

# MONROE COUNTY 4-H Herald

# NEWSLETTER November 2019

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#### The 4-H Pledge

I pledge my HEAD to clearer thinking. I pledge my HEART to greater loyalty. I pledge my HANDS to larger service. I pledge my HEALTH to better living for my club, my com-

munity, my country, and my world. Kicking Off The New 4-H Year! Haven't Reenrolled, there is still time! Details



# **REMINDER**

### Re-enrollment for the 2019-2020 4-H year

#### Complete & return your paperwork by 11/15/2019 to avoid a late charge!

Member re-enrollment packets for Monroe County 4-H were sent in early September. Re-enrollment forms for volunteers were also sent. Please verify the details on your information sheet and correct for any changes. Make sure you read, complete and sign each section. Enclose a check totaling the number of member re-enrollments multiplied by \$15 and return the entire packet by mail. Please do not send cash through the mail.

If you prefer to drop-off your packets, please do so between 9 a.m. & 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Those who drop-off may pay via cash, check or credit card during office hours. If you are unable to visit during



office hours, there is a dropbox and payment slot on the enclosed porch of the CCE-MC building.

There is a \$5 late fee per child if paperwork is received any time after November 15, 2019. Youth will be asked not to participate after January 1, 2020 if their paperwork has not been turned in.

#### New requirement for volunteers: Sexual Harassment Training

Hello CCE-Monroe Volunteers,

I'm sure you would agree that a culture that stresses both respect and accountability is a culture that feels safe. We all want to promote and experience safety while we work and play.

In an effort to ensure a safe environment for all, Cornell Cooperative Extension has implemented a new system-wide volunteer policy. All volunteers are required to complete the CCE Sexual Harassment Prevention Training annually. Your program leader/coordinator has provided the tools and instructions to assist you in completing this training. If you are unable to complete it online, you can schedule to meet with your program leader/coordinator at your convenience for an in-person training.

Thank you for your support and understanding of this new state-wide policy. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to your program leader/coordinator or email me (aml355@cornell.edu). We truly appreciate your service to CCE-Monroe and the residents we serve.

Kindest Regards,

Andrea Lista

# A reminder that this was to be completed by October 1st, 2019. Please fulfill this requirement by November 15th.

- 1. Watch the 10 minute video here.
- 2. Confirm participation and understanding of the expectations
- 3. Forward the completion email confirmation to Susan Coyle at smc226@cornell.edu
- 4. Report any Sexual Harassment witnessed, experienced, or perceived

## 2019 4-H Achievement Day



*The Jr. Achievement youth are recognized for being exemplary leaders in their club and community.* 

Several local 4-H youth came out on a gorgeous fall day at Seneca Park Zoo for the 4-H Achievement Ceremony on October 26th. Thank you to Zoo Director, Larry Staub, Monroe Co. Executive, Cheryl Dinolfo, and the Monroe County Youth Bureau for sharing the perfect space to honor 4-H Clubs and members!





The Posh Ponies Club was recognized for their extensive community service activities as well as outstanding project work.



Teens will be packing their bags to head to the STARR Retreat in April of 2020 to further develop their leadership skills with youth from across New York State!



## The 59th Annual 4-H Horse Awards Banquet

#### Sunday, November 17, 2019 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Join us at 5 p.m. on Sunday, November 17, the Monroe County 4-H Horse Program will host the annual <u>4-H Horse Awards Banquet</u> at Bernard Restaurant & Party House located at 360 Maiden Lane, Rochester, NY 14616.



Tickets will be \$18/aged 9 & older and \$13/aged 8 & younger.

#### Awards nomination form may be found <u>HERE</u> and are due November 1st, 2019.

Questions regarding the banquet may be addressed by calling Mary Hull, at (585) 746-5133 or e-mailing <u>mkeanehull@gmail.com</u>. We look forward to seeing you at the event to celebrate the accomplishments of our 4-H Horse program members!

#### 2019 Winter Barnes & Noble Bookfair Festive Event at the Greece Ridge Mall Location

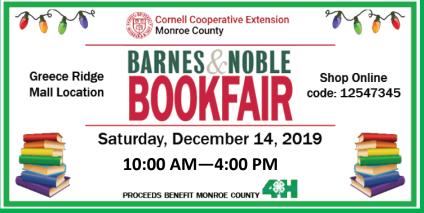
Attention Monroe County 4-Hers! The cool winds are blowing, the leaves are falling, and the <u>4-H</u> <u>Bookfair at Barnes & Noble i</u>s fast approaching!

