

Livingston Livewire

March 2026

Produced in New York

Date: April 24th and 25th

Times: 5:30pm (Friday) OR 9am, 11am or 1:30pm (Saturday)

Location: United Methodist Church (Livonia)

Questions? Contact Randy at rjs546@cornell.edu

What is PiNY?

- Youth Select a recipe that contains at least 1 cup of something produced in NY.
- Prepare the recipe during your scheduled time and have a sample ready for the judges.
- Receive feedback from judges on your cooking skills & the appearance of your finished dish.
- PiNY is a great way to begin gaining confidence with your presentation skills, its a lot of fun, and it can help you qualify for the 2A or 3A Award Trip

Register by April 10th by scanning this QR Code



Forms available by scanning this QR Code





Calendar of Events



DATE	TIME	EVENT
Mar. 3	6pm	Horse Communications (CCE Livingston)
Mar. 7	9:30a	Regional Horse Events (HFL Manor Int. School)
Mar. 10	4pm	Puppets Alive Club (Chip Holt Nature Center)
Mar. 11	6pm	Poultry Club (Chip Holt Nature Center)
Mar. 12	5:30pm	Discovery Club (Chip Holt Nature Center)
Mar. 16		Tompkins Community Bank Scholarship Application Due
Mar. 17	6pm	Teen Council (CCE Livingston)
Mar. 19	5:30pm	Animal Activity Night (Chip Holt Nature Center)
Mar. 21	10am	Clover Clicks
Mar. 26	5:30pm	Activity Night - Optical Illusion Art (Chip Holt Nature Center)
Mar. 31	6pm	4-H Information Night (Liv. Co. Conference Center)
Apr. 8	6pm	Livingston County Nibblers (Chip Holt Nature Center)
Apr. 14	4pm	Puppets Alive Club (Chip Holt Nature Center)
Apr. 14		Flower Sale Orders Due
Apr. 16	6pm	Animal Activity Night - Marketing
Apr. 20		Flower Sale Payment Due
Apr. 22	6pm	Poultry Club (Chip Holt Nature Center)
Apr. 24	5:30pm	Produced in New York (United Methodist Church - Livonia)
Apr. 25	9am, 11am, OR 1: 30pm	Produced in New York (United Methodist Church - Livonia)
Apr. 30		4-H Enrollment Deadline

TEEN FUN



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)

Coming up-

**Tuesday, March 17th
6:00-7:00pm**

CCE Livingston Office

Preparing for the Spring Egg Hunt! Stuffing Eggs and doing a fun activity while preparing for the egg hunt! Join us in planning this fun community wide activity and figuring out who is doing what activity.

**April's Meeting: TBD
6:00-7:00pm**

CCE Livingston Office

Talk about the Spring Egg Hunt and discuss how everyone thought it went. Then we will pick another Community Service Project and discuss how to make the project work. With a plan to finish at the May Meeting.

2026 4-H Hemlock Fair Theme

BEACH

Welcome to "FAIR-a-dise"

County-Wide Club Meetings

Puppets Alive

We explore puppet making & puppetry theatre, with each year's focus defined by youth members' interests & abilities. Members learn new skills incrementally through guided group activities and independent exploration.



Second Tuesdays, 4-6 PM
Chip Holt Nature Center

- January 13, 2026
- February 10, 2026
- March 10, 2026
- April 14, 2026
- May 12, 2026
- June 9, 2026
- July 14, 2026

Open to all Livingston
County 4-Hers

INFORMATION: beesandland@gmail.com

Poultry Club



UPCOMING MEETINGS

March 11
April 22
May 27

This club is open to all enrolled 4-H'ers and we meet at the Chip Holt Nature Center at 6 pm. 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 in case of cancellation.

Clover Clicks photography Meet Up



March 21st | 10am
Location: TBD

Open to ALL
enrolled
4-Her's

Join the Clover Clicks
Facebook Group!



RSVP to Jess (Club Leader) at
jgramkee@gmail.com

LIVINGSTON COUNTY NIBBLERS

This club is open to all enrolled 4-Hers and we meet on Wednesdays at 6pm in the Chip Holt Nature Center. 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 MEETINGS:

April 8
May 6



JOIN THE
NIBBLERS
FACEBOOK
GROUP FOR
UPDATES!



What's Going On In 4-H?

