

Happy Holidays



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NEWS FROM 4-H OFFICE

**COOPERATIVE EXTENSION OFFICE
WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAYS!**

DECEMBER 24th thru 31st, 2018

AND

TUESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2019



**4-H PROGRAM
WINTER WEATHER GUIDELINES:**

- If a *meeting is going to be cancelled*, we will call the following radio station in Homer, WHXC to announce cancellation.
- Other locations for posting: **CCE Cortland Website**, (cortland.cce.cornell.edu) **by e-mail** and **4-H blasts** notifications.
- Sometimes the weather is bad in one part of the county and not in others. Use your judgment when deciding to travel.
- Sometimes it's too late to cancel a meeting when the weather turns bad; again use your own judgment.
- If Cornell Cooperative Extension closes during the day or any evening meetings are cancelled.
- If you decide not to travel to a meeting, call the office and leave a message on the voice mail of the person in charge of the meeting.

4-H LEADER NEWS CORNER

4-H Leaders Creed.....

I believe:

- The 4-H member is more important than the 4-H project.
- Learning how to do the project is more important than the project itself.
- 4-H'ers should be their "own" best exhibits.
- No award is worth sacrificing the reputation of the member or leader.
- Competition should be given no more emphasis than other fundamentals of 4-H work.
- Enthusiasm is caught, not taught.
- To learn by doing is fundamental in any sound educational program and is characteristic of the 4-H program.
- Generally speaking, there is more than one good way to do most things.
- Every 4-H member needs to be noticed, to feel important, to win and to be praised.
- Our job as a leader is to teach 4-H members how to think, no what to think.

4-H CLUB PROGRAM PLANNING

One of your first responsibilities each year as a 4-H leader is to help your club plan a program for the year. Planning a club program takes time, but this is time invested in the success of your 4-H club. Good programs don't just happen, but require pre-planning.

Why Plan a Program for Your 4-H Club?

Conducting a 4-H club without a club program is like taking an ocean voyage without a navigator and with not any particular port in mind. You are going

somewhere but no one knows for sure where! Putting a program on paper has many advantages.

Here are a few:

- Encourages the establishment and attainment of goals.
- Permits more participation on the part of the members and parents
- Enables project leaders, instructors and guest speakers to be better prepared. Effective teaching takes advanced preparation.
- Promotes better attendance and participation by members, because they are informed in advance of plans, as well as changes in plans when necessary.
- Helps correlate local clubs' programs with leader training programs and other county, district and state programs.
- Leaves opportunities for some free time when desired by the group.
- Makes for a better balance of work, play and community services activities
- Let's parents and others know more about work (Be sure to provide a copy of the calendar events to each family).

A well-planned program will:

- Provide members with significant roles
- Meet the needs of all participants.
- Share responsibilities among members
- Insure a balanced program
- Provide practice in cooperation.
- Provide practice in planning skills.
- Avoid calendar conflicts.

Each club year plan should design with each of the following outlined:

- Time and place of meetings
- Business agenda
- Demonstrations and talks
- Recreation

An average 4-H Club program may consist of:

1. Two or three projects running six weeks each (this is just an average)
2. At least one community service project.
3. A minimum of six business meetings interspersed throughout the year.
4. Recreational activities for each meeting and special events as desired.
5. Participation in area, county or regional events that interest your club members and relate to your club project work (i.e. Public Presentation Workshop; Public Presentation Day; Fashion Revue, County fair, etc.)
6. Educational tours and guest speakers.
7. At least one demonstration opportunity for each member.

Remember, a 4-H club program is a plan and therefore flexible. It is intended for use as a guide and as such you should be amended as needed. When you have

completed your program, send a copy to the 4-H office. At the end of the year, you can use your club program to evaluate the progress you have made during the year and make decisions about what you want to do the next year. **A note of caution...** Be realistic in your expectations; start with a few things you know you can accomplish. It is better to add things you know you can accomplish. It is better to add things as you go along than to reach the end of the year and find you have been unable to do most of what you planned because you over planned.

