



# November 2019 4-H ESSENTIALS

THE DUTCHESS COUNTY 4-H'ERS  
IMPORTANT NEWS GUIDE.

## CLUB OFFICER TRAINING

Club officer training will take place during a scheduled club meeting. Jane and MacKenzie will attend your meetings for a 30 minute session to offer officer training. All members should attend. Please contact the office to schedule a meeting time.

## CLUB REPORTS

Any club reports, meeting minutes, etc. from 2018-19 should be sent to the office ASAP!

Please be sure to send 2019-2020 elected officers and your club meeting schedule to the 4-H office!

## ADVISORY REPORTS

Advisory meeting schedule and meeting minutes MUST be sent to the 4-H office

## IMPORTANT DATES:

December:

12th - Veterinary Science Meeting (13 years old+)

January:

11th - Horse Bowl & Hippology

26th - Cloverbud Public Presentation Workshop

Take a look at our 2019-2020 Calendar. Contact the office if your event is not listed or if you have any questions!

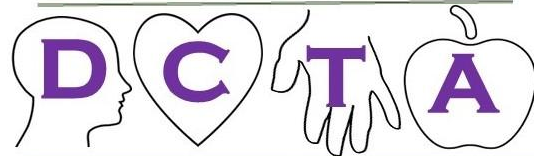
## BECOME A TEEN AMBASSADOR

Are you a teen that's interested in being an ambassador for the Dutchess County 4-H program? We have many exciting projects planned such as community service, fundraising and a trip to Kentucky!

If you are interested in joining please contact [Faith Shultz](#).



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DUTCHESS COUNTY TEEN AMBASSADORS

## PET PHOTOS with SANTA

DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2019



Tractor Supply | Route 22 Amenia,  
NY

11 am - 2 pm

Bring your 4 legged family members to share in the holiday fun. Santa will be there with treats for your pets!

\$10 per photo

Sponsored by Top Dogs 4-H Club

## GINGERBREAD HOUSE *competition*

SunCommon, a solar company in Rhinebeck, is hosting a **Gingerbread House Competition** on **December 8th**, and wanted to invite the local 4-H groups to participate!

This competition requires each gingerbread house to include an edible version of solar panels. Fun, right?! There are extra points for each additional sustainable home technology, like composting, or even a backyard garden.

All the info can be found here: <https://suncommon.com/hoodson-valley/gingerbread/>

Anyone is welcome to participate, so please share with your friends and family!

## DC 4-H Veterinary Science Meeting

Thursday December 12th 6:30 pm at FHC



4-H'ers 13+ come and brainstorm what aspects of veterinary science you would like to study. Suggestions so far include eyes, ticks/lyme disease, surgery, a day on the road with a vet, and case studies of animals rescued by the ASPCA. Once we have a plan, you can sign up for one or more sessions that interest you!

## TOYS 4 TOTS



A note from Alison, a Dutchess County 4-Her who is a member of the Dutchess County Teen Ambassadors as well as the Dutchess County Long Rifles Club:

I have been volunteering for Toys-for-Tots every holiday season for the last several years and while volunteering I noticed an issue. Many times there were not enough toys, especially for the teens. Last year I started a drive through 4-H to help combat this. I graciously ask of our 4-H community to donate toys, toys for kids 13-17 would be even better! The Farm and Home Center in Millbrook will be our collection point. Clubs could also collect from everyone who is donating in their club, then contact myself and I can arrange to pick them up. Any donations would be greatly appreciated.

You can contact me [HERE](#)! Thank you!

## NYS 4-H CAPITAL DAYS: May 17 - 20, 2020

4-H Capital Days is a NYSACCE4-HE sponsored event that gives youth an opportunity to meet and interact with legislators and tell their 4-H story. 4-H Capital Days creates awareness of career opportunities in New York State government, better understand state government, and network with delegates from other counties.

[HERE](#) is the application for the Teen Planning Committee for 4-H Capital Days due January 1<sup>st</sup>

### 4-H Member Reminder:

All meeting minutes, advisory minutes and independent member reports are due by the 10th of the following month.