

Livingston Livewire

May 2025

IT'S ALMOST
Fair Time!!!

**KEEP THESE DATES IN MIND AS
YOU PLAN YOUR SUMMER**

May 20th

Intro to Hemlock Fair & Fair Entry Help Night

June 11th

Rabbit & Cavy Showmanship Clinic

June 12th

Poultry Showmanship Clinic

June 16th

Fair Entries Due

June 17th

Let's Tie Dye!

July 3rd

Pullorum Testing

July 6th

Market Poultry Show

July 8th

Large Animal Barn Set Up

July 13th

Building Exhibit Judging Day

July 15th-19th

Hemlock Fair



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE	TIME	EVENT
May 8	10am-7pm	Flower & Hanging Basket Sale Pick Up (Couty Highway Dept.)
May 10	10am	Poultry Processing Clinic (HLW Acres) - RSVP by 5/1
May 12	6:30pm	Animal Health Requirements for Fair (Virtual - Microsoft Teams)
May 13	6pm	Marketing Your Market Animal (Chip Holt Nature Center) - RSVP by 5/9
May 14	6:30pm	Animal Health Requirements for Fair (Virtual - Microsoft Teams)
May 14	6pm	Teen Council (CCE Office)
May 20	5:30pm	Intro to Hemlock Fair & Fair Entry Help Night - RSVP by 5/16
May 22	5:30pm	Activity Night - Coding with Ozobots (Chip Holt Nature Center) - RSVP by 5/19
May 24	10am	Clover Clicks Meet Up (Chip Holt Nature Center)
May 27	5:30pm	Discovery Club (Chip Holt Nature Center) - RSVP by 5/16
May 28	6pm	Livingston County Nibblers Meeting (Chip Holt Nature Center)
May 28	7pm	Virtual Egg Judging
June 1		Horse Program Paperwork Deadline
June 1		Livestock Non-Ownership Paperwork Deadline
June 3	5:30pm	Bucket Brigade (Werner Green House) - RSVP by 5/28
June 11	6pm	Rabbit & Cavy Showmanship Clinic (Chip Holt Nature Center) - RSVP by 6/5
June 12	6pm	Poultry Showmanship Clinic (Chip Holt Nature Center) - RSVP by 6/5
June 13	6:30pm	Horse Trivia 4-H Fundraiser (Livingston Co. Auditorium)
June 16		Fair Entries Due
June 17	5pm	4-H Fair T-Shirt Tie Dye (Livingston Co. Conference Center) - RSVP by 6/13
July 3	5pm	Pullorum Testing Clinic (Hemlock Fairgrounds)

TEEN FUN

Coming up-

Wednesday, May 14th | 6:00-7:00pm
CCE Livingston Office

Wrapping up any Community Service Projects that have been started and talking about year end activities for Teen Council Members.



4-H Members 12+ are invited to join our new offerings for learning leadership, comradery and fun!
Questions and RSVPs to Randy
(rjs@cornell.edu)



COUNTY-WIDE CLUB MEETINGS

4-H DISCOVERY CLUB

Interested in joining a 4-H Club?! Join the Discovery Club! We will focus on a different topic or upcoming event every month! Open to ALL ages.

May Meeting

Topic: 4-H Name Banner for Fair

May 27

5:30pm-6:30pm
Chip Holt Nature
Center, Lakeville

RSVP by 5/16 to Jenn at jls669@cornell.edu

The 4-H Pledge

I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking.
I pledge my HEART to greater loyalty.
I pledge my HANDS to larger service.
I pledge my HEALTH to better living for my club, my community, my country, and my world.

LIVINGSTON COUNTY NIBBLERS

This club is open to all enrolled 4-Hers and we will have monthly meetings at 6pm in the Chip Holt Nature Center. Each month we will work on showmanship, rabbit/cavy care, and other activities. If you're interested, come check it out. Come to one or all meetings - just **RSVP to Jessica Gramkee at jgramkee@gmail.com** before the meeting date in case of cancellation.

UPCOMING MEETING:

May 28



CLOVER CLICKS PHOTO CLUB



Open to all enrolled youth.



Meet Up Dates:

May 24th 10am @ Chip Holt Center
Bring a photo with you to learn how to mat your photos for fair.

RSVP to Jess Gramkee @ jgramkee@gmail.com before either date.

