella Guile placed 10th individually.

Congratulations to all the participants! Also, a huge thank you to the coaches: Tara Cottrell, Rachel MacNeil, and Scott & Kelly Michel, as well as all the parents and volunteers- none of this would be possible without all of you!



Horse Bowl

Congratulations to all our members who have studied throughout the season and had a successful Regional Contest.

Congratulations to our Novice member Vincent Reiter who competed on a combined Schoharie-Rensselaer Team that placed 3rd and Vincent placed 9th individually. Our Junior Team placed 1st and we had two members help other counties to field teams. Our county team lead by captain Thomas Colarossi placed 1st with members Niko Colarossi, Heidi Beraldi, Emmeline Heer and Alice Bourdeau. Bridget Rowland played on a combined Renss-Schoharie Team which placed 3rd and Carlo played on a combined team with Albany which placed 4th. Individually, Bridget placed 1st, Thomas 2nd, Carlo 3rd, Heidi 4th, Emmeline, 5th and Niko 7th. Emory Krongold competed on a combined Fulton-Montgomery – Rensselaer Team for Seniors which placed 1st and Emory placed 4th individually. Our Junior Team and Emory have

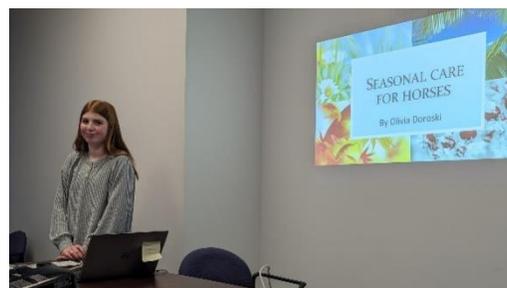
qualified to go on to compete at the New York State contest in April at Cornell University. Huge thanks to coaches Rebekah Colarossi, Lindsey and Amber Oswald and many helpers and parents who supported our members through the season.



County Horse Communications

Congratulations to all our presenters at our Rensselaer County 4-H Horse Communications event! A huge thank you to our volunteer adult and teen evaluators: Sarah Westcott, Regina Cristo, Penny Hill, Kelli Grab, Glenn and Eileen Van Oort, Lindsey Oswald, Lili Ruepp, Ava Severance, Emilee Roadcap, Kira Colarossi and Mikayla Malenfant. Congratulations to the following members who have qualified to represent the county at the Regional Horse Communications event: Lili Ruepp - Junior, Harleigh Nealon - Junior, Audrey Kondat - Junior, Emilee Roadcap – Senior, Ava Severance – Senior and Ellie Patenaude – Senior. We wish them all luck as they move on to the regional contest and thank all our volunteers who made this happen including Amber Oswald who handled event check-in.

At this writing we are awaiting confirmation of the third presenter for Juniors at the regional contest.



County Public Presentations

Congratulations to Jace Freer whose Demonstration “What is in a Tackle Box” was selected for District Presentations. The District Presentations event will be held at CCE Saratoga on Saturday, April 20th. 4-H Presentations are all about personal growth and building confidence! They are a positive and meaningful experience!



Horse Paperwork due June 1st

Members who plan to show their horse at 4-H Horse Shows this year need to be sure their information is up to date in the office. All members will need to have a current rabies (dated 2024), either a 2023 or 2024 negative Coggins test as well as Project horse certificate by June 1st. Additionally, you will need to be sure you have a current riding evaluation on file in the office for the proper level you will be riding this year. If you are using the same horse/s as the 2023 season, all you will need to do is send in your rabies and negative Coggins. If you are riding the same horse/s and level as 2023 you will be set for this year. If this is not the case, you will need to submit an updated riding evaluation before our first county wide riding event. If you are participating in the 3 Day Clinic, you will need to bring updated proof of vaccination and Coggins test. Contact [Bernie](#) if you have any questions.

Thursday Night Horse Clinics

Starting roughly the first week in May, there will be Thursday Night 4-H Clinics at the Schaghticoke Fairgrounds. We do not have exact dates or instructors secured for this writing but will send information out in the email blast when it is ready. The cost for these clinics will be \$20 per horse/rider combination. Keep an eye out for more information in future 4-H Communications.

Regional Hippology

Regional Hippology will be coordinated by Rensselaer County and held at the Saratoga 4-H Training Center. At this writing dates and times of Hippology practice have not been finalized but if you are interested in attending practices and/or the contest please reach out to [Bernie](#) or call the CCE office 518-272-4210.

