

# 4-H Steubenite

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January/February/March 2025

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Steuben County

## 2025 Steuben County

## 4-H Showcase



July  
24th - 26th



HENDERSHOT  
HAFLINGERS

5869 Clinton Rd Cameron Mills, NY

*Full schedule available soon!*

# Upcoming Events

**January** Dog Obedience every Tuesday 5:00pm @ Howard Community Building

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> Ownership Deadline for Market Beef Steers, Small Frame Beef Steers, Beef Heifers, Dairy Steers & Dairy Feeder Steers (Class #2)	2	3	4
5 Hippology & Horse Bowl 2-4 @ Chasin' a Dream Farm Air Rifle Class 1-4p	6	7	8 Hot Topics 7pm Zoom Meeting	9	10	11
12 Alfred State College Visit Air Rifle Class 1-4p	13 YQCA Training @ Howard Community Building 5:30pm	14 Tractor Course 5:30-8pm	15 ONLINE Market Beef Steers/Heifers & Market/Feeder Dairy Steer ID's Due (Class #2)	16 4-H Program Advisory Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m.	17 Market Turkey & Market Chick orders due to CCE	18 Fishing pole Class 9am-11am
19 Hippology & Horse Bowl 2-4 @ Reisling Ridge	20 <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b> Fishing pole Class 5:30pm-7:30pm	21 Tractor Course 5:30-8pm	22 YQCA Training @ CCE Office 6pm	23	24	25 Fishing pole Class 9am-11am
26 Dairy Bowl Practice 12-2	27	28 Tractor Course 5:30-8pm	29 Tractor Course Driving Class 12-3pm	30	31	

*The Cornell Cooperative Extension Office is located on the second floor of the Steuben County Annex Building, 20 East Morris St, Bath, NY 14810  
Office Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday Phone: 607-664-2300*

## 4-H Program Committee

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## 4-H Program Staff:

Jenny Groen, 4-H Program Leader  
Michelle Chase, 4-H Program Educator  
Anne Zschoche, 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator

**February** - Dog Obedience every Tuesday 5:00pm @ Howard Community Building

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
						1 Cloverbud Fishing Pole Class 9am-11am
2 Cloverbud Fishing Pole Class 9am-11am  Horse Bowl & Hippology 1 – 3 @ Begin Again  Livestock/Dairy Class 12pm-2pm  Air Pistol Class 1-4p	3	4  Tractor Course 5:30-8pm	5	6	7	8  Cloverbud Fishing Pole Class 3pm-5pm
9  Air Pistol Class 1-4p	10	11  Tractor Course 5:30-8pm	12	13	14	15
16 Livestock / Dairy Hippology & Horse Bowl @ CCE Office 2-4	17	18  Tractor Course 5:30-8pm	19  Tractor Course Driving Class 12-3pm	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	

**March** - NYS Agricultural Literacy Week March 17 – 21 , Dog Obedience every Tuesday 5:00pm @ Howard Community Building

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
						1 Region 2 Horse Extravaganza
2	3	4	5  Hot Topic Zoom Meeting 7pm	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15 Dairy Bowl & Livestock Skillathon Regional Contest
16  Shotgun Class 1-4p	17	18  National Ag Day	19	20  4-H Program Advisory Committee Meeting 5:30 p.m.	21	22  Maple Weekend
23  30	24  31	25	26	27	28	29  Maple Weekend

Please check [www.putknowledgetowork.org](http://www.putknowledgetowork.org); <https://www.facebook.com/steuben4H/> and Monday Memo for the most current dates & information or any changes that may occur.

### Checking the Web!

It is very important that everyone is checking the web site, [www.putknowledgetowork.org](http://www.putknowledgetowork.org) and then click on 4-H Youth on a weekly basis as new items are appearing on the web site daily. We will keep you informed of upcoming events and changes by

### Office News



### Please Note 4-H Office Policy!!!!

Any items, Achievement Night items, Banquet items, Fair items, etc., left in the 4-H Office over 60 days from the date you are notified will be disposed of as the 4-H Staff deems reasonable. You will receive one phone call or email notification. It will be noted on each item the date that you were notified. Please make sure items are picked up, for you or your club, in a timely manner.

## 4-H Tractor and Machinery Operation Certification Program

Registration Due January 3 with course  
Starting January 14th

Youth who will be 14 and over as of January 1, 2025 can take the course for certification. Participants who want to earn their certification must pass both the written exam and the driving test. The cost for this course is \$25.00 for 4-H members to cover the cost of materials and is payable to CCE by Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. The online registration form can be found @ <https://form.jotform.com/243365431120142> or by contacting Michelle at Cornell Cooperative Extension at 607-664-2571. Teens who are not current 4-H members are eligible to take this course but in addition they will need to complete a 4-H enrollment packet as an independent member by Tuesday, January 7 which is found on our website and pay the \$10.00 4-H enrollment fee.

The schedule for the course is as follows:

Tuesdays, **January 14 – February 18** 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. @ Coopers Plains Boces Campus, Heavy Equipment Building #4 (9579 Vocational Drive Painted Post, NY)

**Hands-On/Driving Sessions: Wednesday 1/29, 2/19** 12-3 p.m.

## Steuben County 4-H Tractor Safety Course



SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THIS COURSE (CLASSROOM & DRIVING) PROVIDES TRACTOR AND MACHINERY CERTIFICATION FOR YOUTH 14 YEARS AND OLDER. THIS CERTIFICATION ALLOWS YOUTH 14 AND UP TO LEGALLY OPERATE TRACTORS AND MACHINERY WHILE OFF THE FAMILY FARM. FARM SAFETY AWARENESS IS A MAJOR FOCUS!

YOUTH MUST BE 14 YEARS OF AGE BY JAN. 1ST, 2025 AND ENROLLED IN STEUBEN COUNTY 4-H  
COST: \$35/YOUTH  
NOT A 4-H MEMBER?  
JOIN FOR JUST \$10/YOUTH

Questions? Contact Michelle  
@ [mlc353@cornell.edu](mailto:mlc353@cornell.edu) or  
607-664-2571



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## 2025 NYS 4-H STAR

SAVE THE DATE for STAR 2025, May 2-4 @ NYS Fairgrounds! Limited space available – save the date and look for registration information coming soon!!

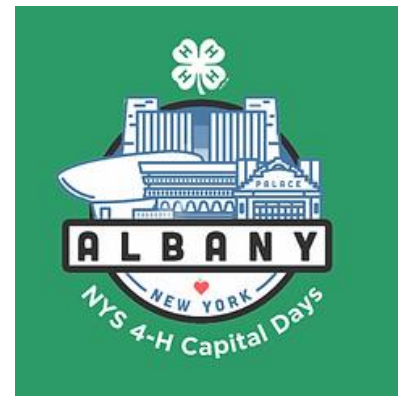
The State Teen Action Retreat (STAR) is a three-day, fun-filled event where 4-H teens participate in a variety of workshops and activities meant to challenge, excite and further develop life skills. The event is planned by teens and adults serving on the youth/adult STAR planning committee. STAR is open to all NYS 4-H Teens. Registration information will be available soon!

### NYS 4-H Capital Days

4-H Capital Days is a NYSACCE4-HE sponsored event that gives youth an opportunity to meet and interact with legislators and tell their 4-H story. 4-H Capital Days creates awareness of career opportunities in New York State government, better understand state government, and network with delegates from other counties. Delegates are chosen by their county 4-H program. 4-H Capital Days dates are May 18 - 20, 2025 in Albany!

