#### >>> WAYNE COUNTY 4-H <<<

Monthly Newsletter

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#### HAVE A QUESTION? CONTACT US!

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#### MEET THE WAYNE COUNTY 4-H TEAM



RYAN KINCAID

Hi! My name is Ryan Kincaid (she/her), and I am the Team Leader for Wayne County 4-H. I have been with Cornell Cooperative Extension for just over a year, and have learned so much in that time! I came to CCE from the teaching field; I taught middle school science for five years, during which I also coached cross country and led after-school programs. I am passionate about inclusion and making sure that all youths have the opportunity to get involved.

One thing I love about 4-H is that we can explore pretty much anything the youths want to learn more about. This past 4-H year, I was proud to be part of the statewide Civic Engagement Program Work Team, which offered a minigrant which three Wayne County 4-H'ers won! This year, I am excited to lead one or more special interest (SPIN) clubs, oversee volunteer engagement, and organize such workshops as the Holiday Special. I am eager to see what the future has in store!



**AMY PELTON** 

Hello all! For those of you who are new to the Wayne County 4-H program, my name is Amy Pelton. I am your 4-H Educator. In my role as 4-H Educator I wear many hats; I am currently working with 3 school districts to bring 4-H into their afterschool programs, where I focus on teaching about all aspects of agriculture. Some of my other focuses include Animal Science, 4-H Camp Beechwood, Produced in New York, and the Wayne County Fair, to name a few. Wayne County 4-H runs deep in my veins, as I am an 11 year alumni of the program, where I showed horses, dairy goats, beef cattle and even chickens. I also participated in the Teen Exchange and Teen Ambassador programs, along with attending various award trips. I am now excited to share my love of 4-H with my family, as we have a small farm with chickens, ducks, swine, goats and a miniature donkey. I am beyond excited to start the 2023-2024 4-H year! Wayne County 4-H has so many great things planned, I can't wait to see everyone and their families throughout the year.



**MELISSA SPOON** 

Hello, my name is Melissa Spoon. I joined the CCE Wayne Office in July as the Nutrition and Fitness Educator. I am excited to work with you all on this upcoming 4-H year.

I will soon be offering free classes to youth and adults from CCE on a variety of topics. I recently attended the 4-H Wild Edibles class and am now certified to teach everyone about the different types of plants that are edible in the wild. If you have something in mind for your club that is in line with Nutrition or Fitness please reach out with your ideas. I would be more than happy to come to your club for an activity or teach a lesson your members are interested in. I am happy to be here and can't wait to meet you all.

# TRANSITIONING TO A NEW 4-H YEAR

## ADVISORY COMMITTEE

You are invited to join us for our next 4-H Advisory Committee Meeting, the first of the new 4-H year, which will take place on October 4th from 6:15pm to 7:45pm at CCE in Newark. This group will help shape the future of 4-H - if you'd like to be involved, join us!

### ENROLLMENT

The new 4-H year has begun! All youths and volunteers need to "re-enroll" at the beginning of each program year, and since we are transitioning to an **online system** this year, we have scheduled four Enrollment Events (two via Zoom and two in-person) to guide you through the process. During each session, we will randomly select a family to receive a free enrollment for the upcoming year. Please bring a laptop, phone, or other electronic device. We look forward to seeing you soon!



Youth Enrollment Form



**Volunteer Application** 

- Wednesday, 10/4 at 8pm (in person,
- after the Advisory Committee meeting)
- Thursday, 10/5 at 5pm (via Zoom)
- Thursday, 10/12 at 7pm (via Zoom)
- Saturday, 10/14 at 4pm (in person, following the Open House)

If you're ready to register today,
you can use the links above.

### YARD SIGNS

October 1st to October 7th is National 4-H Week! Show your support and encourage families to get involved by picking up a Join 4-H sign from the office today!



