



# Dutchess County 4-H January Essentials



## - TOP NEWS -

### Become a Teen Ambassador



IMPROVING OUR WORLD



DUTCHESS COUNTY TEEN AMBASSADORS

Join us at our next meeting to discuss club clothing, brainstorm ideas for our trip to Lake George, discuss community service and fundraising events, as well as planning a team building exercise field trip!

If you are interested in joining please contact DCTA Club President [Faith Shultz](#) and join us at our next meeting on **Monday February 3rd, 6:00 pm at the Farm & Home Center.**

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### Gatekeeper Suicide Prevention Awareness for Teens Happening Soon!

Three simple steps anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide: recognize the warning signs of suicide, offer HOPE, and get help. This free seminar is **Tuesday February 4th, 5:30 - 7:30 pm at the Farm and Home Center.** For more information and to register, [CLICK HERE!](#)

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### 2020 Dutchess County 4-H Veterinary Science Program Happening Soon!

Our Veterinary Science Education days offer a range of specialist topics across different species. Youth must be 13+ years old and active 4-H members in order to participate. For more information about dates, topics and how to sign up, [CLICK HERE!](#)

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## Paint Fundraiser for Top Dogs 4-H Club Happening Soon!

Come hang out and support the Top Dogs 4-H Club on **February 8th, 2:00 - 4:00 pm at the Farm and Home Center** by painting your own dog bowls, enjoying snacks and drinks, having fun and supporting local kids! The cost is \$35 per person which includes full instruction, 2 bowls, food and beverage. RSVP to [missbook72@gmail.com](mailto:missbook72@gmail.com) or call/text 518-821-1198.

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## DEC Pheasant Rearing Program

The Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) is once again distributing day-old pheasant chicks for rearing and release projects to qualified 4-H youths. In order to participate in the program, requests for chicks need to be made before **March 25th**. For more information or to fill out an application, [CLICK HERE!](#)

To become familiar with pheasant rearing, check out the [DEC's guide!](#)

Additional questions on rearing pheasants can also be answered by contacting Evan Wills, manager at the NYSDEC Reynolds Game Farm at:  
607-273-2768  
[evan.wills@dec.ny.gov](mailto:evan.wills@dec.ny.gov)

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## Save the Dates!

### Cloverbud Presentation Workshop LAST CALL!

**Sunday January 26, 2:00 pm • Farm and Home Center**

Public presentation event for kids who need special support, Cloverbuds and/or first-time presenters. **Kids should bring an item that interests them to show others and to talk about, anything that is safe and age appropriate!** We will be making posters, so bringing pictures and photos will be beneficial and any art supplies you may have.

To sign up for this workshop call or email MacKenzie in the 4-H Office!  
[mc2693@cornell.edu](mailto:mc2693@cornell.edu)  
845-677-8223 ext. 108

### Fair Review & Discussion with Liz

**Saturday February 8th, 9:00 am • Farm and Home Center**

This is a **leaders only event** to review the 2019 Dutchess County Fair and to discuss all things 4-H for the 2020 Dutchess County Fair. Please RSVP and send any topics/discussion points to [MacKenzie](#) in the 4-H Office.

### County Horse Communications

**Saturday February 15th, 9:00 am • Farm and Home Center**

### District Horse Bowl & Hippology

**Saturday February 29th, 9:00 am • Cornell Cooperative Extension Orange County**

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## Hour of Service for 2020 Dutchess County Fair - Upcoming Events



### JoAnn Clovers for Kids

March 1 - April 30, 2020

Our annual partnership with JoAnn Fabric Stores. Stay tuned for details!



## TSC Spring Paper Clover

April 29 - May 10, 2020

Our annual spring fund raiser with Tractor Supply Company!

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# 4-H REMINDERS

### Advisory Reports

Advisory meeting schedule and meeting minutes must be sent to the [4-H OFFICE](#).

### 4-H Clubs

All meeting minutes, monthly reports and independent member reports are due by the *10th* of the following month. All documents must be sent to the [4-H OFFICE](#).

Don't forget to fill out and submit a [PERMISSION TO FUNDRAISE](#) form to the [4-H OFFICE](#) before a planned fundraiser. Clubs *cannot* fundraise without the form filed!

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