

# WYOMING COUNTY 4-H E-NEWS

MARCH 15, 2024

## ***DOG OBEDIENCE PROGRAM***

- Our county 4-H dog obedience program will begin in April. Now is the time to register with your local leader if you're interested! [HERE](#) is the link for our dog brochure, with all the information you need to know! Call the 4-H office with any questions or concerns.

## ***DAIRY JUDGING 101***

- Tuesday, March 19th at 6:30PM at the Ag & Business Center, Warsaw
- This fun interactive workshop will teach youth about the basics of dairy judging, cow body parts, and what the ideal cow looks like. Call the 4-H office to Register by March 15th.

## ***DAIRY JUDGING AT FLINT FARMS***

- Saturday, March 23rd at Noon, Flint Farms Route 20A, Warsaw.
- Call the 4-H office to register by March 15th.

## ***BEEF CUTTING***

- Wednesday, March 27th at 7:00PM; Are you interested in learning more about beef cuts, where they come from and more? We will be looking at a 3d model of a side of beef along with some real cuts to see where they come from (and maybe even how to cook them.) Pre-registration is greatly appreciated!

## ***MARKET BROILER PROGRAM***

- The deadline to register for the Market Broiler Auction Program is March 29th. All youth that are interested in the Market Broiler Program for 2024 MUST REGISTER for the number of chicks you want to purchase and raise by Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>. Chicks for the program must be purchased through the 4-H office. You can either fill out the paper order and submit to the 4-H office or fill out this simple form online: [https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/WYCO4-Hmarketpoultry-2-2-2\\_256](https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/WYCO4-Hmarketpoultry-2-2-2_256)

## ***2024 AWARD TRIP APPLICATION AVAILABLE***

- A reminder that enrolled youth age 12+ are eligible to apply for award trips! You can find the application on our website, and they have also been sent in the mail. Applications are due March 18th. Please note that to have a qualifying application, members must have sold at least \$100 in product sales during our 4-H fundraising campaign.

## ***CLOTHING REVUE - APRIL***

- The spring clothing revue may seem far away, but now is the time to start sewing! Sewing machines are available for use at the 4-H office. You can find the clothing revue packet [HERE](#) on our website. If there are any questions about the project, please contact Sarah at [sac347@cornell.edu](mailto:sac347@cornell.edu)

## ***VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY***

- The FCS Program is looking for volunteers willing to help for a few hours, and help “service” our sewing machines! We have had many sewing machines donated to our program over the years, and some need a little TLC. If you know anyone who may be interested in helping us with this project, please call Sarah in the 4-H office!

## ***SUGAR ART***

- Monday, April 1, 2024, at 10:00AM Ag and Business Center
- Easter often brings with it lots of sugary goodness. And it turns out the sweet stuff is the secret ingredient to this string art! We will make sugar eggs to decorate with this spring. Open to cloverbuds (with adult supervision) and all other 4-H members. Register by March 28th. All supplies will be provided.

## ***BUFFALO & ERIE COUNTY BOTANICAL GARDEN FIELD TRIP***

- Wednesday, April 3, 2024, 9:00AM departure from Ag & Business Center 2:00PM return to Ag & Business Center
- We are planning a special 4-H outing during the spring school break. Participants will travel together with 4-H staff to visit the botanical garden and have lunch out. We will explore the more than eleven indoor gardens, take photos that can be used as fair exhibits, and enjoy the beauty of spring! Open to 4-H members ages 12 and up. Cost: \$15.00 for ages 13+; \$9.00 Kids aged 12. The Wyoming County 4-H Leaders’ Association will cover the cost of lunch for youth participants. RSVPs are due by Friday, March 15th. Limited spots available!

## ***TRACT, NATURE, ADVENTURE HIKING CLUB***

- Saturday, March 30th at 1:30PM
- This county-wide club is open to any enrolled 4-H member. Families need to register with the 4-H office to receive information on the location of the hike. This is for safety purposes, and we have an accurate list of participants to email travel directions and parking lot coordinates. Any questions, contact Stephanie.

## ***DELICIOUS DESTINATIONS EXPLORING FOODS AROUND THE WORLD!***

- Monday, April 15th 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! As a club (or independent member), pick a nation in the world you are interested in exploring! (No US regions). 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. 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 15th, 2024. 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 ready 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. Call the 4-H office for questions or to sign up by April 1st!

## ***4-H LEADERS’ ASSOCIATION MEETING***

- There is an upcoming 4-H Leaders’ Association meeting on March 26th, 7pm, at the Ag & Business Center. We encourage all leaders to attend and be part of this volunteer development group. Please reach out to the 4-H office if you have questions.