REBECCA'S MEMOS



JOIN 4-H - ENCOURAGING OTHERS

- Do you know youth who are not 4-H members?
- Do you know an adult who is not a 4-H volunteer?
- Do you think the 4-H Youth Development program would benefit them?
- Do you think the 4-H Youth Development Program could benefit from their talents and resources?
- Would they like to learn more about the 4-H Youth Development Program?

If you answered **YES** to any of these questions, please encourage them to contact Becky at the 4-H office.

REMINDERS UPCOMING EVENTS & PROGRAMS

BREAD OF THE MONTH
DECEMBER 13 - MUFFINS WORKSHOP
JANUARY 10TH - QUICK BREADS

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS
MONTH OF FEBRUARY - TBA

CORTLAND CO. CCE/4-H WEBSITE

cortland.cce.cornell.edu

You will find necessary forms, announcements and events posted on the website. If you subscribe to posts on the Announcements Page, you will receive an email when something new is posted.

You ***must have a minimum of (6) business*** meetings a year-the rest that you plan can be field trips, activities etc. You can always do a business meeting every time if that is what you want!

Secretary Reports are due to the 4-H office by the 7th of every month for the previous month's meeting. By getting your reports in on time, your secretaries are eligible to be chosen as secretary of the month, and one overall for honor secretary of the year. Secretary reports can be emailed (*form is on website*) to Jackie (jdj28@cornell.edu).

A helpful hint for the beginning of the year: set up a notebook with a personal page or permanent record sheet for each member, and as a project is completed they can record it there. This will save time at the end of the year when everyone is scrambling to remember what they did! Time spent on planning is well spent. Begin now to get your club on the right track.

HORSE: HIPPOLOGY & QUIZ BOWL



ATTENTION 4-H'ERS (8-18) - You do not need to own a horse to join in on the fun!

Learn about and care for the horse. Weekly practice Schedule (TBA) starting **in January** & cost is approx. \$7.00 for books for first time comers. Project manuals, feeds samples and educational kits/photos will be available.

Open to both junior (8-13) & senior (14 -19) as of January 1, 2019). 4-H'ers and those who may want to go onto the March District Contest in **March 2019**.

Sign Up today, by calling the office. If you love horses this is a great way of learning and caring for them.

Come and meet Hannah Manns, alumni 4-H member/volunteer who will be teaching the horse educational course.

DAIRY QUIZ BOWL



Do you have 4-H members ages 8 and up that are interested in the dairy industry and would like to participate in dairy quiz bowl?

Do you have an adult volunteer within your club that would like to coach them? Individuals and teams (teams consist of 3 to 4 youth) may practice within their club and compete at the county quiz bowl competition in February for a chance to represent Cortland at the regional competition in March.

There will not be a county level dairy bowl practice group this year. Individuals and teams must register in January to participate as individuals and teams must have an adult coach.

Novice participants are 8-10 years old and it is their first year competing, junior are 9-13 years old, and seniors are 14 and up. All 4-H members are also eligible to participate in any scheduled dairy educational meetings held on the county level.

Previous years practice packets and the Rules for Competition:

<http://4h.ansci.cornell.edu/animal/programs/dairy/dairy-quiz-bowl/>

If you would like more information, contact Becky Ireland-Perry at (607)391-2665 or rli3@cornell.edu

2019 TRACTOR SAFETY PROGRAM

Mark your calendars, (March thru May 2019). Cornell Cooperative Extension-Cortland will be offering youth an opportunity to be certified for farm employment which would include the operation of farm tractors and machinery.

A total of 8 sessions will be presented at different agricultural business locations. There is a nominal fee that will be required from each participant to cover the cost of materials used in the course. More information in the next newsletter



4-H TEEN COUNCIL

Are you interested in becoming a strong leader in the 4-H Community and beyond? 4-H Teen Council is a county-wide program that invites youth 13 years old and older to learn about leadership, citizenship, trust, financial management, and fun while meeting new, diverse friends from around the county.