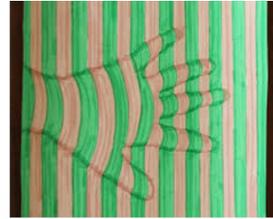


Interested in joining a 4-H Club?! Join the Discovery Club! We will focus on a different topic or upcoming event every month!
Open to ALL ages.

Join Senior 4-H Member, Hannah & 4-H Volunteer, Julie for a night all about Produced in NY (PINY)! Learn about the contest, watch a demonstration, and get some hands on practice!

RSVP by March 6th to Jenn at jls669@cornell.edu

March 12th | 5:30pm-6:30pm
Chip Holt Nature Center, Lakeville

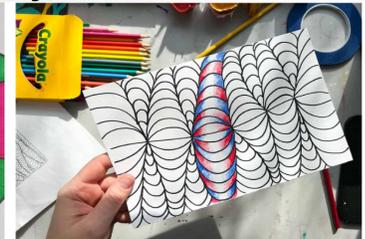
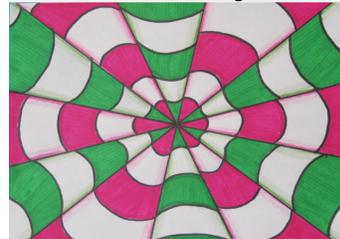


Optical Illusion Art!

Come learn how to make drawings look 3D in an Optical Illusion

Join Randy, Thursday, March 26th from 5:30-6:30 At Chip Holt Nature Center and create optical illusions to trick the viewers eye!

RSVP by Monday, March 23rd



Cooking with Ron

Classes have started, but contact Ron if you are interested!

Bring ideas to create a menu! At the end of the session we will be making that meal and serving it to people you invite. Example; breads, soups, hors d'oeuvres, main course, desserts etc.

After the menu is made, we will be testing your senses of smell and taste! You will sample a variety of spices. Next you can mix spices in a sauce to create what ever your imagination comes up with.

Contact Ron at 585-747-7251 with questions or to RSVP



ATTENTION

Fair Exhibitors



Due to production and postage costs, the 2026 Hemlock Fair 4-H Exhibitors book will not be mass produced and distributed to families.

The book will be available in a user-friendly format for viewing, downloading, & printing on our website

REST ASSURED, staff will be happy to print any pages, sections, or departments for families needing assistance.

Watch upcoming issues of the Livewire and the weekly email blasts for information about when the book will be available and where it can be found on our website





Animal Science



Animal Activity Night

INTRODUCTION TO KNOT TYING

Learn the basics of tying knots and what each knot is used for! You will also learn how to create a knot tying project board that can be exhibited at the Hemlock Fair!

March 19th | 5:30-6:30pm
Chip Holt Nature Center

RSVP by March 13th to Jenn at
jls669@cornell.edu

Charity Animal Program



Contact Mark by May 1st for hog & lamb charity animals. Market poultry charity pens are full for 2025.

Would you like to raise a 4-H market lamb or hog (meat bird charity projects are already spoken for) and help a local charity at the same time? If so, then we have just the opportunity for you! Members may raise a market animal, sell it at the 4-H Livestock Auction at the Hemlock Fair, and donate the proceeds to a worthy charity of their choice. Seeking donations and sponsorships, along with securing buyers, are key parts of this project.

Requirements:

- A maximum of two official 4-H charity animals per species will be allowed to sell in the auction.
- Must receive approval from 4-H Educator. Member must commit and have approval at time of animal tag-in. This is on a first come, first serve basis.
- Sale order for each species will be as follows: Grand/Reserve Champions, All Other Market Animals, Charity Animals, & Any Re-Sale Animals.

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4-H LIVESTOCK SCHOLARSHIPS

Tompkins Community Bank will be sponsoring 4-H livestock scholarships again this year. A \$100 swine scholarship and \$100 sheep scholarship will be awarded to deserving members to help purchase a market or breeding animal project in each species.

