



Schoharie County 4-H Newsletter



*A Publication of Cornell Cooperative Extension
Schoharie and Otsego Counties*

Cornell Cooperative Extension | Schoharie and Otsego Counties

March 2019



**4-H Member
Makayla Ryder giving a Public
Presentation on
Animal Digestive Systems.**

4-H is a **community** of **young people**
 **across America** who are learning
leadership, citizenship and
life skills.

**Cornell Cooperative Extension
Schoharie & Otsego Counties
4-H Youth Development Staff**

Teresa Adell
4-H Association Subject Educator
518-234-4303 ext. 113
tla47@cornell.edu
Susan Salisbury
Afterschool Coordinator
518-234-4303 ext.122
sms248@cornell.edu
Colleen Badger
4-H Assistant
518-234-4303 ext.117
cpb98@cornell.edu
Patti Zellmer
4-H Program Leader
607- 547-2536 ext. 225
psz2@cornell.edu

4-H Youth Development Mission Statement

The mission of Cornell Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development is to build youth-adult partnerships to enable youth to become fully engaged in their learning process. New York State 4-H is a leader in enabling youth to develop the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and abilities to become productive citizens and is a catalyst for positive change to meet the needs of a diverse and changing society.

Through 4-H Youth Development, youth will:

- Practice effective problem-solving and decision-making skills
- Possess positive work attitudes and skills
- Value diversity
- Accept community and social responsibility
- Contribute to positive relationships with families, peers, and community
- Demonstrate communication and leadership skills
- Value lifelong learning

Cornell Cooperative Extension values:

- 4-H Youth development as the focus of all youth development activities
- Partnerships for supporting, conducting, and extending the program
- Volunteerism as a cornerstone of the program

The Cobleskill office is open Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Cornell Cooperative Extension, in collaboration with Cobleskill-Richmondville Central School and Schoharie Central School, provides afterschool programs that serve over 110 students in grades K-6. The program serves students at Schoharie Central (grades K-6) and Ryder and Radez Elementaries (K-6).

The after school program offers 4-H projects, indoor/outdoor recreation, arts, crafts, games, homework helper, and a nutritious snack. In addition, cultural exposure, computer literacy, conflict resolution, and service learning enrich and instill life-long skills. 4-H Youth Development Programs use experiential, research-based educational opportunities to develop youth independence, a sense of belonging, generosity, and mastery. For additional information, please contact After School Program Coordinator Susan Salisbury at sms248@cornell.edu, or 518-234-4304.

Follow here for updates and activities on 4-H youth in the 4-H Afterschool Program

The *Schoharie County 4-H Newsletter* is published eleven times a year by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Schoharie & Otsego Counties. The information provided here is with the understanding that no discrimination is intended and no endorsements by Cornell Cooperative Extension implied. Contents may be reproduced with credit given. Cornell Cooperative Extension is an employer and educator recognized for valuing AA/EEO, Protected Veterans, and Individuals with Disabilities and provides equal program and employment opportunities.

Cornell Cooperative Extension
Schoharie and Otsego Counties
173 Grand Street, Suite #1
Cobleskill, NY 12043
518-234-4303 Ext 113, 518-296-8310
f. 518-234-4305 www.cceschoharie-otsego.org