Animal Lease/Ownership

Due June 15th

For members who have animal projects

All other animals (non-horse) must be owned or leased, and Grade and Lease papers filed with the CCE Office by June 15th of the current year to be eligible to be exhibited in the 4-H Shows at the Schaghticoke and New York State Fair.

If you have any questions about these policies, please contact Mamnenge at the CCE Office.

Livestock Auction

It is expected that members planning on participating in this year's Livestock Auction please let the CCE Office know by May 15th. Paperwork is due June 15th. This is a great learning experience, open to all 4-H youth, and we want to make it possible for all of those interested to participate. We accept: Rabbits, Poultry, Beef Steers, Dairy Steers, Replacement Heifers, and Hogs.

There will be a meeting this summer that will discuss what is expected of those who would like to participate in this year's auction. This includes animal requirements and securing buyers.

If you are interested in participating in this year's auction, please let [Mammenge](#) know!

Please note that if we do not have enough participants, we will not have an auction



Everybody Loves a Parade!

Would your club be interested in marching a Memorial Day Parade in your community?

Show our 4-H Spirit and promote 4-H by marching in the parade. If you are interested, you may contact us for a 4-H banner; we only have a limited supply so please plan. Additionally, there are other parades that are in the area throughout the spring and summer, we encourage all members and clubs to reach out to their local parades and become marchers. We would love to feature pictures of clubs in local parades in future Clover Chronicles so please be sure to send the office pictures of you and/or your club in parade-action.

JoAnn's Fabric

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



Dyken Pond Environmental Education Center

Celebrate Earth Day!

Earth Day arrives on Monday, April 22 with 2024's official theme being "Planet vs, Plastics". This is a great opportunity for 4-H Clubs to showcase just how much we have to give back to our communities and our earth! Earth day was established in 1970 and is a day set aside to show support for the environment. Earth Day is the largest secular observance in the world and is enjoyed by over a billion participants. There are tons of ways to celebrate. Here are just a few of the many ways to participate:

Volunteer Clean-ups

Pick an outdoor area that is important to you and help make it better. This could involve picking up litter (plenty of plastic) from a roadway, park or any other outdoor area or cleaning up winter storm damage. If participating as a club, wearing your 4-H clothing will let the public know just who all those do-gooders are. Public parks, playgrounds and schoolyards are all in need of cleanup as the seasons change and most of these organizations will gladly share pictures of your group completing their tasks. A small note or sign can also be temporarily left at the site to take ownership of the work. This can help you to inspire others to do good work of their own. If you need somewhere to volunteer, Dyken Pond EEC hosts a volunteer day from 9am -12pm on Saturday, April 20. Preregister by [Email](#) or (518) 658-2055.

Site Improvements

Site improvements are another great option to support outdoor organizations on Earth Day. Do you have what it takes to build a bench, picnic table or bird boxes? Environmental organizations need these items, and most will proudly display your club's name on any donations! Many organizations also have gardens that require seasonal maintenance and need many hands to complete weeding and clean-ups. Finally, there are a host of invasive species (harmful nonnative plants and animals) that groups can volunteer to help remove from a variety of sites. Garlic mustard, phragmites, honeysuckle, Japanese knotweed and barberry are a few commonly found invasive species that you can help to manage and control.

Informational Posters/Displays

Create an informational display or poster on the environmental topic of your choice to be publicly displayed. This year, conservation themes involving plastic use are ideal, but any environmental theme is great to showcase. Parks, libraries, schools, and stores are all likely candidates to display your work. Social media is also a great way to create a display or message that can reach a lot of people. Sharing what you are doing for Earth Day can inspire others. Letting others know that for Earth Day you are trying to reduce your plastic, electricity, fuel, or water use may inspire them to do the same.

Trail Work

Wherever there are trails there is trail work to be found! Help clean up after winter and after storms to get trails back in shape for the busy season. Whether you can hike trails to let others know where storm damage occurred or are up to clearing downed trees yourself there is always something that needs to be done on walking trails. Clearing trails of small sticks and litter is also a huge help!

Social Media

Whether volunteering to clean-up, helping improve a site, making an informational display or completing trail work, any of the above accomplishments can and should be shared on social media if you are willing to do so. People enjoy hearing about the good deeds of others and are often inspired by them to act on the things that they care about. Make sure to tag Rensselaer County 4-H so that we and everyone else can see the good work that you've all been up to!