2025 4-H HEMLOCK FAIR THEME:

Circus/Carnival

4-H is the greatest show on earth!





WHAT'S GOING ON IN 4-H?!

Learn Coding through Ozobots!

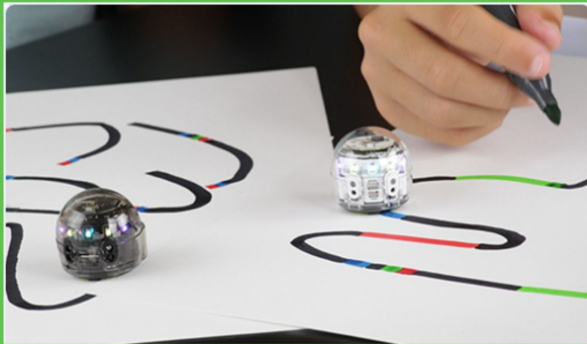
Join Randy to work with Livingston County 4-H's new Ozobots. They are small robots that will help learn some of the basics of coding using a color coding technique that is special to Ozobots!

When: Thursday, May 22nd at 5:30

Where: Chip Holt Nature Center in Lakeville

RSVP by May 19th.

There will be a limit to 12 youth. Make sure to RSVP quickly!



4-H Flower Sale Pick Up

**Thursday May 8th
10am-7pm**

Livingston County
Highway Dept. Garage
(Hampton's Corners)
4389 Gypsy Lane
Mount Morris

June Activity Night

Tuesday, June 3rd | 5:30-7pm | Werner Greenhouse, Rush

BUCKET BRIGADE

Join Gardner Low and Jeff Werner for our annual Bucket Brigade!

We will create container gardens in 5 gallon buckets, learn how to care for them, and take them home to nurture. Keep them growing - they make a wonderful exhibit at Hemlock Fair!



RSVP Deadline: Tuesday, May 28th | Email Randy at rjs546@cornell.edu



WHAT'S GOING ON IN 4-H?!



Let's Tie Dye

Tuesday, June 17th | 5:30-7pm

Livingston County Conference Center

1 Murray Hill Drive, Mt. Morris

(next to the CCE Office - watch for signs)

WE WILL BE TIE DYING OUR FAIR SHIRTS!

Learn several tie dye techniques - the spiral, the fold, crumple, sunburst, and stripes. **RSVP to Jenn (jls669@cornell.edu) by June 13th.**

It's highly recommended that fair shirts are pre-washed for this activity. Please make arrangements to pick up your shirts by contacting Randy at rjs546@cornell.edu.



Intro to Hemlock Fair & Entry Help Night

Tuesday, May 20th | 5:30-7pm | Livingston County Conference Center

RSVP to jls669@cornell.edu by May 16th

Do you have questions about whether a specific project may be entered at the fair or what department and class should be entered? Are you having trouble using the online Fair Entry system? Maybe you'd like to learn more about the many fair activities and leadership opportunities available to participate in and earn a premium? If you answered YES to any of these questions, please plan on attending this help night! **Bring your questions, fair book, completed Fair Entry Planning Form(s) found in the back of your fair book, and a smart phone, tablet, or laptop (if possible). We will answer your questions and help you navigate the Fair Entry system!**





ANIMAL SCIENCE

****ATTENTION ALL HEMLOCK FAIR 4-H ANIMAL EXHIBITORS****

Pre-Fair Educational Activity Requirement

All Dairy & Livestock and Small Animal exhibitors exhibiting at the Hemlock Fair are **required to complete one 45-minute animal-related educational activity by July 1st**. Cloverbuds are exempt:

- This requirement is for all members exhibiting at least one of the following species: Rabbit, Cavy, Poultry (Fancy & Meat Birds), Dairy, Beef, Goat, Sheep, or Swine
- Only 1 activity required regardless of the number of species being exhibited
- Failure to complete this requirement on time will result in forfeit of all fair animal premiums for the species listed above
- An activity can include any of the following:
 1. Any Livingston County 4-H Animal Activity Night participated in during current 4-H Year
 2. Participation in the Livingston County 4-H Public Presentation Program (**MUST be an animal-related presentation**)
 3. Any county, regional, state or Cornell University-sponsored 4-H animal science activities
 4. Independent 4-H animal activity pre-approved by a 4-H educator. A completed Pre-Fair Educational Activity Form must be completed and submitted with this option. Form may be found at <http://celivingstoncounty.org/resources/pre-fair-educational-activity-form>. Examples may include researching an animal-related topic of interest, attending an animal show, participating in a hands-on animal experience with a knowledgeable adult, watching videos/presentations on raising/showing an animal, etc. Contact Mark or Jenn regarding one of these ideas or if you have one of your own.