4-H Calendar Events 2018-2019



MARCH	
2	4-H District Dairy Bowl, Ichabod Crane Middle School, Valatie, Registration 8:30 a.m.
3	4-H Dog Training Orientation and Education Class, CCE Extension Center, 2:00 p.m.
9	4-H District Horse Bowl and Hippology, Canajoharie, 9:00 a.m.
9	4-H Dairy Goat Clinic, CCE Extension Center, 1-3 p.m.
10	4-H Dairy Judging, CCE Center, 1p.m.
10	4-H Dog Training, Hessian Hill Farm, 2:00 p.m.
10	4-H Shooting Sports, Air Rifle, Middleburgh Rod & Gun Club, 1-4 p.m.
13	4-H Legislative Intern Program, Schoharie County Office Building, 9-2 p.m.
15	4-H International Night, CCE Extension Center, 7:00 p.m.
17	4-H Dog Training, Hessian Hill Farm, 2:00 p.m.
23	4-H Earn an Animal Orientation, CCE Extension Center, 9:00 a.m.
23	4-H Livestock Auction Orientation , CCE Extension Center 11:00am
24	4-H Dog Training, Hessian Hill Farm, 2:00 p.m.
29- 30	4-H Dairy Discovery, Cornell University
30	4-H Dairy Goat Clinic, CCE Extension Center, 1-3 p.m.
31	4-H Dog Training, Hessian Hill Farm, 2:00 p.m.
31	March Dog Madness, Middleton, NY , 10am-4pm
APRIL	
1	Tractor Safety Class, Curtis Mott Hall, SUNY Cobleskill, 5-9 p.m.
5-7	State Teen Action Rep. Retreat (STARR) NYS Fairgrounds, Syracuse
7	4-H Dog Training, Hessian Hill Farm. 2p.m.
8	Tractor Safety Class, Curtis Mott Hall, SUNY Cobleskill, 5-9 p.m.
10	4-H Legislative Intern Program, Trip to Albany
13	Tractor Safety Class, Curtis Mott Hall, SUNY Cobleskill, 9a.m.-4p.m.
13	4-H Dairy Goat Clinic, CCE Extension Office, 1-3p.m.
14	4-H Dog Training, Hessian Hill Farm, 2:00 p.m.
27	4-H District Presentations, Horse Communications, Tamarac High School, 9-1p.m.
28	4-H Equine Extravaganza, SUNY Cobleskill, 9-3p.m.
MAY	
4	Animal Crackers at Cornell University- Species: Horse & Poultry
3-5	4-H Forestry Weekend, Camp Shankitunk, Delaware County
8	4-H Legislative Intern Program, 9a.m.-2p.m.
11	4-H Fishing Clinic, Middleburgh Rod and Gun Club, 9a.m.-12p.m.
17	Legislative Interns Reception, Schoharie County Office Building, 9-2p.m.
18	4-H Gardening Clinic, CCE Extension Center, 9 a.m.
19-21	4-H Capital Days, Albany
27	Memorial Day, CCE Offices closed
28	Leader's Meeting, CCE Extension Office, 6:30p.m.
31	DEADLINE for NEW 4-H members to enroll for full benefits (County Fair & year completion)

4-H Club News

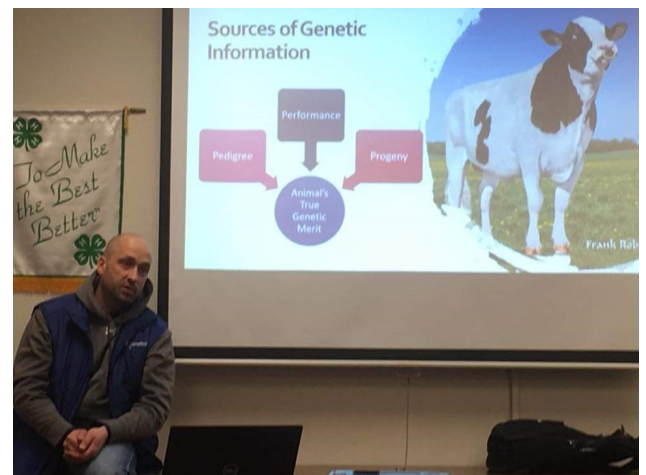
Animal Aggies had a busy month of February with 4 of our members participating in the Public Presentations on Saturday, February 9th. Congratulations to Annika Falco, Arrietta & Nathan Kuehne, and Benjamin Walrath for all doing an excellent job. On Saturday February 16th, members of our club attended the History of Sled Dogs lecture program held at the Old Stone Fort Museum in Schoharie. We all learned a lot about sled dogs and donated some needed pet items to the Schoharie Valley Animal Shelter. Afterwards we enjoyed some sliding & skating fun at the nearby ice rink.



