

Happy Holidays



Cortland County

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NEWS FROM 4-H OFFICE

CLOSED FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

DECEMBER 24th thru 31st, 2019

AND

JANUARY 1, 2020



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 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.



NOTICE!

The 4-H Office MUST BE NOTIFIED IN WRITING...

on or before..... JANUARY 1, 2020,

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.**

(Tenative: Fair Date: July 7-11, 2020).

4-H Team Leader Rebecca Ireland-Perry
at 607-391-2660

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.

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 (jd28@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!

Come and Learn about the Horse and its industry! You will learn about the horse, evolution, nutritional needs, colors, diseases, different types of tack riding or driving....along with many more interesting facts of the horse of today!

We are planning 8-9 weeks of practices which will begin on **Wednesday, January 8th at 6:30 pm** to start with the first session and focusing on a different topic area each week. The practices will be held at the 4-H office. In March a fun regional competition is held with 8 other counties, a fun day for all!

Please call Jackie to sign up so that we are able to plan accordingly with materials, etc. at 607-391-2660.

DAIRY QUIZ BOWL



Christel Donlick and Alison Parrott will be helping with practices this year for dairy bowl. To try and be more central the practice session will be held at the Farm Credit office in Homer.

Practices will be starting on **Thursday, January 9th**, and will be two hours long, from 6-8 pm. focusing on a different topic each week.

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.

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

2020 TRACTOR SAFETY PROGRAM

Mark your calendars, (March thru May 2020). 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 tractor safety 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!!

2020 CALENDAR DATES

January 2020

1 st	Office Closed- Holiday
2 nd	Office Re-Open
8,15,22,29	Hippology Practices 6:30 PM at 4-H office.
9,16,23,30	Dairy Bowl Practices 6:30 PM at Farm Credit East, Homer, NY
11 th	State Horse HEC Mtg. @ Cornell
20 th	Office Closed- Holiday
21 st	Fairboard Meeting 7PM

February 2020

17 th	Office Closed-Holiday
18 th	Fairboard Meeting 7PM
18-21	4-H Sewing Camp – 4-H Office
TBA	Robotics camp

March 2020

4 th , 7 th	County Public Presentations
14 th	District/Regional Hippology & Quiz Bowl contest (Horse & Dairy)
28 th	District Public Presentation Program
31 st	Deadline (including late fees) for all Animal Exhibitors to re-enroll into 4-H & show animals at 2020 Jr. Fair.



Fruit Dip Recipe

Yield 8 servings

Ingredients

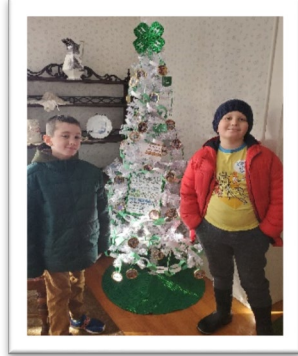
- 8 oz. yogurt, low fat vanilla
- 1 tablespoon lime juice
- ½ tablespoon brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons 100% orange juice frozen concentrate, thawed.

Directions:

1. In a small bowl, combine yogurt, orange juice concentrate, lime juice and brown sugar
2. Mix well

Source: Utah State University Cooperative Extension. 4-H Fun with Foods, Level I

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THE COUNTY!



The Cincy Country Kids participated in the Cincinnatus Area Heritage Society Festival of Trees on December 7 and 8, 2019. A traditional program happening for the past 10+ years in the Cincinnatus town and takes place at the Rogers House located next to the Kellogg Free Library.

Residents, businesses, organizations, clubs, schools and all are welcome to decorate a tree however they would like to. Cincy Country Kids chose to do their tree with the 4-H green and white colors. The club all worked together to make a green and white paper chain with a giant 4-H clover as the topper covered in glitter. Each member made a couple ornaments with caption pictures on them doing activities in their 4-H club. The 4-H pledge was also framed and displayed on the tree for all to see.

During the Open House, all are welcome to come view the tree displays and vote on their favorite one while enjoying holiday music, cookies and punch. The Cincy Country Kids came in at a very close 2nd place! A great job was done by all.



FRIENDLY ACRES 4-H CLUB – November - at their November meeting held at Farm Credit East, they baked biscuits and made a Turkey veggie platter.



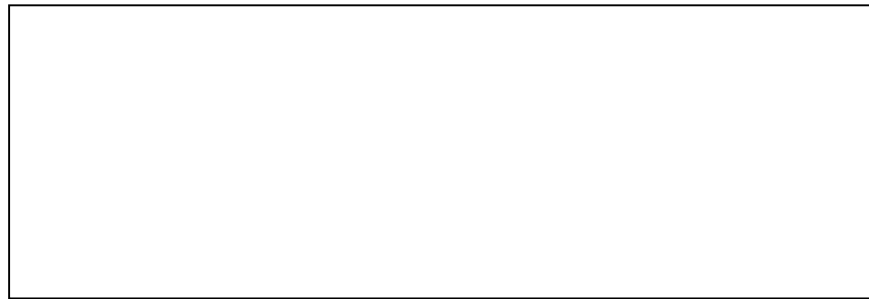
FRIENDLY ACRES 4-H CLUB – December -At their December meeting their Christmas cookie exchange was a hit!

R-OWN 4-H SADDLE CLUB

At their November meeting the club members made floral centerpieces for Thanksgiving. Plans to go to the Light gateway at the Animal Adventure on Dec. 14th.



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December 2020

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