If you are willing to work with us, we will work with you to complete this requirement! Questions? Contact Mark at mjw16@cornell.edu | 585-991-5441 or Jenn at jls669@cornell.edu | 585-991-5439.



POULTRY PROCESSING CLINIC

May 10 | 9am | HLW Acres (Attica, NY)

Poultry Processing Program --- We will be traveling to HLW Acres where Herman Weber will be covering various aspects of processing poultry.

MINIMUM AGE: 8

Transportation will not be provided. Jenn will meet everyone there. RSVP to Jenn by May 1st. If you plan to attend, let Jenn know ASAP for initial coordination with HLW Acres.



ANIMAL SCIENCE

SUCCESSFULLY MARKETING YOUR 4-H MARKET ANIMAL

Introduction to Marketing

ANIMAL ACTIVITY NIGHT

Join us for an introduction to marketing and learn how to successfully market your market animal! You will learn how to:

- Identify potential bidders
- Develop a sales pitch using your 4-H story
- Making an impactful first impression
- Maintaining an ongoing personal relationship



May 13th

6:00pm

Chip Holt Nature Center

RSVP to Jenn by 5/9

Small Animal Clinics

Save the Dates!!!

Rabbits & Cavies

Showmanship Clinic with
the Judge & Rabbit
Tattooing

June 11th | 6pm

Chip Holt Nature Center

*Tattooing will be after the
showmanship clinic*

Poultry

Showmanship Clinic
with the Judge

June 12th | 6pm

Chip Holt Nature Center

Pullorum Clinic

Pullorum Test
required for all fancy
poultry

July 3rd | 5pm

Hemlock Fairgrounds

*Not required for waterfowl,
pigeons, or market poultry*

RSVP to Jenn by the Thursday before each event



ANIMAL SCIENCE



NYS 4-H VIRTUAL EGG JUDGING WORKSHOP
"JUDGING EXTERIOR QUALITY OF THE EGG"

MAY 28TH, 2025 @ 7:00 P.M.

Get ready for an exciting hands-on experience with Amy Barkley, Livestock Specialist, as she takes you through the fascinating world of egg evaluation! This high-energy workshop is your ticket to mastering the skills needed for the NYS Poultry Science Contest at the NYS Fair. Dive into the fast-paced action as you explore external egg quality. Don't miss out on this egg-cellent opportunity!

To Register Visit:
<https://cornell.zoom.us/join/register/PV5bIHu0QYOPLTP6F2KJyg>

Any questions contact
Brian Aukema at bja14@cornell.edu



Animal Health Requirements for Fairs

Join Dr. Fournier to learn about the health requirements to exhibit your animal at fair. You will also learn your responsibilities and the reasons an animal could be rejected at the fair. This is HIGHLY encouraged for newer exhibitors!

May 12th | 6:30pm



May 14th | 6:30pm



Programs will be interactive utilizing the Slido app during the presentation. Use the QR code to download the app!



Scan the QR code to join one of the virtual programs

Attention Poultry Exhibitors



PULLORUM TYPHOID TESTING REQUIREMENT FOR FAIR

TESTING AVAILABLE (FREE!)

Tuesday, July 3rd | 5-7:00pm

Hemlock Fairgrounds

Registration Deadline: June 27th

RSVP to Jenn at jls669@cornell.edu

Must provide the number of birds you will be bringing to be tested

ALL POULTRY MUST HAVE:

1.) a negative pullorum-typhoid test conducted within 90 days prior to date of admission to the fair OR 2.) proof that the bird originated from a US pullorum-typhoid clean flock or equivalent flock. If utilizing a receipt, it must be dated within 1-year of the date of admission to the fair.

PROOF OF NEGATIVE TEST MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE CCE OFFICE BY JULY 3RD

All birds must be tested with the exception of doves, pigeons, waterfowl, and meat birds purchased through the 4-H meat bird program. Birds purchased through the 4-H meat bird program will already have proof on file and need not be tested. **Birds four months of age and older are eligible for this test.**

If you have 10+ birds to be tested, it is highly encouraged that you contact NYS Ag & Markets to have a flock certification. Email Jenn (email above) for our state vet tech's contact information.