#### This year's Bookfair at the Greece Ridge Barnes & Noble will be held Saturday, December 14, from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Last year our clubs helped raise money for Monroe County 4-H by leading fun activities such as cookie decorating, crafts, games, showcasing bunnies and dogs, and more! We're looking for clubs to volunteer again this year. This is a great opportunity for clubs to fulfill their volunteer responsibilities for the year!

Need some ideas? You could try ornament making, musical performances, demonstrations, nail painting, lego building, minute-to-win it games, etc.- the sky is the limit! Have questions or need more ideas? Contact Jessica Reid at jar642@cornell.edu, and get the ball rolling!

Club leaders can also head to <u>https://bit.ly/2nYg1vU</u> and start signing up their clubs to volunteer for this amazing event! Hope to see you there!



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# Mighty Mondays!

The third Monday of each month, 4-H will host a uniquely themed activity in a different location. These activities are open to both 4-Her's and the community - so bring a friend!

#### 2019-2020 Schedule:

November 18: Apple and Pumpkin Creations

December 16: Festive Holiday Creations

January 20: Winter Science Activities

February 17: Project Day at Winter Break Camp

March 16: Agricultural Literacy Week Activity

April 20: Climate Change Workshop

May 18: Spring Garden Night



To receive more information, including registration instructions: email <u>monroe4H@cornell.edu</u> or call (585) 753-2550. Each activity may have a small fee.

### Next Up! Mighty Monday: Apple & Pumpkin Creations November 18th, 6pm

Join us for a fun seasonal event at Springdale Farm's Balcony Point! Make apple and pumpkin creations, and learn more about these seasonal favorites! Participation is open to any youth

ages 5-19, so feel free to bring a friend or two! There will be a \$5 fee for supplies. We appreciate your registration by November 14th.

Register Here: <u>https://reg.cce.cornell.edu/</u> <u>MightyMonday 226</u>

Springdale Farm Balcony Point 700 Colby St. Spencerport, NY 14559





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#### Teens Attend 4-H Agri-Business

#### **Career Conference at SUNY Cobbleskill**

Monroe County 4-H participants, Faith and Hope, joined teens from across New York State and attended the SUNY Cobleskill 4-H Agri-Business Career Conference in October. They braved the cold, wind, and rain for campus tours and workshops in areas such as dairy, equine, livestock, ag business, ag engineering, canine studies, and fisheries. These emerging leaders will become our next generation agricultural workforce!







#### Mighty Monday Report! Computer Science with 4-H

Local Youth enjoyed participating in various computer science and coding activities at the Gates Public Library on October 21st. October's activity was an exploration of the National Youth Science Day Activity,



Game Changers. Youth learned how to use computer science (CS) to create games, solve problems and engage with topics they're passionate about. Thank you <u>Gates Public Library</u> for providing the space for this fun and educational event!





#### **TSC Paper Clover Results Are In!**

4-H youth will experience valuable hands-on learning opportunities as a result of Tractor Supply's 2019 Paper Clover Campaign, a biannual fundraiser held in partnership with National 4-H Council.

Tractor Supply stores collectively raised \$967,681 in the fall 2019 campaign through donations made with purchases in-store and online. 90% of the funds raised go back to the state they were raised in to support scholarships for 4-H camp and leadership events. Thank you to everyone who supported the campaign this year and to TSC for allowing this partnership to continue!

#### You're Invited! Our Next Steering Committee Meeting

We will meet on **Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8pm**. We will gather in the conference room at the Monroe County CCE Office, 2449 St. Paul Blvd., Rochester, 14617.

Thank you for considering taking time to support Monroe County 4-H and bringing thoughtful conversation to the table so that we can work to serve youth in the best way possible. We invite any parents, new volunteers, seasoned volunteers, teachers, afterschool staff, or 4-H Alumni to join us. And, we would be super excited to have teens join us to provide youth voice!

#### Monroe County 4-H T-shirt Orders Now Being Accepted!

Thank you to everyone who voted for their favorite T-shirt colors last month! The votes are in—and this year shirts will be offered in Irish Green and Heather Irish Green!

