

# LIVINGSTON LIVEWIRE



OCTOBER 2023



## 2023-2024 4-H ENROLLMENT OPEN!

**Enroll before your first 4-H activity!**

Age as of January 1st:  
Cloverbud: 5-7 years  
4-Her: 8-18 years  
Teen Council Members: 13-18

Enrollment Fees:  
\$15/Youth  
\$40/Family (3+ Youth)

**NEW THIS YEAR! We have switched to a new online enrollment form!**

Visit <http://cclivingstoncounty.org/4-h-youth/joining-4-h-2> for a link to the enrollment form!

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



### ATTENTION RE-ENROLLING FAMILIES

Re-enroll in the 4-H Program during the month of October for FREE!  
Starting in November - \$15/youth | \$40/family (3+ siblings)



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 Renee for more information!

**DEADLINE TO ENROLL IN 4-H: APRIL 30TH**

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

| <u>DATE</u> | <u>TIME</u> | <u>EVENT</u>  |
|-------------|-------------|---|
| Oct. 4-15   |             | 4-H Paper Clover Campaign   |
| Oct. 9      |             | CCE Livingston County CLOSED                                      |
| Oct. 13     |             | RSVP Deadline for Parent/Leader Training                          |
| Oct. 19     |             | Fall Fundraiser & Shirt Orders Due                                |
| Oct. 19     | 6pm         | 4-H Interest Session (LivCo Conference Center)                    |
| Oct. 20     | 10am        | 4-H Parent/Leader Training (CCE Livingston)                       |
| Oct. 23     | 7-8:30pm    | Teen Council Meeting (CCE Livingston)                             |
| Oct. 23     |             | RSVP Deadline for Rabbit Club Meeting                             |
| Oct. 24     | 5pm         | Saving Our Seeds; Saving Ourselves (LivCo Conference Center)      |
| Oct. 25     | 5:30pm      | Rabbit Club Meeting (Chip Holt Nature Center)                     |
| Nov. 1      |             | Tompkins Community Bank Beef Scholarship Application Due          |
| Nov. 2      | 5:30pm      | Art Club & Activity Night Combo (Location TBD)                    |
| Nov. 9      | TBD         | CCE Livingston County Annual Meeting (Location TBD)               |
| Nov. 10     |             | CCE Livingston County CLOSED                                      |
| Nov. 15     |             | Tompkins Community Bank Beef Scholarship Interview/Knowledge Test |
| Nov. 16     | 4-7pm       | Fall Fundraiser & Shirt Order Pick Up (CCE Livingston)            |
| Nov. 23-24  |             | CCE Livingston County CLOSED                                      |
| Dec. 1      |             | Consignment Beef Registration Deadline                            |
| Apr. 30     |             | 4-H Enrollment Deadline   |



## FALL 2023 4-H FUNDRAISER!

**This year's fall fundraiser features 4 local vendors!**

- Nunda Mustards
- Craigs Creamery Cheese
- Local Good - Featuring Leo's Bakery
- Cuba Cheese Shoppe



You can choose any or all to sell. The total from all of your fundraisers will be combined to determine your incentive.

Pick up your Sellers' Packet at Achievement Day, the CCE Office or download the packet from our website.

- **ORDERS DUE: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19TH**
- **PICK UP: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH (4-7PM) AT THE CCE OFFICE**



NEW! Earn 40% of the profit for your club or 4-H expenses.



Questions? Contact Renee at [rh445@cornell.edu](mailto:rh445@cornell.edu).



# WHAT'S GOING ON IN 4-H?!

## TEEN FUN!



4-H MEMBERS 12+ ARE INVITED TO JOIN OUR NEW OFFERINGS FOR LEARNING, LEADERSHIP, COMRADERY AND FUN! QUESTIONS & RSVPS TO RENEE (RH445@CORNELLEDU)

### Coming Up...

**Monday, October 23rd | 7-8:30pm**  
**CCE Livingston Office**

Teen Council Meeting - First meeting of the new 4-H Year! Let's meet each other and make some plans for the upcoming year.

**Want to Join the Teen Email List?**  
**Sign-Up Here:**

<https://forms.gle/xxn9dmpdVkmEtNqY8>

## Interested in Raising a Beef Animal to Sell in the 4-H Livestock Auction?!



### Here is some important information:



### ***Start looking for your 2024 steer now!***

- Youth must be enrolled as a 4-H member by December 1<sup>st</sup>
- All consignment beef animals must be registered with the CCE Office by December 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Watch the November Livewire for more information.

