

Happy Fourth of July Weekend!

Coming Up:

UConn Extension Newsletter

Summer Meals for Kids

4-H'er needs a home for stray cat

CT 4-H Horse Show and Model Horse Show July 15

Blue Star Museum program

eXtension positions

Preston Family looking for animal sitter

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Click [HERE](#) for the link to the Extension Newsletter on-line.

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Update on Gypsy Moth Caterpillars

Fungus is Killing Caterpillars

Extension Educator Tom Wortley states that most trees will re-foliate after damage caused by gypsy moth caterpillars this spring and summer. It appears that the fungus that attacks the caterpillars is working, and caterpillars are being eliminated. Extension Educator Donna Ellis adds that leaving the caterpillars will increase effectiveness of the fungus in the future.

[Read more...](#)

Bug Out with Extension

Bug Week 2017 is July 24th to 29th

Bugs are the unsung heroes of our ecosystem, providing services such as pollination and natural pest control. However, bugs don't stop at environmental benefits. They have also impacted our culture through the manufacturing of silk, sources of dyes, wax and honey production, food sources, and the improvement of building materials and structures. There are also problem bugs, like the Emerald Ash Borer and Brown Marmorated Stink Bug that are a concern. Join us for programs in Storrs, Vernon and Bloomfield.

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Word Scramble:
Healthy Homes



4-H Fairs:
Family Fun Statewide



Webinars:
CLEAR Recordings Online

Summer Meals For Eligible Kids Across Connecticut

A Message from Richard Porth

President/CEO of United Way of Connecticut

For many children who depend on school breakfast and lunch programs, summer vacation may result in going without nutritional meals. Summer Meals are an extension of the National School Lunch Program. Food is provided at no cost and available at over 500 locations across the state.



The program is funded by the United States Department of Agriculture and many sites are operated at schools, playgrounds, parks and libraries. While meals may vary from site to site, all Summer Meals meet federal nutrition guidelines.

For more information and to find Summer Meal sites near you, call 2-1-1, text CTMeals to 877-877 or visit www.CTSummerMeals.org.

Stray Cat Looking for a Home

One of our 4-H'ers took in a stray cat and needs to rehome her:
She's a white, 9 year old, indoor cat. We don't know if she's spayed. We don't know if she's had her shots. She does not like dogs or other cats.

Contact: Dani rusticlions@gmail.com

Attached is the 2017 State 4-H Horse Show and 4-H Model Horse Show prize lists and information.

Please share with everyone you think would be interested. You do not have to have a registered and approved horse project to participate in the MODEL HORSE SHOW. 4-H members who are riding in the horse show must be with their verified project animal.

Blue Star Museums: Free entry for Military Families

From now through Labor Day, the [National Endowment of the Arts](#) is running their annual program to provide active-duty military personnel and their families (called [Blue Star Families](#)) **free admission** to participating "Blue Star" Museums.

The following museums in Southeastern Connecticut are participating this summer, however, there are several across the state as well. [Click here](#) to find the full list.

NORWICH [Slater Memorial Museum](#)

OLD LYME [Florence Griswold Museum](#)

GROTON [Avery Memorial](#) [Avery-Copp House](#) [Submarine Force Library & Museum](#) (admission and parking is always free)

MYSTIC [Denison Homestead Museum](#) [Denison Pequotsepos Nature Center](#)

NEW LONDON [Hempsted Houses](#) [Lyman Allyn Art Museum](#) [Custom House Maritime Museum](#)



Applications are due July 10, 2017

eXtension Foundation is hiring two full-time people to serve the Impact Collaborative.

We are expecting to recruit 2000 individuals/700 teams for the Collaborative



in the upcoming year. Consider applying or forward this message to a colleague or friend who would be interested in these positions.

Program Manager

We are hiring a [Program Manager](#) who is responsible for the formation and success of the Collaborative. the Program Manager will also be responsible for managing virtual as well as face-to-face events with Collaborative Members and tracking progress through the experience. In addition, the Program Manager will work with the eXtension team to report on successes and impacts of the Collaborative and ensuring successful approaches are disseminated throughout the Cooperative Extension System. This position requires a minimum of a Masters Degree with program management certification preferred. For a full list of responsibilities and qualifications, view the job description: [Program Manager](#)

Instructional Technologist

We are also seeking an [Instructional Technologist](#), who will oversee all aspects of professional development for the Collaborative. This person will also be responsible for developing an evidence base on innovative practices that can be used to strengthen programming for Cooperative Extension professionals across the nation. Most of all, this person will be positive, creative, and care deeply about helping Extension Professionals design programming that has a significant impact at the local level.

For a full list of responsibilities and qualifications, view the job description: [Instructional Technologist](#)

Common Questions

Where are these positions located?

eXtension is a virtual organization. These positions can be located anywhere there is a reliable Internet connection. Some travel may be required for designathon events or to represent eXtension at national events. Travel costs for those events will be reimbursed.

Do I need to be in Cooperative Extension or a Land Grant University to apply?

No, these positions are open to anyone that meets the qualifications. Familiarity with Extension and the land-grant system are helpful, but current employment at one or the other is not required.

How Do I Apply?

To apply, please submit the following information to Brenna Kotar, Assistant to the CEO, eXtension Foundation, ceoassistant@extension.org. Address the letter to Dr. Christine Geith, CEO, eXtension Foundation. **Applications are due July 10, 2017.**

- Cover Letter
- Resume
- Three professional references, including email and phone number contact

The eXtension Foundation is a vital part of the national Cooperative Extension System, the nation's largest non-formal education system with offices in nearly every U.S. county. eXtension's mission is to help Cooperative Extension professionals increase their measurable local impact. The eXtension Impact Collaborative is the only national network in the Land Grant University System that uses a proven process to accelerate capacity for projects with

problem-solving teams so that significant local change happens. We do whatever it takes to clear the way with customized and consistent practices offering exceptional expertise and tools that change the way people see what's possible. The effect is unstoppable momentum. We are catalytic, engaging, and empowering.

Preston Family looking for trustworthy animal sitter
Responsible Teen or adult needed to take of goats, ducks, and possibly dogs (dogs may go to Grandma's house!) while family is on vacation at various times through the summer.

Contact Michelle 860-428-6292 for details

I will be on vacation July 4-12. Ms. Heidi will be holding down the fort.

Remember to get your Fair Entries in!

Ms. Pam