

Livingston Livewire

May 2026

IT'S ALMOST
Fair Time!!!

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

IMPORTANT PRE-FAIR DATES

June 2nd

**Rabbit & Cavy Showmanship
Clinic**

June 10th

Poultry Showmanship Clinic

June 11th

Let's Tie Dye!

June 22nd

Fair Entries Due

July 9th

Pullorum Testing

July 12th

Market Poultry Show

July 14th

Large Animal Barn Set Up

IMPORTANT FAIR DATES

July 19th

Building Exhibit Judging Day

July 20th

Animals Move In (Small Animals in
place by 8:30pm)

July 21st

Animals Move In (Large Animals in place
by 12pm)

Animal Exhibitors Meeting (Non-Horse)
PINY Contest

4-H Social Event - All LivCo 4-H
Members Welcome!!

July 22nd

Public Presentations

July 23rd

Public Presentations

July 24th

Cupcake Showdown

July 25th

Market Animal Auction

Animals Released (8pm & 7/26 by 12pm)

Exhibit Building Pick Up (8pm & 7/26
10am-12pm)



Calendar of Events



DATE	TIME	EVENT
May 1		4-H Fair Shirt Order Deadline
May 1		Russell B. Ace Scholarship Deadline
May 1		Consigned Market Hog & Lamb Registration & Ownership Deadline
May 5	6pm	Animal Activity Night - Marketing (LivCo. Conference Center)
May 6	6pm	Livingston County Nibblers (Chip Holt Nature Center)
May 7		Flower Sale Pick Up (County Highway Dept.)
May 9	9am	Poultry Processing Clinic (HLW Acres)
May 12	4pm	Puppets Alive Club (Chip Holt Nature Center)
May 13	6pm	Teen Council (CCE Livingston)
May 14	5:30pm	Discovery Club (CCE Livingston)
May 19	7pm	Health Requirements for Fairs (Virtual)
May 20	5:30pm	Learn to Make Flour Tortillas (CCE Livingston)
May 20	7pm	Health Requirements for Fairs (Virtual)
May 23	11am	Clover Clicks
May 27	6pm	Poultry Club (Chip Holt Nature Center)
May 28	5:30pm	Intro to Hemlock Fair & Fair Entry Help Night (LivCo. Conf. Center)
May 30	9am	Dairy Showmanship Clinic
June 1		Horse Paperwork Due
June 2	6pm	Rabbit & Cavy Showmanship Clinic (Chip Holt Nature Center)
June 3	5pm	Bucket Brigade (Werner Greenhouse)
June 10	6pm	Poultry Showmanship Clinic (Chip Holt Nature Center)
June 11	4:30pm	Let's Tie Dye! (LivCo. Conference Center)
June 22		Fair Entries Due

TEEN FUN



Coming up-

May's Meeting: Wed, May 13th
6:00-7:00pm
CCE Livingston Office

Final Preparations for the Community Service Project to go out into the community after the meeting. Planning for end of the year meeting.

4-H Members 12+ are invited to join our new offerings for learning leadership, comradery and fun!
 Questions and RSVPs to Randy(rjs546@cornell.edu)

2026 4-H Hemlock Fair Theme

BEACH

Welcome to "FAIR-a-dise"



What's Going On In 4-H?

2025-2026 4-H ENROLLMENT

DEADLINE TO ENROLL IN 4-H: APRIL 30TH



Age as of January 1, 2025:
Cloverbud: 5-7 years
4-Her: 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://ccelivingstoncounty.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!

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.



Tie Dying with a Twist

Did you know you can tie dye with Sharpies and rubbing alcohol? Bring your creativity and create your own set of tie dyed coasters.



RSVP by May 8th to Jenn at jl5669@cornell.edu

May 14th | 5:30pm-6:30pm
Chip Holt Nature Center, Lakeville

Learn to make Flour Tortillas!

When? **Wed. May 20th**
5:30-6:30

Where? **CCE Office**
3 Murray Hill, Mt Morris

Limit of 10 Youth

Come learn how to make Flour Tortillas from scratch! Mix the dough to take home after watching a demonstration on how to cook your tortillas.

Bring a container to take your dough home in!

RSVP to Randy (rjs546@cornell.edu) by May 13th

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

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



May 23rd | 11am
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:

May 6



JOIN THE
NIBBLERS
FACEBOOK
GROUP FOR
UPDATES!



What's Going On In 4-H?

Welcome to



FAIR-a-dise!

Back

2026 4-H Fair Shirts Ready for Pre-Order

This year's shirt is black ink on a mint green shirt. We will be offering a tie dye Activity Night on June 11th, adding a variety of colors to complete the beach theme!