**Contact Mark by December 1<sup>st</sup> if you are planning to raise a consigned 4-H beef project animal for the 2024 Hemlock Fair 4-H Livestock Auction.**

### PLEASE READ THE 4-H LIVESTOCK SALE RULES!

Found on the Dairy & Livestock Program Page of our website - [www.ccelivingstoncounty.org](http://www.ccelivingstoncounty.org). The 2023/2024 version will be posted in the coming weeks.

### **Animal Age Requirements**

Beef Breeds: Consignment animal must be under 18 months of age as of the first day of Hemlock Fair.

Dairy Breeds: Consignment animal must be under 24 months of age as of the first day of Hemlock Fair



# WHAT'S GOING ON IN 4-H?!



## ACTIVITY NIGHT COMBO

Thursday, November 2

5:30-7pm

Location TBD



### Create Your Own Stamps!

Stamps are easy and fun to make and can be used for so many projects!!! Join us for a fun-filled, creative evening and make a bunch of stamps to go home with.



## PARENT/LEADER TRAINING PRESERVING WITH WATER BATH CANNING

FRIDAY OCTOBER 20, 10AM-2PM

(LUNCH INCLUDED)

CCE OFFICE- 3 MURRAY HILL DRIVE, MT. MORRIS, NY 14510

JOIN OUR SNAP - ED NUTRITIONIST, COLLEEN THERRIEN, TO LEARN THE BASICS OF WATER BATH CANNING & MAKE SALSA!  
EACH PARENT/VOLUNTEER WILL LEAVE WITH:

- A WATER BATH CANNER
- SET OF CANNING TOOLS
- 4-H WATER BATH CANNING CURRICULUM TO USE WITH YOUR 4-H MEMBERS.

SAVE THE DATE FOR UPCOMING PRESERVATION TRAININGS:

NOVEMBER 17TH - JAM | FEBRUARY 16TH - FREEZING | MARCH 22ND - DRYING | APRIL 19TH - PRESSURE CANNING

RSVP REQUIRED BY OCTOBER 13TH TO RENEE (RH445@CORNELL.EDU)



# DISCOVER 4-H!

Livingston County 4-H offers a variety of hands-on learning opportunities for youth. Join 4-H Staff for an information night and learn how you can join the 4-H Discovery Club!

## Choose Your Adventure

- ✓ County Led Events & Activities
- ✓ Public Speaking
- ✓ Large & Small Animals
- ✓ 4-H Livestock Auction
- ✓ Community Service
- ✓ Teen Leadership

## October 19th

### 6PM

Livingston County Conference Center  
1 Murray Hill Dr., Mt. Morris

Or join us virtually!

Register: <https://tinyurl.com/4Hinfonight>

Questions? Contact Us!  
585-991-5420 | [jls669@cornell.edu](mailto:jls669@cornell.edu)

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## Livingston County 4H Club 2023

You can now purchase your items online in 3 easy steps:

1. Scan the QR code or go online to <https://livingston4hclub23-1.itemorder.com/>
2. Choose your items and add them to your cart
3. Securely checkout with your credit card



Online Store Deadline: Thursday October 19th, 2023 (11:59pm EDT)

