



# 4-H NEWS

THE WYOMING COUNTY

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## PREPARING FOR FAIR SEASON!

Show animal health and fair requirements presentation by Dr. Allen Fournier, DVM

**Monday, May 12th at 6:30PM**  
Ag & Business Center, Warsaw

Dr. Fournier is the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets Field Veterinarian for our region. He will be joining us to talk about common health issues seen in 4-H project animals along with prevention and treatment. He will also outline current animal health guidelines for exhibiting animals at fair. This will be a great opportunity to speak with a veterinarian and learn more about why health papers and vet inspections are necessary parts of our 4-H and show process.



Like public presentations, when you sign in to the event, we will have you mark what species you would like the event to count towards. Please call the 4-H office to register before the meeting by calling us at 585-786-2251 or using this QR code to register.



*This meeting will satisfy the educational requirement for one of any species of animals at the 2025 Wyoming County Fair.*

## Important 4-H Animal Science Paperwork Deadlines

- **April 15th** - New member enrollments in the dog program are due.
  - **June 1st** – Horse Certificates
  - **June 1st** – Dairy Grade & Lease Certificates
  - **June 1st** – Beef, Goat, and Sheep Breeding Animal Grade and Lease Certificates
- **July 15th** – All 4-H Animal Fair Entries (beef, dairy, dog, horse, poultry, rabbit, sheep, goat, and swine) are due to the 4-H office
- **August 1st** – Open Show Entries are due to the Wyoming County Fair Association

All fair entry forms will be available in mid-June once Fair books are available.

*There is more information throughout this newsletter regarding project ownership, meeting requirements, etc. If you have any questions, please call the 4-H office at 585-786-2251.*

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# APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5  <b>Hiking Club</b> 1:00pm; East Koy
6	7  <b>Rabbit Ears Club Meeting</b> ** 6:30pm	8	9  <b>4-H Program Committee Meeting</b> **7:00pm	10	11  <b>Clothing Revue Entry Blanks Due</b>	12  <b>Dairy Cattle Judging</b> 9:30AM; Rudgers Jerseys. Attica
13  <b>Grooming &amp; Clipping Clinic</b> 3:30pm; Wolcott Farms	14 <b>CORNING AWARD TRIP</b>	15	16  <b>Secretaries Report Due</b>	17  <b>Clothing Evaluation</b> ** 6:00pm - 8:00pm	18	19
20	21  <b>All Things Poultry</b> ** 6:30pm	22	23	24	25	26  <b>Swartz Farm Tour &amp; Necrospy</b> 10:00am; Attica <b>Clothing Evaluation</b> ** 9:00 - 10:30am
27	28  <b>Master Builders Club Meeting;</b> *6:30pm	29	30	<p>** Indicates that meeting is held at the Agriculture and Business Center 36 Center Street, Warsaw, NY</p> <hr/> <p>Accomodations for persons with disabilities may be request- ed by calling the 585-786-2251 no later than 10 days prior to the event to ensure sufficient time to make arrangements. Requests received after this date will be met when possible.</p>		

# MAY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>** Indicates that meeting is held at the Agriculture and Business Center 36 Center Street, Warsaw, NY</b></p> <p>Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by calling the 585-786-2251 no later than 10 days prior to the event to ensure sufficient time to make arrangements. Requests received after this date will be met when possible.</p>				1	2	3
					<p><b>Swine Weigh-In</b> 4:00pm - 8:00PM; Wyoming County Fairgrounds</p>	<p><b>Stoney Meadow Farm Fiber Mill Tour</b> 10:00AM; Holley, NY</p> <p><b>Swine Weigh-In</b> 9:00AM - 11:00AM; Wyoming County Fairgrounds</p>
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
<p><b>Saddle Fitting Clinic</b> 6:00pm; Ash-Lin's Elegant Rose, Warsaw</p>	<p><b>Rabbit Ears Club Meeting</b> ** 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>Rabbit Ears Club Meeting</b> ** 6:00pm</p>	<p><b>Feeding for Success</b> **7:00pm</p>	<p><b>Lamb &amp; Goat Weigh-In</b> 5:00PM - 8:00PM; Wyoming County Fairgrounds</p>	<p><b>Clothing Revue</b> ** 7:30PM</p>	<p><b>Poultry Processing</b> 9:00am; HLW Acres,</p>
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	<p><b>Goat Club Meeting</b> ** 6:00pm</p> <p><b>Preparing for Fair Season**</b> 6:30pm</p>		<p><b>Horse Rider Evaluation</b> 6:00pm; Bridgman Stables, Varysburg</p> <p><b>Secretaries Report Due</b></p>		<p><b>Muck Dogs Ticket Orders Due</b></p>	<p><b>Photography Workshop</b> 10:00am; Captivated Studios, Perry</p>
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	<p><b>Horse Committee Meeting</b> **7:00pm</p> <p><b>Master Builders Club Meeting;</b> *6:30pm</p>	<p><b>Gladiolus &amp; Giant Vegetable Pickup**</b> 6:30pm-7:30pm</p>		<p><b>Ag Champions Program**</b> 6:00pm</p>		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	<p><b>CCE OFFICE CLOSED</b></p>	<p><b>Wyo. Co. Eggers Club Meeting</b> ** 6:30pm</p>	<p><b>Ag Sensor Technologies**</b> 6:00pm</p>			

# JUNE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> Dairy Grade & Lease Papers Due  Horse Certificates Due  Beef, Sheep, Swine Lease Papers Due	<b>2</b>    Rabbit Ears Club Meeting ** 6:30pm	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>   Muck Dogs Game 6:30pm; Dwyer Stadium; Batavia	<b>5</b> VERMONT AWARD TRIP	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>   Beef Showing & Fitting Clinic 10:00am; Attica
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>   Goat Challenge ** 6:00pm	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>   Horse Rider Evaluation 6:00pm; Wolcott Farms, Warsaw	<b>14</b>   Livestock Salesmanship **10:00am
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>   Dairy Challenge ** 6:30pm	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Horse Rider Evaluation/Leadline Clinic 6:00pm; Diana Henry's, Bliss 4-H Dog Obedience Graduation 5:30pm; Wyoming County Fairgrounds Secretaries Report Due	<b>19</b>   Horse Show Etiquette 4:00pm; Wolcott Farms, Warsaw CCE OFFICE CLOSED	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>   Master Builders Club Meeting ** 6:30pm	<b>24</b>   4-H Dog Obedience Trial 5:30pm; Warriner's Farm, Perry	<b>25</b> CORNELL CAREER EXPLORATIONS	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<p>** Indicates that meeting is held at the Agriculture and Business Center 36 Center Street, Warsaw, NY</p> <hr/> <p>Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by calling the 585-786-2251 no later than 10 days prior to the event to ensure sufficient time to make arrangements. Requests received after this date will be met when possible.</p>				

