



Presenting...

2008 4-H Achievement Night

(for clubs with members 8 to 19 years old)

Featuring: Pat's Pals: an Interactive Animal Presentation



...interesting...educational...and lots of fun!

(free to our 4-H families)

Orange/Ulster BOCES

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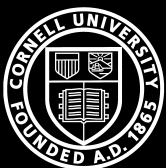
Friday, October 24, 2008 at 6:56 PM

Return Enclosed Award Forms by September 19th

Coordinating Leaders: PLEASE NOTE!

You are the only person in your club to receive these forms!

Since last year's streamlined program worked so well, we will continue to pre-package by club name for handout after the Pat's Pals program. From 6:56pm to 7:30pm, we will present scholarships, top awards and member year pins on stage. At precisely 7:30pm, our awards will be followed by our featured event brought to 4-H by Pat's Pals of Sugar Loaf, NY. Pat will educate the audience about how animals need to achieve their goals in the wild.



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Middletown, NY 10940
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Achievement Night Awards:

1. Awards at this Achievement Night are for 4-Hers 8 to 19 years of age. Cloverbud Achievement night is in June. Of course cloverbuds are welcome to attend this one...particularly to watch the Pat's Pals Animal Presentation.
2. Recognition for years in club work will be honored by the presentation of 4-H pins to those who completed a project during the current year. You must be present to receive your pin.
3. Sign-up sheets to select your club award gifts will be available as you enter the auditorium
4. Some of the individual 4-H Member Awards require completion of an application form entered with the Activity Report to document the application. These forms are due in the 4-H Office by Friday, September 19th to qualify for any of the following 4-H Member Awards:
 - ❖ County Medals
 - ❖ County Certificates

The individual 4-H Member Award forms can be picked up at the 4-H Office or call the 4-H Office to have them mailed to you or download them from the website: <http://www.cce.cornell.edu/orange/4bulletin.htm>

5. The following are 4-H member and club awards. Forms are enclosed in this packet and must be returned to the 4-H office by September 19th.

Individual Awards

- ❖ Heart of 4-H
- ❖ Above & Beyond Award
- ❖ Making the Best Better Award
- ❖ Larger Service Award
- ❖ "And My World" Award
- ❖ County Teen Leader Award
- ❖ Club Junior Leadership Award

Club Awards

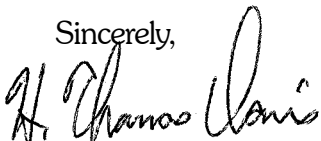
- ❖ Banner Club
- ❖ Public Presentations
- ❖ County Fair Exhibit Participation
- ❖ Community Service
- ❖ Marketing

6. The requirements for 4-H Club Officers Awards are enclosed. The Honor Secretary award which has to meet the stated monthly deadlines will be compiled by the 4-H office & needs *no* additional paperwork submitted. The following 4-H Club Officers Awards will be recognized at Achievement Night:

- ❖ Honor President/Vice President
- ❖ Honor Secretary
- ❖ Honor Treasurer
- ❖ Outstanding News Reporter

The criteria for all club awards and individual 4-H member awards are included in this packet.

Sincerely,



H. Thomas Davis
Cooperative Extension Educator
4-H Issue Leader

Remember...
Achievement Night forms due to the 4-H Office
September 19th !!!

Please review the Special Edition of Awards Information mailed in March.

You can also find it on our website:

<http://cce.cornell.edu/orange> then click on 4-H Bulletin Board

Achievement Night Awards

This is a checklist of other awards for your information. DO NOT RETURN THIS SHEET TO THE 4-H OFFICE. Each of these awards has specific instructions. Read the instructions carefully.

Member County Medals & Certificates:

At Achievement Night members can receive recognition for work in subject areas through County Certificates and Medals.

