Joe Rossi Memorial Scholarship

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Attn: Mrs. H. Rossi 372 Hapeman Hill Road Red Hook New York 12571

Deadline: July 31, 2023: Email the application and your essay to rossifarm@frontiernet.net

Joe Rossi was active as both a parent and leader within the Dutchess County 4-H program for nearly 20 years, starting in the early 1990s. Joe was not raised on a farm, nor did he participate in 4-H as a youth, but saw the value of the skills and experiences gained, including the responsibilities of raising and caring for animals, record keeping and management, cooperation and team work, as well as public speaking skills. He felt participation in all aspects of the 4-H program (beyond raising animals to sell at the Livestock Auction) provided many experiences and benefits. He encouraged his children and club members to participate in all areas of 4-H.

This scholarship is presented annually to an active 4-H member, who graduates high school in the current year, who has participated in all aspects of the 4-H program (<u>beyond</u> raising animals to sell at the Livestock Auction) and who demonstrates the above skills and qualities.

Application Name: Date of Birth: Address: Phone: E-Mail Address: Number of Years in 4-H: Name of Your Current 4-H Club(s): School District/Program: Graduation Date: Explain what you will do following high school. For example, college choices, anticipated major(s), vocational training, employment. NOTE: your career path does not have to be in agriculture.

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This essay will be the most important information considered when choosing the scholarship winner. Take time to ensure it is well written (good grammar, correct spelling, and punctuation) and that it truly "tells your story".

Guidelines for Essay

- The essay should be about 600 words in length.
- It must be double spaced, size 12 font, with 1" margins.
- Please be sure to explain how your experiences as a 4-H'er have impacted you and helped you prepare for your future.
- Be sure to refer to 4-H experiences beyond raising animals.
- Include details of your plans for your future.
- Include any personal information or challenges you may have experienced.
- Explain how this scholarship would help you reach your goals.

The 2023 scholarship recipient will be announced at the Dutchess County Youth Livestock Auction

Any questions should be referred to the Scholarship Committee at rossifarm@frontiernet.net