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|--|--|--|---|---|--|
| <p><b>Gildan Heavy Cotton 100% Cotton T-Shirt</b></p>  <p>6 Colors</p> <p>\$10.00</p> | <p><b>Gildan Heavy Cotton 100% Cotton Long Sleeve T-Shirt</b></p>  <p>6 Colors</p> <p>\$15.00</p> | <p><b>Sport-Tek Posicharge Competitor Tee</b></p>  <p>6 Colors</p> <p>\$12.00</p>         | <p><b>Port &amp; Company Essential Fleece Pullover Hooded Sweatshirt</b></p>  <p>5 Colors</p> <p>\$25.00</p> | <p><b>Port &amp; Company Essential Fleece Full-Zip Hooded Sweatshirt</b></p>  <p>3 Colors</p> <p>\$30.00</p> | <p><b>Port &amp; Company Core Fleece Sweatpant With Pockets</b></p>  <p>3 Colors</p> <p>\$30.00</p>             |
| <p><b>BELLA + CANVAS Unisex Jersey Tank</b></p>  <p>3 Colors</p> <p>\$14.00</p>      | <p><b>Next Level Ladies' Ideal Racerback Tank</b></p>  <p>5 Colors</p> <p>\$14.00</p>            | <p><b>Carhartt Force Short Sleeve Pocket T-Shirt</b></p>  <p>3 Colors</p> <p>\$30.00</p> | <p><b>Carhartt Midweight Hooded Sweatshirt</b></p>  <p>4 Colors</p> <p>\$50.00</p>                          | <p><b>Port Authority Ladies Value Fleece Jacket</b></p>  <p>4 Colors</p> <p>\$35.00</p>                     | <p><b>Port Authority Value Fleece Jacket</b></p>  <p>3 Colors</p> <p>\$35.00</p>                               |
| <p><b>Carhartt Watch Cap 2.0</b></p>  <p>2 Colors</p> <p>\$20.00</p>                | <p><b>Sport-Tek Solid Pom Pom Beanie</b></p>  <p>2 Colors</p> <p>\$15.00</p>                    | <p><b>Liberty Bags Value Drawstring Backpack</b></p>  <p>5 Colors</p> <p>\$12.00</p>    | <p><b>Port Authority Snapback Five-Panel Trucker Cap</b></p>  <p>3 Colors</p> <p>\$16.00</p>               | <p><b>Gildan Youth Heavy Cotton 5.3oz. T-Shirt</b></p>  <p>6 Colors</p> <p>\$10.00</p>                     | <p><b>Port &amp; Company Youth Core Fleece Pullover Hooded Sweatshirt</b></p>  <p>5 Colors</p> <p>\$24.00</p> |

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**ORDERS PICKED UP  
NOV. 16 (4-7PM) AT  
THE CCE OFFICE.**

Questions?  
Debra Iler  
585-245-1205  
diler@specialtees1.com  
<http://www.specialtees1.com/>





# WHAT'S GOING ON IN 4-H?!

## Novel Nature Experiences, Caring & Enriching Environment Make Event Memorable

“That was so cool!”, “crawfish!!!!”, “I am going to work on an entomology project this year for sure”, “Did you know that some tadpoles overwinter in the mud?”, “What is that?! I think it is a new species - I’m going to look it up right now!”, “Now that I’ve learned to tie a fly, I am definitely going to learn to fish”...these are just a few statements that came from youth involved in the 4-H Magical Outdoor Adventure Weekend. The event was held Sept. 22-24 at 4-H Camp Bristol Hills (Ontario County). While there, participants connected with each other, explored the camp environment, attended workshops, and participated in recreational activities.

53 youth, chaperones, and staff from 12 counties participated in this family centered camp. During the day participants spent time in interactive workshops that included: pond and stream safari, entomology, campfire, shelter building, soil painting, fly-tying, plants, mammals, nature photography, archery, birds, safe trail tricks. They enjoyed healthy meals together and spent full group time with a theme focused magician and an owl presentation by volunteers (and owls) from Wild Wings Inc., <https://www.wild-wingsinc.com/>, a not-for-profit educational organization. Participants also recreated - playing 4-square, card games, making t-shirts and S’mores around the campfire.

Research about 4-H Youth Development and family learning indicates that novel experiences, opportunities for families to explore together, and prompted discussions can be fruitful in building learning connections for youth. Experiences like the 4-H Magical Outdoor Adventure Weekend are intentionally designed to incorporate learning in a novel and socially rich environment to help youth not only be inspired in the moment, but to consider what they want to do next, bridge what they are learning with school environments, and think about how the experience might help them aspire to lead and serve in their own community. After returning home one parent wrote to share, “my son and his father returned excited about all that they learned”. They added, “the staff were all about making the children have a fabulous time and they were very knowledgeable in their areas of expertise. My son already told his grandparents all about his encounters and what he learned... and the yummy meals and the snacks”

4-H Magical Outdoor Adventure Weekend is one of many 4-H youth and family experiences hosted over the last decade by the Youth Nature and Outdoor Environment (YNOE) Program Work team. The YNOE PWT is made up of 49 members from 26 counties, Cornell Departments and external stakeholders.



## CLUB NEWS

### Caring Cadets Service Project

As we know, there are many children who find themselves in challenging circumstances, whether due to economic hardships, natural disasters, or other unfortunate situations. Thus, as a community club, we wanted to work with Project Linus to provide blankets to children in need. Our main goal was to work together to give others warmth and support during challenging moments because we believe blankets will not only offer physical comfort, but also provide a sense of security and hope. By doing this project, we truly wanted to make a difference in the lives of children.