Information about 4-H Teen Council:

- Youth must be at least 13 years of age to join
- 4-H Teen Council is a great place to meet new friends
- Members can be from any community within Cortland County
- You can belong to 4-H Teen Council in addition to your regular club
- 4-H Teen Council meets the first Monday of every month, except July and August
- 4-H Teen Council controls an annual budget of generally more than \$10,000
- Members decide how much of the budget they would like to use to subsidize teen council trips, scholarships, community service, and maintenance on the food booth at the fairgrounds.
- Members may participate in as many trips sponsored by Teen Council as they see fit
- The officers of 4-H Teen Council are elected from within the membership
- 4-H Teen Council members run the annual 4-H Achievement Night program
- 4-H Teen Council oversees and raises funds from the 4-H Food Booth at the Cortland Jr Fair, and other events during the year

For more information, please call the 4-H office at (607) 391-2660 or email Becky Ireland-Perry at rli3@cornell.edu. Come ready to have a great time learning about leadership and community involvement. This is a fantastic opportunity for all 4-H'ers ages 13 -18!!



NOTICE!

The 4-H Office MUST BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING...on or before JANUARY 1, 2019, of the intent of ANY 4-H member to show a **market beef animal(s) at county fair.**

1. Identification a must by Ear tags or tattoos.
2. Market animal must be under the care and supervision of exhibitor for a minimum of 180 days prior to the entry date of fair.

(Fair Date: 2019 - July 9-13).

Questions?? – Contact Heather Birdsall

Ag. Livestock Educator at 607-391-2660 x-405

NEW FOR THE 2018-2019 4-H YEAR: ANIMAL PROJECT RECORDS

Any youth showing an animal at the Cortland Jr. Fair must complete and submit an **Animal Project Record form.**

Project Record Directions

1. One project record is needed for one project animal that a 4-H'er has. If showing more than one species, the 4-H'er should only pick one animal. If showing a market animal, the market records will replace the project records.
2. Try to finish project records as completely as possible. Include as much information as possible about the animal you own/lease that is your project area.
3. Continuous records should be kept on project animals from one year to the next. These should start Oct. 1 and end Sept. 30 of the current 4-H year. Records for purchased animals should begin when that animal enters your herd, or for leased animals when the leasing period begins.
4. The project ends the day the animal is sold, butchered, or dies. If you lose a project animal, write down the date and an estimated value of the animal.
5. Project records are intended to be a learning tool for 4-H'ers. Learning to keep records and monitoring the financial costs of a project are lifetime skills that 4-H teaches. Recording important dates and activities associated with the project on a yearly calendar can aid the completion of these records. Forms to help keep records are available on the 4-H website, and do not have to be submitted with the project record form.

6. A completed project record must be submitted to the 4-H Office no later than the Saturday of the Cortland Jr Fair of the current 4-H year to receive fair premiums, and to be entered into County Medal Consideration in the animal area a 4-H member has participated in.

Link to form and instructions on the CCE Website:

<http://cortland.cce.cornell.edu/resources/4-h-animal-project-record-instructions>

<http://cortland.cce.cornell.edu/resources/animal-project-record>



73rd ANNUAL 4-H ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT

4-H members, leaders, family, and friends were in attendance to celebrate the closing of the 2017-2018 and beginning the new 4-H year.

The program started out with fun activities and games in the reception area at the Cortlandville Grange in Homer, NY.

Starting the program at 6PM with our Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Teen Council Vice President Elijah Teeter welcoming and introduced teen council members Megan Underwood and Thomas White as the flag presenters.

Opening ceremony Annika Donlick and Gabe Teeter to lead the Pledge of Allegiance and the 4-H Pledge.

Completing the opening of the program everyone sang The National Anthem.

The first award recognition is the outstanding scorers in the dairy photo judging contest.

2018 Hoard's Dairyman Photo Judging Contest program recognizes **Top club recognition** this year between two honor clubs that tied, the County Cackleberries and Friendly Acres Clubs.