### **OPEN HOUSE**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14TH, 1-4PM AT CCE

The 2023 Wayne County 4-H Open House is right around the corner!! We would love for ALL clubs to participate and show their excitement for 4-H. Open House is a great way to increase exposure for your club and draw in new members. In the past, clubs have decorated a table with pictures, led activities, and done presentations to promote their club. We anticipate 75-100 people during the 3-hour span, and the general audience is families who are trying to find the best fit for their child(ren)/family. This event counts as "promotion" and is great public speaking/public presentation practice! If your club is interested in participating and would like a table at the event, please contact. Amy as soon as possible. We will be holding an in-person Enrollment Event immediately following the Open House, at 4pm, so your family or club can come for the afternoon and be enrolled by the time you leave!

## OCTOBER EVENTS )





### **CONGRATULATIONS!**



#### HOLLY STIVERS NAMED CHAMPION

Holly participated in the NYS 4-H Shooting Sports Championship in Dutchess County in early September. Holly competed in field, FITA, and 3D archery and placed first in all! Holly was also the overall champion for NYS 4-H Archery and qualified for 4-H Nationals. Great job, Holly!!







## INTERESTED IN JOINING SHOOTING SPORTS?

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7TH AT 9AM

4-H'ers who would like to learn more about our shooting sports program are invited to attend the first Guns N Clovers meeting of the 2023-2024 4-H year, which will take place at 9am on October 7th at the Newark Rod & Gun Club. Please note that this opportunity is only available to fully enrolled 4-H members at least 9 years old, and participants must have completed the Code of Conduct and Acknowledgement of Risk (AOR) forms specifically checking the 4-H Shooting Sports box on the AOR. If you have any questions about this meeting, please reach out to Lisa Stivers; her email is firelady@rochester.rr.com. The staff coordinator for Shooting Sports is Amy.

### BENCH DEDICATION CEREMONY







Recently, Ethan Smith and Cadence Spence were awarded \$1,000 in grant funds to build park benches and picnic tables which will be donated to Beechwood State Park, where we hold our annual summer camp. On Sunday, October 15th at 1pm, Ethan and Cadence will be holding a Bench Dedication Ceremony at Beechwood State Park in Sodus, NY and all are invited to attend! There will be donuts and cider. Please join us in celebrating the efforts of our young people!

# INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT DOGS THIS YEAR?

Ruff N Tails invites other 4-H members to join our free obedience classes. They take place on Saturdays from 1:30 to 2:30pm at CompanionObedience, usually 3 times per month. The facility is climate controlled, and clean. We focus on the basics, and every class is different. See the Ruff N Tails Facebook page for more information.









Are you interested in learning more about GOATS?! Maybe you already have goats, maybe you're interested in eventually acquiring some of your own, or maybe you just love goats and want to learn more about them. You're in luck, Wayne County 4-H has a NEW goat club starting this month. Join them to find out more, Tuesday, October 24th at 6pm at CCE in Newark. If you have any questions please contact Amy.

## COMMITMENT FORM DUE 10/16



### WAYNE COUNTY 4-H LIVESTOCK AUCTION PROGRAM

Thank you to all the interested youth who attended the Livestock Auction Program Informational meeting. If you were unable to attend and are interested in learning more please reach out to Amy ASAP. Your 2023-2024 4-H Enrollment and Livestock Auction Program Commitment form is due to the Wayne County 4-H office by October 16th, 2023.

# REMINDER: PLEASE PICK UP STATIC EXHIBITS FROM CCE :)

If your child had an item that was sent to the State Fair for judging, and you have not yet done so, please stop by CCE in Newark to pick it up sometime this month. We are open Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm. Thank you!

Great job to all who participated!



# YOUTHS, WHAT SPECIAL INTEREST CLUBS WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE?



This year, we are looking to start a couple of short-term (6-8 week) special interest, or "SPIN" clubs, but we're wondering which ones to offer! To help us decide, we're asking local youths to fill out <u>this survey</u>.





