



# Sussex County 4-H Holiday Newsletter

## Upcoming Events:

November 2, 2018 – Member certificate and project recognition paperwork due to 4-H office. **(extended until 11/9)**  
- Leadership Washington Focus applications due to the 4-H office

November 12, 2018 - 4-H/RCE Office Closed

**November 16, 2018 - Foundation Wreath orders due to 4-H Office**

November 22-23, 2018 - 4-H Office Closed

**November 24, 2018** - Newton Holiday Parade

- **Foundation Wreath pick up at the 4-H Shotwell Building 9:30am- 12:00pm**

December 7 2018- NJ State 4-H Goat Extravaganza entries due.

December 24-25, 2018 – 4-H/RCE Office Closed

**December 31, 2018 - 4-H Online closes for re-enrollment**

**January 1, 2019 - Beef Projects due on property; Land-lease form are due and animals to 4-H Office.**

January 1, 2019 - 4-H/RCE Office Closed

**January 2, 2019 – Registration for Public Presentation in 4H online is open.**

January, 5 2019- NJ State 4-H Goat Extravaganza

January 15, 2019 - Equestrian of the Year application packet due

January 19, 2019 – State 4-H Model Horse Show

January 21, 2019 - 4-H/RCE Office Closed

January 26, 2019 - Ocean County Animalology Contest

**January 30, 2019 - Deadline to Register for North Jersey Teen Conference**

## 2018 Leader & Volunteer Appreciation Social

On October 5, 2018 the Annual Leader & Volunteer Appreciation Social was held in the large meeting room in the Fair Administration Building on the Sussex County Fairgrounds. Those that attended enjoyed light appetizers, drinks, and desserts while having a chance to interact with other volunteers from other clubs and project areas. Leaders and volunteers who completed their 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> and 40<sup>th</sup> years of service were awarded pins and certificates for their achievements.

Also presented during the evening were the Sussex County 4-H Advisory Council annual awards to individuals or groups for their outstanding and continuous service to the 4-H program in Sussex County.

**Sussex County 4-H Business Award:** Ideal Farm

**Sussex County Friend of 4-H:** Gary Larson

**Sussex County 4-H Alumni:** Tanya Patrie

**Sussex County 4-H Youth Development:** Kathryn Kula

**Lois Chammings Community Service Award:** Shawn Patrie



We'd like to thank and congratulate all our volunteers for their hard work and dedication to the Sussex County 4-H program.

## **Halloween Happenings! 2018**

Thank you to all those who volunteered, helped out, and participated at Halloween Happenings. It is your continued support and hard work that make it an overwhelming success every year.



Thank you to the following 4-H clubs for participating: Breeders & Feeders, Bunnies-N-Buddies, Castaway HOF, Cuddly Critters, Dogs and Paws, Hearts for Horses, Hoofbeats & Hearts, Kitty Kat Kids, Kids in the Kitchen, Little Critters, Sussex Capricians, Sussex Milkmakers, Sussex Shepherds, Teen Council, The Bunny Bunch, Whiskers & Squeals.

We would also like to thank the following businesses and families for their donations to the event: Beemerville Orchard, Bella Italia Restaurant, Brodhecker Farms, Cahill Farms. Chamming's Family, Dominicks Pizza & Restaurant, G& S Deli, Garden's of the World, GDS Foods, Ideal Farms & Garden Center, Jimmy's Pizza, Lisa's Stonebrook Florist, Smith-McCracken Funeral Home, New Jersey State Fair® /Sussex County Farm and Horse Show, S. C. 4-H Rabbit Leader Association, Shop Rite RoNetco Supermarkets, Inc., ThorLabs, Tranquility Farms, Weis Supermarkets, and Windy Brow Farms.

## **Sussex County 4-H Foundation Wreath Sale going on NOW!**



Sussex County 4-H Foundation Holiday Wreath Sale is going on now. This sale benefits the Foundation and Sussex County 4-H clubs. Funds raised by the Sussex County 4-H Foundation support activities by 4-H members through scholarships, attending national 4-H events as well as the support of the 4-H program here in Sussex County.

All wreaths are double faced and made from balsam fir boughs. Their fragrance will convey holiday spirit to friends, family and guests during the holidays. Wreath prices are as follows: 12in wreaths are \$14 for plain, \$16 for decorated; 3 ft. wreaths are \$55 for plain and \$60 for decorated.