Teen Planning Committee Applications are available on the [state website](#) and must be signed by the county 4-H Educator. Youth do not have to have attended in the past, though it is helpful, and they have to be available for conference calls/zoom for planning before the event.

Please contact [Jenny](#) if you have any questions or are interested in applying for the planning committee or in attending the 2025 Capital Days. Discounted prices available.



### National Ag Day Video Essay Contest Announces

#### Why Food Security Equals National Security

Sponsored by:

[CHS Inc.](#), [Farm Progress](#), [Successful Farming](#) & the [National Association of Farm Broadcasting](#)

Students across the country are invited to enter the National Ag Day Video Essay Contest sponsored by the Agriculture Council of America. This year's theme is **Agriculture: Why Food Security Equals National Security**.

Participants are encouraged to explore the future of agriculture and present their thoughts, ideas, and concerns in a concise and engaging manner.

National Ag Day's objective is to celebrate agriculture and to help consumers better understand how farmers and the companies serving them produce abundant,

healthy, nutritious, and safe food while caring and tending for the land; leading the way in preservation and innovation for the health of our planet....and our families.

By participating in this contest, students have the opportunity to explore their creativity, engage with important agricultural issues, and contribute valuable insights into the future of farming in the United States.

Please visit <http://www.agday.org/essay-contest> for further details.



**4-H Shooting Sports Steuben County**

**SCHEDULE**

<b>DECEMBER</b> 1 & 8 1-4P	<b>ARCHERY</b> AGES 9-11 & 12-14	<b>GREAT JOB!</b>
<b>JANUARY</b> 5 & 12 1-4P	<b>AIR RIFLE</b> AGES 9-12 & 13-14	
<b>FEBRUARY</b> 2 & 9 1-4P	<b>AIR PISTOL</b> AGES 10-13 & 14-15	
<b>MARCH</b> 16 & 23 1-4P	<b>SHOTGUN</b> AGES 12-15 & 16-18	
<b>APRIL</b> 6 & 13 1-4P	<b>MUZZLE LOADER</b> AGES 14-16 & 17-18	
<b>MAY</b> 16-18	<b>STATE SHOOT</b> Archery, Air Pistol, Shotgun, Muzzle Loader, Hunting and Wildlife - more details to come	

ALL EVENTS HELD AT BATH RD AND GLEN  
777 TELEGRAPH RD, BATH, NY 14810  
www.cce-ny.org/265@cornell.edu

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## Steuben County 4-H Shooting Sports

Did you know that 4-H has a nationally recognized program based around shooting sports? In Steuben County we have a 4-H shooting sports program that children can learn archery, air rifle, air pistol, shotgun, muzzle loader and hunting, conservation, and outdoor skills (HCOS), all while learning how to handle the equipment safely while having fun. We have an indoor range that allows us to shoot archery all year round.

[Register for classes here!](#)

### \*\*\*New Contests added to Steuben County Spring State Shoot\*\*\*

We will be adding archery and air pistol to our local state shoot. We will still have shotgun, muzzle loader and HCOS as well. May 16-18. More details to come!!

### Did you know we offer a few opportunities to come to your club to do one of the following?

Wildlife Identification  
Tree Identification

Wild Bird Identification  
Compass Activities

Have your leader reach out at [amz65@cornell.edu](mailto:amz65@cornell.edu) with any questions or to schedule a visit.

### FISHING POLE WORKSHOP

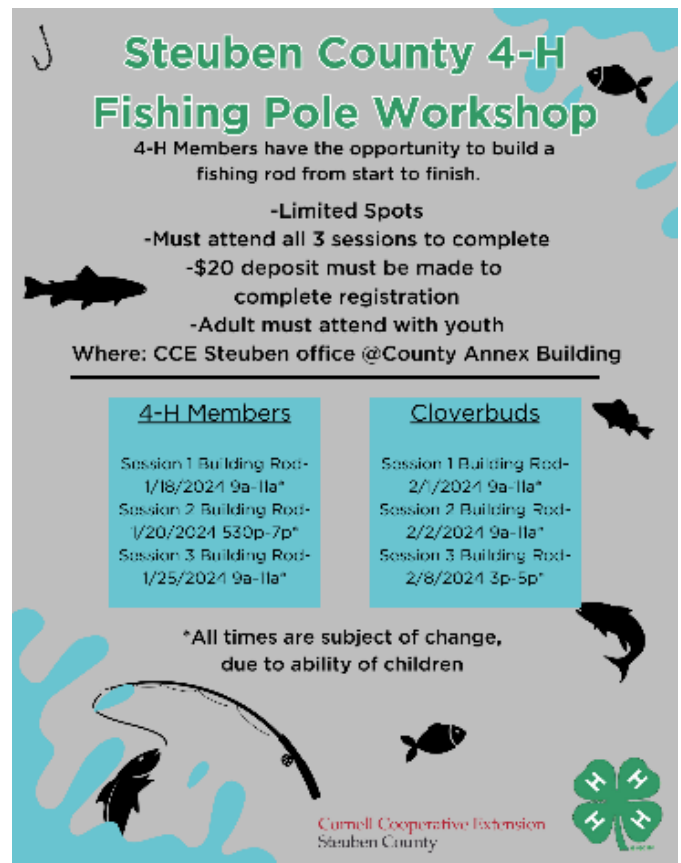
Come build a fishing pole with an adult from start to finish. It will be a series of 3 classes to complete. Limited spaces available.

4-H members: 8-18 register here:

<https://www.jotform.com/form/243465570597165>

Cloverbud members 5-7 register here:

<https://www.jotform.com/build/243465946106158>



**Steuben County 4-H Fishing Pole Workshop**

4-H Members have the opportunity to build a fishing rod from start to finish.

- Limited Spots
- Must attend all 3 sessions to complete
- \$20 deposit must be made to complete registration
- Adult must attend with youth

Where: CCE Steuben office @County Annex Building

4-H Members	Cloverbuds
Session 1 Building Rod- 1/18/2024 9a-11a*	Session 1 Building Rod- 2/7/2024 9a-11a*
Session 2 Building Rod- 1/20/2024 530p-7p*	Session 2 Building Rod- 2/2/2024 9a-11a*
Session 3 Building Rod- 1/25/2024 9a-11a*	Session 3 Building Rod- 2/8/2024 3p-5p*

\*All times are subject of change, due to ability of children

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## The Great Backyard Bird Count



The Great Backyard Birds Count is February 14-17, 2025. This annual event engages bird watchers of all ages in counting birds to create a real-time snapshot of where the birds are across the continent. Anyone can participate, from beginning bird watchers to experts. It takes as little as 15 minutes on one or more of the count days, anywhere they like. It's free, fun, and easy—and it helps the birds. Then they enter their counts on the Great Backyard Bird Count web site <https://www.birdcount.org/>. The Great Backyard Bird Count is led by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and National Audubon Society, with Canadian partner Bird Studies Canada and is sponsored by Wild Birds Unlimited, Cornell Information Technologies, Natural Resources Conservation Service, and National Science Foundation. As tallies pour in from around the United States and Canada, everyone can watch the results in real time.