Subject areas for 2008 Certificates and Medals are:

Achievement	Dairy	Goat	Public Speaking
Aerospace (Rocketry)	Dog	Horse	Rabbit
Birds	Electric Energy	Leadership	Sheep
Citizenship	Food & Nutrition	Photography	Wildlife & Fisheries
Clothing	Gardening/Horticulture	Poultry	Woodworking
Guinea Pig (Cavy)			

Application Procedure:

1. Pick up an application from the 4-H Office or from our website: <http://www.cce.cornell.edu/orange/4hbulletin.htm>
Complete the awards application. Project Leader must sign the statement of recommendation.
2. Return the awards application with an Activity Report (green), adding this years activities, to the 4-H office by September 19th.
3. The Activity Report (green) must show a minimum of two years of projects and activities for certificates and a minimum of four years of projects and activities for medals, please call the 4-H Office with any questions. For some county medals, we will be looking at special criteria before an award is given. Please see the notes below.

Criteria For Medals And Certificates

County Certificates:

- ◆ Member must have participated in the subject area for a minimum of TWO years. Participation is defined as successfully completing at least one project in the subject area each year.
- ◆ Member must submit an award form or activity report to the 4-H office by the due date.
- ◆ Member must meet any additional criteria set for their specific subject area.
- ◆ Only one application will be required for members applying for more than one award.
- ◆ Members may receive this award more than once.
- ◆ Member must have completed a project in the subject area during the current year.

County Medal Awards

This award is meant to recognize outstanding work. It is not meant to be highly competitive and the number of awards given in each subject area may vary from year to year.

- ◆ Member must have participated in the subject area for a minimum of FOUR years. Participation is defined as successfully completing at least one project in the subject area each year.
- ◆ Member must submit an award form or activity report to the 4-H Office by due date.
- ◆ Member must meet any additional criteria set for their specific subject area.
- ◆ Only one application will be required for members applying for more than one award.
- ◆ Members may receive this award more than once.
- ◆ Member must have completed a project in the subject area during the current year.

Additional Considerations:

When choosing medal recipients, the following activities and achievements may be considered:

- a) Public Presentations given in the subject area.
- b) Related service projects (in or out of 4-H).
- c) The content of the essay.
- d) Any leadership shown in the subject area, especially junior leader activities.
- e) Attendance at leader/junior leader training in the subject.
- f) Exhibiting projects in this area at the county and state fair.
- g) Participation in programs to increase the member's proficiency or knowledge in this subject.

Only Outstanding Applicants Will Receive This Award. This Is Up To The Discretion Of The Selection Committee. All, Some Or None Of The County Medals May Be Given.

Please Note: When Awarding The Achievement, Citizenship, Or Leadership Medals, We Will Be Looking At Some Special Criteria:

The Achievement Medal recognizes overall 4-H achievement. To receive it, the judges will be looking for activities at both the county and state levels, and in a wide variety of club project areas. Your essay should highlight achievements.

The Citizenship Medal looks to recognize the attributes that make 4-Hers better citizens for "their club, their community, their country and their world." The essay that accompanies the application for a citizenship county medal should reflect on how 4-H activities have prepared you to be a better citizen. Your activity report should show participation in 4-H and community activities that promote better citizenship. Please remember marching in a community parade is not sole proof of good citizenship.

The Leadership County Medal recognizes outstanding leadership qualities. The county medal judges will be looking for leadership at the club, county and state levels. We want to see examples of an individual's ability to accept leadership responsibilities at many levels and follow through.

4-H's motto is "To Make the Best Better" and our county medals are awarded to those who have shown themselves to be examples of this ideal. Please try to make your essay emphasize your 4-H activities and how they help you become better citizens, leaders and participants in community life.

Banners At Achievement Night - Theme: "Achieving Our 4-H Goals"

Due into the 4-H Office by Thursday, October 23rd

This is a popular part of Achievement Night. Each club creates a banner on the theme "Achieving Our 4-H Goals". We are going to hang the banners all over the auditorium. To do this we must have the banner brought into the **4-H Office by Thursday, October 23rd**. We **MUST** have them ahead of time because of the time it takes to put them up. The top three banners will receive a special award.