# UPCOMING COUNTY WIDE CLUB MEETINGS



## WYOMING COUNTY EGGERS - Poultry Club -

**Tuesday, May 27th**  
6:30pm at the Ag & Business Center  
*\*Dr. Vranich will be guest speaking!*



## CAPRINE KIDS COUNTY WIDE GOAT CLUB

**\*No April Meeting\***

**Monday, May 12th**  
6:00pm at the Ag & Business Center

**Monday, June 9th**  
6:00pm at the Ag & Business Center



## HIKING CLUB

**Saturday, April 5th**  
1:00pm at East Koy

Contact Stephanie to RSVP



## MASTER BUILDERS - Lego Club -

**Monday, April 28th**  
6:30pm at the Ag & Business Center

**Monday, May 19th**  
6:30pm at the Ag & Business Center

**Monday, June 23rd**  
6:30pm at the Ag & Business Center

**Monday, July 28th**  
6:30pm at the Ag & Business Center



## RABBIT EARS CLUB

**Monday, April 7th**  
6:30pm at the Ag & Business

**Monday, May 5th**  
6:30pm at the Ag & Business

**Monday, June 2nd**  
6:30pm at the Ag & Business

**Monday, July 7th**  
6:30pm at the Ag & Business

### MEETING CANCELLATION POLICY

*Here are some guidelines about weather closings and cancellations for Wyoming County 4-H*

If a meeting or event is going to be cancelled, we will notify WCJW - 1140AM, 100.9FM, 103.7FM, 104.9FM, and 105.5FM. They list cancellations on air and via their Facebook page.

Cancellations will also be listed on the Wyoming County 4-H Facebook page by 4:30pm on the day of the event.



# 4-H FAIR BOOTHS AVAILABLE

2025 WYOMING COUNTY FAIR THEME:

## “Wyoming County Fair - A Timeless Tradition”

The exhibit booths in the Youth Building at the Wyoming County Fair are available on a first come, first serve basis. Booths are 58” wide, 35” deep, and 6’ 9” high. Each booth receives a minimum of \$25.00, plus points added accordingly to the ribbon received.

The quality of the booths in recent years has been excellent. This is a good club fundraiser. It is encouraged to have club displays, as well as 4-H club parade floats, be in some way tied in with the fair theme.

Please contact the 4-H office ASAP if your club would like to reserve an exhibit booth!

### 4-H Office Focus!

*This year, in each edition of the 4-H News, we will highlight an interview done with a staff member of our team*



#### Alesia Ackerman

*Alesia is the Administrative Assistant for CCE Wyoming and has been with the association since September 2017. You can reach out to Alesia by stopping in at the office, calling her at 585-786-2251, or emailing her at [aea92@cornell.edu](mailto:aea92@cornell.edu).*

**Tell us a little about yourself:** I am a mom to 3 awesome kids: Hadleigh (8), Parker (1) and Walker (1 week). Most of my free time is taken in dance classes/competitions, and soccer or softball games. We have 2 dogs: a chocolate lab and lab/husky. Being a mom is by far my favorite thing and my kids will always come first - even if I want to pull my hair out sometimes! I couldn't do all the extras without Travis, and I am thankful he goes along with most of my ideas no matter how much he wants to say no!

**What do you do at CCE Wyoming?** At CCE, I am the Sr. Admin Assistant. I work with the staff at CCE making sure deadlines are being met for newsletters, mailings, and other items. I may be biased but I am truly blessed to work with the BEST 4-H and Ag educators around. Having a great work family makes work more fun!

**What is the most rewarding part of your work here at CCE Wyoming?** The most rewarding part of my job is when youth are excited to share their projects and stories with you. Getting to know so many of the families over the past 7 years and being able to watch kids go from a 5-year-old cloverbud to a 12-year-old in the show ring, is so much fun to watch.

**If you were a currently a 4-H member, what project area would you like to participate in and why?** I didn't grow up in 4-H so picking just one project is hard. My top project would probably be sewing. I learned some in middle school, but I wish I was able to make something from fabric, or fix a shirt, and then pass those skills down to my kids. Otherwise, I would love to show either a well-trained beef animal or horse. I grew up with horses and always wanted to run barrels or show but never did.

Photo credit: Falconer Photography

### Welcome Baby!

*The 4-H office is thrilled to announce the latest addition to the team!  
Walker Kessler welcomed the world on Sunday, March 23rd.*

*Congratulations,  
Alesia and Travis!*



# 2025

## PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

### ★ RESULTS ★

Congratulations to the 123 4-H'ers who participated in this year's 4-H Public Presentations program. The program is designed to help youth gain confidence and self-esteem when speaking before a group of people about something that interests them. A big THANK YOU goes out to the 4-H leaders and parents who helped 4-H'ers get prepared for this eventful experience!

The following 4-H'ers either received a "4-H Gift" or have been awarded tickets to Genesee Country Village and Museum, Charcoal Corral Gift Card or a 4-H long sleeve shirt.

If your name is not on the list and you believe it should be, contact the 4-H office at 786-2251.

*A special thank you to all the individuals who served as judges for sharing their time and talents to support the development of our 4-H presenters and making 2025 Public Presentations a success!*

Hadleigh Ackerman	Sicilya Conorozzo	Eli Hobin	Ezra Nickerson	Finn Somerville
Austin Armison	Jacob Copeland	Hannah Holmes	Elliot O'Brien	McKayla Spencer
Cody Bang	Kayla Copeland	Will Holmes	Emry O'Brien	Tyler Spencer
Natalie Bartholomew	Daylan Curtis	Charlie Huttar	Cyrus Olin	Josiah Spicer
Ameilyah B'dair	Charrison Dash	Evelyn Huttar	Wesley Olin	Jacquelyn Szucs
Caroline Beckendorf	Addison Day	Caleb Janis	Wyatt Olin	Jack Tassone
Addyson Blaisdell	Jared Day	Eli Janis	Angel Oyer	Gracie Tatlow
Alaina Bliss	Tanner Day	Izaak Janis	Bryce Oyer	Bradley Tillotson
Charlotte Bliss	Harper Glenn	Jayden Jensen	Logan Oyer	Emma Tillotson
Claire Bliss	Reese Glenn	Maddison Jensen	Maddy Oyer	Erin Tillotson
Isabelle Bliss	Cole Green	Eivin Johnson	Abbey Paddock	Jonny Tillotson
Jack Bliss	Eva Green	Emma Johnson	Brad Parmenter	Anna Torrey
Olivia Bliss	Lia Green	Ian Johnson	Tucker Pomeroy	Ryan Torrey
Aubrey Bonow	Cole Hardie	Sienna Keough	Mickey Reinbold	Caroline Welsted
Liam Borer	Josie Hardie	Hayden Malayny	Savannah Reinbold	Natalie Welsted
Olivia Borer	Jack Harris	Emma Marlett	Rozalia Rippel	Quinn Welsted
Cooper Burnham	Maggie Harris	Parker McGarvey	Ian Ripstein	Church West
Dalton Burnham	Tenley Harris	Lawson Meeder	Audrey Russell	Ashton Wilcox
Chloe Campbell	Emily Harwood	Weston Meeder	Chris Sank	Levi Wilcox
Morgan Capen	Mary Harwood	Abby Mest	Ariana Sardina	Ashley Youngers
Anna Cebula	Raymond Hess	Peyton Mest	Jackson Sardina	
Erin Clark	Rebekah Hess	Nicholas Meyer	Teagan Schlueter-Freeman	
Lacey Clark	Ruth Hess	Ruthie Meyer	Bethany Skillman	
Nora Clayson	Beau Hobin	Ben Nason	Titus Skillman	
Olivia Clayson	Drake Hobin	Carly Nason	Claire Somerville	

For those of you interested in entering your poster as a Wyoming County Fair exhibit and/or in doing your presentation at the fair – save your poster!