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## 2025 NY Agricultural Literacy Week

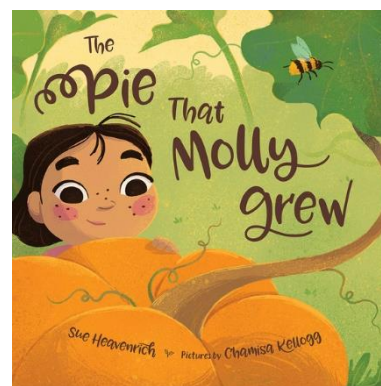
### March 17 - March 21

In celebration of New York agriculture, volunteers throughout the state will read a book with an agricultural theme to elementary students, with a focus on second grade classrooms. Farmers, FFA and 4-H members, adults engaged in a career in agriculture, and engaged in our food system volunteer to enthusiastically engage your students in a paired hands-on activity related to the book to extend learning. The book will be donated to the school or classroom library with a bookplate recognizing the donor and our celebration of New York Agricultural Literacy Week. 3,100 books were donated last year with over 103,000 students participating in the book reading and related hands-on activity.

Local community members often sponsor a book to a local participating classroom or library for \$15.

**If you are interested in volunteering or donating, please contact Cornell Cooperative Extension of Steuben County at 607-664-2300 or visit <https://secure.qgiv.com/for/saalwb>**

**Further information can be found at <https://ny.agclassroom.org/programs/literacy/>**



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## National Agriculture Day: March 18, 2025

**National Ag Day is a day to recognize and celebrate the abundance provided by Agriculture.** Every year, producers, agricultural associations, corporations, universities, government agencies and countless others across America join together to recognize the contributions of agriculture. Join us as we honor agriculture for providing safe, abundant and affordable products, a strong economy, a source of renewable energy, and a world of job opportunities. For more information about celebrating National Ag Day, go to <http://www.agday.org/>. The site includes fun facts, links to other sites, resources, and planning guide.

## 2025 Spring Tree Sale

Steuben County Soil and Water Conservation District's annual tree seedlings and transplants will be taking place in March!

The plants come as a Bare Root and are offered for Conservation Planting!

**To receive an order form or more information, contact the Steuben County Soil and Water Conservation District at 607-776-7398.**



## **NYS Maple Weekends**

The New York State Maple Producers Association invites families from across the Empire State and neighboring areas to learn all about the production of maple syrup and other related products. For a perfect family outing plan to attend one of the days of Maple Weekend on **Sat. March 22 and Sun., March 23, 2025 and on Sat., March 29 and Sun., March 30, 2025**. Admission is free. For specific locations and information go to [www.mapleweekend.com](http://www.mapleweekend.com).



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## Pheasant Chick Project



The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) will be distributing day-old

pheasant chicks for rearing and release projects to 4-H Youth. All state pheasants are hatched and delivered from the DEC Reynolds Game Farm in Ithaca. Parents, leaders, or other volunteers who are willing to oversee and assist youth with this project are expected to become familiar with the **DEC's Cooperative Day-Old Pheasant Chick Program Guide and DVD**. CCE-Steuben can provide you with these materials!

**Release of Pheasants:** All pheasants must be released before December 1 of the current year & on land open to public hunting. Pheasants cannot be released until they are at least 8 weeks old (this allows the growing birds time to acclimate to the environment in an outdoor pen). Birds should never be released to the outdoors directly from the brooding facility.

For those interested in starting a pheasant rearing program, there are a number of responsibilities the

person overseeing the project should plan on. You'll be responsible for reviewing program requirements, discuss rearing techniques, and explain project expectations with the youth you are overseeing. You'll also be responsible for inspecting rearing facilities and evaluating the release site, in order to ensure proper rearing and release condition for the birds. The youth & adult volunteer usually monitor progress together and share their experiences with other participants at 4-H meetings. The number of pheasants released is recorded at the end of the project.

In addition to the actual rearing project, leaders may choose to integrate other wildlife management strategies. Pheasants could be banded and released at different ages and on different sites to monitor mortality and survival. With landowner permission, habitat at the release site could be improved to benefit pheasants and other wildlife. There are many opportunities to expand the rearing and release program to include additional wildlife conservation activities.

**Interested in participating? Questions? Contact us!**

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## 2025 4-H Spring Garden Meeting

All 4-H members, leaders, and parents are invited to attend the annual 4-H Spring Garden Meeting.

**Date:** April

**Location:** TBD



Please plan to attend the annual spring 4-H garden meeting. Tips will be presented on both flower and vegetable gardening and how to exhibit them at the 4-H Showcase. In addition, we will have some fun hands-on activities to get a jump start on your gardening.

Free seeds will be available to 4-H members to use in their gardens.

Registration information will be available soon! Questions contact: [mlc353@cornell.edu](mailto:mlc353@cornell.edu) or call 607-664-2571

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## Animal Careers Resource

The Animal Careers website (<http://animalcareers.cornell.edu/>) is a resource for students, teachers, parents and others who have an interest in learning about career opportunities related to **animals**. Come explore the large field of animal-related careers! Visit the **Using This Site** tab to find out the best way for you to use this site!

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## DOG OBEDIENCE CLASSES

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Steuben County's 4-H Program is currently offering dog obedience classes for youth. **Classes are typically held every Tuesday from 5:00-6:00 pm at the Howard Community Building.**

**To Participate in the 4-H Showcase Dog Show you must attend at least 3 dog obedience classes throughout the October 2024-2025 program year.**

**4-H members and dogs who attend the NYS 4-H Dog Show must participate in the 4-H Showcase Dog Show. Dogs must be at least six months old to be exhibited at the 4-H Showcase or the NYS Fair.**

**Please see the following requirements necessary to complete PRIOR TO ATTENDING ANY OBEDIENCE CLASSES:**

- 1) **Complete** the NYS 4-H Dog Registration form <http://bit.ly/nysdogregistration>
- 2) **Provide the CCE Office with a copy of the**

**dogs current rabies certificate**



- 3) Youth ages 5-18 as of January 1, 2025 must be enrolled in the Steuben County 4-H Program before attending classes

All dogs must conform to the rules and regulations of the Livestock Health requirements as determined by the Department of Agriculture and Markets. Dogs must have current vaccinations for rabies, distemper, hepatitis, parvovirus and leptospirosis (as appropriate for their age). It is highly recommended to also have your dog vaccinated for Bordetella and parainfluenza virus. Participants should consult their veterinarian for further information about these vaccines as well as internal and external parasite control programs.

**Please contact Michelle for further information.**

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## March Dog Madness

The 2025 March Dog Madness is happening on campus on March 8th! Be sure to mark your calendars and spread the word to your 4-H Leaders and any youth interested in the dog program. The committee is working hard on putting together another awesome event. Stay tuned for more details and registration info, coming in mid-January.

## 4-H Public Presentation Workshop



A how-to for leaders, parents & presenters.

Join us on January 8 at 7 p.m. via Zoom to learn about the different types of presentations, topic selection, planning a presentation, and tips for delivering a

presentation. We'll also review the scoring sheet and rubric. This is perfect for first-time presenters up through seasoned presenters looking for a new type/format to challenge themselves with!

Join our January HOT TOPICS discussion to learn more about Public Presentations. [Click here to join!](#)

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## County Public Presentations



**General and Horse Public Presentations will be held in Person in February! We have several dates available with limited spots for each date. Please use the enclosed registration form, or visit our website to register!**

**February 8 9-2 p.m. @ CCE Steuben**

**REGISTER HERE:** <https://form.jotform.com/243113077881153>

When former members of 4-H are asked what helped them the most in preparing for their adult years, the answer was doing public presentations. The reason for this is that it prepared them to organize information and be able to get up in front of a group at work, in the community or at a club meeting and feel comfortable. With this in mind, the 4-H Program Committee decided that everyone in 4-H should do a presentation each year, whether it is at the county or club level. Remember, a 4-Her's total involvement in 4-H is considered when selecting for most awards and trips.