Together, as a community club, we met 4 times and worked together to create 12 blankets. Please know, we have varying age groups in our club, and we all worked together hand-in-hand to do the best we could to provide these blankets to children throughout Rochester. We wish we could have made more blankets but thank you for providing us with enough money to work on and complete at least 12. The unused amount will be returned.

The final project left us with a sense of happiness. We learned about how to make a non-stitch blanket and we also learned how to work together as a team for the good of someone else. In conclusion, this project left us considering what more we could do for our community. We are currently brainstorming with our 4-H team about other community service activities we may want to do in the future. Community service projects have the ability to make a significant impact. We hope the children who receive these blankets are covered both in love and warmth.

Thank you to the following  
volunteers who helped make  
Farm Fest a success!

Janae & Callie Duryea  
Kiara & Jess Gramkee  
C.G. May FFA Members



Send your submissions to  
Courtney Weimar at cav52@cornell.edu.  
Feel free to include pictures from your  
meeting. Your report will be included in the  
next edition of Livewire.

### 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.



### RABBIT CLUB MEETING

FIRST MEETING (OPEN TO ALL 4-HERS):  
October 25th | 5:30pm | Chip Holt Nature Center, Lakeville  
Interested in attending?  
RSVP to Jess Gramkee by October 23rd at [jgramkee@gmail.com](mailto:jgramkee@gmail.com)

### Poultry Club

COMING SOON

Join Jenn each month to learn about a  
different poultry topic! Topics will  
range from showing to judging to  
grading eggs.

Interested? Email Jenn at  
[jls669@cornell.edu](mailto:jls669@cornell.edu). We will be  
determining dates based on everyone's  
availability.





# 4-H ACHIEVEMENT DAY PHOTOS

## 3A TRIP

- Eli Barrett
- Julianna Braun
- Marshall Braun
- Brigid Cole
- Finn Cole
- Arianna Cook
- Jayden Coty
- Audrey de Wit
- Janae Duryea
- Tucker Drum
- Gianna Embesi
- Fiona Gelb
- Nathalie Gelb
- Kiara Gramkee
- Alyssa Healy
- Amara Jerome
- Kamryn Jerome
- Sydney Kolodziej
- Courtney Potts



## FIRST YEAR AWARD

- Charlotte Carey-Martin
- Naomi Kawski



## STARR

- Hannah Gall
- Julius Martin-Routly



VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR: Dana Wood

# 4-H ACHIEVEMENT DAY PHOTOS



## TWEEN TRIP

- Charlotte Carey-Martin
- Marshall Braun
- Kiara Gramkee
- Tucker Drum
- Janae Duryea
- Howard Johnson
- Mimi Burkett
- Micheal Katie Terry



## HORSEMAN OF THE YEAR

### **GOLD**

- Kiara Gramkee
- Courtney Potts
- Danica Greene
- Sydney Kolodziej

### **SILVER**

- Chloe Halbert
- Sylvia Llop
- Rose Girsch

### **BRONZE**

- Kylie Slade
- Payton Slade
- Naomi Kawski
- Michael Catherine Terry
- Hannah Gall
- Ruby Lance
- Lucy Kirkwood



## OUTSTANDING 4-H MEMBERS

- Audrey de Wit
- Rian de Wit

# 4-H ACHIEVEMENT DAY PHOTOS



## NATIONAL 4-H POULTRY CONTESTS

- Audrey de Wit
- Rian de Wit
- Emily Vattimo



## ANIMAL SCIENCE SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR

- Lily Sharp



## CHARITY MARKET ANIMAL PROGRAM

- Audrey de Wit
- Janae Duryea
- Carly Lang
- Connor Rodwell
- Seldon & Ruby Kyle

# 4-H ACHIEVEMENT DAY PHOTOS



## CORNELL CAREER EXPLORATIONS

- Rian de Wit
- Audrey de Wit
- Lily Sharp
- Kaddie Martin
- Julianna Braun
- Victoria Charlebois
- Rose Girsch



## CLOVERBUD 2A TRIP

- Iva Christiano
- Nora Cole
- Kyrie Drum
- Talia Embesi
- Liam Gelb
- Trenton Hill
- Saphira Marcellus
- Connor Mott
- Camden Sharp
- Luke Snyder