## ***FROM OUR COMMUNITY PARTNER – VETERANS’ SERVICES***

- Looking to help your community or have an organization that is willing to donate time and/or items? The Wyoming County Veteran Service office will facilitate your donation to area Veterans who are in need. We will make sure that your donations go to those who need them most. We accept donations year-round and have storage for those times when Veterans would be in need.
- Examples of donation items could include but are not limited to:
  - Non-perishable food items
  - Hats, gloves, or any new clothing items
  - Cleaning supplies – laundry and household
  - Bathroom supplies – deodorant, body wash, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, etc.
  - Paper Products – napkins, paper towels, toilet paper, etc.
- This would be a great community service opportunity for clubs, families, and independent members! Feel free to contact our office with any questions or to be in touch with the Veteran Service office, which is located next door to us in the Ag & Business Center.

## ***4-H SUMMER CAMP OPPORTUNITIES***

- Since the closing of 4-H Camp Wyomoco, area youth may not know of other regional 4-H Camp opportunities. We are sharing exciting news from our partners at 4-H Camp Bristol Hills! 4-H Camp Bristol Hills is now accepting registration for the 2024 summer camp season. They offer a wide variety of Camp programs including the ever-popular Resident Camp (going into 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up) and Day Camp (going into k-2<sup>nd</sup> grade), but they also offer Progression Camp (day-only program for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up) and even Sprout camp, an overnight camp for those going into 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> grades. On top of that, Specialty programs appeal to those who are a little older, and want to take the deep dive! Animation camp is designed for those who want to learn basic animation skills using sketch pads, iPads, cameras and more. Adventure Program invites campers to explore the full ropes course program, including the high ropes cables and logs suspended over 20’ in the trees! For those who are thinking about getting into the workforce, the Leader in Training program provides an introduction to the basic workforce skills that will support your efforts in any job, while the two week Counselor in Training program takes it a step further, and introduces many of the skills that it takes to be a successful camp counselor.
- For those campers in Resident and Progression Camps, you’ll be able to sign up for your favorite camp classes when you register for camp. Pick your lineup with popular options like swim lessons, animal care, archery, crafts, cooking, adventure (ropes course), hiking, outdoor survival and so much more. If you are interested in learning more about 4-H Camp Bristol Hills, check them out online at [www.4-HCampBristolHills.org](http://www.4-HCampBristolHills.org), or follow them on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#). Limited scholarship funds are still available for the LIT and CIT and Adventure Programs, so if those programs sound exciting to you, you might be able to go to camp for FREE! If you have questions, feel free to reach out to 4-H Camp Manager Jim Hooper in Ontario County at [jah249@cornell.edu](mailto:jah249@cornell.edu).

## ***STATEWIDE STEM OPPORTUNITY***

- Cornell University’s College of Engineering undergraduate students enrolled in Dr. Hua Wang’s Engineering Communications class are looking to mentor 10-15, 4-H members who are currently enrolled in the eighth or ninth grades. The students and Dr. Wang will be offering a virtual, Friday night workshop series focused on computer science, earth science, and engineering topics. 4-H members with an interest in video game development, building an interactive terrarium, machine learning, basic programming and then connecting these ideas to careers, this may be of interest! Families need to sign up directly and note their 4-H educator. Families will complete this short form to express their interest and get additional information. [short form](#)

## ***50 IDEAS. \$200 EACH. NO STRINGS ATTACHED.***

- Empower youth to pursue their sparks and make meaningful impacts! NYS 4-Hers age 12-18 are invited apply for the [Youth Contribution Project](#). Led by the [PRYDE Scholars](#), this is an opportunity for youth to receive \$200 to support their idea for making a meaningful contribution. 50 ideas will be selected randomly to receive funding. A contribution is an act of giving or donating something valuable, whether it's money, time, effort, skills, resources, or ideas, for the purpose of

making a positive impact or difference. This is intentionally broad. We believe that any idea can be a meaningful contribution. Youth will have approximately a month to work on their projects. Note that we are considering the feasibility of ideas – ideas that can be completed or a step toward a larger goal that can be completed within the project timeframe. Check out the project [FAQs](#) for more information. Any 4-Her age 12-18 in NYS is eligible to apply. All applications must name at least one 4-H member and an adult partner who works with CCE. The adult partner will support youth as they complete their contribution project and help them access funds, which will be dispersed to the CCE Association. PRYDE Scholars will support youth-adult teams through [project resources](#). How will NYS 4-Hers contribute? Let us count the ways! Share [the Youth Contribution Project website](#) to help youth learn more and apply! Applications must be received by the end of the day on March 28, 2024.

## ***INCUBATORS FOR 4-H FAMILIES***

- The 4-H office is in possession of Hova-bator Styrofoam incubators. If a 4-H family is interested in incubating their own poultry eggs, please contact Stephanie in the office to acquire an incubator.

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