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## ***Winter, 2012***

Here is your information about  
upcoming 4-H events.

**Keep it where you can  
look at it for the next few  
months!**



Do you need registration deadline reminders? Search for UNH Cooperative Extension - Grafton County on Facebook and "like" us. We post reminders regularly.



# Coming Events



## FOOD SHOW

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2012  
SNOWDATE: FEBRUARY 18, 2012  
HAVERHILL COOPERATIVE  
MIDDLE SCHOOL  
9:30A.M. - 2:30 P.M.



REGISTER WITH YOUR  
CLUB LEADER.  
LEADERS MUST SUBMIT  
REGISTRATION FORMS TO  
THE OFFICE BY  
JANUARY 27, 2012

~ No Peanuts or Nuts Allowed at this Event ~



## PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

to be held with  
the Food Show

Saturday, February 11, 2012  
Snowdate: February 18, 2012

Haverhill Cooperative Middle School

Please register with your club Leader.  
You do not need to register for Food Show  
to participate.

Registration deadline is January 27, 2012

## PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT

Saturday, April 28, 2012  
Haverhill Cooperative Middle School



Exhibit will be held prior to the Textile Event

Photo entries due to the 4-H office by  
March 16, 2012 at 3:30p.m.

Remember to attach a photo form to the back of each  
entry.

You can find the form online at:  
[http://extension.unh.edu/resources/resource/936/  
State\\_&\\_County\\_4-H\\_Photography\\_Rules/Entry](http://extension.unh.edu/resources/resource/936/State_&_County_4-H_Photography_Rules/Entry)

## 4-H FOOD CHEF CHALLENGE

Are you ready for a challenge?  
Do you like to be creative in showing off your  
cooking skills?  
Are you 12 and over and have someone who you  
can team with?

Then you are ready for the 1st  
4-H Food Chef Challenge!

Grafton County will be hosting the event this  
spring during March: Nutrition Month.  
We must have 5 teams participating to hold the  
event.

Rules of play, participants information,  
scoresheet, participant's supply box, and a list  
of the pantry supplies will be available on our  
website at: [http://extension.unh.edu/Counties/  
Grafton/Grafton\\_4H.html](http://extension.unh.edu/Counties/Grafton/Grafton_4H.html)

## New Hampshire 4-H DAIRY QUIZ BOWL Ages 8 and over



March 17, 2012  
10:00 A.M.

(Registration 9:45 A.M.)  
Walpole Elementary School

Grafton County is forming teams! Interested?  
Contact the office and we'll connect you with  
the coach!

# LEADERS' CORNER

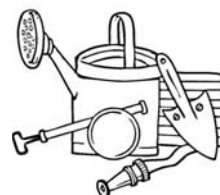
## Grafton County Leaders' Association Meeting

Wednesday, January 25, 2012  
Warren School  
6:00 p.m. Training-  
***Finding the Science in 4-H Projects***  
7:00 p.m. Meeting

RSVP to donna.lee@unh.edu, or call the office at (603) 787-6944

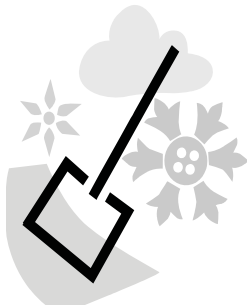
## GARDEN PROJECT LEADERS THINK SPRING!

"Anyone who thinks that gardening begins in the spring and ends in the fall is missing the best part of the whole year. For gardening begins in January with the dream." ~Josephine Nuese



**The Green Thumb and Blackmount  
Equipment 4-H Garden Program packet  
will be in your mailbox soon!**

## Grafton County 4-H Snowday Policy



*If school is called off in the community where a meeting will be held, the 4-H County sponsored meeting will be cancelled.*

*If it is a Saturday event, please call the office number (603) 787-6944 and press 6 for Kathy Jablonski's extension, then a message will come on announcing the status of an event.*