Everything

Under The Sun learned about birds in their backyard this month. Parents helped members make pinecone birdfeeders using peanut butter and bird seed. Cody Baciuska, a local wildlife expert and club parent, led an exploration of birds and their adaptations. We also build birdhouses out of pre-cut and pre-dilled wood. It was a fun and busy meeting.

Die Hard Dairy met and talked about what to do with our money we made during our pizza fundraiser. We came up with stuff like take a tour of a farm with robots and a sheep farm. Next we had Kevin Ziemba from the company ST Genetics come to show us how to read a pedigree on a dairy cow. We learned a lot on reading a pedigree on a dairy cow. He said we knew more than college students when he was finished. We thanked him for coming and that is how our meeting went. Club reporter, Case Yacobucci



Wandering Pathfinders visited the Rock and Fossil Fun Fair at the NY State Museum in Albany, NY on February 17, 2019. We learned a lot about Geologic time and kinds of fossils that can be found in NY State. We even got to see and touch real fossils! We also learned about rocks and minerals. We saw some rocks and minerals that were strange shapes and colors. There were also some rocks and minerals that glowed under a special light. We thought that was really cool! We met a real paleontologist that identified rocks and fossils we brought from our homes. Some were 350 million years old! There were many activities and learning stations to visit, even one about real life rocks and minerals in Minecraft! You could even enter a raffle for your own rock and mineral collection by collecting stamps at each station. We had a great day and learned a lot! Club Secretary- Abigail Smith

4-H Schoharie County



4-H members display their creations after participating in the Fine Arts painting workshop.



4-H members show off the drawstring bags they made at the Sewing Clinic.



4-H member Stella VanZutphen presenting on How to Nurse a Calf Back to Health



Liz Goblet-Schubert teaching 4-H youth how to make healthy dog treats

4-H Upcoming Events

JOANN ♥ ♻️ ✂️

CLOVERS FOR KIDS

March 1 - April 30

Help inspire kids to do for themselves and their communities.

GIVE TO 4-H TODAY



Saturday, March 9 & 30, 1-3 PM @ CCE

Saturday, April 13, 1-3 PM @ CCE

These classes will cover

<i>Breed Specifics</i>	<i>Disease & Vaccinations</i>
<i>Housing & Fencing</i>	<i>Fitting</i>
<i>Nutrition & Health</i>	<i>Showmanship</i>

JOANN stores are helping 4-H bring more hands-on programs to local communities across the nation to inspire kids to lead lives with their head, hands, and hearts. Between March 1 – April 30, 2019 visit your local JOANN store and purchase a clover tear away at the register for either \$1 or \$4.



Registration Deadline is March 4, 2019
 Cost is \$4 per member.
 Pre-Registration is Required.
 Teresa Adell
 tla47@cornell.edu OR 518-234-4303

Schoharie County Dairy Judging

Dairy cattle judging has been very important to dairy farmers and dairy cattle breeders for years.

The goal is to have show-winning cows with excellent-type conformation.

Being able to evaluate type conformation requires a lot of hard work and training. You can learn this and have a great time as well through the 4-H dairy judging program.

Dairy Judging class will be Sunday, March 10
 1pm at the CCE Extension Center



PLEASE REGISTER BY March 7
 Contact:
 Teresa Adell
 Cornell Cooperative Extension of
 Schoharie and Otsego Counties
 173 South Grand St.
 Cobleskill, NY 12043
 tla47@cornell.edu
 Phone (518) 234-4303 ext 113

"Cornell Cooperative Extension provides equal program and employment opportunities"



4-H Tractor Safety Certification Course

A Three Day Series

Mondays: April 1, 5-9 p.m.

April 8, 5-9 p.m.

April 13, 9- 4 p.m.

Curtis Mott Building, SUNY Cobleskill

Must attend all classes

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Schoharie and Otsego Counties will be offering the Safe Tractor and Machinery Operator's Certification Course in cooperation with SUNY Cobleskill's Agriculture Engineering Department.