TESTING WILL NOT BE OFFERED AT FAIR ANIMAL CHECK-IN

4-H Horse Program Reminders

Required Horse Show Paperwork Due June 1st

Important Information:

- A completed 4-H Horse Certificate and copies of current coggins & rabies certificates must be submitted to the CCE Office by June 1st for ANY horse that may be shown during the show season. Consider having an extra horse on file in case something happens to your primary horse. 4-H Horse Certificates may be found at our county 4-H Horse Program Webpage.
- All members who are riding in a 4-H Horse Show are required to have a Riding Skills Evaluation completed and on file with the CCE Office by June 1st or prior to their first show of the season. Any member is who showing for the first time or wishes to "move-up" a level must be re-evaluated - i.e.-Walk/Trot to Jr. or Sr. level or from Walk/Trot or Jog/Canter or Lope with no diagonals or leads to Walk/Trot/Canter with diagonals and leads. A member who has previously been evaluated to ride safely in Junior or Senior levels does not need to be reevaluated due to change of age from Jr. to Sr. Evaluation forms with complete information/instructions can be found at our county 4-H Horse Program Webpage.
- All 4-H Horse Shows will follow the rules outlined in the NYS 4-H Equine Show Rule Book. Livingston County 4-H Horse Shows will additionally follow the rules outlined in the Livingston County 4-H Horse Program Policy Book.
- 10 qualifying non-mounted educational points, as specifically outlined in the Livingston County 4-H Horse Program Policy Guide will be required to qualify to ride in a mounted event at the NYS Fair 4-H Horse Show but NOT at the county level.

Visit the link at the code below for:

- Riding/Driving Evaluation Forms
- Rule Books
- Educational Events
- Horse Shows



Paperwork Due June 1st:

- Horse Certificates
- Current Coggins & Rabies Certificate
- Riding Evaluation (June 1 or prior to rider's first show of the season)

All paperwork is due in the CCE Office for any horse you may be considering using at any county, regional, or state event. Please consider having an extra horse on file, just in case something happens to your primary horse

**Questions? Contact Mark at
mjw16@cornell.edu**



ANIMAL SCIENCE

New York Youth Livestock “Non-Ownership” Policy

- **Non-ownership Forms are required for all dairy & livestock animals exhibited at fair that are not owned by the exhibitor. Forms must be on file with the 4-H Office by June 1st**
- **Specie Forms may be found by scanning the QR Code**



The exhibitor, upon request to the event sponsor, shall provide proof of ownership of any exhibit.

This certificate verifies that a 4-H member in New York has enrolled this animal as a 4-H Project Animal by June 1st of the current year.

For all “non-owned” animals, the 4-H member and the owner of the animal have entered an agreement. A lease agreement allows a 4-H member to use the specified animal as a 4-H project. Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) encourages the use of written lease agreements, however, it is the responsibility of the exhibitor and the animal owner to agree upon the lease terms. Neither CCE nor Cornell University is legally involved in writing, implementing or terminating any lease agreements.

The following bill was legally adopted by the NYS Department of Agriculture & Markets July 1987.

Exhibits shall have been owned by the exhibitor for a period of at least (30) days prior to the entry of the exhibit provided, however, that any animal exhibit entered in a youth fair, youth exhibition or 4-H show or exhibition shall have been in the care of the exhibitor for a period of at least (60) days prior to entry of the exhibit.

CCE staff and state program administrators have maintained the following philosophy since 1987:

Non-owner/lease opportunities are intended for youth who do not already own an animal of this type. For exhibition purposes, youth are limited to one non-owned breeding class animal of this type.

Specific for Equine: The only approved NYS Horse Program exceptions are donkey, mule, miniature equine, and driving equine (used only for driving). In which cases a youth may own or lease an equine and also lease a donkey, mule, miniature equine, and driving equine (used only for driving).

Forms must be submitted to the CCE Office by June 1st.



4-H Animal Project Record Awards

Each year at 4-H Achievement Day, awards are presented to members who submit outstanding 4-H Animal Project Records. Species-specific project records may be found on our website. Records will be due at the end of August along with 4-H Trip & Award Applications. Please consider submitting a project record. Stay tuned for submission deadlines.