- Any enrolled 4-H member is eligible to apply for all but may only receive one scholarship in a given year.
- A member may only receive a specific species scholarship once.
- The application process will include an application, knowledge test, interview, letter of recommendation, and references



APPLICATION DUE: MARCH 16TH
INTERVIEW: TBD

SCAN THE QR CODE FOR THE APPLICATION



Questions?! Contact Mark at mjw16@cornell.edu



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CONSIGNED MARKET HOG & LAMB PROJECT MAY 1ST – ANIMAL OWNERSHIP & PROJECT REGISTRATION DEADLINE

If you are interested in or planning on exhibiting a market hog and/or lamb at the Hemlock Fair and selling it in the auction you should be doing these things at this time:

- Making sure you are currently an enrolled 4-H member. If you are not sure, please contact Randy at rjs546@cornell.edu.
- Reading the 2025/2026 4-H Livestock Sale Rules for complete project information, rules, changes from last year, etc.
- Seeking producers/sources for your project animals. Ownership deadline is May 1st.
- Making plans to complete the required pre-fair animal education requirement in order to exhibit at the fair.

Register online (1 form per member) by May 1st if you are planning to raise a consigned 4-H hog or lamb project animal for the 2026 Hemlock Fair 4-H Livestock Auction.



For more information on program requirements



PLEASE READ THE 4-H LIVESTOCK SALE RULES!



Questions? Contact Mark
mjw16@cornell.edu

SUCCESSFULLY MARKETING YOUR 4-H MARKET ANIMAL

Part 1: Marketing Basics
Part 2: Mastering the End Game



ANIMAL ACTIVITY NIGHT

Part 1: Marketing Basics

April 16 | 6pm (Location TBD)

Perfect for 4-H Members in their 1st or 2nd year of the project. You will learn how to identify potential bidders, develop a sales pitch using your 4-H story, making an impactful first impression, & maintain an ongoing personal relationship.

Part 2: Mastering the End Game

May 5 | 6pm (Location TBD)

Perfect for 4-H Members in their 3rd or more year of the project or those that have attended Part 1. Using scenarios and personal goals, you will learn how to refine and improve your marketing strategies.

RSVP to Jenn by 4/14 & 4/30



Animal Science



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**

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****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://cclivingstoncounty.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.

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Dansville TSC Stores

Coop Control-Pen Odor Control (2) * Zen House Cooper Refresher (2) * Botanica Bath-Dust Bath Additive * Probiotic & Prebiotic Plasma Protein * Poultry Pellets-1 lb. (2) * Poultry Wound Spray * Poultry Skin Healing Spray * Egg Cleanser (10) * Tattoo Kits (6) * Tattoo Ink (2) * 3/8" Tattoo Letter Set (7) * 3/8" Tattoo Digit Set (2) * Livestock Antiseptic Spray * Thrush Antiseptic Spray (2) * Stress Dex - Oral Electrolyte Powder * Liniment Gel * Synergize Cleaner/Disinfectant * Cool Gut * 13" Dehorner-Non Electrical (4) * 1" Dehorner-Electrical (7) * Hand Scale (2) * Equium Amprolium Crumble Pellets * Ultrashine Advanced Coat Supplement-20 lbs. (2) * Ivomec for Cattle-5MG (2.64 Q (4) * Lamb Nipple Set (3) * Positive Pellet Goat Dewormer-20 lbs. * Colstrx Colstrum Supplement

**Contact Mark or Jenn to Make
arrangements to view/claim these items**

2026 NYS DAIRY DISCOVERY

MARCH 27 - 28

CALS ANIMAL SCIENCE
FRANK MORRISON HALL
507 TOWER ROAD
CORNELL UNIVERSITY
ITHACA, NY 14853



**2026 Focus: Quality Milk and
Milk Production**

Youth must be 14-19 years of age by
January 1, 2026
Cost: \$50 per youth participant
\$15 per adult chaperone

-Steps to take- Better Milk
Quality
-The Mammary Gland
-Managing Pathogens- Where
do you start

DEADLINE TO REGISTER - MARCH 24TH

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER VISIT:
[HTTPS://CALS.CORNELL.EDU/PRO-DAIRY/OUR-
EXPERTISE/YOUTH/DAIRY-DISCOVERY-WORKSHOP](https://cals.cornell.edu/pro-dairy/our-expertise/youth/dairy-discovery-workshop)



**CONTACT DEBBIE GRUSEMEYER WITH MORE QUESTIONS -
djc27@cornell.edu**



Animal Science



SAVE THE DATE

2026 NYS 4-H Animal Crackers Program

**SATURDAY, MAY 2, 2026
CORNELL UNIVERSITY**

FEATURING: HORSE, SHEEP, SWINE, & DOG

- SUGGESTED AGE RANGE IS 8-12, HOWEVER, ALL YOUTH 8 AND UP ARE WELCOME.
- T-SHIRTS PROVIDED TO YOUTH AND WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT THE EVENT FOR ADULTS.
- COST: \$30/PARTICIPANT (YOUTH & ADULT)
- REGISTRATION IS DUE APRIL 22ND. CONTACT MARK (MJW16@CORNELL.EDU) TO REGISTER.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT WORKSHOPS, SCHEDULE, LOCATION, ETC.