This safety course is available to youth ages 14 and up. Any youth under the age of 16 must complete this program in order to receive a Certificate of Exemption for farm equipment and tractor operation.

Classroom and driving skill instruction included.

Fee is \$20. Class is limited to 15 students.
Registration Deadline March 22
Contact Teresa Adell, tla47@cornell.edu
Or 518-234-4303



"Cornell Cooperative Extension provides equal program and employment opportunities."
 Cornell Cooperative Extension of Schoharie and Otsego Counties, 173 South Grand St. Cobleskill, NY 12043

4-H LIVESTOCK



AUCTION AT THE FAIR

SATURDAY

MARCH 23

11:00am

**CCE EXTENSION
CENTER**



**MUST PRE-
REGISTER**

WITH 4-H OFFICE

Teresa Adell

tla47@cornell.edu

518-234-4303 ext 113

**Find out information and
requirements
to participate**

4-H Schoharie County



4-H INTERNATIONAL NIGHT



Take a Trip around the World with out leaving Schoharie County

4-H clubs will pick a country that they are interested in and learn about the food (bring samples to share), customs, clothing and share with the audience.

May include:

Games, flags, musical instruments, posters, art, pictures, sing a song, demonstrate a dance, wear country's national costume or share some learned language, also history and geography.

Participants are invited to "travel" to the different countries by visiting the local 4-H club tables, earning punches to a passport, for a prize!



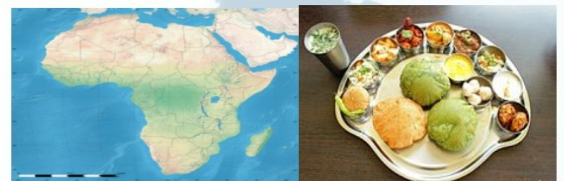
Friday, March 15, 2019
6:30pm

CCE Extension Center, Cobleskill

Pre-registration is required

Contact Teresa Adell, tla47@cornell.edu

518-234-4303, 296-8310



DAIRY DISCOVERY WORKSHOP

Friday, March 29-Saturday, March 30

@ Cornell University



The annual Dairy Discovery program provides New York youth with fun, hands-on science oriented learning experience on dairy production and management topics which feature the unique facilities, industry professionals, and staff of Cornell.

This year's topic:

Dairy Herd Health and Management

This state-wide event is for youth ages 14-19.

Registration deadline is March 1, 2019.

Cost: \$50 per Youth plus lodging. Scholarships Available.

For more information or to register,

Contact the 4-H Office

518-234-4303, 296-8310

Teresa Adell

tla47@cornell.edu

PAPER CLOVER

MARCH 27 - APRIL 7

TSC TRACTOR SUPPLY CO.

SUPPORT PAPER CLOVER SALES

March 27-April 7

FROM OUR FRIENDS AT

TRACTOR SUPPLY CO., Cobleskill

Tractor Supply Co. is honored to support 4-H programs across the country. We would like to invite your 4-H Club to come by our store during the upcoming Paper Clover event. We know that when clubs are present in-store during the event, donations increase by more than 40%. Your club can get involved by setting up a table to sell Paper Clovers, help bag customer's purchases, display your animals, or even demonstrate projects.

If you would like to participate during Paper Clover, you can contact, Danielle Williams at 518-234-1967.

Remember, 100% of funds raised support 4-H! 90% stays in your state and 10% will go to National 4-H.

4-H Schoharie County



4-H STARR State Teen Action Reps Retreat April 5-7, 2019

STARR is an annual weekend for 4-H teens from across the New York State to gather and build leadership skills as well as network with peers and adults from across the state.

STARR compasses the best of team building activities, youth community action & youth adult partnerships in one fun-filled, fast paced weekend. Participants gain new skills and knowledge by attending workshops of their choice, learning how to “make the best better” and participating in awesome community services activities!

