

4-H Youth Development
Program Update
January-February 2007

- **Charlotte's Web**
Nearly 100 Ulster County 4-H friends and family attend the special 4-H showing of Charlotte's Web on Saturday, December 23rd. Though brief, the 4-H Clover was front and center on the screen!
- **Director's Special Call for County Association-Campus Collaboration Grants 2007**
Congratulations and thanks to Liz Higgins for successfully securing a one year, \$10,000 grant to collaborate two GIS/GPS 4-H youth development projects! Ulster County will be working with Sullivan County and local agencies to create a "hands-on" GIS/GPS 4-H Project.
- **Sew-a-Jam (an overnight success!)**
Saturday, February 24th, 9 young people maxed out registration for the Sew-a-Jam workshop. All the youth were new to 4-H! Kay Pieschel and Liz Higgins coordinated the day long effort. Males and females, ages 10-16 participated. All the youth were encouraged to "model" their new garment in the Clothing and Textile Revue on May 11th.
- **4-H Winter TOPS After School Program**
Mary Lou Giuliano has enjoyed seeing the curious minds of the young people at George Washington and JFK schools as she introduces them to several animal species. This Spring youth will be learning about eating healthy and exercising for fun with a jump rope.
- **New 4-H Leader Training**
6 adults have completed the 6 hour New Leader Training orientation in January. Each of them will be starting or working with an existing 4-H Club. We are especially excited to be working with Steve and Julie Noble and the City of Kingston to begin a collaboration in offering an after school program.
- **4-H Veterinary Science**
The 4-H Vet Science Series continues to be a very popular offering. Unit 1, the Normal Animal was held the month of February, 15 teens completed the 5 weeks. Many of the teens traveled an hour to attend. Unit 2, Animal Disease is currently be offered and has 20 teens enrolled.
- **Ulster County 4-H Horse Project – Regional Winners!**
February 24 Ulster County 4-H Horse members earned high honors at Regional Hippology and Horse Bowl competition. All will advance to the State level. Final results are pending.
- **New! April 4-H Camp!**
Plans are underway to offer a 3 day 4-H Spring Camp, April 2-4 at the Fairgrounds. Science topics will feature rockets and plant science. Registration is open!



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