IMPORTANT FAIR INFORMATION

Livingston County 4-H Hemlock Fair Exhibitors Book

Also known as, the fair book, is your guide to the 4-H side of the Hemlock Fair. All classes that can be entered in (animal and non-animal) can be found in this book. You will also find the schedule, general rules, department rules, animal health requirements, and planning forms for your entries.

Fair books will be mailed soon! Please watch your mailbox!
If you don't receive yours by May 15th, please let Jenn know!

Important Building Exhibit Entry Information & Entry Tag Changes

- ALL projects you would like judged or think you may bring to the fair **MUST** be entered by the entry deadline. Do **NOT** bring exhibits to judging day that have not been entered.
- Double Entry tags will not be available again this year.
- All entry tags will be computer generated from the Fair Entry System.
- After entries are closed, you will receive an email with your entry tags. Please print (ONE SIDED) and attach them to your projects. This tag will stay with your project throughout the fair. If you are unable to print them, you **MUST** let Randy know by July 7th.
- You will need to write the information below on the back of your Entry Tag. This will help you be prepared to talk about your project when being evaluated.
 - Number of years in the Project Area
 - 2 things learned or improved on



2025 FAIR & FAIR BOOK CHANGES

Animals

Dairy

- New 10 am show start time on Thursday.
- New Animal Health Requirement: All lactating dairy cattle must test negative for HPAI within seven (7) days prior to entering fair.

Sheep

- New 3 pm show start time on Thursday.
- Revised List of Registered Breeds: Cheviot, Columbia, Corriedale, Dorset, Hampshire, Lincoln, Merino, Natural Colored, Romney, Shropshire, Southdown, Suffolk, Tunis, All Other Registered Breeds, Crossbred. *Any registered breed not listed will exhibit in All Other Breed Classes.*
- All animals in the flock class must be exhibited by the same member.

Goat

- Revised List of Registered Breeds: Alpine, Saanen, Lamacha, Nubian, Oberhasli, Toggenburg, Boer Percentage Doe, Boer Full Blood/Purebred, All Other Meat Breeds, All Other Dairy Breeds, Meat Grade, or Dairy Grade. *Any registered breed not listed will exhibit in All Other Breed Classes.*

Market Poultry & Fancy Poultry

- Meat Bird Show (Sunday, July 6th, 6 pm) will include Market & Showmanship Classes.
- Fancy Bird Show (Tuesday, July 15th, 1 pm) will not include Meat Bird Showmanship Classes and will conclude much earlier than in previous years.



Building Exhibit Judging Day & Exhibit Classes

- Building Exhibit Judging will take place on Sunday, July 13th, Hemlock Fair Festival Building, 1 - 4:30 pm (note earlier ending time). We ask that exhibitors arrive by 4:30 pm. Judging may continue past 4:30 pm if you arrive by 4:30 pm.
- There will only be 1 day to schedule/give public presentations (Thursday). This is to help better coordinate an experience that is more like the county public presentation event. If Thursday presents a hardship, please contact Randy.
- The following sections have changes to their #'s and/or titles:
 - o Section 42 is now Club Leadership Opportunities
 - o Section 43 is now Independent Member Displays & Exhibits
 - o Section 44 is now Club Displays & Exhibits
- The following task has been added to the General Guidelines of all sections (sections 40-44 excluded) to better facilitate the exhibit discussion between exhibitor and judge:

“The Number of years you have been participating in the project and two (2) things learned MUST be written on the back of your entry tag.”

Foods & Nutrition (Section 21):

- Exhibitors are asked to bring a 4” x 6” picture of your final baked good to be displayed during the fair. Picture is not needed for judging of baked good. This is optional and not a requirement. Food items will be sent home with exhibitor after judging of baked good is complete.
- Loaf breads must be cut in half for judging.

Photography (Section 27):

- The guidelines and classes for this section have been revised and shifted from categories of “Levels” (amount of technique experience) to technical quality of technique or combination of techniques. There is no requirement of obtaining a blue ribbon the previous year to enter a more advanced class this year.
- CAMERA TYPES & DATA TAGS: Youth are permitted to shoot on film, digital and/or cell phone cameras. The type of camera used must be included in project documentation. Youth may use automatic settings but should be able to find the metadata information on the photo to include in project documentation. Exhibit must have additional information (Data Tag) attached to the back of the photo/print. See Exhibitor’s Book for list of information.
- A title, or caption, must be displayed on the front of matted photos.
- Max of 6 exhibits in this section per exhibitor.