**ALL 4-H members ages 8 and up as of January 1, 2025 are required to participate in the public presentation program to receive any project completion.** Cloverbuds are strongly encouraged to do a presentation but it is not mandatory. In addition to the County presentations, there is another option of presenting at a Club Meeting and being "judged" by one of the leaders of the club. If you are an independent member, you can give your presentation to family and friends, and have a parent complete the club level evaluation form. The Club Presentation is meant to be just a **stepping stone for a year or two**, and the member should then attend the county level event. A club level presentation does **NOT** make a 4-H member eligible to be selected to participate in District Public Presentations.

**If members 8 and over as of January 1, 2025 do not give a public presentation at the club or county level, then you do not receive a project completion sticker AND the club does not receive 100% completion.**

Planning Information can be found [here](#).

Planning worksheet can be found [here](#).

If you need help planning and preparing your public presentation OR  
if you need more information using or understanding the rubric and evaluation form...

**Contact Jenny Groen- email: [jmg422@cornell.edu](mailto:jmg422@cornell.edu) or 607-664-2576.**

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## District Public Presentations

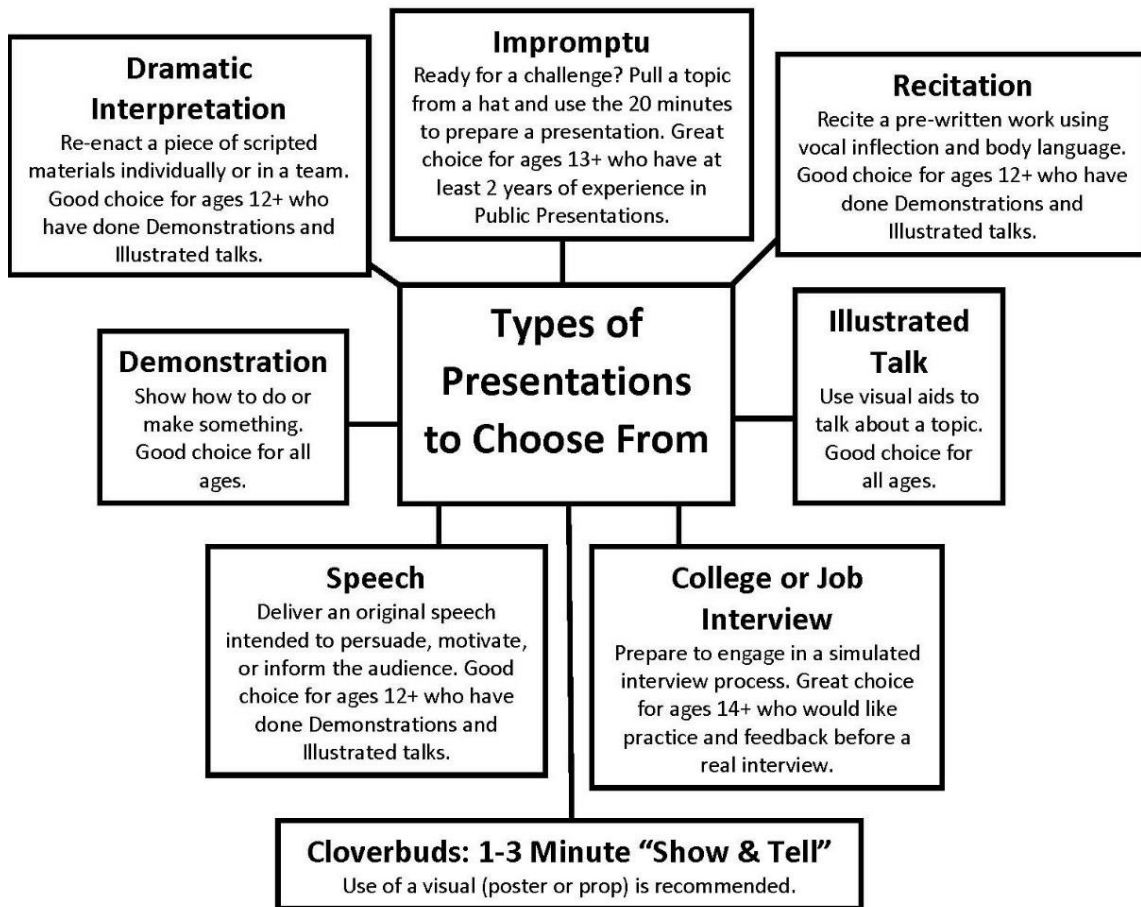
Stay tuned for more information about 2025 District Presentations.

# Types of Presentations

Public Presentations is one of our larger county events with 4-H members of all ages participating. By preparing and participating in a Public Presentation, youth will

**Develop poise ♦ Build confidence ♦ Gain leadership skills ♦ Develop reasoning skills**  
**Learn to organize their thoughts in order to get their point across**

Participation in this county-wide event also helps qualify youth for many of the Award Trips offered through the 4-H Program. So why not get started. Just pick your topic; prepare an outline; practice, practice, practice; and present.



## Remember the four "P" of presenting:

**P#1 – Plan** – Select a topic about something you are interested in telling people about or learning more about. Think about your topic and plan what you want to say, how you will show the audience "how-to" if it is a demonstration .

**P#2 – Prepare** – After you have selected a topic, think about how you will present the topic. Prepare a poster (unless it is a public speaking), various steps of the finished product or other visuals that will help you explain your topic to give an effective presentation.

**P#3 – Practice** - Practice, practice, practice! The more you "run through" your presentation, the easier it will be on the actual presentation day.

**P#4 – Present** – Present your 4-H Presentation at the club level or at the County Level in February!

## 2025 Clothing Evaluations and Revue

It's time to get out your sewing machine, choose your clothing project, and get sewing! The clothing revue will be here before you know it. Here are the important dates.

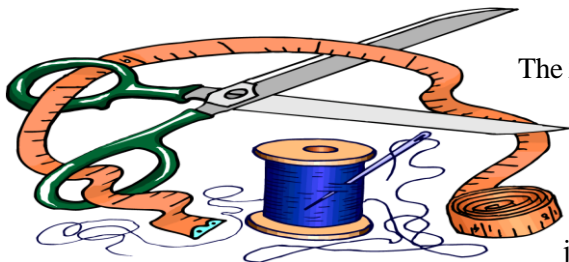
We are looking for your input (adults and youth) to plan this year's event! Please contact Jenny if you are interested in helping plan this year's event!



Organizational leaders, project leaders and independent families will be sent a packet with more information closer to this year's event. The information will also be posted on the 4-H web site. If you have any further questions, contact Jenny at [jmg422@cornell.edu](mailto:jmg422@cornell.edu) or 607-664-2576.

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## We Need You and Your Ideas for the 4-H Clothing Revue



The **2025 4-H Clothing Revue** will be scheduled as a **late spring event this year.**

If you have an idea for a theme for this year's revue or suggestions about the Revue or **if you are an adult or teen (13-18) and would like to serve on the planning committee**, please contact Jenny at the 4-H Office! The planning committee meets only two times, once to get the event planned and just before the revue, to get everything finalized.