#### Class: Section 20, Class 155

- 4-H Public Presentation Poster -

Posters used for current year presentation; poster minimum 14" x 22" – acceptable to use both sides of poster. If presentation includes more than one poster, enter as one exhibit. The poster will be evaluated on content, illustrations, organization, clarity, visual appeal and readability. Presentations will occur in 15-minute intervals during fair week. Watch for an article in the June 4-H News for more details on signing up to do your presentation.

Remember: A demonstration is considered a fair entry and can be listed on your voucher to receive a premium. It is also a great opportunity to share information and practice for next year's presentations.

Note: 4-H'ers giving a demonstration will receive \$5.00 for their first demonstration. Senior demonstrators will receive an additional \$2.50 for presenting their demonstration twice.





# PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

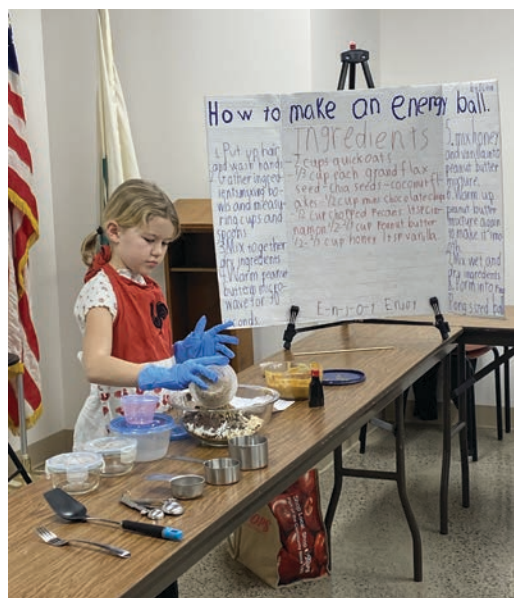


Pictured above: Erin Tillotson spoke about basketball during her public presentation.

## District Public Presentations

Congratulations to our Wyoming County 4-H members that participated at the Western District Public Presentations Contest at the Revive Wesleyan Church, Hamburg on Saturday March 29th.

L to R: Addyson Blaisdell, Jacquelyn Szucs, Mary Harwood, Emily Harwood and Beau Hobin not pictured.



Pictured above: Olivia Bliss demonstrates how to make energy balls during her public presentation!

Pictured right: Hannah Holmes demonstrated how to make boutonniere



Pictured right: Ariana Sardina poses with her poster on Dolly Parton while her brother, Jackson Sardina shows off his poster on Minecraft



# WYOMING COUNTY 4-H FASHION REVUE

*Sew... Make your statement*



## *Important Dates to Remember*

### **Friday, April 11th**

Entry blanks and commentary sheets due for April 17th and April 26th judging.

Please return entry blank and commentary sheet to the 4-H Office.

Bring 'Evaluation Sheet' with you on judging day.

### **Thursday, April 17th**

Evening clothing evaluation judging option

6:00PM-8:00PM Ag & Business Center (36 Center Street, Warsaw)  
(BRING EVALUATION SHEET WITH YOU)

### **Saturday, April 26th**

Day clothing evaluation judging option

9:00AM-10:30AM Ag & Business Center (36 Center Street, Warsaw)  
(BRING EVALUATION SHEET WITH YOU)

### **Friday, May 9th**

7:30PM Clothing Revue @ Ag & Business Center, Warsaw

### **Cover Design Contest**

If you are a 4-H Member, you can enter a cover design for the  
2025 Clothing Revue Program!

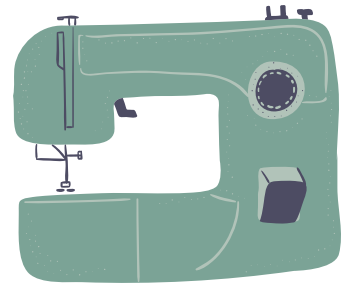
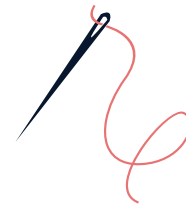
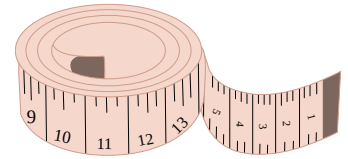
Your cover design should reflect this year's  
theme "*Sew... Make Your Statement*"

Please note: Your cover design must be 8 1/2" by 5 1/2" and should be made with black ink on paper (no computer generated covers, please!) Mail or bring in your design to the Wyoming County 4-H Office by April 11th.

### **Sewing Machines & Serger Available**

The 4-H Office has several sewing machines as well as a serger available for individual members or clubs to use in preparation for Clothing Revue.

Contact the 4-H office for availability and further questions.





# Delicious Destinations

*Exploring Foods Around The World!*

*Monday, April 14th 6:30pm setup, 7:00pm program begins*

*Ag & Business Center, Warsaw*



Explore the different cuisines around the world, along with their cultures and heritage!

There are hundreds of cultures and cuisines across the globe, we challenge you, as 4-H independent and club members, to select a country and research the origins of the foods they eat and their culinary histories and traditions!

It's easy! As a club (or independent member), pick a nation in the world you are interested in exploring! Over the next several months, gather information on the region's cuisine, including styles of cooking or special dishes, and the history or origins of the food item(s) or recipes. You may choose a country or region of the USA.

As an opportunity to highlight what members learn from participating in this experience, Wyoming County 4-H will host a 'Delicious Destinations - Exploring Foods throughout the World' event on Monday evening, April 14th, 2025. In planning for an evening that will be interesting and enjoyable for everyone, your club (or independent members) should be prepared to:

- Share samples of a food/dish that is representative of your region/city with other participants.
- All food samples must be prepared prior to the event, and prepackaged for distribution.
- Plan a short presentation (5 minutes max) to share what you have learned with others.
- Put together a small display highlighting what you learned by participating in the project (i.e. posters, photographs, clothing, recipes, etc.)

Pre-registration is required as spacing is limited. This will provide a great opportunity for everyone to discover 'delicious destinations' by sampling foods and sharing information, without leaving Wyoming County (or even the room)! Call the 4-H office for questions or to sign up by April 1st!





## SECRETARIES HONOR ROLL

*Congratulations to the following club secretaries for turning in their reports in on time to the 4-H office:*

### **JANUARY** in by February 17th

Back 2 Basics ❁ Avalon Forti  
3 + 2 ❁ Natalie Bartholomew  
Tiger Cubs ❁ Sophia Gonzalez  
Wolcott's Horse Haven ❁ Sophia Black &  
Samantha Szkoczylas

### **FEBRUARY** in by March 20th

Back 2 Basics ❁ Avalon Forti  
3 + 2 ❁ Natalie Bartholomew  
Creek Road Pioneers ❁ Emma Johnson  
Tiger Cubs ❁ Sophia Gonzalez  
Wolcott's Horse Haven ❁ Sophia Black &  
Samantha Szkoczylas

### **Remember**

*Secretary reports are due to the 4-H office by the third Wednesday of the following month. Reports for November are due December 20th and January reports are due by February 21st. Please make sure all clubs are turning in a Secretary report; it is a nice way for the 4-H office to see what clubs are doing! You can drop them off at the 4-H office, mail them, or email them to [aea92@cornell.edu](mailto:aea92@cornell.edu)*

**FYI:** The Secretaries Monthly Report is available online:  
<https://s3.amazonaws.com/assets.cce.cornell.edu/attachments/52/SecretariesMonthlyreportcombinedfillable.pdf?1395071894>

## DR. TEMPLE GRANDIN VISITS WYOMING COUNTY



CCE Wyoming had the honor of hosting doctor Temple Grandin at the Perry Central School Friday March 28th. Dr. Grandin gave an enlightening presentation on animal handling and welfare. Several Wyoming County 4-H members had an opportunity to engage and interact with her during the event.