Top individuals – Hoard's Dairy Judging Contest
1st place Alice Tylutki, 2nd place Hannah Slade, 3rd place Elise Donlick, 4th place – tie Annika Donlick and Connor McCloy, 5th place – tie Jackson Slade and Avery Gordinier.

National 4-H Week displays from 4-H clubs around the county create wonderful 4-H Window Displays sharing to the community. Certificate recognition given to Cincy Country Kids, Marathon Maple Sugars and 4-H Teen Council.

Poster Display Option during the National 4-H week promoting 4-H to the community and we would like to recognize and award certificates to County Cackleberries and Super Seekers 4-H clubs.

Top Window display award receiving a \$25 gift card to the National 4-H catalog was presented to Cincy Country Kids.

Top Honor Secretary club recognition was given to the Marathon Maple Sugars 4-H club for their dedication in submitting secretary reports consistently throughout the year. On the 7th of each month the club secretary sends into the 4-H office their club monthly reports on a regular basis, this year we recognized the outstanding club instead of individual secretaries.



Community Service certificates were presented to County Cackleberries, Helping Hands, Marathon Maple Sugars, Super Seekers, Cincy Country Kids, 4-H Teen Council and Cincy Trailblazers 4-H Clubs for their outstanding community service.

Top Community Service plaque awarded to outstanding 4-H club was Marathon Maple Sugars.

Honor Club recognition is given to an outstanding 4-H club programming accomplishments; meetings, tours, 4-H promotion, community service, enrollment and recordkeeping. Honor club certificates were given to e Cincy Country Kids, Marathon Maple Sugars, R Own Saddle Club, County Cackleberries, Super Seekers, 4-H Teen Council and Cincy Trailblazers 4-H clubs.

Outstanding Honor 4-H Club Achievement Award receiving a \$25 gift Certificate to the National 4-H Catalog is County Cackleberries 4-H Club.

The most import 4-H experience is participating in **Public Presentations**. Club members learn to express themselves clearly and confidently. We would like to recognize Super Seekers, County Cackleberries, Cincy Trailblazers and New Penn Beef 4-H Clubs.

2018 AWARD MEDALS

PLANTS & ANIMALS

Agriculture	Matt DuVall Josh Loomis
Beef	Sarah Birdsall
Poultry	Ryan Champion Saige Jackson Erika Olsen Alice Tylutki
Dairy	Elyse Butts Aleta Gross Gracie Patriarco Hannah Slade
Dairy Goat	Daniel Ortlieb
Horse	Sydney Henry
Rabbit	Ciera Inman Cassandra Wilbur Sophia Wilbur Sienna Barber
Sheep	Caylene Russell Abby Thomas
Swine	Sam Birdsall Elyse Butts
Gardening/Horticulture	Caylene Russell Sydney Scanlon Gwyneth Scanlon Gabriella Tordel Donovan Allis Thornton Allis

COMMUNICATION ARTS

Photography

Sonya Helms
Mary Rose

Public Speaking

Annika Donlick
Elsie Donlick
Avery Gordinier
Sonya Helms
Morgan Scales

Visual Arts

Sienna Barber
Ciera Inman
Elle McNamara
Ivy Phelps,
Hannah Slade

Demonstrations

Erika Olsen
William Mathy
Morgan Scales
Alice Tylutki

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

Vet Science

Mikayla Negley
Eli Teeter

Wood Science

ACTIVITIES

Community Service

Nate Viglietta

Judging

Sam Birdsall
Sarah Birdsall
Annika Donlick
Elsie Donlick

Tractor Safety

Clark Gendron
Thornton Allis
Michaela Eichorst
Cassandra Wilbur
Kevin Patt

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Citizenship

Donovan Allis
Michaela Eichorst

CONSUMER & FAMILY

Childcare Development

Annika Donlick
Elsie Donlick

Clothing & Textiles

Annika Donlick
Elsie Donlick
Abby Thomas
Gwyneth Scanlon

Food/Nutrition

Home Environment

Sydney Scanlon
Elsie Donlick



CORTLAND COUNTY JR. FAIR AWARDS

HERDSMANSHIP AWARD for recognition of outstanding recipients at the 65th Annual Cortland County Jr Fair 2018.