After Achievement Night, these banners should come in handy for a National 4-H Week display or any other time your club is before the public. Such as: in school, a public library, store, etc.

We have two rolls of 2' wide newsprint at the 4-H office, which we would be more than glad to cut you a sheet for your banner. Please limit banners to 15' in length.

4-H CLUB OFFICER RECOGNITION AT ACHIEVEMENT NIGHT

(The 4-H year is from Sept. 1st, 2007 through Aug. 31st, 2008 for all these awards)

Honor President/Vice President

President and Vice President will be recognized together since their duties are connected. They must submit 6 completed agendas signed by the officer/officers (President or President/Vice-President or Vice-President) who participated in the meeting and the 4-H Leader who supervised the 4-H meeting. These signed agendas must be to the 4-H office by the end of the year deadline (Sept. 19, 2008).

Honor Secretary

The 4-H Club Secretary is to send in monthly reports to the 4-H Office by the 10th of the month following that month reported (i.e.: November report due by December 10th). Reports should be submitted for all months even if there is no meeting. The 4-H Office must receive 9 monthly reports on time (before the 10th of the following month) for the 4-Her to be recognized as an Honor Secretary.

Honor Treasurer

The Treasurer must submit a 4-H Club Financial Statement signed by the Treasurer and 4-H Leader assisting the Treasurer. These must be submitted to the 4-H office by the end of the year deadline (Sept. 19, 2008).

Outstanding News Reporter

Any 4-H Club News Reporter who has had at least 4 articles about their 4-H club activities printed in newspaper or broadcast over TV and/or radio will be eligible for this award. Each news reporter will need to submit copies of print newspaper articles and copies of TV/Radio spots they submitted along with the dates they were to the 4-H office by the end of the year deadline (Sept. 19, 2008).

HONOR SYSTEM CLUB AWARDS

Return by September 19th

Club Name: _____

Phone: _____

Leader: _____

Each individual **club** should keep track of their achievements in the following areas. Please check the box to the left of the award if your club is eligible. All descriptions apply to the club year, which runs from September 1, 2007 and ends August 31, 2008. You are on the honor system when applying for awards.

100% Completion

For the purpose of computing 100% Project Completion Awards eligibility, any member who is enrolled in a club for a period of 120 days must complete a project in order for the club to receive 100% Project Completion. Members may be taken off the rolls through the monthly Secretary's Report or by written or oral notification to the 4-H Office Secretary. Any other means will not be counted. The 4-H Office Secretary will initial any changes on the official records.

Banner Club

Any club that completes both Part I and four of the seven activities in Part II will be recognized as a Banner Club.

Part I – Demonstrates at 6 regular meetings.

_____ At least one demonstration by a 4-H member on project work, at 6 of the regular monthly meetings held during the year.

Part II – At least four of the following seven activities must be completed:

1. _____ **Special Parent Meeting:**
A meeting at which the club members invite all parents and do something special in recognition of the occasion.
2. _____ **Club Project Tour:**
In which all club members travel from one members home to another to see each other's projects (gardens, cattle, etc.)
3. _____ **Educational Field Trip:**
In which the members of the club travel to see some place, business industry, etc. that has some connection with one of their projects.
4. _____ **Community Service Activity:**
In which most of the members of the club take part in an activity to benefit their community (NO CREDIT FOR DONATIONS).

5. _____ **Marketing 4-H:**
When most of the members of a club take part in an activity to provide public awareness and information about the 4-H program, i.e.: Parades, 4-H Week observances such as displays, special program, information booth, newspaper article, etc.
6. _____ **Community Program**
On 4-H work, other than National 4-H Week observance, in which most of the club members put on a program about their 4-H work for school, PTA, church group, service clubs, etc.
7. _____ 75% of the club members exhibited at the Orange County Fair.

Public Presentations - This award is for all clubs that had 70% of all club members participate in public presentations on a county level.

County Fair Exhibit Participation - This award is for any club that had twice as many exhibits as they did members eligible for this award.

