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4-H Open House

On September 25 from 4:30-7:00pm, 4-H staff, volunteers and youth, will host a 4-H Open House. We are looking for 4-H clubs and volunteers to run a booth/table with activities to promote 4-H.

There could be 4-H animal demonstrations, club displays, contests, activities, 4-H informational offerings, kids crafts, food and more. Do you have an idea on what you would like to do? If so, contact Kathy Bowers at krc8@cornell.edu or 433-8839 by September 11.

If you have friends that are interested in joining 4-H please invite them! Help us spread the word about this exciting event! We are looking forward to having another successful year!
4-H ENROLLMENT
Opens October 1, 2019
(4-H Year runs from 10/1/19—9/30/20)

4-H age policy – Only youth between the ages of five (5) and eighteen (18) years old, on or before January, are eligible to enroll as 4-H’ers in any given year. 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. 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.

**NEW THIS YEAR! Don’t Miss out!  ★
4-H Standards of Recognition:
4-H’ers can fill out an application to be recognized for a job well done! You can find out the details and application on the CCE website under 4-H program/4-H forms. Applications are due Friday, September 13. If 4-H’ers meet the criteria for the recognition, prizes will be given out to all eligible 4-H’ers. Youth will be recognized in the Clover Scene and at the 4-H Open House on September 25.

Junior Leadership Project
Looking for teens interested in becoming a Niagara County 4-H Ambassador. As an Ambassador, teens will help promote the 4-H program throughout the county, develop leadership and communication skills, self confidence and serve as role models for younger 4-H members. Your participation is a plus on college and job applications. If you are interested please contact, Kathy Bowers at 433-8839 ext. 239.

Nature Explorers
Date: Tuesday, September 17
Time: 6:00pm
Place: Greenhouse
Cost: $2.00
RSVP: contact Bonnie at blb14@cornell.edu by September 13

We will be making seed bombs and seed cards while learning about seeds.

Year End Awards
Each year, 4-H youth, volunteers and clubs are nominated and chosen for awards based on criteria for their involvement and achievement. The award recipients are invited to the Cornell Cooperative Extension’s Annual Dinner to be recognized.

**Youth Awards:** 4-H Red Jacket Citizenship and Walker Family Junior Leadership

**Adult Awards:** Gertrude Warren Leadership

**4-H Family:** Hall 4-H Family of the Year

If you are interested in nominating someone, please send an email to niagara4h@cornell.edu with the name and a list of reasons why you are nominating them.

Workshops

Let’s Fly a Kite
Date: Saturday, September 21
Time: 2:00pm
Place: Royalton Ravine on Gasport Rd.
RSVP: contact Iesa, 523-5981 by September 20
Pre-Requisite: Made a kite with Iesa last spring
We will be flying the kites weather permitting. Bring your kite and kite string to fly your kite.

Monthly Photo Prompts

Open to all 4-H’ers, all ages.

Each month there is going to be a photo prompt listed in the Clover Scene for you to work on. This is just for fun and to practice photo taking with new ideas and prompts to improve your skills! Call Iesa with questions 523-4981.

September photo prompt:
Making sure your rule of thirds grid is turned on with camera or phone. Using the rule of thirds, take photos where the focus is with each of the grid lines: top, bottom, right, and left.

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Questions - Please contact Heidi Feltz at 433-8839
Exhibits & Premium Checks
Did you enter exhibits in the Niagara County Fair? Did you fill out a voucher? If so, then you will have a premium check with your name on it at the 4-H Office for the exhibits you entered at the fair. A date will be posted in the October Clover Scene when the checks will be available to be picked up. Checks cannot be mailed.

If you forgot to pick up your exhibits at the Niagara County Fair stop by the 4-H Office to pick them up. Thank you!

Any questions, please call the 4-H Office at 433-8839.

New York State Fair
We hope everyone who participated at the NYS Fair had a good experience. We had many exhibits in the Youth Building and many Animal Science exhibitors as well. We would like to thank all the people who volunteered and participated at the NYS Fair. Please send the 4-H Office your photos at niagara4h@cornell.edu, thank you.

Milk Bar Thanks
Under the leadership of Todd and Michael, we would like to thank all the individuals and clubs that volunteered their time to help work in the Milk Bar. The Milk Bar had another successful year selling our delicious milkshakes, hamburgers, and hotdogs along with our Coke products. THANK YOU!

Animal Science Meetings
There are currently no animal science meetings scheduled for September, but check for updates or changes by visiting the online calendar page on our website at ccenagiarcounty.org/events and click on online calendar under Room Reservations. Be sure to read your Tuesday Tidbits weekly e-mail for updates too!

Horse Program: Fall Equine Dinner
Friday October 25, doors open 6:00pm, dinner at 6:30pm. $7.50 per person, RESERVATION ONLY. Awards and Chinese auction (donations welcomed) following dinner. Reserve your spot now via email CKRFARMS@aol.com, message Niagara County 4-H Horse Facebook Page, or leave a message at 439-4499.

Inter-county Horse shows: Miniature is Sept. 21/22, Big horse is Oct. 12/13. Contact Cheryl Bish CKRFARMS@aol.com for details or check out the Niagara County 4-H Horse page on Facebook.
Don’t forget to “Like” us on Facebook!

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