## Plant Science

If you signed up for the Gladiolus or Giant Vegetable Growing Projects don't forget about the seed and bulb pick up day!

This year we are again offering one combined meeting to go over growing guides and answering questions. If you are unable to pick up your materials at these designated time, they will be available for pick up during our office hours after the event!

### **Gladiolus & Giant Vegetable Pickup**

Tuesday, May 20th

6:30pm - 7:30pm

Ag & Business Center

Drive thru style event (weather dependent). Staff and volunteers will be on site to answer questions for new participants!

### **Gladiolus Pre-Fair Meeting**

Saturday August 2nd

1:00pm

6347 Chamberlain Rd

Silver Springs, NY 14550

\*All new participants are expected to attend. Returning members are highly encouraged to attend!\* Demonstrations and hands on opportunity for creating a corsage, arrangements and single spike displays to get fair ready!

### **Gladiolus Show**

Sunday, August 10th

1:00pm

Wyoming County Fair - People's Building

For further details, check out department K section 10 of the fairbook!

### **Giant Vegetable Weigh-In**

Tuesday, September 23rd

5:30pm - 6:30pm

Ag & Business Center

Bring your giant pumpkins, giant sunflowers, and mini pumpkins to the 4-H office for measuring and weighing!



## Photography Workshop

**Saturday, May 17th at 10:00AM**  
Captivated Studios  
1 Main Street, Perry NY

This 4-H Photography Workshop is open to youth 10+ looking to improve their photography skills! Any and all abilities are welcome. Sarah McGinnis of Captivated Studios will be instructing this course. The class will be molded by the participants!

Click the QR code below to register! Limited space available. Registration closes May 5th. This class cost is sponsored by the FCS Fund, courtesy of the cake and pie auction.



### UPCOMING SCHOLARSHIPS

#### NYS ASSOCIATION OF AG FAIRS SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline 4/11/2025  
<https://www.nyfairs.org/scholarships.htm>

#### NYS GRANGE - THE DENISE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Deadline 4/15/2025  
<https://nysgrange.org/education-opportunities/>

Scholarship details can be found on our website at:  
[wyoming.cce.cornell.edu/4-H.youth-development/projects-activities/awards-scholarships](https://wyoming.cce.cornell.edu/4-H.youth-development/projects-activities/awards-scholarships)

#### WYOMING COUNTY FARM BUREAU SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline 5/6/2025  
Wyoming County Farm Bureau will award 1 \$1,500 scholarship to a high school senior or college student for the current school year. Scholarships may be applied to tuition, housing, books and other educational expenses.  
<https://nyfb.org/about/county-farm-bureau/wyoming-county>

## TOUR OF THE FARM AND MILL AT THE STONE MEADOWS ALPACA FARM

**Saturday May 3rd at 10AM-12PM**  
16038 Glidden Rd., Holley, NY 14470

We invite Wyoming County 4-H'ers interested in fiber arts are invited to experience a tour of this fiber facility! Youth will see the animals, mill and spinning processes.

Email [wyomingcounty4h@cornell.edu](mailto:wyomingcounty4h@cornell.edu) or call 585-786-2251 to register. There are limited spaces available. Participants are welcome to bring along their lunch and have a picnic on the grounds after the conclusion of the tour.

Bio - Welcome to The Mill at Stoney Meadows Alpacas, nestled in the heart of Claredon, New York, where our fields are graced by a majestic collection of Huacaya Alpacas! Since 2012, our journey began as an alpaca farm, evolving swiftly into breeding, establishing a loom business, and now proudly a state-of-the-art fiber mill. As a family-operated farm, passion drives every aspect of our farm. We cherish our exquisite animals and the fine fibers they produce, each a testament to our dedication and care. Co-owner Theresa Jewell, a celebrated fiber artist and esteemed fiber arts judge, extends her expertise through captivating weaving and spinning lessons.



### Agriculture Scholarship Essay Winner!

Thank you to the youth who participated in the Agriculture Essay Contest. We would like to start off by thanking the Jim Downing family of North Java for sponsoring the scholarship. Congratulations to Hannah Holmes, an 11-year member of the Barnyard Crew, for being selected as the winner of the scholarship. She plans to put this scholarship toward her college education where she'll focus on agri-business.

# AG CHAMPIONS PROGRAM

This program will connect youth with key community leaders to deepen their understanding of how these leaders support agriculture in Wyoming County, NY. The goal is to enhance knowledge about the systems that support agriculture, understand important concepts related to private sector growth and development, and explore public sector services. Participants will develop skills to effectively communicate the benefits of livestock agriculture to the public and engage with community leaders.

## **Session 1: Communicating About Agriculture**

Thursday, May 22nd at 6:00pm

Ag & Business Center, Warsaw

## **Session 2: Meeting Community Leaders - June Date TBD**

## **Session 3: Applying Learning Through Public Service July Date TBD**

Interested youth may apply for the Ag Champions program by filling out a brief online application by May 12th. Use the QR code below to access application. This program will be limited to 15 participants ages 13-18. If you have questions regarding this new opportunity, please reach out to Holly Harwood or Caron Gala, in the 4-H office.



# AGRICULTURAL SENSOR TECHNOLOGY FOR BEGINNERS

**Wednesday, May 28th**

6:00pm – 8:00pm

Ag & Business Center, Warsaw

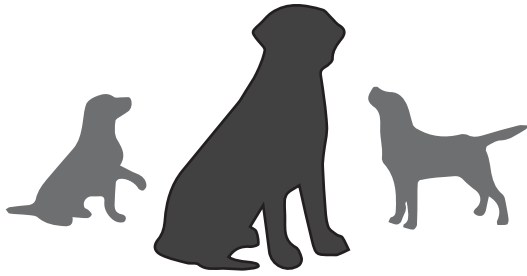
CCE Wyoming County will host Drs. Hunter Adams and Jonathan Jaramillo for this opportunity focused on sensor technologies and how they, along with robotics, can assist us in managing agricultural and horticultural production. Both Hunter and Jonathan are lecturers at Cornell University specializing in robotics, sensor technology, and the geographic management of water, nutrients, and livestock.

The session will be divided, Hunter in one room/Jonathan in the other, with adults in one group and kids in the other. Each group will get an hour to interact with the teacher, then you will switch rooms so that both adults and youth are engaged, providing insights into how sensor technologies function, showcasing examples of their applications, and discussing ways we can innovate with these technologies to enhance the efficiency of managing livestock and field or horticultural crops. There will be hands-on learning in each session.