Community Service - This award is for all clubs which are providing assistance that has a positive impact on the community.

1. A high percentage of the membership participates in the program(s) (minimum of 50%)
2. Must be a **minimum** of 35 member hours. Example: if 5 members work on the project 2 hours each, the total number of member hours would be 10.
3. Cannot be a donation out of the treasury unless all the members participate in the fund raising event and then donate the money.

4-H Marketing - This award is for providing public awareness and information about the 4-H program at three events (i.e.: Parade, 4-H Week observance, information booth, demonstration, newspaper article, etc.)

**Coordinating Leaders Must Fill This Out
To Be Eligible For Any Of These Awards**

This Sheet Must Be Returned By September 19th

HONOR SYSTEM INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Return by September 19th

Club Name: _____

Leader: _____ Phone: _____

Please list all 4-H'ers who qualify after each award. A 4-H member cannot receive more than one of these awards. They can receive either the Heart of 4-H Award, the Above and Beyond, Making the Best Better OR "And My World" Award if they have met the following requirements from September 1, 2007 to August 31, 2008.

Heart of 4-H Award

To receive the Heart of 4-H Award, the 4-H member must have completed the following during this past program year (9/1/07 - 8/31/08):

- ❖ Must be age 8 - 19
- ❖ Must exhibit Achievement Record Book at the Orange County Fair
- ❖ Completed 3 projects (each a minimum of 4 hours project work) from at least two different project areas. For example: Xylophone (woodworking), Achievement Record Book Cover (woodworking), the Life Cycle of a Butterfly (natural resources).
- ❖ Must exhibit at least 1 project at County Fair (other than Achievement Record Book)
- ❖ One community service project (a minimum of 4 hours)
- ❖ One club or one county public presentation

Name	Year in 4-H
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
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Above & Beyond Award

To receive the Above & Beyond Award the 4-H member must have completed the following during this past program year (9/1/07 - 8/31/08):

- ❖ Must be age 8 - 19
- ❖ Must exhibit Achievement Record Book at the Orange County Fair
- ❖ Completed 5 projects (each a minimum of 4 hours of project work) from at least 3 different project areas. For example; Memo Pad (woodworking), Xylophone (woodworking), Gotcha Board (electricity), Vegetable (plant science), Flower Garden (plant science).
- ❖ Must exhibit at least 4 projects at the Orange County Fair (other than Achievement Record Book)
- ❖ One community service project (minimum of 6 hours)
- ❖ One club and one county public presentation

Name	Year in 4-H
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
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"Making The Best Better" Award

To receive the "Making The Best Better" award members must have completed the following during this past program year
(9/1/07 - 8/31/08):

- ❖ Exhibit Achievement Scrapbook & 4-H Activity Report (green) at the Orange County Fair.
- ❖ Complete 10 or more projects from 5 or more project areas.
- ❖ Exhibit at least 8 projects at the Orange County Fair.
- ❖ Be recognized as a 4-H member doing a minimum of 10 hours of Community Service (outside 4-H service not applicable).
- ❖ Do at least three 4-H Public Presentations: club, county, district, or state level. Must include at least one at the county level.
- ❖ Spend at least 2 hours on marketing 4-H, i.e.: parades, booths, window displays, newspaper articles.

Name	Year in 4-H
_____	_____
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_____	_____
_____	_____

"Larger Service" Awards

In this program year to receive this award, members must:
(9/1/07 - 8/31/08)

- ❖ Exhibit Achievement Scrapbook and 4-H Activity Report at the Orange County Fair (this is the "green: form).
- ❖ Complete 15 projects from 6 different project areas.
- ❖ Must have exhibited 12 or more projects at the Orange County Fair.
- ❖ Be recognized as a 4-H member doing a minimum of 15 hours of Community Service (outside 4-H service not applicable).
- ❖ Do at least three 4-H Public Presentations at a club, county, district or state level. Must include at least one at the county level.
- ❖ Spend at least 3 hours on marketing 4-H, i.e.: parades, booths, window displays, newspaper articles.