•Maker/Tinker (Section 36):

- **New Class** - DIGITAL CREATIVE DESIGN PROJECTS: items made using exhibitors original design idea/artwork incorporated onto/within a practical object, device (i.e. mug, clothing, wearable art, utensil, etc.) or other traditionally framed creative art display. Must be created by exhibitor using digital software/computer aided software. Providing an online weblink to your artwork and/or your design process (i.e. portfolio, time-lapse, video, etc.) in the description is encouraged.

•Leadership Opportunities (Section 41):

- **New Class** - Exhibit Building Judging Assistant: Any teen, 12 and older, may participate as a judging assistant. Teen assistants will work with adult evaluators to record exhibit judging results and learn the evaluation process.

•Club Leadership Opportunities (Section 42):

- **New Class** – Club Food Stand Workers: Clubs can receive an incentive of approximately \$200 (pending food stand profit) by having members from the club (9 years or older) working a MINIMUM of 2 shifts together. Each shift Must have 3-4 club members. Clubs MUST be in good standing and all workers must be enrolled in 4-H. Individual members will get a premium as listed in Section 41.



Other Fair Opportunities for Members & Clubs

Did you know there are more ways to participate in the fair than just exhibiting projects in the 4-H Building and showing animals? There are MANY activities that are classes in the Hemlock Fair 4-H Exhibitors Book. Completing these activities at fair will earn exhibitors points towards their premium checks. Check out these activities/classes and contact staff if you have questions.

- Food stand worker serving customers (individual & club)
- Exhibit Building Judging Assistant
- Club Educational Activity
- Public Presentations
- Animal Presentation/Demonstration in a 4-H Barn
- Cup Cake Showdown Contest
- PINY Demonstration
- Animal Barn Ambassador
- Ice Cream Booth Attendant
- Club Educational Exhibit
- Exhibit Building Activity Leader
- Food Tent Menu Challenge





Volunteer at the Hemlock Fair Food Tent

Fair Premiums & Club Fundraising Incentives Available

4-H members (9 years or older) and adults are needed to help in the food tent during the fair. Responsibilities include maintaining a clean sanitary area, serving the public, taking food orders, counting change, and following the supervisors' directions. Four individuals are needed for each shift. Parent supervision is required for children 12 years and younger.

Incentives Available!

- Premiums will be awarded for multiple shifts completed.
- Work 6+ hours and receive a 4-H Hat, Bag, or T-Shirt
- Clubs that have 3-4 members working 2 shifts together will receive at least a \$200 incentive check depending on the total sales during fair.

2 Hour Shift Schedule

- Daily, Tuesday-Saturday of Fair
- 7-9am, 9-11am, 11am-1pm, 1-3pm, 3-5pm, & 5-7pm

How to Sign Up

- Sign-up using the Fair Entry Online System.
- Enter class 06 in Department 41 4-H Leadership Opportunities
- Enter the class for each shift you would like to sign up for.
- After June 18th you will be able to schedule a shift(s) through a Google Doc that will be in the weekly email blast.
- After July 11th, you will be able to schedule a shift(s) on a master white board in the 4-H Exhibit Building on Judging Day (July 13th) and at the food tent during the fair.

Club Sign Up

- Club members will sign up the same as an individual member above
***Everyone must pick the same time*
- Club leaders must do an Entry in Class 02 in Department 42 for the club incentive



Congratulations!

Livingston County Teen Recognition Award Winners

Congratulations to Michaela Bugman, Isabella Fischer, Amara Jerome, Kaddie Martin, Onnolee Shutt, Lynn Stevens, and Emily Vattimo for receiving Livingston County Teen Recognition Awards. Awards are given to outstanding teens in the county who excel in one of three categories - Community Involvement, Leadership, or Positive Influence on Others While Overcoming a Significant Challenge. Recipients were recognized during a banquet ceremony at Willow Creek Venue on April 23rd.

Tompkins Community Bank 4-H Sheep Scholarship

Congratulations to Nora Cole on earning a 2025 Tompkins Community Bank 4-H Scholarship in the amount of \$100! The scholarship will help Norah purchase a project sheep for the Hemlock Fair.