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## Cornell Fashion Collective Runway Show

Every year, Cornell students showcase their design skills and creativity through the Cornell Fashion Collective runway show at Barton Hall. Check the website below for more information on the annual show. Also the final schedule and ticket sales will be announced via their website, <http://www.cornellfashioncollective.com>. This is a fun experience for youth engaged in 4-H Clothing & Textiles





## ***Small Animal***

### **4-H Market Rabbit Project**

Steuben County 4-H members (8-18 years old as of January 1, 2025) will have an opportunity to raise meat rabbits to be consigned to the Steuben County 4-H Market Animal Sale to be held on Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> at the Steuben County 4-H Summer Showcase. **4-H Cloverbud members are ineligible to participate in the Market Animal Project.**

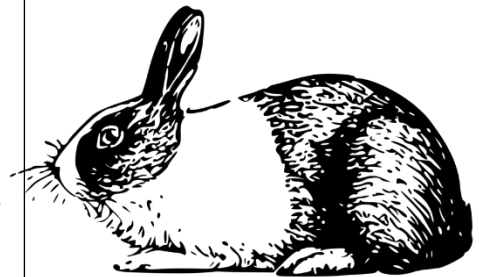
Meat Rabbits can be a purebred American Chinchilla, Argente Brun, Bevern, Blanc de Hotot, Californian, Champagne de Argent, Cinnamon, Crème de Argent, Flemish Giant, Florida White, Giant Chinchilla, Harlequin, Palomino, New Zealand, Satin, Silver Fox **or a cross of these breeds**. Two (2) market rabbits can be entered in the Roaster Class and must be 5-8 pounds and under 6 months of age; entries are consigned to the 4-H Sale. If the Roaster rabbits are under 5 lbs or over 8 lbs they cannot be sold through the sale but could be entered in the Pet Class if you do not already have 6 entries in Sections I-III. Rabbits' ages are computed as of the opening day of the showcase, Thursday, July 25, 2024.

**Only Rabbits receive a Blue/Excellent Ribbon will be sold through the Market Animal sale on Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025.**



### **4-H Rabbit & Cavy Projects**

Exhibitors will be allowed to enter and show up to 8 rabbits in the breed show with 2 additional Market Rabbits. Exhibitors may show 4 Cavies at the 4-H Summer Showcase. All rabbits and must be owned by the exhibitor by June 15 to be eligible to show at the Steuben County 4-H Summer Showcase.

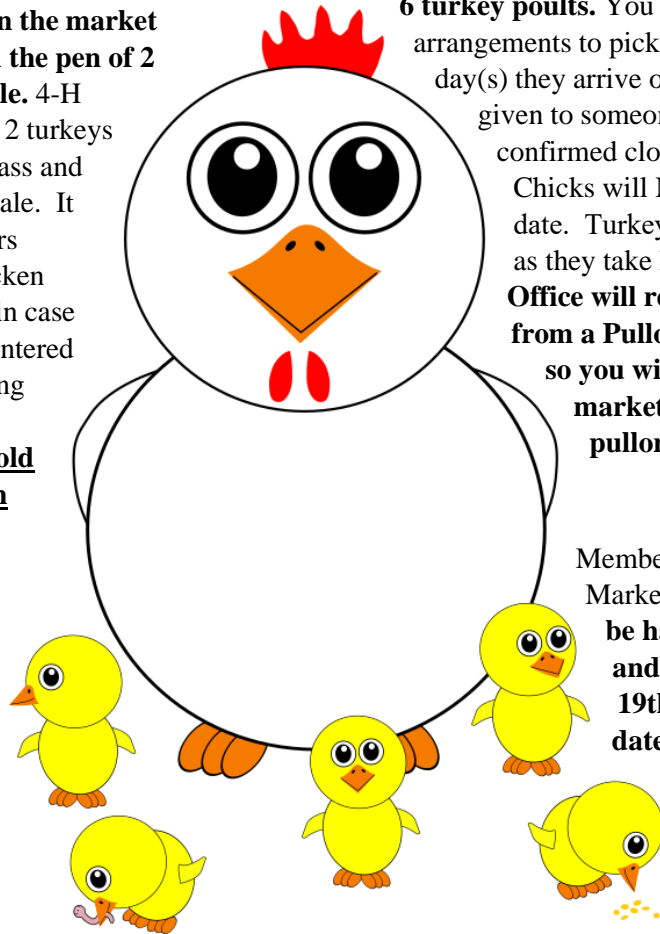


## 2025 4-H Market Chicken & Turkey Projects

Steuben County 4-H members (ages 8-18 as of January 1, of current year) will have an opportunity to raise market chickens and/or turkeys to be consigned to the Steuben County 4-H Market Sale to be held on Friday, July 25, 2025 at the Steuben County 4-H Summer Showcase. There will be a class in the 4-H Poultry Division for Market Chickens Consigned and a class for the Market Turkeys. 4-H members will be allowed to enter **two pens of 2 chickens in the market chicken consigned class and sell the pen of 2 market chickens through the sale.** 4-H members will be allowed to enter 2 turkeys in the market turkey consigned class and sell 2 market turkey through the sale. It is recommended that 4-H members purchase more than 2 market chicken chicks or 2 market turkey chicks in case of fatalities. Animals cannot be entered in both market classes and breeding classes. **Only birds receiving a Blue/Excellent Ribbon will be sold through the 4-H Market Sale on Friday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025.**

### **Again for 2025!**

**Showmanship** - If the market chicken(s)/turkey(s) are the only poultry/waterfowl that a 4-H member are exhibiting at the Summer Showcase then the 4-H member must participate in the Market Poultry Showmanship Division or market poultry premiums will be withheld. This class may require the handling of a market animal, and will also include questions related to poultry production and poultry science topics. More information will be provided soon! The 4-H Office is happy to help you! Please contact us with any questions!



### **Ordering Chicks through the Office:**

4-H members interested in exhibiting and consigning market poultry **can place their order through Cornell Cooperative Extension of Steuben County by Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup> for Turkeys or Chickens.** **Orders are limited to enrolled 4-H members and each member may only order 12 chicken chicks and 6 turkey poults.** You will need to make arrangements to pick up the market chicks on the day(s) they arrive or your market chicks will be given to someone else. Pick up date will be confirmed closer to delivery. Turkeys and Chicks will NOT come in on the same date. Turkey's will be available sooner as they take longer to mature. **The 4-H Office will receive notice that chicks are from a Pullorum-Typhoid Free Flock so you will not need to have your market turkeys or chickens pullorum teste.**

Members can purchase their own Market Chicks, but Turkeys **MUST be hatched March 31<sup>st</sup> or later; and Chickens hatched May 19<sup>th</sup> or later!** **Proof of hatch date must be provided with Showcase entries if not ordered through the 4-H Office!** 4-H Cloverbud members can place an order for the market

chickens/turkeys but **Cloverbuds are ineligible to participate in the Market Program.** Refer to the Market Chicken/Turkey Help Sheets on the web at <http://putknowledgetowork.org/4-h-youth/4-h-program-areas/small-animals>.

**Place order for Chicks at-**  
<https://form.jotform.com/243514007820144>

Or Contact Michelle @ [mlc353@cornell.edu](mailto:mlc353@cornell.edu) or Call 607-664-2571.

