



# Clover Scene

Niagara County 4-H Newsletter  
March 2019

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*"To make the  
best better"*

## Important Information

### 4-H Salute to Excellence 2019 Volunteer Recognition



The National 4-H Salute to Excellence Volunteer Recognition Award recognizes 4-H volunteers who demonstrate exemplary service to 4-H while promoting service through volunteerism as both an opportunity and a privilege. This year we had two wonderful volunteers nominated for consideration for the Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer Award - Deborah Sweeney from Niagara County and Raymond Vail from Dutchess County. Both applications highlighted their many contributions to local and state 4-H programs, making the selection process particularly challenging!

We're excited to announce that Debi Sweeney has been selected as the NYS 4-H Outstanding Lifetime Volunteer! Debi's application has been forwarded on to National 4-H Council for regional and national consideration. Thank you for your service, dedication and your love of 4-H to continue to service in all the capacities you do. We appreciate it!

### Benefit for Carl Schlager

4-H horse show dad, Carl Schlager, is in need of a kidney transplant and a benefit is being held in his honor to help offset mounting medical bills. The benefit will be on March 29, from 6 to 10pm at the 4-H Training Center. Buffet dinner will be provided by Donna Eick. There will be a basket raffle. If you would like tickets (\$25 each), to donate a basket or more information please call Diane at 716-984-6565.

Please come out and show your support.

### 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.cceniaracounty.org](http://www.cceniaracounty.org)

Send Clover Scene articles by the 1st of every month to [niagara4h@cornell.edu](mailto:niagara4h@cornell.edu).

## Niagara County 4-H Age Policy (4-H year is October 1st – September 30th)

Please be aware that the Niagara County 4-H Youth Development Program will be following the New York State 4-H age policy starting with the 2016/2017 4-H Year (which begins October 1, 2016) and going forward. Under this state policy, youth who turn nineteen (19) years of age, on or before January 1 of the current 4-H year, **are not eligible** to enroll as a 4-H member. Only youth between the ages of five (5) and eighteen (18) years old, on or before January 1, **are eligible** to enroll as 4-H'ers in any given year. This means that if a 4-H'er turns 19 years old on January 2, or after, they would be eligible to re-enroll for the 4-H year, but that would be their final year of eligibility. Please note that persons with an intellectual disability may participate fully in 4-H programs as long as their developmental age is considered to fall between five (5) and nineteen (19) years of age.

Please contact the 4-H Office (433-8839 ext. 241) if you have questions.

### NYS 4-H Event Information

*Looking 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.cceniagaracounty.org](http://www.cceniagaracounty.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.***

## CCE Office Schedule

Closed

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



## 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](http://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](mailto: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, March 26

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Board Room



## Pheasant Raising Pheasants

Interested in rearing and releasing pheasants? Contact Heidi Feltz ([hmk3@cornell.edu](mailto:hmk3@cornell.edu) or 433-8839 ext. 241) by March 15.



## 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](mailto:krc8@cornell.edu).

# 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.

### March Mad Scientist-Slime and Spinners

Date: Tuesday, March 12

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Auditorium

Cost: \$3.00

RSVP: by March 11

### Spring Cupcakes-Decorate 3 cupcakes

Date: Thursday, April 4

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Board Room/Kitchen

Cost: \$3.00

RSVP: by April 1

## Open Sewing Classes

Dates: Sunday, March 10

Sunday, April 7

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.

## Entomology

Toby Mansfield, 594-4438

Date: Wednesday, March 20

Time: 7:00pm

Place: Large Meeting Room



## Yoga

Bonnie Benton, blb14@cornell.edu

Date: March 19

Time: 6:00pm

Place: Auditorium

RSVP: by March 18

**10 years old and up  
welcomed**

## Ornaments

### Window Stars

**LAST ORNAMENT CLASS!**

Date: Thursday, March 14

Time: 6:30pm

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.

## Nature Explores

### Junior Gardeners

Date: Tuesday, March 26

Time: 6:00pm

Place: Large Meeting Room

Build birdhouses from popsicle sticks for your feathered friends. We will also be doing other bird activities.

## Discovery Club

### Agriculture Science

Date: Wednesday, March 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.

## Woodburning

Date: Tuesday, April 16

Time: 6:00pm

Place: Large Meeting Room

Cost: \$4.00pm

RSVP: by April 9, contact Bonnie Benton at blb14@cornell.edu

Must be 10 years and older to attend. Come and create a personalized sign and learn about wood.

## Mother's Day Bracelet

Date: May 1

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Large Meeting Room

Cost: \$5

RSVP: by April 29, contact Iesa at 523-4981

Using jump rings and beads to make a lovely bracelet for mom. Ages 8 and up. Space is limited to 10.



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

*4-H/CCE Staff*

*Cathy Maloney*

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