This is also a great fundraiser for your club. For each 12inch wreath (decorated or non) your club will receive \$1; and \$5 for each 3 ft. wreath.

Club Sales forms are due to the 4-H office by **November 16**. Any orders received after that cannot be guaranteed. You can find forms at: <http://sussex4h.org/>

Wreath pick up will be at the 4-H Shotwell Building **Saturday, November 24<sup>TH</sup> from 9:30am to 12pm**. Payment for your club's wreath order will need to be made before or at the time of wreath pick up. One check preferred made out to **Sussex County 4-H Foundation**. *Do not deduct your club's commission*. The Foundation will remit a check of your club's profit to your club leader.

There will be a limited number of wreaths available after the Saturday pick up. Should you need more wreaths or supplies, please contact the 4-H office (973)-948-3040.

## **Re- Enrollment Housekeeping**

Re-enrollment in 4-H online is currently underway. Remember all 4-H-ers **must** be (re)enrolled in 4-H Online by Dec 31 to be considered a full member for the 2018-19 project year. Those who are not, will not be eligible for fair passes or premiums. You can re-enroll by going to <https://nj.4honline.com>. For those re-enrolling for this project year, please do not re-create a new profile. If you are unsure of what email you used to sign-in, please contact us at the 4-H office for assistance.



**Club leaders:** please be sure to log onto your leader profile and confirm the members in your club. Also review your club roster to ensure all those that have been attending are accounted for. If you see a discrepancy for a member who is not listed as part of your club, please let us know at the 4-H Office.



## Free New Jersey Farm Membership for H. S. Juniors and Seniors

Did you know that Junior and Senior high school 4-H members are eligible for a free membership to the New Jersey Farm Bureau? They can do so by going to [www.njfb.org](http://www.njfb.org) and clicking the join tab.

## The NJ 4-H Goat Extravaganza

January 5, 2019 Hunterdon Co. Senior Center

The NJ 4-H Goat Extravaganza is a statewide event for members, parents, and volunteers in the goat project. The day's activities include a mixed-county team poster-presentation contest, eight-station skill-a-thon, team quiz bowl contest, goat-themed art show, ice cream social, and awards ceremony. There will also be a morning workshop for the adult participants.

For more information and application to participate please go to:

<http://nj4h.rutgers.edu/goats/extravaganza/>.

The deadline to register is December 7, 2018.



## 4-H Hits the Slopes

January 5, February 2, & 9; Shawnee Mountain

Ocean County 4-H is running their popular Shawnee Ski Club/Group. And are graciously expanding their reach to other 4-H members in New Jersey this year. It's a great deal for families looking to get into skiing or for those experienced skiers that want to save on lift tickets. Registration is handled directly via the Shawnee portal (<https://www.shawneemt.com/registration>).

There will be an open information session on November 20<sup>th</sup> at the agricultural center in Ocean County (1623 Whitesville Rd, Toms River). If they receive enough interest from outside Ocean County, they will offer a virtual connection to the meeting as well. If you have questions or want to register for the information session, call the 4-H office at 732-349-1227.

**SKI & SNOWBOARD CLUB PROGRAM RATES FOR THE 2018/2019 SEASON**

**SATURDAY DAY PROGRAM (20+ members)**

**3-VISIT PRE-PAID PACKAGES / LIFT TICKET (8AM-5PM) FOR OCEAN COUNTY 4-H (January 5, February 2 & 9)**

SKI & SNOWBOARD	MEMBER \$133.00	NON-MEMBER \$153.00
LIFT ONLY	\$159.00	\$184.00
LIFT & RENTAL	\$153.00	\$178.00
LIFT, RENTAL & (2) LESSON	\$204.00	\$229.00

**PACKAGE ADD-ONS**

- GIRO Ski/Snowboard Mittens - Big to Own > \$65.00
- 4 Quality Inflat at a Great Price! (max 15/20)

**IMPORTANT POINTS**

- MINIMUM AGE FOR LESSONS... Ski - 7 years old Snowboard - 12 years old
- EQUIPMENT RENTALS... Snowboards are equipped with straps/bindings, arm/bars, rental means board and boots + Ski/Snow rental shoe set. Include a helmet
- COMPLIMENTARY TRIP TICKETS... based at a rate of \$1.25 per member (max 4000 miles round trip)
- SKI/BOARD SALE EVENT... December 15, 2018 (open entry tickets)
- BLOCK-OUT DATES: NONE

**PROGRAM PAYMENT FORMAT**  
Shawnee Mountain offers group members easy online purchasing with a credit card.

**LESSON SCHEDULING**  
Group ski and snowboard lessons are scheduled for 1-hour sessions at 9:45 AM (contact us to discuss start time hours). All lesson takers must participate at this designated time on each trip. Our ski and snowboard lesson program is basic training and skill improvement geared primarily for entry level students as well as those with beginner and intermediate ability levels. We use a progressive approach, emphasizing fun & safety.