*You may also listen to WYKR 101.3FM, WLTN 96.7 FM, and WMUR for cancellation notices.*

## GARDENERS!

Gardening Workshops  
coming to the Grafton County Complex

For more information go the  
Community Ag website at:  
[http://extension.unh.edu/Counties/  
Grafton/CommunityAgGC.htm](http://extension.unh.edu/Counties/Grafton/CommunityAgGC.htm)

## HOLD THE DATES!

### Regional Leaders' Forums

March 31, 2012 - Concord area  
April 19, 2012 - Keene area  
May 23, 2012 - Littleton area

Leaders and Junior Leaders are welcome to attend

Topics include:

- Teamwork Games and Skills to Use in your Clubs and Youth Groups
- Healthy Living- Lessons for Making Your 4-H'ers the Best Better
- Teens as Teachers- An interactive workshop for teens and leaders

## ~ INSURANCE REMINDER ~

- You should take out insurance for each club member.
- If your club has an event or a fundraiser where you have a non enrolled 4-H member present, you need to take out event insurance.

You can go to the American Income Life website and fill out the form online: <http://www.americanincomelife.com/>

Questions? Call the office at 787-6944 or email donna.lee@unh.edu and we'll help you with the process!

# NEWS TO KNOW



## The 2012 essay contest topic is:

The Results of Honey Bee Pollination in My Community

Honey bees pollinate a wide variety of plants.

The food crops that benefit from honey bee pollination have been said to contribute one-third of the American diet. In addition, many non-food plantings and natural environmental plants benefit from honey bee pollination. 4-H'ers are encouraged to investigate the plants in their communities that benefit from honey bee pollination and determine the results of that pollination.

**Essay Deadline:  
February 1, 2012  
due in our office by 3:30 p.m.  
(electronic copies only)**

## 2012 Ag Day Essay Contest



- Theme - "American Agriculture: Feeding the Future, Filling the Gaps."
- The 2012 Ag Day Essay Contest is divided into two categories of competition: written essay and video essay. Both are national competitions.
- Written Essay Length - Essays must contain no more than 450 words
- Video Essay Length- The maximum length of the the video is TWO (2) minutes.
- Eligibility - Students in grades 7-12 in the 2011-2012 school year. Contestants must be U.S. citizens. Contestants must meet all requirements to compete.
- National Video Essay Winner-\$1,000.
- National Written Essay Winner-\$1,000 and trip to Washington, D.C., to be recognized at the Celebration of Ag Dinner held at the Witten Patio March 8, 2012

Entries must be received by: Midnight CST,  
February 1, 2012

Rules, entry form and contest details available at  
[www.hpj.com/agdayessay](http://www.hpj.com/agdayessay)



## Support the 4-H Million Trees Project

Want to be part of an ongoing international community service project? Since the project started in Spring, 2007, over 41,000 youth have planted more than 340,000 trees. With 50,000 trees planted this year by 4HMT-KENYA and another 250,000 planned there in 2012, we are well on our way to one million. But we still need help from around the globe!

For both veteran and new clubs, please think about planning a 4HMT tree planting event in 2012. Earth Day (April 22), Arbor Day (April 27), and Global Youth Service Day (April 20-22) are excellent target dates when 4-Hers can make a BIG impact.

Check out 4HMT on the web at [www.4hmilliontrees.org](http://www.4hmilliontrees.org) or 'Like Us' on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/4-H-Million-Trees-Project/311665871868>.

## SAVE THE DATE!

**Fisher Cats Game**  
Friday night, August 3, 2012  
A Fundraiser for the  
New Hampshire State 4-H Foundation



# NEWS TO KNOW



## New Hampshire Farm and Forest Expo

**February 3-4, 2012**

Center of NH -

Radisson Hotel Manchester

[www.nhfarmandforestexpo.org](http://www.nhfarmandforestexpo.org)

## New Hampshire Dairy Goat Seminar *Basic Veterinary Practices and Hoof Care*



Farm and Forest Exposition  
Saturday-February 4, 2012  
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Center of New Hampshire  
Radisson Hotel  
Frost Room  
Manchester, NH

With the shortage of large animal veterinarians, there is a need for animal owners to have some basic skills to take care of minor health issues and know how to recognize symptoms and administer first aid until a veterinarian can arrive. This session is part of a state-wide series being held this winter. Emphasis of the workshop is hoof health care, with some goat hoof models to work with.

