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NYS 4-H Foundation Scholarships

The NYS 4-H Foundation and generous sponsors are pleased to provide 8 scholarship awards to NYS 4-H members. One award of \$5000 will be made and seven awards of \$1000 will be made. Awards will be announced at Career Explorations in July.

Application Criteria:

Applicants must be between 17 and 21 years of age

Applicant must have been a 4-H member in NYS for at least one year

Applicant must be enrolled, or planning to enroll in an accredited university, college or technical school

Applicant must have a current grade point average of at least 2.0 on a 4.0 scale, unless otherwise stated.

Applications are available from the NYS 4-H Foundation Website at www.nys4hfoundation.org/scholarships or from the 4-H Office at 173 South Grand St. Cobleskill, NY 12043.

Your application must be postmarked or hand-delivered to the NYS 4-H Office in Ithaca by February 15, 2009. BUT... your application must include a letter of recommendation from a 4-H educator so please make your request to Eileen or Leslie no later than February 9.



Re-Enrollment Form Deadline (really)

Last Call for Re-enrollment Forms. After February 1, any returning member who submits an enrollment form must pay a \$5.00 late fee. If you need a new copy please contact your club leader or call the 4-H Office. Remember also, that 4-H members must be enrolled by May 1 in order to exhibit at the Sunshine or NYS Fair.

What's Coming Up

Events outside
Schoharie County

4-H Regional Dog Day

Sunday Feb. 8
1– 3 pm
Albany Obedience Club
RSVP by January 30
Directly with Albany County 4-H

A great way to network with other 4-H members and leaders. Topics will include pit bull rescue, grooming and teacup agility. For more information or to register, contact the Albany County 4-H Office at 518-765-3500.

4-H Teen Winter Weekend

Feb. 13– 15
Camp Oswegatchie (Lewis
County), Croghan NY

2009 Theme is Country
Jamboree

Programs may include: cross country skiing, snowshoeing, hands on projects, ice skating, night hikes. Meet 4-H members from other counties and enjoy the winter wonderland of the Tug Hill plateau. Cost is \$50.00 per youth or chaperone (multi-chaperone discounts are available). Fees will cover overnight accommodations, meals (sat. breakfast through sun lunch), snacks, supplies. Equipment is available at no charge (or bring your own). Registration deadline is Feb. 2. Call the 4-H Office for more information.

4-H Day at Lapland Lake X-Country Ski Center

Friday, February 20, 2009
Meet at the Extension Center in
Cobleskill at 8 am,
Return approximately 6:30 pm

4-H members from Fulton, Montgomery and Schoharie Counties are invited to participate in a day of fun in northern Fulton County. Olympic medalist and owner Olavi Hirvonen will speak with us about his experiences in the Olympics as well as with the resort. Cost is \$14 for adults, \$10 for youth. Ski rentals are available for a fee at Lapland Lake. Snowshoe rentals are available at no charge with advance reservation. Lunch is on your own, there is a snack bar and restaurant on site. Register by Friday, Feb. 13 by calling the 4-H Office at 518-234-4303 or 518-296-8310.

4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training

February 20, 21, 22.
4-H Training Center Middle Line
Rd. Ballston Spa.
Fee is \$75.00

Volunteers who complete the training will be reimbursed after supervising one 6 hour program. Registration is due by February 13. Contact the 4-H Office for more information.

4-H Events in Schoharie

Price Chopper Vegetable Marketing Program Orientation

Monday Feb. 9 (tentative), 7 pm at Golub Headquarters, Rotterdam

Applications will be available in early February. Call the 4-H Office to get on the application mailing list.

4-H Winter Workshop

February 19, 2009. 9 am to 4 pm. Extension Center in Cobleskill. Fee is \$5.00 Open to members 9 and up. Register by Monday February 17. Projects will include:

***Cooking Challenge Basics-** learn how to measure, mix, and bake a variety of ingredients to make your cooking challenge project stand out. We will make a simple baked treat.*

***Re-Fashion Your Clothing-** take that stained or faded cotton shirt and make it into a fashion marvel. Bring your own or we will provide one for you.*

***Get Out!-** Snowshoeing, winter fun with GPS (geocaching) or other outdoor activities. Weather permitting.*

Schoharie County 4-H Horse Quiz Bowl Contest.

February 27, 7 pm at the Extension Center. For members who want to compete at the Regional Horse Quiz Bowl Contest in April.

The Second Annual 4-H Cabin Fever Cooking Challenge.

Feb. 28 at the Extension Center. Bake away the winter blues with your own delicious recipe.

Classes include Decadent Deserts, Healthy Snacks, Cookies, Muffins, or yeast breads. Applications will be available February 2. Call the 4-H Office to get on the pre-application mailing list. Details will be available in the application materials.



Tractor Safety Certificate Program

For youth who are 14 years of age who are looking to work on a farm.

The Tractor Safety certificate program will run from March through April. The format has been changed to allow youth to work more independently prior to the final written and driving tests. Instructional materials will be available beginning March 9. The 14 hour driving portion will take place at SUNY Cobleskill during spring break in April. Youth will have to complete 10 hours of independent study prior to the driving sessions. There will also be driving skills tests available in Fulton/Montgomery and Ostego Counties in April and May. For more information, please contact Eileen at the 4-H Office.

The 4-H Chronicle is published monthly by Cornell Cooperative Extension of Schoharie County. 4-H members, club leaders and volunteers are encouraged to submit activity reports by the 15th of each month. Submissions can be emailed to Schoharie@cornell.edu. or mailed or hand delivered to 173 S. Grand St. Cobleskill, NY 12043.

Your 4-H Staff

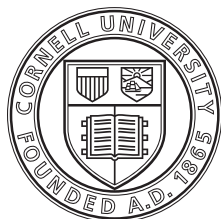
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2008 4-H Capital Days

A delegation representing 4-H members from across New York State will expand their knowledge of state government when they travel to Albany, New York on March 2 and 3, 2009 for the 74th annual 4-H Capital Days Event. Delegates will learn about career opportunities in government as they tour state agencies, participate in discussion sessions, and visit with their Legislators. They will also get an opportunity to tour the Capitol and visit the Corning Tower and State Museum.

The Capital Days program runs from 9:00 am Monday, March 2 through approx. 2 pm Tuesday, March 3. Delegates can choose to commute to Albany on each of these days or stay overnight at the conference hotel in Albany. The cost is \$150 per youth who must provide a chaperone. If you are interested in attending this program or have questions please contact Eileen or Leslie at the 4H office at 518-234-4303 or 296-8310



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