NYS LIVESTOCK QUIZ BOWL

2026 PILOT PROGRAM

**SAT APRIL 25TH @
2:00 PM AT CORNELL**

New York State 4-H members who are 14 years of age or older (as of January 1) are invited to participate in the first-ever NYS 4-H Livestock Bowl Competition.

To qualify to participate in the event, youth must complete an online written test by March 15. Up to the top 36 youth will be invited to participate in the contest. The top four youth at this contest will represent New York State at the National Livestock Bowl Competition in Kentucky in November 2026.

More information will be coming in the next few months. The New York State 4-H Livestock Contest will follow the National Contest rules. For rules and sample questions, visit <https://youthlivestockcontests.org/>. Additional information will be shared with County Educators, and a virtual Zoom meeting will be held in early February.

NYSDEC DAY-OLD PHEASANT CHICK REARING PROJECT

PROJECT APPLICATIONS DUE APRIL 1ST

The NYS Department of Environmental Conservation will again be distributing pheasant chicks to eligible applicants through the Day-Old Pheasant Chick Program (DOCP) for the spring of 2026!

This project is a great way for 4-H youth to get involved with wildlife and the outdoors, while learning the responsibility that comes with raising animals. Wildlife habitat improvement projects can also be integrated into a raise and release project. to further familiarize yourself with the techniques necessary to raise pheasants.

All 4-H members, families, and clubs interested in the project must complete a short online application that will be reviewed by the DEC. Applicants must have appropriate brooding facilities and release location.



Complete project information including requirements, Pheasant Rearing Guide, and application may be found by scanning the QR Code

Following an application submission, regional DEC wildlife staff will reach out with any questions they may have to applicants. The Reynolds Game Farm will coordinate chick delivery to your local CCE Office. Tentative delivery date is the last week of May.

For questions or assistance completing the online application, please reach out to your local DEC Office or the Reynolds Game Farm at evan.wills@dec.ny.gov or by calling (607)273-2768.





Animal Science



4-H DAIRY SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC



Hosted by:

Mill Wheel Show Clinics

**MAY 30TH
9AM-12PM**

Mill Wheel Show Clinics educate young, aspiring dairy cattle showmen of all levels, emphasizing skills in showmanship and clipping. Founded by experienced coach Katie Coyne, the organization continues to educate youth in the dairy industry, with Kelly Reynolds involved in the clinics.

CLINIC FOCUS: WASHING, CLIPPING, & SHOWMANSHIP

**9666 ALLEGHANY RD.
CORFU, NY
COST: \$10/PARTICIPANT**

**RSVP to Mary Mott at
mkbock8@gmail.com
by May 16**



**ANIMALS WILL
BE PROVIDED
AT THE CLINIC!**



SCIENCE OF NATURE WITH YNOE PWT



Join us for a fun and educational virtual series on the science of nature: wildlife forensics, designed for youth across New York State.

The 4 part series runs every Wednesday in March, 2026 from 6:30-7:30PM



- Dates: March 4, March 11, March 18, March 25
- No cost to participate
- Who can participate: 4-H members and families, any interested youth



Registration required

Click here to register!

This virtual series for youth showcases examples where science has been used to identify, conserve, and manage wildlife. With expert speakers, we will unravel DNA analysis in mammals, cloning in conservation, wildlife crime in reptiles, and more!



SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

NY FARM BUREAU SCHOLARSHIP

Open to a 2026 graduating high school senior who will continue their education to prepare for a career in some way connected to the diverse agricultural industry. Applicants must live or work on a farm or be involved with agriculture via any avenue. A Family Farm Bureau or Student Farm Bureau membership is required and may accompany application. Applications and information available at the QR code below or by calling 1-800-342-4143. Completed applications must be returned to NY Farm Bureau in Albany.
Deadline: April 1, 2026



NEW YORK STATE ASSOCIATION OF AGRICULTURAL FAIRS AND NEW YORK STATE SHOWPEOPLES ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

New York State Association of Agricultural Fairs and New York State Showpeoples Association
2026 Scholarship Application.... COMING SOON

The NYSAAF and NYSSA offer an annual scholarship program which is available to students who are New York State residents, who currently are (or have previously been) active in a fair that is a member of the NYSAAF or the NYSSA and who plan to attend (or already attend) college in pursuit of a degree. The fair where you have been active or the NYSSA must endorse your application and will submit it for you.



What's Going On In 4-H?

SAVE THE DATE

Cornell Career Explorations

JUNE

30

2026

JULY

2

2026

MARK YOUR CALENDAR AND GET READY FOR THIS YEAR'S TRIP TO CORNELL FOR 3 DAYS OF FUN

MORE INFO: <https://www.nys4-h.org/career-explorations>



4-H CAPITAL DAYS TRIP MAY 17-19, 2026

The 4-H Capital Days Trip gives youth (ages 14-18 as of January 1, 2026) the opportunity to meet and interact with state legislators and tell their 4-H story. Youth learn about career opportunities in the New York State government and gain a better understanding of state government. Attendees will visit the Assembly and Senate Chambers, tour the Capitol building and learn all about its history, and visit the NYS Court of Appeals.

A limited number of youth are able to attend from our county. Attendees will be responsible for full registration fee. Transportation & chaperone provided. If interested, contact Mark @ mjw16@cornell.edu.



DISCOVER Livingston County 4-H

Livingston County 4-H offers a variety of hands-on learning opportunities for youth. Join 4-H Staff to learn about the variety of learning opportunities the 4-H Program has to offer!

- Count Events & Activities
- 4-H Livestock Auction
- Public Speaking
- STEM
- Teen Leadership
- Animal Science

All attendees will receive FREE 4-H Enrollment for the 2025-2026 program year!

March 31
6pm-7pm

Livingston County Conf. Center
1 Murray Hill Dr. Mt. Morris

Questions? Email mjw16@cornell.edu

Scan the code to register!



REMINDER

The Creative Fiber Arts Revue Event Will Not Be Held This Year

Due to decreasing participation as of late, we have made the decision to cancel this event.

Members will be able to enter all creative fiber arts projects at the fair and have them evaluated during Exhibit Building Judging



What's Going On In 4-H?

2025-2026 4-H ENROLLMENT Enrollment is OPEN!



Age as of January 1, 2025:
Cloverbud: 5-7 years
4-H'er: 8-18 years

Nov. 1st Enrollment Fees:
\$15/Youth
\$40/Family (3+ Youth)



Visit our website for a link
to the enrollment form!
OR scan the QR Code!



BE SURE TO READ THE
INSTRUCTION PAGE BEFORE
COMPLETING YOUR
ENROLLMENT FORM



Send payment (cash or check, payable to CCE Livingston County) to: 3 Murray Hill Drive, Mount Morris, NY 14510 Or use our Paypal link found here: <http://cclivingstoncounty.org/donate>
Click "Donate", set the amount, and include "[youth name] 4-H Enrollment" in the note section.

Interested in becoming an Enrolled Volunteer?

Applications can be found on our website or contact Jenn for more information!

DEADLINE TO ENROLL IN 4-H: APRIL 30TH

Did You Know



Trips and Awards
Descriptions
Summary Book



Possible Trips and Awards!

Cloverbud 2A Trip
3A Trip
Tween Trip
STAR (or STARR)
Cornell Career Explorations
Capitol Days
Cobleskill Agri-Business
Career Conference
First Year 4-H'er Award
Project Pins
Animal Science Project Record
Awards
Horsemen of the Year
Outstanding 4-H'er
Russel B. Ace Memorial
Scholarship

Did you know that there are many trips and awards you can earn in 4-H?

Here's what you need to start doing NOW!