This is the first in a series of workshops that CCE Wyoming County is offering to “get our hands dirty” by learning about and utilizing sensor technologies. That can mean everything from testing and integrating biosensors that monitor the health of individual dairy cows to developing a process for assessing crop fertilizer application via drones and satellites.

Please call the 4-H office to register for this event by Wednesday, May 21st.





The Wyoming County 4-H Dog Obedience Program will begin in April 2025. Classes will meet weekly for 9 weeks. If you are interested in enrolling in the program, call the 4-H Office to request a brochure, or view online at <http://wyoming.cce.cornell.edu/4-h-youth-development/projects-activities/dog-care-obedience-program>. Below find the contact information for each site.



### SITES & LEADERS

(Call Leaders to Enroll)



#### ARCADE

Mindy Holland (716-353-6584) contact after 5:00PM  
1583 Green Road, Freedom  
Tuesdays - 6PM: Beginners - 7PM: Advanced

#### PERRY

Joan Sage, Bonnie Bowman &  
Emelyn Bell (585-237-2998)  
Perry Park, Perry  
Thursdays - 6:30PM

#### FILLMORE

Alicia Oyer (585-610-6685)  
9865 Council House Rd, Fillmore  
Wednesdays - 6:30PM



*Thank You!*

THE WYOMING COUNTY 4-H LEADERS' ASSOCIATION WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL OF THE FAMILIES & FRIENDS WHO SUPPORTED THE 2025 FUNDRAISING SALE. OUR PROGRAM COULD NOT THRIVE AND GROW WITHOUT THIS FUNDRAISER - THANK YOU!

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR TOP SELLERS!

LEIGHA METZ - \$1,396 TOTAL SALES  
EMMA JOHNSON - \$1,116 TOTAL SALES  
DESTINY BARRETT - \$1,105 TOTAL SALES



## 4-H DOG OBEDIENCE IMPORTANT DATES

#### Obedience Graduation

Wednesday, June 18th; 5:30PM  
Wyo. Co. Fairgrounds, inside Ag Expo or outside weather permitting

#### Obedience Trial

Tuesday, June 24th, 5:30PM  
Warriner's Farm, 7618 Spear Rd, Perry, NY

#### Obedience Trial

Thursday, July 10th, 5:30PM  
Wyo. Co. Fairgrounds, inside Ag Expo or outside weather permitting

#### Wyoming County Fair Shows:

##### Obedience Program

Sunday, August 10th, 2:00PM  
Water Street Ball Field, Wyoming County Fairgrounds, Pike

##### Rally Obedience, Agility Immediately After

Thursday, August 14th, 12:30PM,  
Ag Expo Center, Wyoming County Fairgrounds, Pike

NYS 4-H Dog Show Monday, August 25th  
NYS Fairgrounds, Syracuse, NY

# HORSING

# AROUND



## 4-H HORSE CERTIFICATES

*Deadline: Sunday, June 1st!*

Wyoming County 4-H requires that one certificate be on file for each individual horse and rider combination. Certificates are available online at [www.wyomingcounty4h.com](http://www.wyomingcounty4h.com) or you may pick up forms up in the 4-H office.

\*Remember; we hold files from year to year. If the horses you may potentially use has not changed, you do NOT need to fill out a new certificate year to year! Call the 4-H office if you have any questions or to find out which horse(s) you have on file!

## 2025 RIDING AND DRIVING Evaluation Schedule

**WHO NEEDS TO BE EVALUATED?** All new horse project members who plan on riding or driving in 4-H events need to be evaluated. In addition to leadline, walk-trot and walk-jog riders moving up to the novice or junior level. **WALK-TROT AND WALK-JOG CLASSES ARE LIMITED TO 1ST & 2ND YEAR RIDERS, AGES 12 & UNDER.** Any youth moving up from leadline needs to be evaluated. Any youth that has participated in walk trot/jog for two years needs to be re-evaluated this year. Any youth evaluated at Novice level will need to be re-evaluated to move up to Junior or Senior level! Evaluations will take place on the following days:

★ Wednesday, May 14th at Bridgman Stables, Varysburg; 6:00pm

★ Friday, June 13th at Wolcott Farms, Warsaw; 6:00PM

★ Wednesday, June 18th at Diana Henry's; Bliss 6:00pm

**YOU MUST PRE-REGISTER FOR EVALUATIONS; PLEASE CALL THE 4-H OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT OR USE THE QR CODE BELOW. THESE ARE THE ONLY 3 OPPORTUNITIES, MAKEUPS WILL NOT BE HELD!**



## WYOMING COUNTY 4-H 2025 HORSE EVENTS CALENDAR

### APRIL

• **\*Grooming and Clipping Clinic** – Sunday April 13th 3:30pm; Wolcott Farms

### MAY

• **\*Saddle Fitting Clinic** – Sunday May 4th 6pm at Ash-Lin's Elegant Rose (3820 Hermitage Rd, Warsaw, NY 14569)

• **Rider Evaluation** – Wednesday, May 14th 6pm at Bridgman Stables, Varysburg

• **Horse Committee Meeting** – Monday, May 19th at 7pm

• **Mother's Day Show** – Saturday, May 24th at the Posse Grounds, Warsaw

### JUNE

• **HORSE CERTIFICATES DUE JUNE 1st!**

• **Rider Evaluation** – Friday, June 13th 6pm at Wolcott Farms, Warsaw

• **Father's Day Show** – Saturday, June 14th at the Posse Grounds, Warsaw

• **Rider Evaluation** – Wednesday, June 18th 6pm at Diana Henry's, Bliss

• **\*Leadline Clinic** – Wednesday, June 18th at Diana Henry's, immediately following the rider evaluation

• **\*Show Etiquette** – Thursday, June 19th 4pm at Wolcott Farms

• **EBRA Show** – June 28th at the Posse Grounds, Warsaw

### JULY

• **\*Trail Riding First Aid Clinic** – Tuesday, July 8th 5pm, Delevan

• **FAIR ENTRIES AND HEALTH PAPERS DUE JULY 15th!**

• **Wyoming County 4-H Horse Program State Qualifier Show** – Saturday July 19th at the Posse Grounds, Warsaw

• **EBRA Show** – July 26th at the Posse Grounds, Warsaw

• **Barn Cleanup Night and Volunteer Meeting** – Monday July 28th 6pm at the fairgrounds

### AUGUST

• **Wyoming County 4-H Open Horse Shows** – Saturday August 9th – Sunday August 10th

• **Wyoming County 4-H Horse Shows** – Monday August 11th – Wednesday August 13th

• **EBRA Show** – August 23rd at the Posse Grounds, Warsaw

### SEPTEMBER

• **EBRA Show** – September 20th at the Posse Grounds, Warsaw

• **Horse Banquet** – Camp Weona, Sunday September 21st; Horse Leaders Meeting to follow

# 2025 WYOMING COUNTY FAIR 4-H HORSE SHOW DIVISIONS

## **Cloverbud Leadline:**

- \*Enrolled cloverbud members age 5-7
- \* Four leadline classes offered during Tuesday's Western Show
- \*Cloverbuds MUST complete a horse certificate, educational event & evaluation to participate

## **Walk-Trot & Walk-Jog Division:**

- First and second year riders, ages 12 and under.
- Not eligible for state fair riding classes.