Registration, at the door, is \$5.00 per family and anyone 4-H age is free. The proceeds go toward the conference and 4-H dairy goat activities. Dairy Goat publications will be for sale.

[www.nhfarmandforestexpo.org](http://www.nhfarmandforestexpo.org)

## 4-H Animal Science Bonanza Beef - Sheep - Dairy

January 28, 2012

9:30 AM - 3:00 PM

Morrison Hall

Keene State College

- Quiz Bowl-Beef, Sheep
- Skillathon-Beef, Sheep, Dairy
- Farm Bingo !!!!
- Team Building Activities
- Prizes for Participation and Awards
- Bring your own lunch
- Speakers- Judging, Feed, Marketing, Veterinarian, Other
- Silent Auction - To support Cheshire County Beef Field Day & Animal Science Bonanza (Items include Gift Certificates from local restaurants and businesses, as well as other items)

Volunteers Needed!

Please let us know if you are able to help.

RSVP by January 15, 2012 to  
Kim Hudson  
551 Northfield Road  
Hinsdale, NH 03451

For more information call  
Jean Rudolph 603-399-7074 or  
Kim Hudson 802-380-2274

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

## CANAAN ARTS & CRAFTS JAMBOREE



**March 10, 2012**  
**Registration starts at 9:30 a.m.**

# NEWS TO KNOW

## Leader Tenure Recognition at the 4-H Foundation Annual Meeting October, 2012



Anita Garland  
35 years  
Cardigan Mt.  
4-H Club



Sherry Gray  
20 years  
Bob-O-Link  
4-H Club



Joan Osgood  
40 years  
Rocking Horse  
4-H Club

Congratulations to all our leaders who have served this past year. We especially wish to honor folks who celebrated their "5 year" anniversaries.

## NEW HAMPSHIRE 4-H HORSE PROGRAM

### Cover Design Contest 2012

All 4-H youth have the opportunity to participate in the contest to design the cover of the 4-H Horse Program Book. This is also the design that will be used on the 2012 State 4-H Horse Show T-shirt.

Designs are due at the Hillsborough County 4-H Office, 329 Mast Road, Goffstown, NH by Wednesday, **February 22, 2012** or they can be brought to the State 4-H Horse Advisory Committee meeting on Saturday, February 25, 2012. Voting will be by secret ballot, and all persons attending the Advisory Committee meeting may vote.

For more information go to our website at [http://extension.unh.edu/Counties/Grafton/Grafton\\_4H.html](http://extension.unh.edu/Counties/Grafton/Grafton_4H.html)



## JOIN US FOR 4-H SCIENCE NIGHT

Friday, February 10, 2012  
6:30 pm – 9:00 pm  
Grafton County Extension Office  
3855 Dartmouth College  
North Haverhill, NH



This month we will be exploring **Junk Drawer Robotics!**

As part of the National 4-H Science initiative, we are inviting 4-H'ers and other interested youth (ages 10+ or younger with an adult) and adults to another Free, Fun, Science-Filled Evening!

We will be exploring scientific concepts about robotics, designing and then building robots!

What will we make?

What will you discover?

Come join the fun!

Please RSVP to Becky Colpitts at 603-787-6944 or [becky.colpitts@unh.edu](mailto:becky.colpitts@unh.edu).  
Call soon—we only have room for 20 participants!!