### PRODUCED IN NEW YORK

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18TH

Each year, Produced in New York (PiNY) gives youths an opportunity to practice their cooking and demonstration skills while also showcasing the variety of produce and other agricultural products grown in our state. During our local event on November 18th, 4-H'ers will silently demonstrate how to prepare a recipe which features agricultural food products grown in New York State. Since the demonstrations are silent, this experience is especially great for young or shy 4-H'ers learning how to be more comfortable presenting in front of a group, and can offer older and more experienced members a chance to master a more complicated recipe. There will be more details to come, but as you begin to plan we wanted to share a few local places where you can find products grown and produced right here in Wayne County.

#### Farmer's Markets

- **Lyons**: Takes place in downtown Lyons every Saturday (8am-12pm) June-Oct.
- Wolcott: Takes place in downtown
   Wolcott on Thursdays from 3 to 6pm
- Sodus: Takes place Wednesdays 2:30-6pm
- Walworth: Takes place at Ginegaw
   Park (1980 Walworth Penfield Road) on
   Tuesdays, from 3 to 6pm.
- Newark: Takes place Thursdays from 4 to 7pm
- Marion: Takes place at 3849 N. Main Street Marion each Friday from 3 to 6pm



#### Other Local Vendors

- Morgans Farm Market in Marion Stop by and purchase whatever they have in season!
- The Apple Farm Stand: Located at 5360 Norris Road, North Rose and open 9am to 5 pm 7 days a week. Great please to get all kinds of produce such as apples, pumpkins, and more!
- Burnap's Farm Market and Garden Café: 7277 Maple Ave, Sodus. Open Thurs-Sun until October 30th. They provide farm to table lunches, homemade desserts, ice cream and waffle cones. They also offer pick your own different fruits, sell farm fresh fruits and vegetables and bakes great pies.
- Wager's Country Apple: 7047 Main Street, Red Creek.

  Open 9am to 5pm Mon. to Sat., 10am to 5pm Sundays.
- LaMora Farm: 5905 Ontario Center Road, Ontario. Selfserve farm stand. Open daylight hours. Sunflower fields, vegetables, fruits, apples, pumpkins.
- Long Acre Farms: 1342 Eddy Road, Macedon NY. Open M-T 12-5/Fri 12-9/S-S 11-6pm. Corn Maze, Ice Cream, Farmers Market, Play areas and lots of family fun.
- **Gansz Farms Cider Mill**: 1697 Gansz Road, Lyons. Open everyday from 9-6pm. Fresh pressed apple cider.
- Lake Effect Honey: Looking for fresh, produced-in-NY honey? Head to 585 Marble Road, Newark. Open Daily 7-9pm.

## **COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS**& LOCAL OPPORTUNITIES



### 2nd Annual

## WAYNE COUNTY STUDENT PITCH COMPETITION



FROM STUDENT TO CEO



#### PRE-REGISTER TODAY

Sign up at www.surveymonkey.com/ r/StudentPitch

#### HONE YOUR IDEA

Consider what problem your business will solve, who your customers and competition will be, how you will make a profit, and how people will learn about what you are selling.



Submit your business plan including some financial projections, and a video of your team pitching your idea.

Deadline: October 13, 2023

#### WIN TOP PRIZES

Top 3 pitches awarded cash prizes, not including one for 'Best County-focused Plan' and one to the School with the most applicants scoring in the 'Top 10.'



SCAN CODE for further details



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## WHERE THE JACK-O-LANTERNS ARE (& MORE!) AT THE MACEDON PUBLIC LIBRARY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

"Join us for a celebration of fall that incorporates music, literacy fundraising, art and even a pie eating contest! Families and people of all ages are welcome to attend.

Halloween costumes are welcome, but not required. All proceeds from the pumpkin voting (favorite pumpkins are voted on using dollars) will benefit Literacy Volunteers of Wayne County and all of the programming they offer across the

## PET DAY AT THE LYON'S FARMER'S MARKET

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7TH

Leash or load up your critters and head to the Lyon's Farmer's Market for their annual Pet Day! The morning will feature a parade of pets as well as a blessing of the pets in the park.