## **Novice Division:**

- Riders 8-19 years old that want to show their horses but are not ready to canter or lope within Junior or Senior Divisions.
- Classes will include Walk, Trot-Jog, and Canter-Lope.
- Highly recommended for all first & second year riders outside of the Walk-Trot & Walk-Jog Division.
- Evaluators may decide based on rider evaluations, that Novice Division is mandatory for current program year. Riders would have the option to be re-evaluated if scheduled evaluations are still available at a later date.
- Riders receiving overall High Point trophies in any discipline (Gymkhana, Western, English) must advance to the appropriate age division (Junior/Senior) the following 4-H year.
- Not eligible for state fair riding classes.

## **Junior Division:**

- Riders must be under age 14 as of January 1st of current 4-H year.
- Eligible for state fair riding classes.

## **Senior Division:**

- Riders must be 14 years old and not past their 19th birthday as of January 1st of current 4-H year.
- Eligible for state fair riding classes.

## **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

### **WYOMING COUNTY 4-H HORSE SHOW**

**Saturday, July 19th**

Registration 8:00AM - Show Start: 8:30AM  
with Showmanship

At the WCSMU (Posse) Grounds on Wilder Road, Warsaw  
Junior & Senior Divisions – English, Western & Gymkhana

\*This show serves as our state fair qualifying show, in addition to a great chance to prepare for the County Fair! The high point riders from each division will have an opportunity to advance to the NYS Fair 4-H Horse Show.

\*\*Walk Trot & Novice Divisions will be included in this show! Look for more details in the next edition of the 4-H News.

## **EDUCATIONAL EVENTS - CALL OR EMAIL TO REGISTER AHEAD!**

### **Grooming & Clipping Clinic**

**Sunday, April 13th 3:30pm**

at Wolcott Farms; 4085 Quakertown Rd, Warsaw

This is a demonstration event, please bring yourselves, no horses!

*\*Qualifies as an educational event to show at the 2025 Wyoming County Fair.\**

### **Saddle Fitting Clinic**

**Sunday, May 4th 6pm**

at Ash-Lin's Elegant Rose;  
3820 Hermitage Rd, Warsaw

David Blending of Creekside Saddlery will be showcasing techniques and the understanding of how to properly fit a saddle to your horse. This is a demonstration event, please bring yourselves, no horses!

*\*Qualifies as an educational event to show at the 2025 Wyoming County Fair.\**

### **Leadline Clinic**

**Wednesday, June 18th**

Immediately following the rider evaluation  
(approximately 6:30/7pm)  
at Diana Henry's; 2823 W Hill Rd., Bliss

*\*Qualifies as an educational event for cloverbuds to show at the 2025 Wyoming County Fair.\**

### **Show Etiquette**

**Thursday, June 19th 4pm**

at Wolcott Farms; 4085 Quakertown Rd, Warsaw

Learn some tips and tricks from 4-H alumni on how to best prepare for the fair, and other shows! This is a great opportunity for new families to build on their knowledge and gain support before the busyness of the show season begins.

*\*Qualifies as an educational event to show at the 2025 Wyoming County Fair.\**

### **Trail Riding First Aid**

**Tuesday, July 8th 5pm**

at 4-H volunteer Jeff Tingle's home arena  
11644 Worden Rd., Delevan

This is an interactive event, but don't bring your horse. Last chance event to show at the Wyoming County Fair!! Please call the 4-H office to register for this event.

*\*Qualifies as an educational event to show at the 2025 Wyoming County Fair.\**

## LIVESTOCK LEASE AND GRADE PAPERWORK

Again in 2025, the 4-H office will start collecting lease and grade paperwork for breeding beef and sheep. All 4-H project animals should be owned or leased and under 4-H members care by June 1st.

Lease and grade forms are due on June 1st, and they are available on our website or in the 4-H office. These forms will allow the 4-H office plan better for animal numbers at the fair in addition to add some project ownership and responsibility for animals. Copies of registration papers should be submitted along with fair entries for those animals that have them.

Meat animal projects in addition to other non-auction market projects do not currently need ownership forms. Swine do not need ownership forms as youth may choose market or breeding classes closer to fair. They are available in the 4-H office if you are interested in filling them out. All animals will still need to be entered on a fair entry form by July 15th. Please contact Holly in the 4-H office with questions on this new process.

## PULLORUM TESTING FOR POULTRY

All poultry (except waterfowl) exhibited at the Wyoming County Fair will need a valid Pullorum Certificate for 2025.

Individual bird testing will take place at the fairgrounds, on **July 8, 2025; 5 to 7pm**. Please contact the 4-H office for more details regarding the NPIP testing.

## POULTRY PROCESSING 101

**Saturday, May 10th beginning at 9:00am**

HLW Acres, 1727 Exchange Street Road, Attica

Hermann Weber is offering a poultry processing workshop geared for 4-H members at his processing facility. He will cover all aspects of processing and regulations. There will be hands on components and participants will need to wear washable boots. A parent/guardian will need to accompany youth members during the event. Lunch will be provided. Please call the 4-H office with any questions or to register by May 5th for the meeting.

*This meeting will satisfy the educational requirement for showing both traditional poultry and market broilers at the 2025 Wyoming County Fair.*

## MEAT ANIMAL PROJECT WEIGH-IN DATES



Held at the Wyoming County Fairgrounds  
in Pike, Livestock Barn

### -SWINE-

Friday, May 2nd from 4:00pm till 8:00pm  
Saturday, May 3rd from 9:00am till 11:00am

Registration website:

[https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/WYCOSWINETAGGING-2-2-2-2\\_256](https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/WYCOSWINETAGGING-2-2-2-2_256)



### -LAMBS & GOATS-

Thursday, May 8th from 5:00pm till 8:00pm  
(lambs should be weigh between 35 and 75 pounds)

Registration website:

[https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/WYCOLAMBTAGGING-2-2-2-2\\_256](https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/WYCOLAMBTAGGING-2-2-2-2_256)



To reduce wait times at our upcoming meat animal tagging and weigh-in event, we need everyone to register for timeslots. You will register online through the links provided above. There are a specific number of openings for each timeslot, and they will be closed out when filled.

You will register your family/truck/trailer load in one timeslot as a group. It will be important to arrive during your timeslot as close to the beginning of your appointment as possible, to keep the lines running smoothly.

## ALL THINGS POULTRY

with Hermann Weber

**Monday, April 21st at 6:30PM**

Ag & Business Center, Warsaw

Hermann Weber will be on hand to talk about raising broilers, layer chickens, and all other poultry related topics that you may have questions about. Youth participants should be prepared with questions about their 4-H broiler or backyard poultry projects. All 4-H families that are interested in poultry should plan to attend. Please call the 4-H office to register before the meeting.

*This meeting will satisfy the educational requirement for showing both traditional poultry and market broilers at the 2025 Wyoming County Fair.*



# SWARTZ FARM TOUR & NECROPSY

**Saturday, April 26th  
at 10:00AM**

1698 Nesbitt Road, Attica

Registration for this program will be required by calling the 4-H office at 585-786-2251.