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.

Junior Chefs

Monday, April 15th, 6:00pm at the CCE Office

\$10.00 participation fee

The Junior Chefs will meet on Monday, April 15th at 6:00pm at the Cornell Cooperative Extension office, on the second floor at 99 Troy Rd. in East Greenbush. This workshop is for youth 8 years and older who like to cook or would like to learn how. The Junior Chefs will be making BBQ Chicken Sandwiches as well as some side dishes. Pre-registration is required, and registration will be limited. To register, or for more information, please contact [Eileen](#).



Spring Dog Classes

Basic Dog Obedience Sessions will take place at the Schaghticoke Fairgrounds on consecutive Mondays from April 22nd – May 20th at 6pm for youth ages 8-19. The cost will be \$25 for 4-H members/volunteers and \$50 for non-members. The focus will be on preparing to show at the District Dog show and Schaghticoke Fair. Please send completed registration to Mamnenge by April 15th. [Fillable Dog Policy and Registration.pdf](#)



4-H Capital District Livestock Skillathon

SAVE THE DATE!

**4-H CAPITAL DISTRICT
LIVESTOCK SKILLATHON
AND JUDGING CLINIC**

WHEN:
MAY 11TH 2024

WHERE:
SUNY COBLESKILL

Email rjl287@cornell.edu or call
(518)885-8995 for more information.

**MORE DETAILS
COMING SOON!**



4-H Spring Plant Offering

This spring, we will once again be ordering patio variety tomato plants from Becker's Farm as a part of our container gardening program. If you would like to participate in this program please mail (99 Troy Rd, Suite 203, East Greenbush, NY 12061) or fax (518-272-1648) in your order form by April 15th. Pick up will be on Tuesday, May 7th from 2:30-5pm at the CCE Office. *Please know that the cost is free & our office has educational materials to support this program. If you have any questions, please call Mamnenge at 518-272-4210.

Spring Planting Order Form

***Orders should be returned no later than, April 15th—plants per member depend on how many are pre-ordered.**

Mail to: **CCE of Rensselaer County — 4-H**

99 Troy Rd, Suite 203

East Greenbush, NY 12061

I will be able to pick up plant/s on May 2nd from 2:30pm – 5:00 pm

Name: _____

Club Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone _____

How Many Plants: _____

Animal Crackers

All Creatures Great and Small featuring Beef, Dog, Horse and Swine!

Date: Saturday, May 4, 2024

Time: 8:30 am - 9:00 am - Check-in will be in the main lobby of Frank B. Morrison Hall. Program starts promptly at 9 am.

Location: CALS Animal Science, 507 Tower Rd., Frank B. Morrison Hall, Ithaca, NY, 14853.

The program is geared to enrolled 4-H youth involved in the beginning stages of their 4-H animal science projects. Youth are strongly encouraged to attend with their parents or chaperones. The suggested age range is 8-12, however, all youth 8 and up are welcome. To register reach out to Mamnenge.



Dog Agility Workshop

4-H DOG TRAINING PROGRAM

Obedience 🐾 Agility 🐾 Tricks
🐾 Therapy 🐾 Scent Work



Dog Agility Workshop Thursday, April 4, 2024



Hosted by Hessian Hill Farm, 576 Treadlemire Rd. Berne, NY 12023

Open to 4-H youth ages 8 and older with 4-H eligible dog.
Cost is \$15 per team or \$25 per family.

Beginners - Training Jumps & Tunnels (maximum of 10 teams) 9:00AM – 12:00PM

Jumps make up the majority of obstacles on agility courses and tunnels aren't far behind. Come teach your dog how to properly commit to jumps, charge tunnels, stride between obstacles, and work with you. Participants should plan to bring 2 high value toys and high & low value treats with them. Open to 4-H eligible dog 6 months and older.

Experienced - Jumping Sequences and Coursework (maximum of 10 teams) 12:30PM – 3:30PM

Ready to put your dog's jumping and tunnel skills to the test? Come try 2 rounds of AKC's Act 1 Jumpers. These introductory courses feature minimal handling and running 2 rounds earning a score of 85 and above will earn a title. 4-H eligible dog must be at least 15 months or older to register and not have AKC novice titles. Practice time in the ring with feedback will be provided ahead of the competition runs. Once you try it, you'll be hooked!