Due by application deadline.

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"And My World" Award

To receive the "...And My World" award members must have completed the following during this past program year (9/1/07 - 8/31/08):

- ❖ Exhibit Achievement Scrapbook & 4-H Activity Report (green) at the Orange County Fair
- ❖ Complete 25 or more projects from 7 or more project areas.
- ❖ Must have exhibited 25 or more projects at the Orange County Fair
- ❖ Be recognized as a 4-H member doing a minimum of 20 hours of Community Service (outside 4-H service not applicable).
- ❖ Do at least four 4-H Public Presentations: local, county, district or state level. Must include at least one district presentation.
- ❖ Spend at least 4 hours on marketing 4-H, i.e.: parades, booths, window displays, newspaper articles.

Name	Year in 4-H

Club Junior Leadership

Club Junior Leadership is when a 4-H member, 13 to 19 years old, assists or teaches a project or activity in their 4-H club or another 4-H club.

This means preparation time and hands-on teaching work.

A presentation or demonstration to the club of a project **Does Not** qualify as junior leadership.

Please review your records before completing this 2007 - 2008 Achievement Night Form.

Has the 4-H'er met the above criteria for 2007 - 2008?

How many years has the 4-H'er actually served as a junior leader teaching a project?

This is the number to be used in "# of years as a junior leader" question
Not the number of years in 4-H.

Name	# of year(s) as Junior Leader

COUNTY TEEN LEADER AWARD APPLICATION AGES 13 TO 19

Leaders and Teens: Please fill in this form as accurately as possible. If you are unsure if an activity qualifies, please describe it fully and the committee will determine eligibility.

In order to qualify for this award, a member must demonstrate accomplishment in three areas: Teaching, Communication & 4-H Service and Personal Growth and Leadership. Activities and points are allotted as follows:

A. Teaching: (i.e.: countywide 4-H program, 4-H leader training, 4-H community outreach)

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| 1. Co-teach a project with an Educator/Agent | 4 points |
| 2. Solo teaching of project under Educator/Agent supervision | 6-12 points |

Teaching

Date & Activity

Points or Hours

B. Communication & 4-H Service:

- | | |
|---|-------------|
| 1. Write an article on 4-H that gets printed in Clover Leaves, a newspaper, or radio spot, etc.,
(Not a 4-H club report.) | 3 points |
| 2. Arrange a countywide community service or recreational event
(Teams of 2-4 teens are recommended. TAG committee work is acceptable.) | 3 points |
| 3. Recruit a new member to a 4-H countywide program. | 3 points |
| 4. Other 4-H community service - (i.e.: help Educator/Agent with special programs,
county fair, state fair, promotions, etc. (Please describe the type of work and time involved.
Points will be assigned by Educator/Agent based upon this criterion.) | Points vary |

Communication & 4-H Service

Date & Activity

Points or Hours

C. Communication & 4-H Service:

- | | |
|---|----------------------|
| 1. Attend leader training in 4-H countywide program. (Points given only if a project is taught after completing training) | 3 points |
| 2. Attend 4-H personal growth training. (i.e.: communication, leadership, Cornell focus) | 4 points per meeting |
| 3. Attend issues and peer counseling training. (i.e.: substance abuse prevention program offered in or out of school.) | 4 points per meeting |
| 4. Assist Educator/Agent in new 4-H project development. | 3 points |

Personal Growth & Leadership

Date & Activity

Points or Hours

Total Requirements

75% of points need to be acquired from countywide 4-H program participation

Level 1: Points in three components as follows:

A.Teaching 5

B.Communication/Service 5

C.Personal Growth 6

TOTAL NEEDED TO QUALIFY 15

There is also a highest point award at each level

Level 2: Points in three components as follows:

A.Teaching 6

B.Communication/Service 6

C.Personal Growth 8

TOTAL NEEDED TO QUALIFY 24

Honor level - 30

I certify that this list is accurate to the best of my knowledge

TEEN _____

LEADER _____