



Clover Scene

Niagara County 4-H Newsletter
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Important Information

4-H Partnerships

4-H has entered an official partnership with Tractor Supply and JoAnn Fabric stores across the country to raise money for 4-H programs with the Paper Clover Campaign. The Paper Clover Campaign is a national in-store fundraiser that runs a couple of times a year. We encourage clubs, 4-H families and volunteers to participate at our Tractor Supply and JoAnn Fabric Stores during the campaigns by promoting 4-H.

Here are a list of dates for the Paper Clover:

JoAnn Fabrics:

Current & lifetime members, parents of members, volunteers and 4-H staff can save 15% off total in-store and online purchases every day with 4-H Rewards. Sign up for the 4-H Rewards program online by downloading the JOANN app. JOANN will also give a minimum of 2.5% of every eligible transaction to support 4-H programming.

Tractor Supply: Spring: March 27 – April 7 & Fall: October 9 - 20

Paper Clovers will be sold during that time for a \$1 each. TSC invites your clubs and members to get active with our local store if you haven't already. Not only will this help donations and improve their relationship with our local store, clubs will also have the opportunity to enter the Paper Clover Participation Sweepstakes, where 75 clubs will win a \$100 TSC gift card. Participation can be anything from setting up a display table and project boards inside the store to having clubs encourage customers to donate.

Proceeds from the Paper Clover campaign will directly support Niagara County 4-H programs.

To learn more about the national partnership, visit www.4-h.org/JOANN and www.tractorsupply.com/landing-pages_4-h_4h-tsc or contact New York State 4-H at nys4h@cornell.edu or contact Heidi Feltz, 433-8839, at the Niagara County 4-H Office.

Closings/Cancellations

When the Lockport District schools are closed due to inclement weather, 4-H meetings on the grounds are also cancelled. When the county offices are closed in Niagara County, our office is automatically closed. Closing announcements will be made on the radio stations WBEN/930AM, WLVL/1340AM and television stations WGRZ/Channel 2, WIVB/Channel 4, and WKBW/Channel 7. Please listen to more than one of these, as problems can occur with a station not being available to make these announcements when called after 3:00pm. We will also post it on Facebook. Have a safe winter season!

Cornell Cooperative Extension, Niagara County, 4487 Lake Avenue, Lockport
433-8839 (phone) 438-0275 (fax) Office Hours: 8:00am-4:30pm (M-TH), 8:00am-4:00pm (F)
www.ccenigaracounty.org

Send Clover Scene articles by the 1st of every month to niagara4h@cornell.edu.

Public Presentations

The Public Presentation Program is one of 4-H's most beneficial and rewarding experiences. It is the one most credited by 4-H alumni as having given them an edge above peers in both college and professional careers. It provides an unique opportunity to develop a positive self-concept and poise, gain self-confidence before a group, learn to express ideas clearly, respond spontaneously to questions, and gain subject matter knowledge.

Do you need help with a topic or how to give a 4-H Public Presentation? If so, please call Heidi or Stacey for more information at 433-8839.

Public Presentations will be held on:

- **Saturday, February 23 from 9:30am to 12:00pm at the Buffalo Niagara Heritage History Museum, 3755 Tonawanda Creek Road, Amherst.**
- **Tuesday, March 5 from 5:30 to 7:30pm at the 4-H Training Center, 4487 Lake Ave., Lkpt.**

Registration forms are available online at www.ceniagaracounty.org under the 4-H Youth/4-H Forms page. Please fill out the registration form by **Monday, February 4.**

NYS 4-H Event Information

Look for other 4-H opportunities?

4-H participants must fill out an event application to attend a NYS 4-H event (to see the complete list of events visit our website at <http://cceniagaracounty.org/4-h-youth/4-h-forms>).

Participating in any of these events will take a youth's 4-H experience to the next level. They will build life-long skills, be exposed to diversity, build self-esteem, learn leadership skills, social skills, make new friends and develop new interests.

See www.ceniagaracounty.org for member requirements and important deadlines!

- **Financial Assistance may be available, funds are made possible for these trips through the**
- **Paper Clover Campaigns sponsored by TSC.**



A new Discovery Club is starting February 20, see more details under workshops or for more information call the 4-H Office!

Fundraising Reminder

All fundraising requests must be submitted at least 30 days prior to the event. The fundraising form can be found at cceniagaracounty.org. Additionally, the results of any fundraising must be reported on Tool L-21 and submitted within 30 days after the event takes place. This form can also be found on our website in the NYS 4-H Club Financial Reporting Guidelines. Please submit all fundraising requests and summaries to Heidi Feltz. If you have any further questions please call at 433-8839 ext. 241 or email at hmk3@cornell.edu.