Note: Morning session is welcomed to stay and watch the more experienced handlers in the afternoon session. The building is heated but please dress warm. What to bring: collar, leash, lots of treats, favorite toy, water & water bowl. Youth may also choose to bring a dog kennel & chair. Youth participants should plan to bring their own snacks/lunch.

REGISTRATION REQUIRED by March 29

**Contact Nancy at the 4-H Office, nb622@cornell.edu or 518-234-4303 x117
Proof of Canine Rabies Vaccination will be REQUIRED**



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Small Ruminant Parasite Program

Cornell Cooperative Extension
Rensselaer County

Cornell Cooperative Extension
Capital Area Agriculture and Horticulture Program

Small Ruminant Parasite Program

April 5, 2024

6:00pm to 8:00pm

Cornell Cooperative Extension
99 Troy Rd, East Greenbush, NY



Hands on training to include:

Five point check

Parasite fecal lab training
(bring your fresh fecal samples)

\$5 per sample

To Register: contact Mamnenge at 518-272-4210, mbg242@cornell.edu

This is not a FAMACHA training



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Capital District 4-H Dog Show

June 1st, 2024, at Saratoga County 4-H Training Center.

Entries due May 10th, 2024

Rules and Class List: [Rules and Classes.pdf](#)

Registration: [Qualtrics Survey | Qualtrics Experience Management](#)

Cost: \$25 per youth- payable to your county.

What to bring with you

1. Water dish (and water if your dog is picky), food, and treats.
2. Dogs cannot be tied anywhere or left unattended, so a crate may be necessary.
3. Grooming and training equipment- including a 6ft leash and buckle or chain collar (no harness).
4. Show clothes.
5. Pooper scooping supplies.
6. Outdoor folding chair
7. **Signed rabies vaccination- certificate or on phone.**



CAPITAL DISTRICT DOG SHOW

JUNE 1, 2024

GROOMING & HANDLING
AGILITY
RALLY
OBEDIENCE



9:30 REGISTRATION | 10AM START
SARATOGA COUNTY 4-H TRAINING CENTER
556 MIDDLELINE RD. BALLSTON SPA, NY 12020

\$25
REGISTRATION FEE :
PAYABLE TO YOUR COUNTY
EXTENSION OFFICE

ENTRIES DUE MAY 10, 2024
REGISTRATION LINK:
[HTTPS://CORNELL.CA1.QUALTRICS.COM/JFE/FORM/SV_8HA1CD86F1KTP1Q](https://cornell.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/sv_8HA1CD86F1KTP1Q)

RULES AND CLASS LIST:
[HTTPS://SC4H.ORG/RULES&CLASSES](https://sc4h.org/rules&classes)

NYS 4-H Virtual Poultry Judging Series

If you have questions, please contact Brian Aukema at bj14@cornell.edu. To register for this program, visit

<http://tinyurl.com/yc8sbysa>



NYS 4-H VIRTUAL POULTRY JUDGING SERIES MAY 8TH, 15TH AND 22ND

May 8th, 7 p.m. - Biology and Physiology of Production Hens

As hens move through their life phases, they experience a number of physiological shifts as their bodies prepare, sustain and eventually cease laying eggs. Learn what causes these changes and how to identify them. This information will be useful as students begin structuring their oral reasons.

May 15th, 7 p.m. - Handling Hens and Placing Classes

In this lesson, we'll use live examples of hens to review handling flighty birds and how to remove birds from cages. We'll also use examples of hens from red and white production strains to review how to place birds and how to back up those decisions with oral reasons.

May 22nd, 7 p.m. - Placing Classes Practice

Students will be given free online practice classes through livestockjudging.com to score and provide oral reasons on their own. This week's lesson will review the answers to those practice classes, provide the explanation as to why the classes were placed that way, and provide the opportunity for students to get their questions answered.

To Register Visit:

<http://tinyurl.com/yc8sbysa>

Any questions contact

Brian Aukema at bj14@cornell.edu



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Virtual Dairy Judging series

The NY State 4-H Animal Science Dairy program and Dairy Advisory committee will be hosting a Virtual Dairy Judging series starting May 2. The program is free and will be held via zoom. Program is open to all interested youth and coaches. We will have sessions on May 2, 9, and 16th from 7:00 pm to 8:00 pm. You will need to register here <https://bit.ly/3wPiGM5>

VIRTUAL 4-H DAIRY JUDGING SERIES

Inviting all youth and coaches to this Dairy Judging workshop series with Dr. Doug Waterman and Kevin Ziembra. Both are experienced in judging cattle and coaching state 4-H and Collegiate teams.