# SPOTLIGHT ON SUCCESS

## Flynn Sisters Earn Grafton County Awards



Congratulations to Catherine Flynn, Bob-O-Links 4-H Club, our 2011 Grafton County recipient of the "I Dare You" award! The I DARE YOU AWARD is a very prestigious honor that is reserved for 4-H members who show excellence in leadership. The award is offered as recognition of excellence in character, balanced personal development and demonstrated qualities of constructive leadership. Teens earning this honor are eligible to attend an I Dare You Leadership Conference.



Congratulations to Grace Flynn, Bob-O-Link 4-H Club. Grace is the 2011 Grafton County middle school recipient of the Prudential Community Spirit Award.



Madeline Flynn  
Bob-O-Link 4-H Club

State achievement awards and National Leadership opportunities are annual awards given to outstanding 4-H members throughout the state. Awards are based on the 4-H'ers record of achievement in project areas, community service, leadership and commitment to the program. Each individual prepared a resume, and went through a county interview process. Congratulations to Catherine and Madeline Flynn, Bob-O-Link 4-H Club. They will be moving on to the State interview process in January, 2012.



Catherine Flynn  
Bob-O-Link 4-H Club





## **Scholarship Information**

~ Attention High School Seniors and Future College Attendees ~

We know how important scholarships are to your ability to attend higher education.

Start today  
to get the applications and begin applying.

Some application hints:

1. Read all applications thoroughly.
2. Follow all directions precisely. "Good enough" may get you disqualified because of something as simple as a margin error. If you have questions, contact the folks offering the scholarship and ask.
3. Make sure to ask your references for their support before using their name.
4. Proofread. Proofread again. Proofread again. Have someone else proofread.
5. Plan to mail or email the packet to arrive before the deadline.
6. Send a thank you note to the sponsors, if you receive the scholarship.

## Scholarship Opportunitites (pg. 1)

Scholarship	Amount	Contact	Due <small>(approximate dates, please check source for actual dates)</small>
<p><b>Charles W. Buck</b> To qualify a student must be a resident of New Hampshire. They do not have to be currently attending school in New Hampshire. This award will be given to a graduating high school senior or an undergraduate student majoring in agricultural studies, including pre-veterinary.</p>	\$1000	<p>Jolee Chase UNHCE - Hillsborough County Suite 101 329 Mast Road Goffstown, NH 03045 <a href="mailto:Jolee.chase@unh.edu">Jolee.chase@unh.edu</a></p>	<p>Application and resume are due May 30</p> <p>For an electronic version go to <a href="http://extension.unh.edu/4H/4HForms.htm">http://extension.unh.edu/4H/4HForms.htm</a></p>
<p><b>Eastern States Trustees</b> Any current New Hampshire 4-H member who is a high school senior, who will be attending a school or college beyond high school in the fall. Selection will be based on 4-H participation, career goals, and financial need.</p>	\$1000	<p>State 4-H Office or the following website: <a href="http://extension.unh.edu/4H/4HForms.htm">http://extension.unh.edu/4H/4HForms.htm</a></p>	<p>Application, current HS transcript, and reference due February 22 (to the Grafton County UNHCE office)</p>
<p><b>George D. Kidder Scholarship</b> Applicant must: 1. Be a member of a Grafton County 4-H Club. 2. Show need of financial assistance and merit. 3. Submit application on the forms provided.</p>	To Be Determined	<p>UNHCE Grafton County 3855 DCH, Box 5 North Haverhill, NH 03774</p>	May 6
<p><b>Grafton County 4-H Leaders' Association Scholarship</b> The applicant must currently be a 4-H member in Grafton County. He/she must be going on to further his/her education as a full time student in a program of higher learning. He/she must have been in 4-H for the previous three years.</p>	To Be Announced	<p>Grafton County 4-H Leaders' Assoc. Van Anderson, Treasurer P.O. Box 39 North Haverhill, NH 03774 603-787-6317</p>	May 6
<p><b>Grafton County Horse Leaders' Assoc. Scholarship</b> Available to a 4-H horse project, graduating senior that plans to continue his/her education at an approved post-secondary school. First year post-secondary students are also eligible. (Pending approval of the Grafton County 4-H Horse Leaders' Association.)</p>	To Be Announced	<p>UNHCE Grafton County 3855 DCH, Box 5 North Haverhill, NH 03774</p>	May 6