- 🏆 **Dairy:** Eastern Valley 4-H Club
- 🏆 **Livestock:** 4 Own 4-H Saddle Club
- 🏆 **Rabbit:** Jade Stout
- 🏆 **Poultry:** Erika Olsen

HORTICULTURE AWARDS

- 🏆 **Best Cut Flower** - Annika Donlick
- 🏆 **Best Window Box** - Alice Tylutki
- 🏆 **Top Ornamental Exhibitor** - Caylene Russell

VEGETABLE AWARDS

- 🏆 **Largest Green Tomato** - Gabrielle Tordel
- 🏆 **Outstanding Veg Exhibit** - Gabrielle Tordel
- 🏆 **Outstanding 1st Year Vegetable Award** - Annabelle Bosket, Ruby Metcalf, Olivia Zakarewicz
- 🏆 **Outstanding 1st Year Vegetable Award** - Gwyneth Scanlon and Sydney Scanlon
- 🏆 **Top Vegetable Exhibitor Award** - Gabrielle Tordel
- 🏆 **All~ Around Horticulture & Vegetable Award** - Gwyneth Scanlon

2018 OUTSTANDING RECOGNITION

Rebecca Ireland-Perry – 4-H Team leader recognized outstanding youth who have worked very hard this year achieving their goals in the Dairy, Agriculture, Livestock and Horse areas.

🏆 4-H DAIRY MEMBER AWARD – DAIRY GOAT BROOKE RAUBER

🏆 4-H LIVESTOCK MEMBER AWARD SARAH BIRDSALL

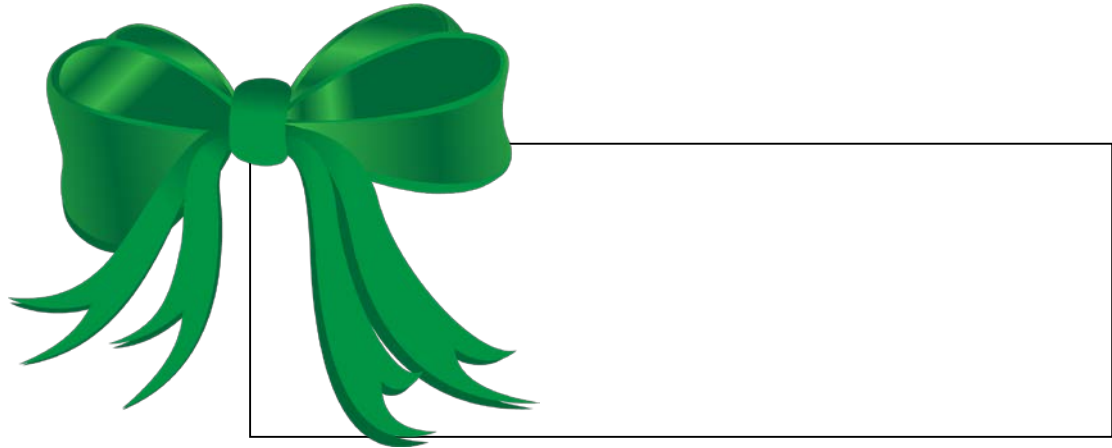
🏆 4-H HORSE MEMBER AWARD LINDSEY BABCOCK JAKE BABCOCK AND SYDNEY HENRY

🏆 2018 ALL AROUND 4-H MEMBERS ALICE TYLUTKI AND CODY WILK

In closing the Achievement Night Awards evening, the Teen Council youth members held a traditional Candlelight Ceremony and refreshments were shared to end the evening.

Thank you to our sponsors, volunteers, friends, parents, grandparents, alumni 4-H'ers and businesses that support and sponsor trophies, plaques, and cash awards for the youth fair and year-end awards.

Thank you to the Cortlandville Grange for the use of their grange for 4-H activities throughout the year.



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