# CALL FOR NEWSLETTER ADDITIONS

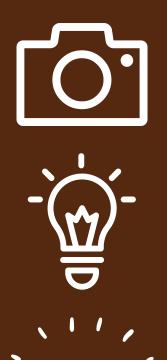
Based on feedback received during our recent 4-H Advisory Committee meeting, we are transitioning from a weekly "E-Blast"/email update to a monthly newsletter. This newsletter will be sent via email to the emails we have on file, and a hard copy will be mailed to all club leaders on or shortly after the first of the month. We would love to use this platform to feature club activities, highlight outstanding volunteers, showcase youth projects, and promote various opportunities available to youths.



If you have any of the following types of submissions that you would like to be considered for a future newsletter, please email them to Ryan Kincaid, with "Newsletter Additions" in the subject line, by the 28th of the month (for the following month's newsletter).

We are especially looking for:

- <u>Photos</u> of 4-H activities your child/family or club has done, projects they've worked on, or 4-H releated trips Wayne County 4-H youths have taken
- <u>Club Activity Ideas</u> (include a description of what you did, what materials were needed, what went well, and recommendations for others in case another club would like to try it out)
- <u>Volunteer Spotlight</u> Is there a particular 4-H volunteer who has gone above and beyond, really made a difference in the life of your child, or had a significant positive impact on the program? We'd love to know about it and highlight their hard work and contributions of time, energy, experience, and enthusiasm.



### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### October 2023

- Sunday, 10/1 Saturday, 10/7 ~ National 4-H Week - Stop by the 4-H Office at Cornell Cooperative Extension in Newark to pick up a "Join 4-H" yard sign!
- Wednesday, 10/4 ~ 4-H Advisory Committee
   Meeting (6:15-7:45pm)
- Wednesday, 10/4 ~ Enrollment Event (8-8:30pm)
- Thursday, 10/5 ~ Online Enrollment Event via Zoom (5pm) - Email Ryan for the link
- Thursday, 10/12 ~ Online Enrollment Event via Zoom (7pm) - Email Ryan for the link
- Saturday, 10/14 ~ 4-H Open House (1-4pm)
- Saturday, 10/14 ~ Enrollment Event (4-5pm)
- Monday, 10/16 ~ LAP Paperwork Due
- Wednesday, 10/18 ~ Teen Activity Night (6-7:30pm) Pumpkin carving!
- Saturday, 10/28 ~ Achievement Celebration & Volunteer Recognition - All Wayne County 4-H Families & Volunteers are encouraged to attend!

#### **Looking Ahead**

- Wednesday, 11/8 ~ 1st Official LAP Meeting
- Saturday, 11/18\* ~ Produced in New York
   \*Generally, 4-H workshops and events will take place on the 2nd Saturday of each month going forward, but we decided to skip the 2nd Saturday in November to avoid the holiday.
- Saturday, 12/9 ~ Holiday Special

#### Save the Dates: Camp 2024

- Monday, July 8th Friday, July 12th ~ Camp Beechwood @ Beechwood State Park
- Monday, July 15th Friday, July 19th ~
   Gardening & Cooking Camp \*NEW\*

# MONTHLY TEEN ACTIVITY NIGHTS



Teen Activity Nights will take place the **third Wednesday of each month**, typically at CCE in
Newark. They are open to any teen or tween (ages
12 and up) currently enrolled in Wayne County 4-H.
We'll do different activities each month, including
board games, art projects, and cooking.

In October, join us for pumpkin carving! The session will take place from 6-7:30pm on Wednesday, 10/18. We will meet in the Activity Room at CCE. Carving tools and pumpkins will be provided. Please let Ryan know by Monday, October 16th if you plan to attend.



All events listed above will take place at CCE in Newark unless otherwise noted.