You can pre-order now to guarantee size and price! Scan the code to order:



Pre-Order Closes May 1st

*There will NOT be shirts available for purchase after the pre-order closes!**

Contact Jenn Schwab with questions at jls669@cornell.edu.



Front

Pre-Order Shirts
\$10 each
Sizes Youth XS-XL
Adults S-XL
XXL-XXXL- \$13

Let's Tie Dye

Tuesday, June 11th | 4:30-7pm
Livingston County Conference Center
1 Murray Hill Drive, Mt. Morris

WE WILL BE TIE DYING OUR FAIR SHIRTS! YOU MUST PRE-ORDER A FAIR SHIRT BY MAY 1ST
Learn several tie dye techniques - the spiral, the fold, crumple, sunburst, and stripes.
RSVP to Jenn (jls669@cornell.edu)
by June 5th.

It's highly recommended that fair shirts are pre-washed for this activity. Please make arrangements to pick up your shirts by contacting Jenn at jls669@cornell.edu.

Intro to Hemlock Fair & Entry Help Night

Thursday, May 28th | 5:30-7pm
Livingston County Conference Center
RSVP to jls669@cornell.edu by May 22nd

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!



What's Going On In 4-H?



4-H Flower Sale Pick Up

Thursday May 7th
10am-7pm

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



LIVINGSTON COUNTY 4-H IS HIRING SUMMER ASSISTANTS!

\$20/HR

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MAY 18

Assist with planning, implementation, delivery, and evaluation of 4-H activities and events at the Hemlock Fair, including but not limited to:

- Exhibit Building Assistant:
 - Exhibit Judging Day
 - Building Prep & Supervision
 - Hands-on Building Activities
- Animal Program Assistant:
 - Animal Shows, Contests, & Activities

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Knowledge of 4-H Youth Development Programs
- Experience working with youth

June 18-July 20
10-20 hours per week
Additional hours required during fair week



QUESTIONS?! MJW16@cornell.edu OR 535-991-5441

Cornell Cooperative Extension
Livingston County

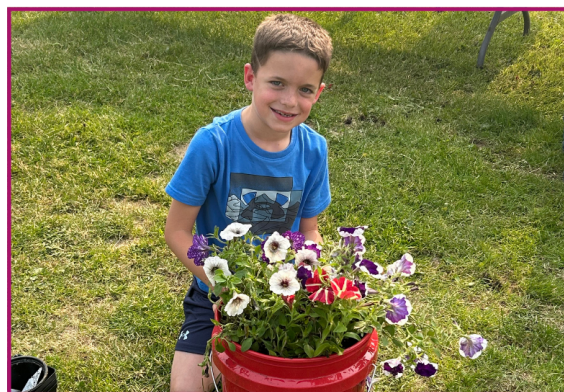
June Activity Night

Wednesday, June 3rd | 5-7pm | 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 By Wednesday, May 27th | Email Randy at rjs546@cornell.edu



Animal Science



**SUCCESSFULLY
MARKETING
YOUR
4-H MARKET
ANIMAL**

ANIMAL ACTIVITY NIGHT

Part 2: Mastering the End Game

May 5 | 6pm



Livingston
County
Conference
Center

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.

Part 1 not required to attend part 2

**RSVP to Jenn by
4/30**

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.

****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.



Animal Science



CONSIGNED MARKET HOG & LAMB PROJECT

MAY 1ST – ANIMAL OWNERSHIP & PROJECT REGISITRATION 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
mjjw16@cornell.edu



POULTRY PROCESSING CLINIC

May 9 | 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. RSVP to Jenn by May 1st. If you plan to attend, let Jenn know ASAP for initial coordination with HLW Acres.



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**



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 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!**



Junior Fair Associate Application

Are you a youth AGvocate who is interested in assisting with planning, preparing, organizing, and running activities leading up to and during the fair? If so, consider applying to be a Junior Fair Associate!



**APPLY BY
5/1/26**

<https://www.cognitofrms.com/HemlockFair/HemlockLittleWorldsFairJrAssociateApplication>



Animal Science



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 (Rabbit, Cavy, Poultry, Pet, Beef, Sheep, Swine, Goat, & Dairy) may be found on our website. Records are due in September along with 4-H Trip & Award Applications. Please consider submitting a project record.



Small Animal Clinics Save the Dates!!!

Rabbits & Cavies

Showmanship Clinic June 2nd | 6pm
with the Judge Chip Holt Nature Center

Poultry

Showmanship Clinic June 10th | 6pm
with the Judge Chip Holt Nature Center

Pullorum Clinic

Testing Available (FREE)

July 9th | 5-7pm
Hemlock Fairgrounds
RSVP to Jenn by July 2nd

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.

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.

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 for our state vet tech's contact information.