**T-shirts** will be available in Heather Irish Green in both youth and adult sizes. \$12 **Long sleeve t-shirts** will be available in adult sizes in Irish Green. \$15 **Hoodies** will be available in Irish Green in youth and adult sizes. \$22

Please mail orders to Monroe County CCE, 2449 St. Paul Blvd., Rochester, NY 14617 with a check made payable to Monroe County CCE. Or, stop in our offices between 9am and 3pm, Monday through Friday to use a credit card.

#### **Candy Fundraiser**

There are a few boxes of candy bars available for 4-H clubs to sell. Please contact Susan if your club would like to participate in a fundraiser.



Contact smc226@cornell.edu or 585-753-2567 with any questions.

#### **Attention Juniors & Seniors!**

#### Take advantage of FREE Membership in the New York Farm Bureau!

New York Farm Bureau is offering FREE student memberships for 4-H Members in their Junior or Senior Year of High School. Student Members will have the opportunity to develop leadership skills, network with other agriculturalists, participate in community service through NYFB's partnership with Feeding America's "Harvest for All" program, compete in State and National events through the Young Farmer program, and of course, put an amazing experience on their resume!

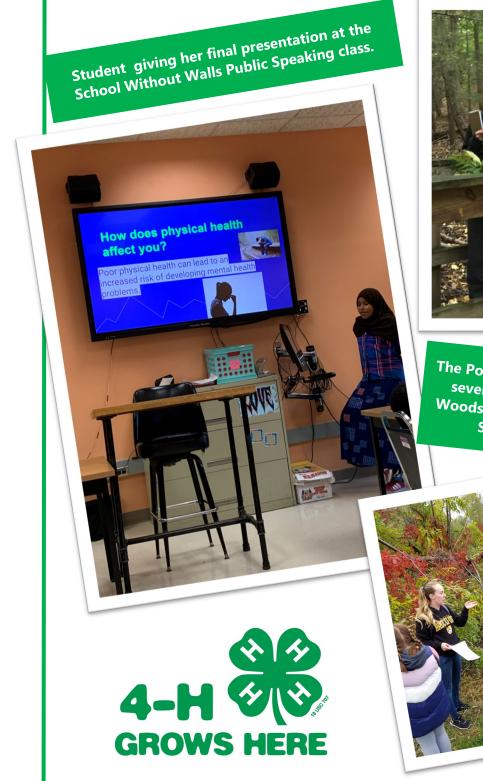
Link to website: <u>https://www.nyfb.org</u>

Link to enrollment application: https://bit.ly/2Oye6pP





# **<u>4-H Snapshots</u>**





The Posh Ponies 4-H Club learned to identify several varieties of plants at Gosnell Big Woods in October, guided by 4-H Alum and SUNY Brockport student Abby!



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# Around the County





The Bishop Kearney plant science class had the opportunity to learn about fruit trees, orchard management, and value added farm products on their field trip to Schutts Apple Mill. Thanks to Evan Schutt for sharing his vast knowledge of horticulture and agribusiness with the group!





The Horticulture Class at Rochester City School District's School Without Walls got their hands dirty discovering what plants need to survive by making plant people which will sprout grass for their hair. 🖇 MONROE COUNTY 4-H 🎉

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4-H Staff Lori and Mike attended the Greece Public Library How To Fest, bringing this year's National Youth Science Day Activity, Game Changers, to local youth.





4-H Staff had a wonderful evening talking with community members about 4-H Programs at the Annual Meeting for Cornell Cooperative Extension Monroe County on October 24th!

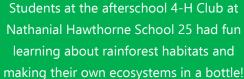






Photo by Roberto Clemente School 8



Students in Ms. Herman's class at Roberto Clemente School 8 had a blast with Teen Leaders from School Without Walls exploring Healthy Living!



# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **NOVEMBER 2019**

17 <u>59</u><sup>∞</sup>Annual Horse Awards Banquet
18 Mighty Monday Apple & Pumpkin Creations @ Springdale Farm
28-29 Thanksgiving | CCE-Monroe closed

### **DECEMBER 2019**

14 <u>Barnes & Noble Bookfair</u>16 Mighty Monday (stay tuned for more info)

25 Christmas | CCE-Monroe closed

## **JANUARY 2019**

New Year's Day | CCE-Monroe closed
 Mighty Monday (stay tuned for more info)

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