*(This event will satisfy the educational requirement for showing beef, sheep, swine, auction poultry and auction goats.)*

## MARKET BROILER AND MARKET GOAT PROGRAM REMINDERS

The auction market broiler and market goat programs are fully integrated into the Meat Animal Auction program! What this means for broiler and goat participants is following the program rules including deadlines, educational events, and YQCA program requirements. These rules can all be found on our website under the respective program area tabs. You can also reach out to Holly in the 4-H office with any questions or concerns.

## UPCOMING LIVESTOCK EDUCATIONAL EVENT DATES

Additional details will be in the June 4-H News

### **Beef Showmanship & Fitting**

Saturday, June 7th @ 10:00AM  
Sunrise Farms in Attica

### **Livestock Salesmanship-Talking to Buyers**

Saturday, June 14th @ 10:00AM  
Ag & Business Center in Warsaw

### **Swine Showmanship & Fitting**

Wednesday, July 1st @ 6:00PM  
Wyoming County Fairgrounds

### **Sheep Showmanship & Fitting**

Thursday, July 10th @ 10:00AM  
Swartz's Farm in Attica

## Continuing Meat Animal Program Requirement



This online program is designed to provide an estimated 60 minutes of education each year and requires the passing of a series of three quizzes to earn certification. Each Wyoming County 4-H Meat Animal Project youth participant (beef, sheep, swine, market goat, and market broilers) will be required to complete the online certification process (yqca.org) each project year. Proof of completion (certificate) must be submitted to the 4-H office. This requirement is **IN ADDITION** to the livestock educational event requirement outlined in the 2025 4-H meat animal rules.

There is a fee for the online program. 4-H Families may choose to pay for it on their own OR contact the 4-H office for a voucher/coupon for each youth member. Instructions for how to complete the online training can be found on our website: wyomingcounty4h.com. Please contact Holly in the 4-H office if you have questions regarding this requirement or would like to receive a voucher/coupon for youth participants.

## FEEDING FOR SUCCESS SHOW PIG NUTRITION

**Wednesday, May 7th at 7:00PM**

Ag & Business Center, Warsaw

Guest speakers Chuck Woods and Bryan Beaver will join us to talk about show swine nutrition. Both Chuck and Bryan are nutritionists with the Kent Show Feeds Team. This will be a great opportunity to learn more about feeding cattle for shows, general cattle nutrition, and ask an expert on specific beef topics.

Please call the 4-H office to register before the meeting.

*This meeting will satisfy the educational requirement for showing beef, sheep, swine, auction poultry, and auction goats at the 2025 Wyoming County Fair.*



# District Dairy Bowl Results

## Dairy Cattle Judging



### Remaining Judging Tour:

**Saturday, April 12th at 9:30AM**  
Rudger's Registered Jersey's,  
Attica

We will only be judging at one farm during the day!

Call the office at (585) 786-2251 to sign up for a date.  
Remember, any member who is interested in judging on the county team **MUST** attend one of these sessions.

*\*\*\* This will fulfill the educational requirement needed to show dairy cattle at the 2025 Wyoming County Fair\*\*\**

On Saturday, March 1, the annual Western District 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest was held at Pioneer Middle School in Cattaraugus County. A total of 76 4-H members represented 22 teams from 5 counties in this event. Wyoming County will have 5 youth compete at the State Dairy Bowl Contest at Cornell University on April 26. Good luck to Eli Vranich of Warsaw, Stephen Vranich of Warsaw, Esther Heineman of Attica, Ashley Youngers of North Java, and Hayden Ayers of Portageville.

### Results are as follows:

**Beginner Team- Fifth Place**

4th place: Eli Vranich

7th place: Charlotte Bliss

**Junior Teams- Third and Fourth Place**

2nd place: Esther Heineman

4th place: Stephen Vranich

**Senior Team- First Place**

1st place: Hayden Ayers

4th place: Ashley Youngers

9th place: Titus Skillman



*Pictured above: Wyoming County Junior Teams*



*Pictured above: Wyoming County Senior Team - 1st place*



*Pictured above: Wyoming County Beginner Team*



## 2025 WYOMING COUNTY DAIRY CHALLENGE

MONDAY, JUNE 16TH AT 6:30PM  
AG & BUSINESS CENTER, WARSAW

Dairy Challenge is a fun way to exhibit your dairy knowledge. The contest will include the following stations:

- Farm and Food Safety
- Dairy Nutrition and Feeds
- Meat Identification, Dairy Products and Quality Assurance of Dairy Beef
- Dairy Health and Diseases/Mastitis and Biosecurity
- Dairy Reproduction

Registration due June 13th to 4-H office at  
585-786-2251

*\*This event will satisfy the requirement for  
exhibiting dairy cattle at the 2025  
Wyoming County fair.\**

### DAIRY EXHIBITORS REMEMBER

Paperwork for leased animals and grade animals is due to the 4-H office on **June 1st**.

In addition, ALL owned registered animals must be in the exhibitor's name by **June 1st**.

You can find grade and leased animal certificates on our website: <http://wyoming.cce.cornell.edu/>

### ATTENTION DAIRY EXHIBITORS

Breed trophies and supreme grade champion consideration will only be given if 8 or more animals are shown in the breed.

If you plan on showing a grade animal in a breed other than Holstein it is highly suggested that you work towards registration of that animal. Call Stephanie at the 4-H Office for help with this!!

**Dairy Showmanship clinic is in the  
works...  
Stay tuned for date, time & location!**

## GOAT CHALLENGE

Monday, June 9th  
at 6:00pm

Ag & Business Center



Registration required to  
Stephanie at

sal294@cornell.edu or 585-786-2251 x 115.

*This will meet your educational requirement  
for showing dairy, meat or market goats at the  
Wyoming County Fair*

## Animal Crackers Program

The NYS 4-H Animal Science Team is pleased to announce 2025 Animal Crackers, "All Creatures Great and Small", on **Saturday, May 3, 2025**, on the Cornell University campus. This year's program will highlight Dairy, Goats, Poultry, and Rabbit/Cavy topics.

Interesting, educational, hands-on activities are planned to make Animal Crackers a memorable learning event. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about Beef, Dog, Horse, and Swine biology and management while having fun participating in a variety of interactive activities with 4-H'ers from across NYS. 4-H youth 8-12 years old or those with beginner to intermediate knowledge of the covered species are invited to participate.

Registration: There is a \$25 per youth and \$15 per adult cost to attend the program. Animal Cracker t-shirts for youth participants will be provided; lunch will be provided for both youth and chaperones. Adults may purchase Animal Cracker t-shirts at the door.

Registration for the event must be done through your local Cornell Cooperative Extension Office and must be completed no later than April 23, 2025. All groups must have at least one chaperone. Chaperones are asked to review the chaperone information sheet on the Animal Crackers website. Additional information about the event, as well as the Cornell University campus, can be found on the same website.

# CAN YOU TELL ME HOW TO GET TO



## THE 4-H PROJECT WAY?

Each year we receive questions about what youth members need to accomplish to exhibit 4-H projects at the fair. Here is a broad overview of the requirements/steps for 4-H youth members and families to follow. Please reach out to the 4-H office with specific questions for each area.