- STARR is open to 4-H teens 13 to 19 years of age, and their adult chaperone
- Cost is \$85.00 per person (covers lodging, meals, workshop supplies and more, scholarships are available through the Schoharie County 4-H office)
- Contact Teresa Adell, tla47@cornell.edu, 518-234-4303, 296-8310, for more information and registration.



Animal Crackers Cornell University Horse and Poultry Saturday, May 4, 2019



The annual Animal Crackers program provides New York youth with fun, hands-on, science-oriented learning experiences on Animal Science topics. This workshop is for 4-H members interested in learning more about their favorite livestock, companion or pet animal species; emphasis on different species groupings and activities varies annually. Participants will learn about different aspects of animal care, interact and exchange information with faculty, staff, students, professional producers, industry experts, and more, utilizing the unique facilities of Cornell University. Hands-on workshops are planned for each species group.

When/Where: This Saturday workshop is held every May on the Cornell campus ([Morrison Hall](#) – 507 Tower Rd, Ithaca, NY 14853).

Who: The program is geared to 4-H members involved in animal science projects. Youth are strongly encouraged to attend with their parents or chaperones. Suggested age range is 9-12, however, all youth 9 and up are welcome.

Why: This is a unique opportunity for youth to experience hands-on activities in a university setting, explore career options in animal science, and expand their knowledge through scientific inquiry.

Registration: Participants must register with **The 4-H office, Teresa Adell tla47@cornell.edu, 518-234-4303, 296-8310, deadline is April 12.**

Cost: \$15 per youth participant. No fee for chaperones. Please note: transportation to and from the event is at the participant's own expense.

Participants must bring their own lunch and drinks. The closest place to purchase food is a 5 minute drive from campus.

Cornell University

College of Veterinary Medicine

Open House

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2019

10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

DOORS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC FROM 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

The students, faculty, and staff of the Cornell College of Veterinary Medicine invite you, your family, and friends to our 52nd annual Open House.

Open House is our opportunity to share the joys of our profession with the community. Veterinary students and members of the faculty and staff host this annual event that provides a chance for those interested to get a closer look at veterinary medicine.

We invite you to tour our college and learn more about our facilities, our equipment, and what we do everyday.

Students, faculty members, and staff will be on hand to answer your questions about a career as a veterinarian, a veterinary technician, or an animal care specialist. Careers in veterinary medicine have traditionally involved working with dogs, cats, cows, horses, sheep, and pigs. However, this rapidly growing field also provides opportunities to work in the animal health industry, government, armed forces, and with many other species in zoos, wildlife refuges, and developing countries.

PLEASE NOTE: PERSONAL PETS ARE NOT ALLOWED AT OPEN HOUSE

ADMISSION TO THE EVENT IS FREE.

New York State 4-H International Exchange Programs Families Needed to Host in Summer 2019

Host a Japanese youth delegate in your home this summer July 23-August 17



“It’s like having a sister I always wanted and a best friend.”

-States’ 4-H Host Sibling

Open your home to an exchange student and open your lives to the world!

HOSTING PERIOD: July 21-25(arrival) to August 18-22(departure)

- You can host a youth aged 12-18 (most are 12-14) or an adult chaperone
- Youth have a range of English language abilities, so host families should be prepared to communicate imaginatively

HOST FAMILY REQUIREMENTS

- You must have a child of the same gender who is within 3 years of the hosted youth (children aged 10+ are eligible to host)
- Families without children of the appropriate age may host an adult chaperone
- No special activities need to be planned since these youth want to experience American culture, make new friends, and improve their English by staying with your family
- This is a voluntary program; no stipends will be provided
- You don’t need to be involved with 4-H to host

For more information:

CONTACT: Andy Turner • ast4@cornell.edu, State Coordinator, 4-H International Programs or Autumn Lavine • aml84@cornell.edu, Local Coordinator, 4-H International Programs

ONLINE: www.states4Hexchange.org • Facebook: www.facebook.com/states4hexchange • Instagram: [states4international](https://www.instagram.com/states4international)

Please note: Host family selection is dependent on completion of an application and screening process as well as student availability and personality compatibility



4-H Equine Extravaganza

Saturday, April 7th 2018

9:00am through 3:00pm

Equine Center at SUNY Cobleskill

Come join SUNY Cobleskill Faculty and Students for a fun filled day of learning about Equine Science!