RSVP to Jenn by the Thursday before each event

FREE
Animal Supplies

Courtesy of
Caledonia &
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**



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 19th | 7pm



May 20th | 7pm



Scan the QR code to join one of the virtual programs

What's Going On In 4-H?

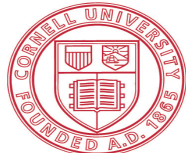
Cornell Career Explorations

Tuesday, June 30th-
Thursday July 2nd

This year's Career Explorations Registration is about to open up. Do you have a youth interested in joining this great experience?

We are opening this up to youth entering 8th grade and up who did not receive this as an award at this year's achievement day.

Families will be responsible for the coverage of the cost of the trip. There are limited spaces available! If you would like more information, email Randy (rjs546@cornell.edu) or scan the QR Code below and check out this year's Career Explorations Page.



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



Did You Know

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



Trips and Awards
Descriptions
Summary Book



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

Congratulations!

Livingston County Teen Recognition Award Winners

Congratulations to Victoria Charlebois, Kamryn Jerome, Colten Potts, Kaelub Rodgers, Tessa Rodwell, Lily Sharp, Reid Shutt, Brady Wood, & Cameron Wood 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 22nd.

Tompkins Community Bank 4-H Swine Scholarship

Congratulations to Kamryn Jerome on earning a 2026 Tompkins Community Bank 4-H Scholarship in the amount of \$100! The scholarship will help Kamryn purchase a project hog for the Hemlock Fair.

Regional Horse Communications Results

Congratulations to Hannah Gall for second place in the Senior Presentation Division with her presentation "Equine Genetic Disorders". Both have qualified for the state contest at Cornell University.

Finger Lakes District Public Presentation Results

Congratulations to the four Livingston County Members who represented our county at the Finger Lakes District Public Presentation Event!

Receiving Blue Ribbons were Fiona Gelb & Nathalie Gelb,

Receiving Red Ribbons were Marshall Braun & Onnolee Shutt.

Congratulations to Fiona Gelb for being one of the Top 10 Presenters and to Onnolee Shutt for her Judges Choice Award!

IMPORTANT FAIR INFORMATION

2026 4-H Hemlock Fair Exhibitor's Book

Due to high production and postage costs, the Hemlock Fair 4-H Exhibitor's Book will not be massed produced and distributed

It is **NOW** available
on our CCE Website

Click [Here](#) or
Scan the Code



You will find 6 easy-to-use links/"books" that can each be viewed, downloaded, and printed as needed:

- **4-H Hemlock Fair Schedule**
- **Animal Science Departments**
- **Building Exhibit Department**
- **4-H Events & Leadership Department**
- **Independent Member Displays & Exhibits Department**
- **Club Leadership, Displays, & Exhibits Department**

NEED PAGES OR BOOKS PRINTED??

Not a problem! 4-H staff will be happy to print any pages or books needed. Just reach out to a staff member.

**Fair Entries Open:
April 27th**

**Fair Entries Due:
June 22nd**



Important Building Exhibit Entry & Judging Day Information

- Building Exhibit Judging will take place on Sunday, July 19th, at the Hemlock Fair Festival Building, from 1 - 4:30 pm. We ask that exhibitors arrive by 4:30 pm. Judging may continue past 4:30 pm if you arrive by 4:30 pm.
- PLEASE CHECK IN AT THE CHECK IN TABLE PRIOR TO GETTING YOUR EXHIBITS JUDGED! This just lets us know that you are all set and ready to show your hard work to our judges.
- 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 13th.
- 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

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
- Cupcake 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 Section 44: 4-H Leadership Opportunities.
- Enter the class for each shift you would like to sign up for.
- After June 22nd you will be able to schedule a shift(s) through a Google Doc that will be in the weekly email blast.
- After July 17th, you will be able to schedule a shift(s) on a master white board in the 4-H Exhibit Building on Judging Day (July 19th) 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 Section: 46 for the club incentive





Cloverbud Corner



Natural Resources



Nature Scavenger Hunt Checklist



See how many items you can find on the list and then draw a picture of each one. See if you can identify the leaf or animal!

- Feather
- Insect with Wings
- Animal Tracks
- Something a Squirrel Would Eat
- Hole in a Tree
- Something a Bird Might Eat
- An Animal that has Fur
- Spider Web
- Singing Bird
- A Fallen Leaf
- Leaf that has been Partially Eaten
- A Coniferous Tree
- A Deciduous Tree
- An Animal that Likes to be Near Water
- Bird's Nest



Club News



Lightning Bolts Club Report

First we went over upcoming events and club display ideas for fair. Then for our activity we made spinners by coloring in a cardboard circle. Then cutting two small holes in the middle and sticking a piece of string in each hole.

Submitted By Kiara Gramkee



Cooking with Ron & Linda



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