- Check out the list of all award trips and recognitions along with criteria and requirements using the QR code on the left!
- Choose the ones you want to earn
- Make a plan to fulfill criteria and requirements of each award including doing needed 4-H project work and participating in activities/events.
- Start working on your required 4-H Summary Book now documenting your 4-H project work and activities/events. It's a lot easier to work on it throughout the year then all at once at the of the year.
- 4-H Summary Books can be found using the QR code on the right!
- Just remember that the 4-H Trips & Awards Application and completed 4-H Summary Book are due in September.

Questions? Contact Randy at rjs546@cornell.edu

Flower & Hanging Basket Sale

Chase's Greenhouse (Rush, NY) continues to provide us with a great product each year. Individual geraniums as well as a variety of hanging baskets are available.

Available This Year:

- 4.5" Geranium Pots (\$3.50)
- 11" Hanging Baskets (\$21):
Million Bell, New Guinea
Impatiens, Fuchsia,
Petunia, Geranium, & Mixed

All proceeds benefit the Trips & Awards Fund!

Sales Incentives:

All 4-H sellers (individual or families) will receive an incentive check after the completion of the sale. Sellers will receive 40% of the profit made on each pot (\$.36) and basket (\$3) sold to help offset personal 4-H costs such as enrollment fees and project supplies.

Order forms (for seller's use) and pictures of the hanging basket varieties are available at



Questions?! Contact Mark at
mjw16@cornell.edu

Orders Due: April 14



All orders **MUST** be submitted online



Only include the total number of each flower that you need to fulfill your order.
ONE entry per 4-H Member

Payment Due: April 20

Pay by Check - Payable to CCE Livingston. Please include seller's name & "4-H Flower Sale" on the memo line.

Pay by PayPal - Scan the Code. Click the yellow button. Select 4-H Program. Check the box "Add \$x.xx to help cover fees". These are the PayPal fees that the 4-H Program gets charged if they are not covered by the person submitting



Order Pick Up: May 7

County Highway Dept. Garage,
Hampton Corners
10am-7pm

Participation in fundraiser counts as a County Event towards 3A Trip!



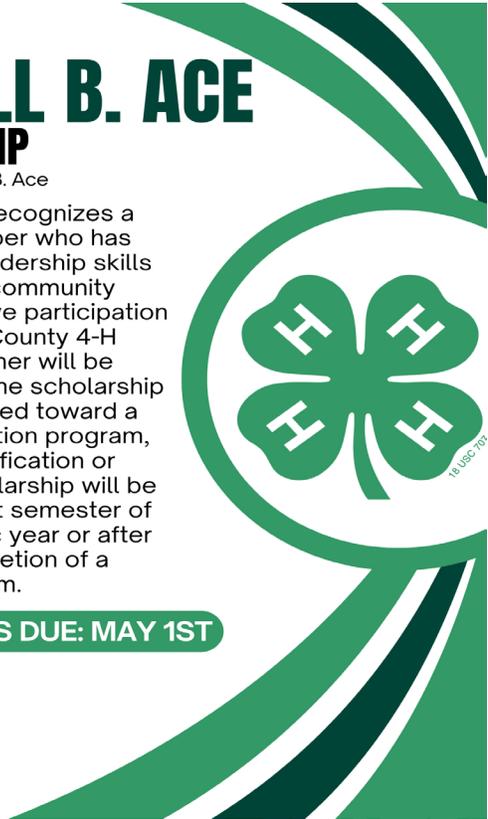
What's Going On In 4-H?

RUSSELL B. ACE SCHOLARSHIP

In Memory of Russell B. Ace

The scholarship recognizes a current 4-H member who has demonstrated leadership skills and served their community through their active participation in the Livingston County 4-H program. The winner will be awarded a one time scholarship of \$1000 to be used toward a secondary education program, resulting in a certification or degree. The scholarship will be applied to the last semester of the first academic year or after successful completion of a certificate program.

APPLICATIONS DUE: MAY 1ST



Cornell Cooperative Extension | Livingston County

SPRING EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 28th (12:00 - 1:30pm)
LivCo Conference Center Lawn, Mt. Morris

FOR YOUTH AGES 10 & UNDER!
Hosted by Livingston County 4-H Teen Council

Enjoy activities from 12:00-12:30pm
Egg hunt starts at 12:30pm!



Produced in New York Food Presentations

Menu Planning Sheet

Directions: Youth members fill out the following information and bring with you to your scheduled PINY Demonstration time. Please note, there is a different Cloverbud Menu Planning Sheet.