**MAY 2
MAY 9
MAY 16**

TIME: 7:00 - 8:00 PM

**Register at:
<https://bit.ly/3wPiGM5>**

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WITH ANY QUESTIONS AT
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Birthdays

April

Owen Lavigne
Saraya Howard
Brielle Chapko
Allison Gansowski
Seth Warner
Hailey Pascucci
Heidi Beraldi
Owen Campanella
Reed Hoag
Emmeline Heer
Evelyn Brownell
Amelia Pello
Elliott Patenaude
Juliette Brownell
Alice Bourdeau
Berkley Miller
Mallory Rowland

May

Eve Oathout
Harper Miller
Ava Olsen
Elizabeth DaRosa
Isaac Bushner
Olivia Doroski
Lauren Krongold
Emory Krongold
Skyla Myers
Mackenzie Diamond
Adelee Chapko
Maggie Etman
Pyper Bliss-Rafferty
Saige Myers
Ariana Severance
Glendora Kilmer

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY

Calendar of Events

April

- 1st Tractor Safety NYCAHM presentation and tour of Kinderhook Creek Farm
- 2nd Tractor Safety- Ag Tours and Presentations
- 3rd 4-H Livestock Judging 7pm via zoom
- 3rd Tractor Safety- Driving Practice at Washington County Fairgrounds
- 4th Dog Agility- Hessian Hill Farm
- 5th Parasite Training at CCE Office
- 6th Tractor Safety- Tractor Driving Test at Washington County Fairgrounds
- 10th 4-H Livestock Judging 7pm via zoom
- 13th New York State 4-H Horse Bowl Contest – Cornell
- 15th Junior Chefs; 6:00pm @ CCE Office
- 15th Deadline for spring plant offering
- 15th Deadline for spring dog classes registrations
- 16th Horse PDC meeting – via zoom at 7 PM
- 17th 4-H Livestock Judging 7pm via zoom
- 19th Teen Exchange Meeting – Schaghticoke Fairgrounds – 7:30 PM
- 20th District Presentations; CCE Saratoga
- 19-24 National 4-H Conference, Bethesda, MD
- 22nd Spring dog classes begin from 6pm at Schaghticoke Fairgrounds
- 24th 4-H Livestock Judging 7pm via zoom
- 27th Regional Horse Bowl – Saratoga 4-H Training Center – Afternoon
- 27th Regional Horse Communications – Saratoga 4-H Training Center - Morning
- 29th Spring dog classes 6pm- Schaghticoke Fairgrounds

May

- 1st 4-H Livestock Judging 7pm via zoom
- 2nd 4-H Dairy Judging 7-8pm via zoom
- 4th Animal Crackers 8:30am at Cornell
- 6th Spring dog classes 6pm- Schaghticoke Fairgrounds
- 7th 4-H PDC; 6:00pm, CCE Office
- 7th Spring plant offering pickup from 2:30pm to 5pm at CCER office
- 8th 4-H Poultry Judging 7pm via zoom
- 9th 4-H Dairy Judging 7-8pm via zoom
- 11th Livestock Skillathon- SUNY Cobleskill
- 13th Spring dog classes 6pm- Schaghticoke Fairgrounds
- 15th Enrollment Paperwork DUE
- 15th 4-H Poultry Judging 7pm via zoom
- 16th 4-H Dairy Judging 7-8pm via zoom
- 17th Teen Exchange Meeting – location TBA
- 18th New York State Horse Communications Contest – Cornell All Day
- 20th Spring dog classes 6pm- Schaghticoke Fairgrounds
- 19-21 Capital Days
- 21st Horse PDC meeting – via zoom at 7 PM
- 22nd 4-H Poultry Judging 7pm via zoom
- 27th Memorial Day; office closed

June

- 1st District Dog Show at Saratoga 4-H Center
- 1st Horse Paperwork for fair due
- 4th Career Ex Orientations; CCE Office, 6:00pm
- 9th Small Animal School – Altamont Fairgrounds
- 15th Animal Lease and grade paperwork due