**GENERAL PROGRAM POLICIES**

- Only snowboard rental and lesson may be switched to ski rental and lesson and this must be done before trip #2. Ski rental and lesson cannot be changed once the program has started.
- One observation voucher issued per member, per program. Lesson make-ups must be completed by 3/3/19.

**REFUND POLICY**

- Pre-paid refunds for medical reasons or injury only, whether before or after start of program. Refunds guaranteed if the injury/medical condition occurs by the conclusion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> trip. Refund requests of any kind will not be considered thereafter. Refunds may take up to 6 weeks to process. Refunds must be routed through group leader, not Group Sales.
- There will be a \$25.00 processing charge for ALL refunds over \$75.00. Refunds up to and including \$75.00 will be issued in the form of a Shawnee Mountain gift card.

SHAWNEE MOUNTAIN GROUP SALES | (973) 425-7201 ext. 203 | Fax: (973) 425-7473 | [lsadams@shawneemt.com](mailto:lsadams@shawneemt.com)

## Mark your Calendars!

### Ocean County Animalology

January 26, 2019, Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Point Pleasant

Animalology is a friendly competition offering youth in 4-13 the chance to gain new knowledge, promote their project area, and have fun at a team based trivia event. Youth register as individuals and have teams of four draw out of a hat on the day of the completion. This provides 4Hers from different counties to 'Make the best better' and make new friends. Registrations pack will be available soon. For more information, contact [ferrie@njaes.rutgers.edu](mailto:ferrie@njaes.rutgers.edu).

### NJ State 4-H Small Animal Educational Symposium

February 23, 2019, Gloucester County Office of Government Services, Clayton



This one-day event will provide an opportunity for 4-H members involved in the rabbit, cavy, small animal, herpetology and poultry 4-H project areas to participate in a variety of educational events all in one day. Activities and events planned include: rabbit hopping contest, art show, avian bowl, animalology quiz bowl, skill-a-thon stations, reptile workshop, and poultry and rabbit showmanship workshop.

## **2019 County 4-H Public Presentations**

Public Presentations are being scheduled for the first 4 Fridays in March. The tentative schedule is as follows:



March 1 – Frankford Township School\*

March 8 – Frankford Township School\*

March 15 –High Point Regional High School

March 22 – Kittatinny Regional High School

*Snow Date March 29 – Frankford Township School*

\*Live Animals will only be allowed at the Frankford Township school dates.

**Registration will begin through 4-H Online on January 2.** The deadline to register is February 1. If you are in need of paper registration form please let the 4-H office know.

## **North Jersey Teen Conference (NJTC)**

**March 8-10 2019, Pompton Plains**

4-H-ers in Grades 8- 13 are invited to attend the 12th annual North Jersey Teen Conference (NJTC). This year's conference will be held March 8-10, 2019 at the Regency Hotel in Pompton Plains. The theme of this year's conference, is *Past, Present, and Future: Our 4-H Legacy*.

This conference is open to all 4-H teens in grades 8-13 in the northern New Jersey 4-H counties. This event is planned and run through a partnership of 4-H teens and adults. The conference will provide an opportunity for teens to broaden their circle of friends, build leadership skills, learn new skills, and have fun!

*More information and registration details will be coming soon.*

## **Discover the Leader in You! Leadership Conference**

**March 23, 2019, Freehold, NJ**

4-H members in grades 6-8 are invited to attend this leadership conference. They will have fun, meet new friends and develop leadership and personal development skills that they can utilize at home, in school, in their 4-H club, and in their community. The conference will include a guest speaker, interactive workshops, snacks and lunch.

Information is available on the New Jersey 4-H website:

<http://nj4h.rutgers.edu/leadership/discover-the-leader-north/>



## **Congratulations and Recognitions**



Morgan Nervine for being selected as part of the NJ 4-H horse member Hippology Team. She will be attending the National 4-H Horse Roundup in Louisville, KY in November. She is a member of the Hoof Beats & Hearts Horse club.

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