## *Dairy & Livestock*



### **2025 4-H Market Beef Steer/Beef Heifer/Dairy Steer ONLINE Identification**

Online Entries are NOW OPEN & are due in FairEntry by

Wednesday, January 15th

### **WHAT ANIMALS NEED TO BE IDENTIFIED BY JANUARY 15th?**

Market Beef Steers, Market Beef Heifers, Small Frame Market Beef Steers, Market Dairy Steers & Dairy Feeder Steers (Born Sept. 1- Dec. 31 2024)

- Market Dairy Steers MUST be owned by January 1, 2025, 100% Dairy, fully castrated, dehorned,
- All Market Beef Steers & Market Beef heifers MUST be owned by January 1, 2025
- Small Frame Market Beef Steers MUST be owned by January 1, 2025 (Lowline, Dexter, Mini Herefords, etc.)
- Large Frame Market Beef Steers (must be fully castrated)
- Dairy Feeder Steers (Born Sept 1-Dec 31, 2024) MUST be 100% Dairy, fully castrated & dehorned & are not eligible for Championship
- USDA RFID Tags are REQUIRED for each beef animal that will be exhibited at the 2025 4-H Showcase (Please contact the CCE Office if you need one). A 4-H Market ID Tag will be issued to each animal, once entries have been submitted.
- After identifying your market beef animal in January, you will not have to enter another entry for the 4-H Showcase.

### **What Information will I need to ID my animal?**

1. Animals Name
2. Animals Current Tag #, RFID Tag # or Tattoo #
3. Animals Breed
4. Animals Birthdate
5. Animals Beginning Weight
6. Animals Owners Name(s)
7. Photo of Side #1 of Animal
8. Photo of Side #2 of Animal
9. Photo of Animals Head (Including Tag #)
10. Completed YQCA Training dated no more than a year old from the July 23rd



### **Online Animal Identification Entry Steps**

1. Login/Create an account in [Fair Entry](#)
2. Select Applicable Division for Animal (Market Beef, Market Beef Heifer, Small Frame Market Beef Steer, Dairy Steer)
3. Choose Applicable Class for Animal (Market Beef Steer Divided by Weight, Market Beef Heifer Classes Divided by Weight, Small Frame Market Beef Steer 700-900, Dairy Steer Classes Divided by Weight, or Dairy Steer born Sept. 1-Dec. 31 of previous year)
4. Add Animal & Animals Information (Name, Current Tag/RFID Tag/Tattoo #, Breed, Birthdate, Owners Name(s) & Beginning Weight)
5. Continue/Review/Complete Outstanding Records
6. For each Animal entered, Answer the set of Questions
7. For each Animal entered, Upload Animal Photos (Side 1, Side 2 & Head Photo with Tag #)
8. Continue-Continue to Payment-Continue
9. **SUBMIT** (If you don't hit submit, your entry will not be completed)

10. When your entry is submitted correctly, you  
WILL RECIEVE a CONFIRMATION EMAIL



**This winter we will be offering course through the YQCA.**

YQCA will enhance the educational experience of youth, improve the care of food animals and provide a higher level of food safety to consumers, along with character building. A YQCA certificate will be **required by each youth to show an animal at the 2025 4-H Showcase.**

To register for a course that is already scheduled please visit [yqcaprogram.org](http://yqcaprogram.org) If youth attend the In-person training offered by Steuben County 4-H the \$3 fee or can be taken online for \$12.

**Course Dates:**

January 13th 5:30pm-7pm at the Howard Community Building

January 22<sup>nd</sup> 6:00pm- 7:30pm at CCE Office

More courses will be offered dates TBD

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**4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl**

The *primary objective* of 4-H Dairy Bowl Contests is to provide an opportunity for youth to demonstrate their knowledge of dairy related subject matter in a competitive setting where attitudes of friendliness and fairness prevail.

The Dairy Bowl Program is designed to encourage youth to increase their knowledge of dairy by learning life skills as they prepare for contests - critical thinking, decision-making, problem solving, communication skills, listening skills, speaking skills and independent thinking. They experience the value of teamwork, character building, and goal setting. Youth also gain knowledge in dairy nutrition, milk quality, herd health, breeding and genetics, marketing, dairy foods, calf raising and knowledge of all cattle breeds.

*You don't have to own dairy cattle to participate in dairy quiz bowl.*

Age of contestants is as of January 1, 2025:

Beginner: 8-10 years old

Junior: 9 - 13 years old

Senior: 14- 18 years old.

**Regional Dairy Bowl Contest**

Date: March 15,2025

Location: Jordan Hall at Geneva NY Agri-Tech

Want to compete? Reach out to Michelle at  
[mlc353@cornell.edu](mailto:mlc353@cornell.edu)

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**What is Livestock Judging?**

Livestock judging is the process of ranking beef, sheep, swine, and meat goats classes from top to bottom, based on their bone structure, muscle, body capacity, body composition, and performance.

Livestock Judging develops the following life skills: critical thinking, organization, time management, public speaking, self confidence, self motivation, team building and competition.



4-H members 5-18 years old are eligible to participate.

**Cloverbud members 5-7 years old** (as of January 1 of current year) who are interested in learning may participate **only if they are accompanied at all times by a responsible adult who is at least 21 years old who will be accompanying them the entire time.**

*You don't have to own an animal to participate in this event!*

State Contest takes Place at State Fair

## What is Livestock Skillathon?

### Objectives of the Livestock Skillathon:

- 1) Provide youth with the opportunity to blend knowledge and skills acquired in livestock judging, demonstrations, care and exhibition of animals into one activity
- 2) Provide youth who have no opportunities for livestock ownership with an opportunity to learn about the importance of livestock and their products to the environment and economy
- 3) To encourage youth to continue expanding their knowledge and participation
- 4) To recognize youth for their total involvement in and comprehension of the livestock industry
- 5) To instill ethical values, good sportsmanship and product evaluation skills

For more information and resources visit <http://4h.ansci.cornell.edu/events-2/nys-fair/livestock-skillathon/>

### 3 Livestock Skillathon Components:

- Written quiz
- Identification
- Team questions

**Common Topics:** Nutrition, Health, Breeding, Management, Genetics & Current Industry Topics, Identify Retail Meat Cuts, Livestock Feeds, Breeds & Complete a Quality Assurance Exercise

Livestock Skillathon is a great way to learn about beef cattle, sheep, swine &

Interested in competing? Reach out the Michelle at [mlc353@cornell.edu](mailto:mlc353@cornell.edu) to get signed up

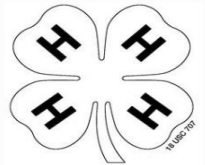


meat goats. 4-H members 5-18 years old are eligible to participate!

*You don't have to own an animal to participate in this event!*

### Regional Livestock Skillathon Contest

## Steuben County 4-H Livestock and Dairy Workshops



### What We Offer?

#### Morrisville State College Tour

-November 11, 2024

#### Lismore Dairy Farm Tour

-November 23, 2024

#### Alfred State College Tour

-January 12, 2025

#### Meat Cut & Dairy Bowl Practice

-January 26, 2025

#### Livestock & Dairy Judging

-February 2, 2025

#### Vaccines and Injections

-February 16, 2025



Time and locations vary each week. More information on registration page.

Questions? Contact Michelle [mlc353@cornell.edu](mailto:mlc353@cornell.edu)

Date: March 15,2025

Location: Jordan Hall at Geneva NY Agri-Tech

Want to compete? Reach out to Michelle at  
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## **New York Guernsey Breeders' Association**

The **New York Guernsey Breeders' Association** calf Scholarship Award Program is now available.

The purpose of the calf scholarship is to encourage those who do not presently own Guernsey's to become involved with the Guernsey Breed. A purebred Guernsey Calf will be awarded to the applicant who shows interest in the Guernsey breed and who has demonstrated the capabilities of developing the animal to its fullest potential.

Applicant must be age 9-15 as of January 1st of application year. You do not have to belong to 4-H, FFA, or a breed club to participate.

