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Family Grapevine Information for 4-H families November/December 2020

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Completing your 4-H Project Record Book: A 4 part virtual learning series!

Part 1: Intro to Project Record Books - Tuesday, November 10 An overview of what record books are available, what's in them, what they are used for, and what you do with them once completed.

Part 2: Goal Setting – Tuesday, November 17 The beginning of the 4-H year is a good time to begin thinking about what you'd like to do or learn in 4-H during the upcoming months.

Part 3: Finances – Tuesday, November 24 Identify expenses and financial gains of your projects.

Part 4: Your 4-H Story - Tuesday, December 1 The 4-H Story is a tool that encourages the 4-H'ers to reflect on their experiences.

Join Alayne and Michelle to learn about properly completing your record book! Each lesson will be held at 7pm over Zoom!

Click <u>HERE</u> to fill out the google form to receive the zoom info, or call the 4-H office at 908-475-6502 to register!







The Next 4-H Leaders Association Meeting

February 3, 2021 <u>via Zoom</u> 7:00 pm All registered Warren County 4-H leaders are welcome.

If you prefer a hard copy mailed to your address, please call the office and confirm your updated contact information so we can send you a paper copy. We will only send paper copies to those families that contact us. We hope that 4-H families take advantage of the Grapevine online and help us save the environment.

The Jr. Breeder loan program

a great program for young adults already participating in 4-H to acquire livestock via a low-interest livestock loan. Contact the 4-H office for the forms and additional information.



Going to Rutgers????? Going to miss 4-H???? No Need! You can join the Collegiate 4-H Club They do much to support 4-H in NJ

Our Mission

The Rutgers Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Development program uses a learn by doing approach to enable youth to develop the knowledge, attitudes, and skills they need to become competent, caring, and contributing citizens of the



This mission is accomplished by using the knowledge and resources of the land grant university system, along with the involvement of caring adults Family Grapevine Bi-Monthly Newsletter Rutgers Cooperative Extension 165 County Route 519 South Belvidere, NJ 07823 (908) 475-6502 www.warren4-h.org

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Mark Your Calendars!

Record Book Series

November 10, 17, 24, and December 1

Alayne and Michelle will be offering a 4-part record book training series beginning on Tuesday, November 10th at 7pm via Zoom.

Each part will tackle a different section of the record book, how to fill it out, and why record keeping is an important life skill!

November 10th – Introduction to Record Books November 17th – Goal Setting November 24th – Finances December 1st – Writing Your 4-H Story



To register for one, two, three or all 4 parts of the series, call the 4-H Office at 908-475-6502. A flyer was also emailed to everyone with a registration link!



Warren County RCE Horticultural Workshops

November 6 and December 4

Backyard Beekeeping 101, November 6, 2020 10am



Are you thinking about starting your own colony of honeybees? Join us on Zoom to learn about the benefits and see if it's right for you. Tim and Mim Dunne, of Woodsedge Tree Farm, and beekeepers for over 35 years will be sharing their wealth of knowledge with the group. Free to join but must pre-register!

Register in advance for this meeting: <u>https://rutgers.zoom.us/.../tJYsc-</u> <u>GrrTIvGddqv2A46USR...</u>

Broadleaf Evergreens, December 4, 2020 at 11am

There two general types of evergreen plants; needle foliage and broadleaf. Needle foliage are the pines, spruce, hemlock, arborvitae, juniper etc. The broadleaf include rhododendron, azalea, holly, laurel and many others.

This workshop will cover many different types of broadleaf evergreens. Their culture, ornamental features, pest issues and landscape use. More details and registration information in the events section on the RCE of Warren County Facebook page.

Facebook Link:

https://www.facebook.com/RutgersCooperativeE xtensionofWarrenCounty



STEP Club: NJ 4-H Life Skills: Money Matters Financial Planning

November 18-December 9

Are you ready to increase your financial knowledge? Want to start planning for your finances now and in the future? Understand why credit matters and learn how to create a budget.



Register for Money Matters where you will learn about relevant financial skills such as saving, investing, and avoiding debt through interactive surveys, quizzes, and games. Start developing your money management skills now!

This program is for youth in grades 8–12. Sessions will run on Wednesday's, 4:00–5:30 pm starting November 18–December 9.

Use the below link to register: https://rutgers.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_d oGLhaxkaM6Ocmx





News!

4-HOnline has a new look and includes new features that will improve your 4-H experience.

Please follow these directions to re-enroll for the new 4-H program year. To begin, go to http://v2.4honline.com

You should be able to login with your current information (username: email and password.) If you've forgotten your password, click the Reset Password link to have a temporary password sent.

An email was sent to all registered 4-H members with instructions on the re-enrollment process. If you or your members have any issues logging in or re-enrolling, please contact the 4-H Office at 908-475-6502.



Warren County 4-H is on Facebook!

Please join our Facebook Group: Warren County 4-H

https://www.facebook.com/groups/9424416358 78633/ to stay up to date on news, events, and opportunities for Warren County 4-H members. This is a closed group so please request to join the group!