## Scholarship Opportunitites (pg. 2)

<p><b>Jim Page Conservation Scholarship</b>          Awarded to a resident of Grafton County attending a camp based in conservation, natural resources or environmental education. The scholarship can be applied towards a 4-H Camp or conservation camp experience. Applicants must complete an application and write a short paragraph about why they would like to attend a conservation camp. Scholarship recipients should be prepared to speak to the Conservation District about their camp experience the following fall.</p>	<p>\$250</p>	<p>Pam Gilbert          Grafton Co. Conservation          District          603-353-4651   <a href="mailto:pamela.gilbert@nh.nacdnet.net">pamela.gilbert@nh.nacdnet.net</a></p>	<p>May 1</p>
<p><b>New England Sheep &amp; Wool Growers Association - Harry Hardwick Memorial Scholarships</b>          The New England Sheep and Wool Growers Association annually presents TWO memorial awards for \$750.00 each. To qualify, a student must be completing half of his or her college studies the year in which the application is made or be enrolled in graduate school. The applicant can not be in a Dual Enrollment program (being enrolled in High School and College at the same time). <b>First Award:</b> Student must be majoring in an agricultural field. <b>Second Award:</b> Student should have a 4-H, FFA or Youth Sheep Project background, but may be majoring in a non-agricultural field.</p>	<p>\$750</p>	<p>Jessica Hopkins          1125 Danielson Pike          North Scituate, RI 02857          Email: <a href="mailto:jhopkins4187@gmail.com">jhopkins4187@gmail.com</a>           application is available on the website:  <a href="http://www.nesheep.org/">http://www.nesheep.org/</a></p>	<p>May 1</p>
<p><b>NH Charitable Foundation</b>          Over 50 funds available.</p>	<p>Each          Scholarship          varies</p>	<p>37 Pleasant Street          Concord, NH 03301          603-225-6641</p>	
<p><b>Dunkin' Donuts</b>          The scholarship program is open to high school seniors throughout New Hampshire who are enrolling fulltime at a post-secondary institution – whether at a four-year, two-year or community technical college; however, Dunkin Donuts has a preference for those students interested in pursuing careers in business, hospitality or food service industries.</p>	<p>\$1,000</p>	<p>Applications and information on the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation web site, <a href="http://www.nhcf.org">www.nhcf.org</a>          1-800-464-6641</p>	<p>April 15</p>