Educational topics include:

Nutrition

Tack & Saddle Fitting

Horse Judging

Horse Management

Farrier Care, and more!

This event also includes a tract for Cloverbuds!

Registration is \$15 per youth and \$10 per adult (includes a t-shirt)

This event is open to enrolled 4-H youth ages 5-19 and adult chaperones.

Lunch is not provided, dining options are available on and off campus for lunch.

For more information and registration materials contact:

Kyle Yacobucci at ky292@cornell.edu –or– Teresa Adell at tla47@cornell.edu

Registration is due Friday, March 16th



SUNY Cobleskill



**Cornell University
Cooperative Extension
Fulton and Montgomery Counties**



**Cornell University
Cooperative Extension
Schoharie and Otsego Counties**

Building Strong and Vibrant New York Communities

Cornell Cooperative Extension is an employer and educator recognized for valuing AA/EEO, Protected Veterans, and Individuals with Disabilities and provides equal program and employment opportunities

4-H DAIRY EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES 2019

4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl- March 2, 2019-Opportunity for 4-H youth to demonstrate their knowledge of dairy related subject matter in a competitive setting.

Beginner Division -youth ages 10 and under as of January 1.

Junior Team-youth ages at least 9 and less than 14 years old as of January 1.

Senior Team-youth must be at least 14 years old as of January 1 and not pass 19 by January 1 of current year.

4-H Dairy Challenge-An Educational activity for 4-H youth to test their dairy management knowledge and skills, evaluate top quality animals, and receive experience in evaluation and decision making to further their success in the dairy industry. Contest activities consist of youth rotating through different stations within their division. Youth will be tested on general knowledge in the following designated areas: dairy judging, farm and food safety, nutrition and feeds, housing and facilities, dairy products, health and diseases, reproduction, farm business management, records.

4-H Dairy Discovery-March 29-30, 2019-The annual Dairy Discovery program provides New York youth with fun, hands-on science oriented learning experience on dairy production and management topics which feature the unique facilities, industry professionals and staff of Cornell. This state wide event is for youth ages 14-19.

4-H Dairy Judging & Tours-March 10, CCE Extension Center, 1 p.m. This educational event helps you to develop a skill for selecting animals based on body conformation and breed characteristics. 4-H Dairy Judging Tours are planned throughout the year.

NYS Junior Dairy Leader-the Junior Dairy Leader program is intended to reach youth between the ages of 16-19 who have an interest in exploring careers in the dairy industry through hands-on experiential learning. The program presents youth with a realistic view of the dairy industry as a viable and profitable progressive business sector, while also building personal and professional skills. The program consists of a series of workshops that focus on multiple facets of the dairy industry, personal development and technical skills. Opportunities included:

- Representing New York at the National 4-H Dairy Conference
- Interaction with Dairy Producers and Agribusiness Professionals
- Resume Development
- On-Farm Production Management Experiences
- Leadership Development and Team Building
- Dairy Farm and Production Facility Tours in the Northeast and Wisconsin
- Technical Skills Seminars in Herd Health, Calf Care, Dairy Nutrition, and Artificial Insemination



Cornell University
 Cooperative Extension
 Schoharie and Otsego Counties
 173 South Grand Street, Suite 1
 Cobleskill, NY 12043



Join us on
Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/schohariecounty4H>



Cornell University
 Cooperative Extension
 Schoharie and Otsego Counties



4-H GROWS HERE

Cobleskill Office Hours

**Open Monday through Friday
 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**



Support local 4-H youth development by reducing our publication and mailing costs. Your ad is viewed by nearly 400 youth, parents, and volunteers. Contact Cornell Cooperative Extension at (518) 234-4303, 296-8310 for more Information.