Name:		
Age (as of Jan 1):	Year in Food Project:	Years in PINY
Recipe Title:		Featured NY Ingredient:

Menu Plan- Plan a complete menu for one meal that includes your recipe. Be sure to consider balanced nutrition, appearance, texture and flavors. (Please use correct grammar and spelling when completing these areas.) Have you included all the food groups from My Plate?

My Menu Plan is for (please check): Breakfast Lunch Dinner Snack



Story of your Recipe- Tell us the story of how you came to use this recipe. Where did you get the recipe? Why did you pick this one? Does your family like it? Did you change anything about it?

Nutrition Statement- outline the nutrients by major ingredients in your recipe. Try to include at least 3 top ingredients.

Major Ingredient or Food	Which Food Group (fruit, veg, protein, grain, or dairy?)	Nutrient Provided by Food	Function of the Nutrient
Ex: Milk	Dairy	Calcium	Builds strong bones and teeth

Produced in NYS Statement- Tell where the featured ingredient(s) is grown or produced in New York State and tell us at least 2 interesting facts about it.

I pledge...



my **head** to clearer thinking,
 my **heart** to greater loyalty,
 my **hands** to larger service, and
 my **health** to better living for
 my **club**, my **community**,
 my **country**, and my **world**.





Livingston County 4-H Program

Produced in New York Food Presentations



Recipe Form

Youth to fill out:

Name: _____		
Age (as of Jan 1): _____	Year in Food Project: _____	Years in PINY _____
Registration in online this year at https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/PINY_2026-2-2_224		

Registration and Recipes due no later than Wednesday January 29th

Title of Recipe: _____ Featured NY Ingredient: _____

Number of Servings: _____ Source of Recipe: _____

Attach recipe or complete the boxes below. Please use complete sentences where appropriate and correct spelling and grammar.

Ingredients: (list in the order that they are used in the recipe)

Complete Directions: (list steps taken, temperature and time)

Attach additional pages if necessary

*****Please plan to bring your completed Menu Planning Sheet with you to your demonstration.*****





Cloverbud Corner



Science

The Mystery of Water and Oil

Does water and oil mix? Let's try mixing water and oil to see what happens!

Make a prediction! What do you think will happen to the water and vegetable oil when they get put into the same container? _____

- Materials:
- Plastic Bottle with Lid
 - Food Coloring
 - Water
 - Vegetable Oil
 - Funnel
 - Measuring Cup



Procedure:

1. Place $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of water into the plastic bottle.
2. Add a few drops of food coloring to the water.
3. Add $\frac{1}{2}$ cup of vegetable oil to the plastic bottle and secure the cap on the bottle.
4. Observe the location of each liquid. Which liquid is on top? _____
Which liquid is on the bottom? _____
5. Time to shake! Make sure the lid is secured tightly and shake up the bottle. What happens to the liquids? _____
Where is each liquid located now? _____
6. Let the bottle rest on a flat surface for 2 minutes and observe what happens. What happened to the oil and water? _____

Which liquid do you think is lighter? _____
Why? _____





Club News



Lightning Bolts Club Report

First we went over upcoming events then we started work on making valentine's door hangers for the national 4-H has heart campaign, then Hannah Gall from teen council came and helped. Then today we took the door hangers down to the conesus nursing home. Submitted By Kiara Gramkee



Livingston County Nibblers Club Report

This month's meeting we started our showmanship breakdown. We talked about body types and how to pose each type. We went over fur types and the terms to use when describing the fur. Afterwards the club practiced posing thier own rabbits and switched and practiced on a different rabbit. April's meeting we will be focusing on the exam portion part of showmanship.



Poultry Club Report

This month we talked about the importance of biosecurity for our poultry. How we can apply it to our home and also at the fair. We talked about the Avian Bowl and created a poster on showmanship terms for the fair. We ended the meeting with an activity, making some chicken treats which was led by the Mott Family, Our next meeting is in March where we will start going over showmanship and doing another activity.



4-H Club Reports & Articles Wanted!

4-H Club Leaders and Secretaries are encouraged to share their club happenings (meetings, projects, activities, events, etc.) with our 4-H community by submitting a brief report or write up for publication in the monthly Livewire. Reports/write ups should be submitted by the 15th of the month to Jenn at jls669@cornell.edu.

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