Contact Michelle @ [mlc353@cornell.edu](mailto:mlc353@cornell.edu) for the application!

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## **Virtual Dairy Bowl Practices**

NYS 4-H Animal Science is offering virtual dairy bowl practices in January and February! Join for an evening with a guest speaker followed by a Kahoot game made up of dairy bowl questions. Register using the QR code below or [click here to register](#).



## NYS 4-H Virtual Dairy Bowl Practices!



Join youth from across the state on Thursdays in January & February from 7 - 8pm and participate in virtual dairy bowl practices, hosted by the NYS 4-H Dairy Committee.



- January 9
- January 23
- February 6
- February 20
- February 27



Register here:  
<https://bit.ly/4fi7sQP>

## *Horse*

### 2025 Horse Show Information

#### 4-H Members Participating in the Horse Project Please

**Note:** Members must **participate in one county level or beyond Horse Educational Event** (i.e. Public presentations, Horse Quiz Bowl, Hippology, or Horse Judging) or attend alternate educational events and do a one-page written report on what they saw and learned to receive educational credit **to be eligible to participate in any Steuben County 4-H Horse Shows.**

**Public Presentation Credit** - Horse members will receive educational credit towards showing if they give a public presentation on a horse related topic at the **county event or**

by completing a **club level** presentation and turning in the evaluation form with a summary/outline of the presentation.

**County Level Credit for Horse Bowl or Hippology** - For a Horse member to receive county level credit for Horse Bowl or Hippology they **must attend at least 3 of the practice sessions.**

**Regional/State Credit** – To receive regional credit 4-H members must participate in the Regional/State contests.



4-H members age 8 - 18 as of January 1, 2025 are eligible to participate in the Steuben County 4-H Horse Shows after meeting the Steuben County 4-H Horse Show Rules requirements. 4-H club members who are ages 5-8 as of January 1, 2025 have the option of participating in the Cloverbud Leadline or Cloverbud W/T classes offered at our 4-H shows but are NOT required to attend an Education Event, although are strongly encourage to do so! 4-H families enrolled in a horse project will be receiving a post card informing them of the updated show information available on the web/from their leader. The 2025 Show Packet will be sent to each Organizational Leader and will include the 4-H Horse Certificates, horse eligibility requirements, a calendar of dates, Steuben

County 4-H Horse Show rules, class listings for the Steuben County 4-H shows, entry forms for the Steuben County 4-H shows, point system and information on protective helmets. Information can be found on our website: <http://putknowledgetowork.org/4-h-youth/club-programs/horse>. If you have any questions, please contact the CCE Office or email Jenny [jmg422@cornell.edu](mailto:jmg422@cornell.edu)



## 4-H Horse Hippology Workshops

November 11th - Morrisville Tour\*  
Breeds/Colors/Markings @ CCE

November 24th - Tour & Demo of  
the Western NY Sidesaddle Club

December 8th - Parasites &  
Poop Soup @ Civil Defense

December 22nd - Nutrition &  
Horse Treats @ CCE Steuben

January 5th - Wraps & More @  
Chasin' A Dream Farm

January 19th - Farrier Demo @  
Riesling Ridge Stables

February 2nd - Tack ID @  
Begin Again Tack Shop 1 p.m.

February 16th - Vitals &  
Vaccines @ CCE Steuben

Workshops will be a mix of classroom and hands-on tours/demos dependent on dates/topics. Open to all 4-H enrolled youth 8 - 18.

\*Morrisville campus tour is limited to youth 14 & Up

2 - 4 p.m. (tentative)  
Locations vary by topic



## Horse Bowl & Hippology

**Horse Bowl** – is a fast-paced, fun, horse knowledge competition that uses buzzers and can be more easily compared to game show Jeopardy. There's a wide range of topics covered including: basic grooming, genetics, tack and equipment, riding, stable management, breeds, history, etc.! Contestants are split by age/experience levels: Novice – 8 & 9 years old OR 1<sup>st</sup> year up to 14; Junior – 10-13 years of age; Senior – 14 and up. Juniors and Seniors are eligible for the State Competition if they receive qualifying scores at the Regional Contest. County practices will be set up if there is enough so PLEASE contact Jenny at the 4-H Office if you'd like to participate! Dates and registration can be found here: <https://form.jotform.com/242844035372152>

**Hippology** – is a slightly slower paced, hands-on horse knowledge competition where youth rotate

through various stations. These stations include: slides, written test, horse judging, tack ID, breeds, nutrition, parasites, confirmation, and team problem (JR/SR only). The levels for this competition are the same as Horse Bowl: Novice – 8 & 9 years old OR 1<sup>st</sup> year up to 14; Junior – 10-13 years of age; Senior – 14 and up. Juniors and Seniors are eligible for the State Competition if they receive qualifying scores at the Regional. County practices will be set up if there is enough so PLEASE contact Jenny at the 4-H Office if you'd like to participate! Dates and registration can be found here: <https://form.jotform.com/242844035372152>

**County Hippology & Horse Bowl Sessions will be held every other Sunday from November 11<sup>th</sup> thru February 16<sup>th</sup> times and locations vary – see flyer above. We have some field trips and guest speakers lined up – be sure to watch Monday Memo and Facebook for updates! Please [register here](#) or contact Jenny if you plan to attend. If anyone is interested in coaching or being a guest speaker for our practices, please contact Jenny – [jmg422@cornell.edu](mailto:jmg422@cornell.edu) or 607-664-2576**

New York State 4-H Horse Education  
Events



Come join us for our NYS 4-H Educational Events Zoom Series! Registration closes on January 3rd, 2025. These are open to youth, volunteers and educators. These will be recorded- but we encourage attendance in the sessions so we can guarantee any questions you have will be answered:). These will run from 6:30pm-7:30pm.

Be sure to register! If you have any questions email Jessica at [jms943@cornell.edu](mailto:jms943@cornell.edu)

Register here:

[https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/educationalzoomsessions\\_127](https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/educationalzoomsessions_127)



## NYS 4-H EDUCATIONAL ZOOM SESSIONS:

Join us for our yearly NYS 4-H Horse Educational Event zoom series! Come learn directly from our coaches about our contests and how to study/prepare!

Registration closes January 3rd, 2025.

We will be meeting:  
January 6, 13, 20, 27  
February 3, 10, 17, 24

**REGISTRATION LINK:**  
**[HTTPS://REG.CCE.CORNELL.EDU/EDUCATIONALZOOMSESSIONS\\_127](https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/educationalzoomsessions_127)**



QUESTIONS?  
DIRECT THEM TO  
JESSICA TYSON:

Jessica Tyson

Email: [jms943@cornell.edu](mailto:jms943@cornell.edu)

Check out this great opportunity nearby! Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

Register here:

[https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/judgingclinic\\_127](https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/judgingclinic_127)

## SAVE THE DATE!

Save the date for our SECOND Annual NYS 4-H Horse Judging Clinic! **Registration information will be sent out ASAP.** Registration deadline will be January 15th, 2025.

This year it will be hosted at Alfred University at their Broomley-Daggett Equestrian Center!