We also have a general public Warren County 4-H Facebook page:

https://www.facebook.com/warren4h/



Record Book Pick Up

If you turned in a record book, it is ready for pick up at the 4-H Office. The books will be outside in a bin on the picnic table since the office is still closed to the public.



4-H From Home

The 4-H From Home website keeps expanding!

Interactive webinars, Community Service, Virtual STEP clubs and Resources!

The World Food Prize New Jersey Institute Series begins Monday, November 9th and continues through December 14th. You can sign up for one or all of the webinars.

Virtual STEP clubs include: NJ 4-H Global Food Security Coalition, Money Matters, Globetasters, and My Pet and Me!

Check out everything 4-H From Home has to offer at: <u>http://nj4h.rutgers.edu/4h-from-home/</u>



Resources:

Check out the 4-H Teaching Others Facebook group! 4-Hers teaching others is a group for our youth to learn from each other! During this trying time our kids are still working with their 4-H projects and prepping for show season to start. Each child can pick a day, choose what they want to teach and make a video and post to the group. This will be a great learning experience for kids who aren't able to have projects or want to learn about agriculture!

https://www.facebook.com/groups/1632153950255 691

Club Updates!

Plants vs Zombies

The Plants vs Zombies club members and families rose to the challenge of growing, maintaining, and donating produce for our club food pantry garden this year, despite the lack of in-person meetings. Each family went independently to tend and harvest the garden. They donated what they grew to 5 local food pantries (on a rotating weekly schedule). The garden did awesome this year...they installed 2 new beds and grew tomatoes, kale, squash, cucumbers, pumpkin, watermelon, beans, herbs, beets, and garlic...totaling 305 lbs! 100% of the food went to families in need. Club leader Lynn is very proud of all of their hard work and looks forward to beating the total weight next year!

Warm Hearts Warm Lives

Warm Hearts Warm Lives has created a Little Library! Families in the club have each donated a book to go inside the library.



They also continue to collect donations for local pet shelters.



THE RESULTS ARE IN....



Several families participated in our 1st annual Amazing Clover Quest around Warren County! The top scoring families were Leah and Samy Murzenski, and Logan Brooks! They will be receiving 4-H prizes!





Virtual Achievement Night!

Our first virtual achievement was a success! We were entertained with the magic of 4-H Alumni Conrad Cologne, and presented awards to the following 4-Hers who completed a record book:

Isabella Beam – General Project and Second Year pins

Hannah Beck – Rabbit Project and Seventh Year pins

Logan Brooks – Rabbit Project and Third Year pins

Edison Carruthers – Shooting Sports Project and First Year pins

Elisabeth Carruthers – Shooting Sport Project and Fourth Year pins

Katherine Carruthers – Shooting Sports Project and Sixth Year pins

Alex Fontaine – Sheep Project and First Year pins **Cole Gibilisco** – Horse Project and Fifth Year pins

Jesse Gibilisco – Horse Project and Sixth Year pins Kristina Klinger – Horse Project and Sixth Year

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Kimberley Kolibas – Rabbit Project and Tenth Year pins

Emily Leidner – Horse Project and Second Year pins

Leah Murzenski – General Project and First Year pins

Samantha Murzenski – General Project and First Year pins

Leah Ott – General Project, Fifth Year and Club Treasurer Pins

Ashley Postma – Shooting Sports Project and Seventh Year Pins

Olivia Santini – General Project and Eighth Year Pins

Briana Smith – Rabbit Project and Fifth Year pins **Arica Sodtalbers** – Beef, Dairy, Goat, Model

Horse, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep and Swine Projects and First Year pins

Elizabeth Sodtalbers – Beef, Dairy, Goat, Model Horse, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep and Swine Projects and First Year pins

Lianna Vence – General Project and Seventh Year pins

Amelia Waclawski – Cloverbud Project and Fourth Year pins

Hayley Wargo – Horse Project and Fifth Year pins Sydney Weygand – Cloverbud Project and First Year pins We also awarded the following with year pins: Gracie Bucher – Fourth Year Valentina Maza – First Year Kerstin Voll – Second Year Kathryn Zurovchak – Sixth Year Kristine Zurovchak – Seventh Year



We also showed off pumpkins submitted by:

Hannah Beck



Gracie Bucher





Cole Gibilisco



Jesse Gibilisco





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We would LOVE to hear what your club has been up to! Please drop us a line or photograph!

Got club news? Send it to 4-H@co.warren.nj.us



We are working from home and accessible via e-mail: <u>Torretta@njaes.rutgers.edu</u>, <u>Teitsma@njaes.rutgers.edu</u>, and <u>4-H@co.warren.nj.us</u>.

New programming ideas are being developed to keep us all connected and engaged in these challenging times.

Check out and join our Facebook group at <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/9424416</u> <u>35878633</u> for updates and keeping in touch!