Paper Recycling for Sheep

Please recycle your paper in the paper recycling dumpster located on the north side of the Merchants Building. All proceeds benefit the Sheep Program. Thank you for your support!

4-H Ambassadors

Date: Tuesday, February 26

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Board Room

It's been awhile, lets catch up and make plans!



Information Changed?

If your child is interested in participating in a specific program or your email/address has changed, please let the 4-H Office know so we can better communicate with you through email and mail. Don't forget to "like" our Facebook page- "The Niagara County 4-H Program" so you can get updates and see what our 4-H community is doing.

Workshop Instructors Needed

Do you have a special talent or have always been interested in teaching a class or workshop? If so, please consider teaching our 4-H members or leaders. If you have an idea, contact Kathy Bowers for more information at 433-8839 or krc8@cornell.edu.

CCE Office Schedule

Closed

Presidents Day	Mon. February 18
Good Friday	Fri. April 19
Memorial Day	Mon. May 27
Independence Day	Thurs. July 4
Labor Day	Mon. September 2
Columbus Day	Mon. October 14
Veterans Day	Mon. November 11
Thanksgiving	Thurs. & Fri. Nov. 28 & 29
Christmas	Tues. & Wed. Dec. 24 & 25



Workshops

Cloverbud Activities

Kathy Bowers, krc8@cornell.edu or 433-8839

Cloverbud's are 4-H members who are ages 5-7 years old. 8 year olds can also participate if their birthday was after the 1st of the year.

Sun Catchers

Date: Thursday, February 21

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Large Meeting Room

Cost: \$2.00

RSVP: by February 19

March Mad Scientist

Slime and Spinners

Date: Tuesday, March 12

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Auditorium

Cost: \$3.00

RSVP: by March 11

Nature Explores

Winter Hike

Date: Saturday, February 16

Time: 10:00am

Place: Town of Lockport Park, Slayton Settlement Rd., Lockport

RSVP: Contact Bonnie Benton at
blb14@cornell.edu or 433-8839 by
February 11

Learn about the trees in the winter and see what's moving around the woods.

Open Sewing Classes

Dates: Sundays, February 10 & 24
Sunday, March 10 & 24

Time: 2:30-4:30pm

Place: Large Meeting Room

RSVP: Contact Pat Travers at 731-4705

Cost: FREE!

These classes are open to anyone needing help with a sewing project or just want to set time aside to sew. Please call to RSVP incase a class is canceled due to something unexpected.

Sheep Fundraiser Paint Night

"Paint the Night Red and White" artist

Emily Morrissey

Date: Friday, March 8

Time: 6:00pm

Place: Large Meeting Room

Cost: \$35 per person, includes all supplies

RSVP: Contact Stacey at ssh85@cornell.edu by
March 1, limited space available.

Open to all 4-H youth (12+) and adults, canvas painting, proceeds benefit the 4-H Sheep Program. 3

Ornaments

String Art Snowflake

Date: February 7

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Large Meeting Room

Cost: \$4.00

RSVP: Contact Iesa Erck at 523-4981 by February 4

We will talk about how to make straight lines look curved. Then following a numbered pattern to make a snowflake with string, add glue and glitter to make it sparkly. A portion of the project will need to be done at home to finish it, due to drying time. Limit of 10. Ages 8 and up.

Window Stars

Date: Thursday, March 14

Time: 6:30pm

LAST ORNAMENT CLASS!

Place: Large Meeting Room

Cost: \$4.00

RSVP: Contact Iesa Erck at 523-4981

Using wax paper and colored kite paper to make a couple of ornaments. We will be folding 8 or more pieces of paper, gluing them together. Hang them in a window or in front of a light to see the patterns of the folded paper. All ages are invited. Space is limited.

Pet Treats

Date: Tuesday, February 12

Time: 6:00pm

Place: Board Room

RSVP: Contact Bonnie Benton at blb14@cornell.edu
or 433-8839 by February 6.

Pamper your favorite animal with homemade treats for Valentines Day. Space is limited.

Entomology

Toby Mansfield, 594-4438

Date: Wednesday, February 20

Time: 7:00pm

Place: Board Room



Discovery Club

Cooking Up Science

Date: Wednesday, February 20

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Auditorium

RSVP: Stacey Johnston, ssh85@cornell.edu

A NEW and EXCITING club that is open to 4-H'ers ages 8-12 that are interested in Science. Each month we will focus on a new area of science filled with hands on activities designed to have fun! Please call at least 3 days prior to RSVP, just incase we need to cancel or our plans have changed, we can contact you.



Don't forget to **“Like”** us on Facebook!
“Niagara County 4-H Program”

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