**Date: February 1st, 2025**

**Start Time: 10:00am**

Local Hotels:  
Hampton Inn Hornell and Saxon Inn

**Lunch is provided for youth and the cost is FREE with a big THANK YOU to Alfred University for hosting and sponsoring this event!**

**If you have any questions please email Jessica Tyson at [jms943@Cornell.edu](mailto:jms943@Cornell.edu).**



## New York State 4-H Horse Judging Clinic

*Scholarships*

## **New York Farm Bureau Offers Scholarships To Students Who Plan An Ag-Related Future.**

New York Farm Bureau is encouraging high school seniors who will continue their education to prepare for a career in some way connected to the diverse agricultural industry to apply for the New York Farm Bureau Agricultural Youth Scholarship sponsored by the New York Farm Bureau Promotion and Education Committee. Scholarship awards are \$1,500 for first place, \$1,200 for second, and \$1,000 for third place. District winners will each receive \$100 and a memento. County winners are recognized at the discretion of their County Farm Bureau.

Students applying must have a family Farm Bureau membership or a Student Farm Bureau membership (a membership application may be included with scholarship enclosures). Students are required to complete an application which is a fillable pdf available on the NYFB website, and submit a brief 300-500 word essay discussing an issue facing agriculture in their county, explaining how they think NYFB can support



members who may deal with this issue. We suggest that they feel free to visit the NYFB website [www.nyfb.org](http://www.nyfb.org) to learn more about Farm Bureau.

At the District level scoring will determine the County winners as well as the District winner. The judging event may necessitate a personal interview and essay presentation or may be based solely upon the application and attachments. The state winner selection will be made from District Winners based solely on the submitted applications; there will no personal interviews. **The application submission deadline is March 1, 2025. For scholarship information and the application** visit <http://nyfb.org/programs/promotion-education/scholarship> or contact [pdugan@nyfb.org](mailto:pdugan@nyfb.org) or 1-800-342-4143,

***Past Events***

**Fall Cheese Fundraiser**

The 2024 Fall Fundraiser featured Cuba Cheese and Wilson's Snack Sticks and new this year Golden Age Cheese Curd . This year's sale total exceeded \$40,000! The fundraisers help to support the 4-H Activity Fund, which provides the funds for the many trips and awards that benefit 4-H members. Individual 4-H club treasuries also benefit from the sales. Thanks to each 4-H member who participated in the fundraiser!

Congratulations to the following 4-H members who were recognized as the top sellers.

## **2024 COUNTY FUNDRAISER TOP SELLER AWARDS**

**Top Overall Sales Person:** Addison

Brewer – Barnyard Bandits - \$2974.00

**2<sup>nd</sup> Top Sales Person:** Audrey Waters– Country  
Bumpkins - \$2784.50

**3<sup>rd</sup> Top Sales Person:** Realyn Wheaton-  
Boots and Clover- \$1108.50

**4<sup>th</sup> Top Sales Person:** Lucas Lafler- Country  
Bunch- \$767.00

**5<sup>th</sup> Top Sales Person:** Clayton Knoll- Wheeler  
Busy Bees — \$754.34

**TOP CLOVERBUD:** Ryker Wilson

**TOP JR MEMBER (8-13):** Addison  
Brewer

**TOP SR MEMBER (14-18):** Jaiden  
Corbitt

Congratulations to all for your hard work! A special "Thank You" to all leaders and parents who helped to motivate, collect money, sort products, and transport products for the 4-H'er

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## **2024 Achievement Night Awards**

On October 19<sup>th</sup>, over 150 volunteers, parents, youth, and staff gathered at the Friends of Howard Community Building to celebrate a great 4-H year! It was wonderful to get everyone together and enjoy a wonderful evening.

Complete awards and details can be found on our website: <https://putknowledgetowork.org/youth-development>





## 2024 Club Open House

New this year, we kicked off the 4-H New Year with a fantastic Club Open House in October! It was a great opportunity for youth to explore the variety of clubs available and ask current members about their experiences. A huge thank you to all the club leaders and volunteers who participated and made the event such a success. Many new members were able to find the perfect club that evening, and we're excited to see what the year ahead holds for all of them!



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## Fall Programs

### **Belt Class**

In early October, 4-H had a fun and lively crafting session where young people gathered to create their very own personalized belts! Everyone was able to leave with their very own belt. Thank you to the Dorman Library for allowing us to use their space and tools to make this event possible.



### **Paint and Sip Hot Cocoa**

Get cozy and creative this winter with our *Paint and Sip Hot Cocoa* classes! These popular sessions have returned and will continue throughout the colder months. Join us for a relaxing and enjoyable experience where you can sip on delicious hot cocoa while exploring your artistic side. Whether you're an experienced painter or just looking for a fun way to spend a winter afternoon, these classes offer a perfect escape. Each session provides step-by-step guidance, so you can create a beautiful painting while sipping your favorite warm beverage.







## 4-H Pumpkin Decorating Class

On October 14<sup>th</sup> a group of more than 20 came together to decorate pumpkins using decoupage method with festive fall and Halloween materials.

## 4-H & Snap Fresh Plate Series

A big thank you to SNAP for inviting 4-H members and their parents to the *Fresh Plate Series*! It was a wonderful opportunity for everyone to learn about healthier food options and participate in hands-on cooking demos. We truly appreciate the chance to grow, cook, and create together as a community!



## 4-H Makers Market

On November 23<sup>rd</sup> there were seven tables with eight 4-H vendors set up at the Fall Makers Market at the Howard Craft Show. Products and items were created, packaged, displayed and sold by the young entrepreneurs.





## 2024 4-H Holiday Hangout

We had so much fun at the 2024 4-H Holiday Hangout on December 7<sup>th</sup>! With 35 youth we sewed heating pads filled with corn, assembled and decorated wooden boxes later filled with evergreens, created customized Christmas cards, made one-of-a-kind snow globes, made custom canvas winter décor, painted a winter scene and made delicious candied cranberries and cranberry bogs! We had multiple teens who led and helped with various activities. It was a very busy day with a lot of festive energy in the air!

A HUGE shoutout to our amazing volunteers who helped make the day possible!

Penny Kephart, Jessie Adriance, Mel Coley, Jonathan Chase, James McKinley and Angela Hansen - your generosity and creativity helped make this event a true success!

**A BIG THANK YOU** to all our wonderful 4-H families – youth, parents, volunteers, and leaders! Your dedication and hard work have made 2024 an amazing year. We're excited to carry that momentum into 2025 and look forward to a year full of new opportunities, experiences, and growth together!!!

*Mel Coley* *Jessie Adriance*

*Angela Hansen*



# Steuben County 4-H



## Out in the Community



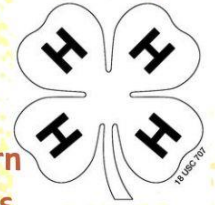
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# 4-H HOT TOPICS



Open to volunteers, leaders, parents and youth! Drop in to learn more about topics listed and/or to ask 4-H staff any questions you may have.

**November 6th**

**@ 7 p.m.**

**4-H Market Sale  
Program**

**December 4th**

**@ 7 p.m.**

**Records, Requirements,  
& Deadlines**

**January 8th**

**@ 7 p.m.**

**Public Presentations**

**February 5th**

**@ 7 p.m.**

**State Teen  
Opportunities**

**March 5th**

**@ 7 p.m.**

**4-H Shooting Sports  
Program**

**April 2nd**

**@ 7 p.m.**

**Show Season Prep**

**May 7th**

**@ 7 p.m.**

**The Road to State Fair**

**June 4th**

**@ 7 p.m.**

**Showcase Entry  
Process**

**July 2nd**

**@ 7 p.m.**

**Showcase - What to  
Expect**

**August 6th**

**@ 7 p.m.**

**Year-End Prep**

**Email [jmg422@cornell.edu](mailto:jmg422@cornell.edu) for the link to join!**