# 4-H ACHIEVEMENT DAY PHOTOS



## ANIMAL SCIENCE PROJECT RECORDS

- Dairy – Alyssa Healy
- Poultry – Alyssa Healy
- Beef – Alyssa Healy
- Goat – Carly Lang
- Rabbit – Alyssa Healy & Carly Lang
- Pet – Janae Duryea & Carly Lang

## RUSSELL B. ACE SCHOLARSHIP

- Alyssa Healy
- Carly Lang
- Molly Milliken



## CLOVERBUDS MOVING UP

- Harper Bill
- Iva Christiano
- Harper Clark
- Nora Cole
- Klara Dougherty
- Talia Embesi
- Mae Hamler
- Kollin Harvey
- Ian Heel
- Stella Marks
- Melody McClure
- Clyde Orr
- Camden Sharp
- Tala Terry



# 4-H ACHIEVEMENT DAY PHOTOS



## PROJECT PIN RECIPIENTS

- Clothing & Textiles: Eli Barrettt
- Community Service: Howard Johnson, Elizabeth Mensinger, Julianna Braun, Lily Sharp, Victoria Charlebois
- Food & Nutrition: Howard Johnson, Kaddie Martin, Julius Martin-Routly
- Gardening & Horticulture: Julius Martin-Routly, Kaddie Martin
- Horse: Hannah Gall, Micheal Katie Terry
- Leadership: Julianna Braun
- Performing Arts: Victoria Charlebois
- Photography: Janae Duryea, Kiara Gramkee
- Public Speaking: Tucker Drum, Elizabeth Mensinger
- Rabbit: Janae Duryea, Mimi Burkett
- Swine: Alyssa Healy
- Vet Science: Alyssa Healy
- Visual Arts: Lily Sharp

## Tompkins Community Bank 4-H Livestock Scholarships

Tompkins Community Bank will be sponsoring 4-H livestock scholarships (funding pending) again this year. A \$500 Beef Scholarship, \$100 swine scholarship, and \$100 sheep scholarship will be awarded to deserving members to help purchase a market or breeding animal project in ea. species.

- Any enrolled 4-H member is eligible to apply for all, but may only win one in a given year.
- The application process will include an application, knowledge test, interview, letter of recommendation, reference checks, and a possible housing/facility visit.
- Pick up a scholarship application packet from the office or on the website:  
[www.ccelivingstoncounty.org](http://www.ccelivingstoncounty.org) (4-H Dairy & Livestock page).

### Beef

Application Due: November 1<sup>st</sup>  
Interview & Knowledge Test: November 15<sup>th</sup>

### Swine & Sheep

Application Due: Late Winter/Early Spring  
Watch the Livewire for more information!

The 4-H Dairy & Livestock Program Committee encourages all youth who have the desire and ability to raise a high quality 4-H livestock project animal to apply!

Cornell Cooperative Extension  
Livingston County



**FREE  
PROGRAM!**

**TUESDAY**

October 24, 2023 | 5PM  
LivCo Conference Center,  
1 Murray Hill Drive, Mt. Morris, NY 14510

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What if our gardens grow us more than we grow them? What if seeds save us, even as we save them each season? Come learn the easiest seeds to save alongside an invitation to cultivate so much more than carrots - amplifying the beauty and abundance of us all for generations to come. Petra is a Finger Lakes native growing and regionally adapting hundreds of varieties for four decades.

# Saving Our Seeds; Saving Ourselves



SPEAKER:

**PETRA PAGE-MANN**

Fruition Seeds

*Growing up in her father's garden in the Finger Lakes, Petra believes each seed and each of us is here to change the world. Her passion, curiosity, love of food and love of people led her all over the world studying seed, song and culture worth celebrating. In 2012, she co-founded Fruition Seeds with her partner Matthew to share the seeds, knowledge and inspiration gardeners crave to amplify our individual and collective abundance in our short seasons. If she's not farming she is singing, skiing, snuggling her dogs, hunting mushrooms or learning something new.*

**REGISTER NOW AT:**

[HTTPS://REG.CCE.CORNELL.EDU/  
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LVES\\_224](https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/savingourseedssavingourseeds_LVES_224)

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|                 |                |
|-----------------|----------------|
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| Matt Cicero     | Heather Pero   |
| Callie Duryea   | Meghan Rodwell |
| Jessica Gramkee |                |

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