## Scholarship Opportunitites (pg. 3)

<p><b>Skrungloo Farm, Inc. Student Scholarship</b>  Skrungloo Farm, Inc. is a private foundation established in 1986, in order to provide direct aid, assistance and/or services, to the residents of, in order of priority: Sandwich, Center Harbor, Moultonboro, Carroll County, Belknap County, and then the entire State of New Hampshire. This includes providing scholarships for individual residents to educate and better themselves in order to build a stronger community.  Skrungloo Farm, Inc. is accepting applications from students who are legal residents of the United States and who reside in the State of New Hampshire. Students who are enrolling at an accredited postsecondary institution are eligible. Students may be enrolling in a vocational school, technical school, a 2 or 4 year college or university. Applicants must demonstrate financial need, academic merit, and other nonacademic factors such as community service, school activities and work experience.</p>	<p>To Be Announced</p>	<p>Skrungloo Farm, Inc.  Student Aid Program  c/o Bianco Professional  Association  Attorneys at Law  18 Centre Street  Concord, NH 03301</p> <p>1-800-262-8112  (603) 225-7170</p> <p>skrungloofarm@  biancopa.com</p>	<p>March 1</p>
<p><b>Abbie Sargent Memorial Scholarship</b>  Applicants must be a resident of NH, a graduate of an approved public or private high school with average or better grades, able to establish a financial need, be dependable, and a full or part-time student at an institution of higher learning. Preference will be given to those involved in agriculturally related studies.</p>	<p>To Be Announced</p>	<p>State Farm Bureau Office  Abbie Sargent Memorial  Scholarship  295 Sheep Davis Road  Concord, NH 03301</p> <p><a href="http://www.nhfarmbureau.org/pdfs/ABBIEsargentapp.pdf">http://www.nhfarmbureau.org/pdfs/ABBIEsargentapp.pdf</a></p>	<p>March 15</p>
<p><b>William Loeb Memorial Fund Educational Grants</b>  If you have been a resident of the State of New Hampshire for two years or more, are planning to attend a structured post-secondary education program within a year of this June, and feel you have evidenced a high degree of involvement in your community and school, you are eligible to apply for this grant.</p>	<p>To Be Announced</p>	<p>William Loeb Memorial Fund  C/O Union Leader  P.O. BOX 9555  Manchester, NH 03108-9555  (603) 668-4321</p>	<p>March 1</p>

# DATES TO REMEMBER

## January

**January 13 4-H Science Night**, UNHCE  
Conference room, 6:30-9pm

**January 16** Office closed

**January 20 Approval forms and ESE entries for Beef Steers going to ESE due** to the Grafton County UNHCE office by 3:30pm

**January 25 Grafton County Leaders' Association Meeting**, 6pm training- *Putting the Science into Projects*, 7pm meeting, Warren.

**January 27 Food Show & Public Speaking registrations due** to the Grafton County UNHCE office by 3:30pm

## February

**February 1 Beekeeping Essays due** to the Grafton County UNHCE office by 3:30pm.

**February 3-4 Farm and Forest Expo**, at the Center of New Hampshire, Radisson, Manchester

**February 10 4-H Science Night**, UNHCE  
Conference room, 6:30-9pm. Families welcome!

**February 11 Food Show & Public Speaking**, 9:30am – 2:30pm, Haverhill Cooperative Middle School. All are welcome to attend workshops and cook off.

**February 17 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl entries due** to Cheshire County.

**February 18 Snow Date: Food Show & Public Speaking**

**February 20** Office closed

**TBA Garden program registrations due**.  
Watch your mailbox for the information packet



## March

**March 9 4-H Science Night**, UNHCE  
Conference room, 6:30-9pm

**March 10 Canaan Arts & Crafts Jamboree**, 9:30am – 1:30pm, St. Mary's Hall, Canaan, NH

**March 16 Photo Contest entries due** to the Grafton County UNHCE office by 3:30pm. Please attach proper form to the back of each photo.

**March 17 NH 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl**, Walpole Elementary School, Walpole, NH

## April

**April 2 Approval Forms due** for Horses Qualifying for Eastern States, NO EXCEPTIONS

**April 22 Fashion Revue & Textile Event registrations due** to the Grafton County office by 3:30pm. All forms and scripts to be received with registration, NO EXCEPTIONS

**April 27 Textile Judging**, 4-8pm, UNHCE 4-H Office, Grafton County Administrative Building

**April 28 Textile Event and Photography Display**, 6:00pm Photography Exhibit, 6:30pm models need to arrive, 7:00pm Show, Haverhill Cooperative Middle School

## May

**May 1 All enrollment forms due** to the Grafton County UNHCE office for youth entering in the North Haverhill Fair or submitting animal approval forms



NORTH HAVERHILL FAIR  
JULY 25-29, 2012  
This year's theme:  
"Signs of Summer"

*For any special arrangements including dietary, physical access, or other accommodation requests, including the ability to pay, please contact Kathleen Jablonski, Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development at 787-6944 or 3855 DCH, Box 5, North Haverhill, NH 03774. Ten working days are needed to facilitate special needs requests.*