

Friday Flash 3/3/17

Wishing the best of luck to all our NLC 4-H Public Speakers at the state contest!

This week:

- ❖ NLC 4-H Food Show
- ❖ 4-H Citizenship Day
- ❖ Blue Slope Sugar House Tour
- ❖ Nutrena 4-H Club Support
- ❖ Childcare Opportunity for 4-H Teens
  - ❖ CT Trail Census
- ❖ Northeast Show Calf Summit
- ❖ CT Dairy Goat Association Educational Experience
  - ❖ Raffle to benefit NLC 4-H Camp

March 11 - Beef and Dairy Day

March 18 - CT 4-H Expressive Arts Day

March 25 - NLC 4-H Food Show

April 1 - ESE horse verifications due to county offices

April 1 - ESE Dairy verifications and applications due to county offices

April 1 - Poultry Day

Remember all verification forms (including for submission to Big E 4-H Programs) must come to my office first!

June 10 - 4-H Volunteer and Teen Leadership Forum

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New London County Food Show March 25, 1:00pm  
Yantic Fire Department  
151 Yantic Road, Yantic, CT 06389

Theme: Special Occasions!  
See attached information!

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## Save the Date: 4-H Citizenship Day!

This year's Citizenship Day scheduled to take place on Wednesday, April  
19<sup>th</sup>

Flyer is attached!!

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### Blue Slope Sugar House Tour

#### MAKE MINE MAPLE

**WHEN:** Saturday March 4, 1:00 - 4:00 PM

**WHAT:** Producing Maple Syrup

- Kid-Friendly Educational Opportunity - hands on
- Total Process - tree tapping to bottle filling
- Expert explanation by an experienced farmer
- Visit production-trees, boiler room, and the sugar house
- Enjoy the aroma of maple steam, taste the final product

**WHAT ELSE:** A Really Fun Afternoon

- Draft horses with cart for sap-pickup
- Best Agriculture Museum in Eastern CT
- Fun activities for children of all ages
- Syrup for Sale - your photos for free!

**SUGGESTED DONATION:** \$7/visitors 4-years-old and above

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### Nutrena 4-H Club Support

- Save original Proof of Purchases/Tags
  - Bundle Together
  - Submit with Form
- Form must be signed by local dealer
- Minimum check amount for submission \$25
  - Submissions accepted every 6 months
- Proof of Purchase/Tags over 1 year old not accepted

**Collect Nutrena tags as a club fundraiser or donate your tags to  
the NLC 4-H fair!**

## See Attached Form.

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### Childcare Opportunity

Looking for older, driving, responsible 4-H teens who may be interested in a regular babysitting job in Norwich, with their own transportation.

Contact Leighanne Sastre, [lsas3b@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lsas3b@sbcglobal.net)

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## Connecticut Trail Census

A statewide multi-use trail user study and volunteer data collection program

### Conducting Manual Counts to Calibrate Your Infrared Counter

Webinar Based Training - March 30, 12 pm. All trail coordinators should plan to participate live or view this webinar recording. Free. [Register now](#)

### Data Collection 101 - Trail Based Data Collection for New Volunteers

Volunteers collecting data as part of the CT Trail Census will be required to participate in this face to face training prior to data collection times in May and September. Participants will learn how to prepare for and assess the CT Trail Census Intercept Survey including logistics and setup, safety, approaching trail users, checking for completeness, handling completed surveys, and volunteer hour tracking. Participants will also be able to communicate the goals and purpose of the Trail Census and learn basic maintenance techniques for the infrared trail counters. Trail coordinators will receive materials that they will need to conduct the intercept surveys.

\*\* Note the dates of these trainings have changed since the introductory webinar in October.\*\*

Three dates currently offered. Click the links below to register! Space is limited.

- [Tues, April 11 - 4 pm - 6 pm - Register](#)  
Tolland County Extension Center 24 Hyde Avenue Vernon CT
- [Wed, April 26 - 6 pm - 8 pm - Register](#)  
New Haven County Extension Center 305 Skiff Street North Haven
- [Sat, April 29 - 9 am - 11:00 am Register](#)  
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### 2017 NORTHEAST YOUTH SHOW CALF SUMMIT

See attached flyers

#### Friday & Saturday April 28 & 29th at the Rutland Fairgrounds, Rutland, VT

The 2017 Northeast Youth Show Calf Summit this year will be held at the Rutland Fairgrounds in Rutland, VT with registration, lunch & orientation from 11:30 to 12:45 on Friday. The formal program will then start at 12:45 and conclude with lunch on Saturday. Your registration fee of \$40 will cover your meals, tee shirt and some supplies. Enclosed is a separate registration form with the agreement for attendees and picture permission on the back. Both of these documents must be

completely filled out and returned with your registration and registration fee. Checks to be made out to Vermont Holstein Association.

Rooms have been set aside at the Comfort Inn, Days Inn, Quality Inn and Hampton Inn in Rutland. All are very close to the fairgrounds. Each serves a plentiful breakfast and has a pool. The Comfort Inn rate is \$85.00. The Days Inn rates are one bed \$77.00 and two beds \$85.00 and the Quality Inn is \$60.00 for two beds and \$55.00 for one bed. The Hampton Inn rate is \$139.00 for two beds. These rates do not include the tax which must be added. **All require reservations by March 27<sup>th</sup>**. Please mention **Vermont Holstein Show Summit** to receive these special rates.

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**CT Dairy Goat Association Educational Experience**  
**See attached flyers**

The Connecticut Dairy Goat Association will be holding an educational day for youth and adults on Sunday, April 2nd. We are asking for your assistance distributing the attached information to your goat project members in your next county newsletter, Facebook page, or website. We hope to have many of your 4-H youth and parents join us for this event. Please feel free to direct any questions our way. Thank you.

Melissa Ferguson  
CDGA Vice President

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**NLC 4-H Camp Benefit Raffle**

\$25/ticket

1<sup>st</sup> place- \$3000.00

2<sup>nd</sup> place- \$1300.00

3<sup>rd</sup> place- 1 week of 4-H Camp (value \$529.00)

Tickets available at the NLC Extension Center and NLC 4-H Foundation

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*You know spring is on the way when there are tons of 4-H activities  
popping up!*

*Thank you all for the kindnesses shown to me on the passing of my father.*

*My heart is full.*

*Ms. Pam ♥*