Regional Horse Communications Results

Congratulations to Sydney Kolodziej and Hannah Gall for their high placings at the Regional Horse Communications Contest. Sydney earned first place in the Senior Speech Division with her speech "Ethical Comparison of ICIS & Live Cover". Hannah earned second place in the Senior Presentation Division with her presentation "Arabians". Both have qualified for the state contest at Cornell University.

Creative Fiber Arts Revue Results

This year's Creative Fiber Arts Revue was held on Thursday, April 24th at the CCE Livingston Office. 5 Members participated and exhibited nine constructed projects. Each project and accompanying project record was evaluated by a volunteer judge. Following their evaluations, participants practiced mannequin and revue modeling techniques. The evening concluded with a runway type revue with all of our participants! Thank you to our Judges Becky Minnich, and Mary Ann Scharmberg for providing wonderful feedback that will help members to continue to sharpen their fiber arts skills. A special thanks to Mary Ann for also helping participants with the modeling skills and coordinating the revue. Congratulations to Cecilia Ingerick on receiving a special Cloverbud Participation Ribbon and to all 4-H Participants: Amelia Ingerick, Olive Berg, Janae Duryea and Kinsale Gilmartin for receiving Blue Danish Ribbons for their projects!

Finger Lakes District Public Presentation Results

Congratulations to the six Livingston County Members who represented our county at the Finger Lakes District Public Presentation Event! Receiving Blue Ribbons were Onnolee Shut, Lily Sharp, Kiara Gramkee, Fiona Gelb and Nathalie Gelb. Receiving a Red Ribbon was Marshall Braun. Both Onnolee and Lily received Judges Choice Awards for their presentations!





Toad Abode

Let's build a house for a toad and observe these fascinating creatures. Watch for toads feasting on their favorite food - bugs! Toads eat insects, grubs, slugs, worms and other invertebrates. They can eat up to 110 a day!

Materials: 4 Inch Diameter Terra Cotta Pot
Acrylic Paints
Paint Brush
Newspapers
Small Spade

Procedure:

1. Spread newspapers on your workspace.
2. Decorate the pot using paints.
3. Once the pot has dried, take it outside to a spot in the soil (a flower bed or a spot under a bush or tree works great).
4. Take the spade and dig down in the soil a little ways to burry the pot half way in the ground on its side. Leave the soil turned up and don't pat it down.
5. Now it's time to wait for a toad! If you don't get a toad in one spot, try another!



Describe what a toad looks like. _____

Name some things a toad may eat. _____



CLUB NEWS

Lightening Bolts Club Report

First we went over upcoming events and went over club display ideas then we painted CDs

Written by Kiara Gramkee

Live, Laugh, Love, Livingston Club Report

For the first one on the 13th we went over upcoming events then we tie-dyed some aprons then we did some water color paintings. For the meeting on the 27th we went over upcoming events then we did a clean up around the Scottsburg United Methodist Church and went over club display ideas for fair

Written by Kiara Gramkee

Livingston County Nibblers Club Report

This meeting started off by watching a couple of demonstrations on rabbit showmanship. Then the kids did some practice with their animals. Our next meeting in May we will be doing some more showmanship practice, talking about what to bring to the fair and a little project. All enrolled 4-H youth are welcome to attend.

Clover Clicks Club Report

The weather held up for the club so we were able to go out and get some photos. We worked on getting up close to capture a photo without using zoom. Our next meeting in May we will be going over how to mat a photo and enter it in for the fair. Afterwards we will be going out and getting more photos. All enrolled 4-H youth are welcome to attend.



Puppets Alive at MacFadden's in May

Members of Puppets Alive
—a Livingston County 4-H Club focused on
(you guessed it) puppetry—will be sharing their
work during the month of May with an exhibit at
MacFadden Coffee Company, Dansville, NY.

The puppeteers will be at MacFadden's
Saturday, May 10, 11-1pm,
to introduce the public to some of their characters.

All of the puppets exhibited are part of a
group-initiated project with the theme
"spaceship jungle island room".



Space Jungle animals meeting for the first time.
Elephant operated by Emma Miller.
Giraffe operated by Icarus McHenry

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BE SURE TO READ YOUR MAY NEWSLETTER!



This newsletter comes to you as part of the educational program provided by the Livingston County Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H Program. It is prepared by the 4-H staff and published every month.

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