The fair book is also a great source of information to read well in advance of the fair! Specific classes, limits, show schedules, etc... can be found there. The 2024 version of Department H (4-H section) is available on our website: <http://wyoming.cce.cornell.edu/4-h-youth-development/projects-activities/wyoming-county-fair> We will post the new copy as soon as we receive it. **(The 4-H office does not run Wyoming County Open Dairy, Horse, or Livestock Shows. The fair association runs those and you can find information on them here: <http://www.wyomingcountyfair.org/> )**

**Can I use one Educational Event for multiple species?** The short answer is no. Some events like public presentations can be used for different species but you must designate which species. The only exception is livestock, where we group beef, sheep and swine together as a “species” and one event will cover these groups. We of course encourage youth to take part in more than just one event for any species!

**Clover Buds (Ages 5-7 as of 1/1/25):** Clover buds can bring any age-appropriate exhibits to the youth building at fair. The fair book is full of project examples including baked goods, crafts, flowers, vegetables, and much more under the general youth building entries. The items can be worked on in a club setting or at home with family. School projects should not be exhibited as 4-H projects. Clover buds will bring entries to the fair on Friday, August 9th for “evaluation” and receive participation ribbons. Entries will stay at the youth building for the duration of fair, on display. Watch upcoming 4-H updates for any pre-registration information. Clover buds can also exhibit a chicken, duck, rabbit, or leadline horse project at the fair. Youth must attend a poultry or rabbit showmanship clinic or a horse educational event to learn how to properly show their animal. Pre-registration in the form of a fair entry is required by July 15th. Watch the June 4-H News for information and deadlines.

**Youth Building Exhibits (Ages 8-18 as of 1/1/25):** Youth building exhibits cover a wide range of items such as baking, crafts, sewing, flowers, vegetables, photography, posters, and SO MUCH more! The guidelines for each project exhibit can be found in the fair book under Department H, Sections 16-18. The items can be worked on in a club setting or at home with family. School projects should not be exhibited as 4-H projects. There are no educational event requirements for youth building projects. Youth members will bring entries to the fair on Friday, August 8th for evaluation. Entries will stay at the youth building for the duration of the fair, on display. You will want to fill out paperwork before you go to the fair with your projects. Watch upcoming 4-H updates for any pre-registration information. Some entries may qualify to move on to the NYS Fair!

**Dairy Cattle (Ages 8-18 as of 1/1/25):** 4-H Dairy cattle exhibitors must own or lease their project animals by June 1, 2025. Lease and Grade animal paperwork is due to the 4-H office by June 1st. Please contact us with any animal ownership questions before the deadline. To exhibit dairy animals, youth members must complete one of the specified education events for the dairy program. Pre-registration in the form of a fair entry is also required by July 15th. Watch the June 4-H News for information and deadlines on fair entries. Youth do have an opportunity to exhibit at the NYS Fair. If you are interested in that opportunity, you will need to notify the 4-H office when you submit your county fair entry.

**Dogs (Ages 8-18 as of 1/1/25):** 4-H Dog exhibitors are participants in the ongoing dog obedience program. Youth members should refer to the current 4-H Dog Care & Obedience Project guide for classes, events and registration deadlines. Some entries may qualify to move on to the NYS Fair!

**Goats (Ages 8-18 as of 1/1/25):** 4-H Goat exhibitors must own or lease their project animals by June 1, 2025. To exhibit goats, youth members must complete one of the specified education events for the goat program. Pre-registration in the form of a fair entry is also required by July 15th. Watch the June 4-H News for information and deadlines on fair entries. Youth do have an opportunity to exhibit at the NYS Fair. If you are interested in that opportunity, you will need to notify the 4-H office when you submit your county fair entry.

**Horses (Ages 8-18 as of 1/21/25):** 4-H Horse exhibitors must own or lease their project animals and have 4-H horse certificates on file with the 4-H office by June 1st. Youth members must also be evaluated on one project horse to determine a riding level. Youth can be evaluated to “move up” in levels as appropriate. To exhibit horses, youth members must complete one of the specified education events for the horse program. Pre-registration in the form of a fair entry is also required by July 15th. Watch the June 4-H News for information and deadlines on fair entries. Junior & Senior riders have an opportunity to exhibit at the NYS Fair. If you are interested in that opportunity, you will need to participate in the 4-H horse show on July 13th.

**Meat Animal Auction Projects for Beef, Lambs, Swine, Poultry & Goats (Ages 8 – 18 as of 1/1/25):** Youth members interested in any of the auction programs should read the specific rules and guidelines for the species you are interested in. There are specific enrollment and educational event requirements for each species that can be found in the rule packets. In addition, pre-registration in the form of a fair entry is required by July 15th. Watch the June 4-H News for information and deadlines on fair entries.

**Non-Auction Beef Sheep & Swine (Ages 8-18 as of 1/1/25):** Youth members do NOT have to participate in the livestock auction project to show beef, sheep or pigs at the fair during 4-H shows. Youth must own or lease their project animals by June 1, 2025. We have non auction showmanship, market classes, and breeding animal classes for these species. They are a great way to learn how to raise and show livestock before jumping into the auction program. To exhibit beef, sheep or pigs, youth members must complete one of the specified education events for the livestock program. Pre-registration in the form of a fair entry is also required by July 15th. Watch the June 4-H News for information and deadlines on fair entries. Youth do have an opportunity to exhibit at the NYS Fair. If you are interested in that opportunity, you will need to notify the 4-H office when you submit your county fair entry.

**Poultry (Ages 8-18 as of 1/1/25):** 4-H poultry exhibitors must own or lease their project animals by June 1, 2025. Entries may be limited due to space. To exhibit poultry, youth members must complete one of the specified education events for the poultry program. Pre-registration in the form of a fair entry is also required by July 15th. Watch the June 4-H News for information and deadlines on fair entries. Youth do have an opportunity to exhibit at the NYS Fair. If you are interested in that opportunity, you will need to notify the 4-H office when you submit your county fair entry.

**Rabbits & Cavies (Ages 8-18 as of 1/1/25):** 4-H rabbit/cavy exhibitors must own or lease their project animals by June 1, 2025. To exhibit rabbits or cavies, youth members must complete one of the specified education events for the rabbit program, typically public presentation or rabbit showmanship meeting. Pre-registration in the form of a fair entry is also required by July 15th. Watch the June 4-H News for information and deadlines on fair entries. Youth do have an opportunity to exhibit at the NYS Fair. If you are interested in that opportunity, you will need to notify the 4-H office when you submit your county fair entry.

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**AGRI-BUSINESS CAREERS CONFERENCE:  
FALL 2025**

Morgan Capen

**PENNSYLVANIA FARM SHOW  
JANUARY 3 - 5**

Titus Skillman  
Bethany Skillman  
Nathan Foss



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**VERMONT CAREER  
EXPLORATION: JUNE 5-6**

Vera Cooper  
Cyrus Olin  
Marygrace Schenk

Natalie Bartholomew  
Jack Harris  
Leah Jones  
Wesley Olin

**CORNING MUSEUM OF GLASS:  
APRIL 14 - 15**

Mario Prattico  
Emily Sandefer  
Hannah Sandefer  
Emily Strathearn

**CORNELL CAREER EXPLORATIONS:  
JUNE 25-27**

*The Wyoming County 4-H Leaders' Association is pleased once again to sponsor the 4-H award trips. Please remember to participate in the annual 4-H fundraiser as proceeds from this sale help to fund these trips and other awards.*