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Calendar

Please join us for a 4-H Volunteer Appreciation
Pancake Breakfast
Sunday, April 5
11:00am-1:00pm
All Enrolled 4-H Volunteers are FREE
Additional guest—we ask for a $5 donation
RSVP by March 27 by contacting the 4-H Office at 433-8839 ext. 239 or niagara4h@cornell.edu.
Pancakes, sausage, juice & coffee will be served

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 “Clover for Kids” at JoAnn Fabric Stores during the campaigns by promoting 4-H.

JoAnn Fabric:
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:
Each Spring and Fall, Tractor Supply helps raise money for 4-H programs through the sale of Paper Clovers in their stores. In the most recent campaign, we raised go back to state and local 4-H programs to support scholarships for camp and leadership activities. Dates for the 2020 Campaigns are: 4/29/20-5/10/20 & 10/7/20-10/18/20

JoAnn Loves 4-H

Send Clover Scene articles by the 10th of every month to niagara4h@cornell.edu.
Workshops

Open Sewing Classes
Dates: Sundays, March 8 & 29
       Sunday, April 19
Time: 2:30-4:30pm
Place: Memorial 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.

Button Bracelet
Date: Wednesday, March 11
Time: 6:30pm
Place: Large Meeting Room
Cost: $3.00
RSVP: Iesa, 523-4981 by March 9
With buttons and elastic you will make a stylish bracelet. This is a great way to practice sewing buttons and work on tying knots. I have lots of buttons but if you have a favorite one bring it along. Bring

Entomology
Toby Mansfield, 716-597-4438
Dates: Wednesdays, March 18, April 15, May 20, June 17 and July 22
Time: 7:00pm
Place: Auditorium
Come and learn about the different insects that live all around us. Collect them and exhibit them in the fair!

Important Dates to Know
Animal Entries all animals June 1
except Rabbit, Cavy and Horses
Rabbit & Cavy July 1
Horses July 13
Workbee July 15
Auction Meat Birds (Judged @6pm) July 24
Auction Meat Bird Processing July 25
Judging Day July 28
Food Judging August 3
Horticulture Judging/Animal August 4
Niagara County Fair August 5-9

4-H Beef Dinner Fundraiser
Beef on Weck Dinner and basket raffle on Saturday, March 28 from 5:00 to 8:00pm. Tickets are available for $10 at the Cornell Cooperative Extension Office, WH Rhinehart, and Clyde’s Feed & Animal Center. Come out and support your fellow 4-H’ers.

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.

Workshops
It is very important to RSVP for the workshops so that the instructors can be prepared and in case the class is canceled due to lack of participation! A minimum of 5 people per class in order to hold it.

March Photo Prompt
Find a place and take 5 photos using different effects available on phone or camera. You may turn around but stay in the spot.
Discovery Club
Open to youth ages 8-12 years old

Hippity Hop
Date: Thursday, March 19
Time: 6:30pm
Place: Agricultural Education Building
Science projects that have to do with rabbits and other things associated with spring time!

Roots and Shoots
Date: Thursday, May 21
Time: 6:30pm
Place: Large Meeting Room
We will be learning about plants and things they need to grow!
RSVP: Kathy Bowers, 433-8839 or krc8@cornell.edu 3 days prior

Beginner Hand Sewing
Date: Wednesday, March 18
Time: 6:30pm
Place: Large Meeting Room
Cost: $4.00
RSVP: Iesa, 523-4981 by March 14
Learn the blanket stitch and stitch a colorful mitten. Your choice to fill it with stuffing or leave open to hang as an ornament please bring sewing supplies, rest will be provided.

Beginner Weaving
Date: Wednesday, April 1
Time: 4:30pm
Place: Large Meeting Room
Cost: $3.00
RSVP: Iesa, 523-4981 by March 29
Learn how to weave with a cardboard loom and some yarn to make a coaster. If you came to the first class and want to make another one, just bring your supplies from that meeting with you. Open to all ages.

Mothers Day Sewing Gift
Date: Wednesday, April 29
Time: 4:30pm
Place: Memorial Room
Cost: $3.00
RSVP: Iesa, 523-4981 by April 27
In this class you will be making a travel tissue holder and a hexagon coaster. You should be able to make 1 of each, one to give away and one to keep. Please bring the following sewing supplies, machine if you have one along with scraps of fabric if you have some. No need to buy any. Open to all ages. Some previous sewing required. An adult must be with a child.

Bread Class w/Chef Tony
Date: Monday, March 23
Time: 5:30-8:00pm
Place: Training Center Kitchen
Ages: 10 and up
RSVP: Kathy, krc8@cornell.edu or 433-8839 ext. 239 by March 18
Cost: FREE!
Make bread with Chef Tony and Crystal Conrad from Hilltop Restaurant and learn all the different ways to use it. Space is limited to 10.

Intro to 4-H Robotics
Dates: Tuesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
Time: 6:30-8:00pm
Place: Auditorium
Ages: 8 and up
RSVP: Chris, ckw38@cornell.edu or 433-8839 ext. 232 by March 2
Cost: $5.00 for the 5 week series
Join us for 5 weeks of robotic exploration as we learn coding on three different robots, Ozobots, Spheros and Lego Mindstorms. No robotic experience necessary. Space is limited.

Cloverbud Workshops
For 4-H youth ages 5-8 years of age

Bunny Door Hanger
Date: Tuesday, March 31
Time: 6:30pm
Place: Large Meeting Room
RSVP: Kathy, krc8@cornell.edu or 433-8839 ext. 239 by March 27

Plant Parts
Date: Thursday, April 30
Time: 6:30pm
Place: Large Meeting Room
RSVP: Kathy, krc8@cornell.edu or 433-8839 ext. 239 by April 29
Youth Auction Meetings
Any 4-H’er planning to participate in the 2020 Live-stock Auction must attend ONE mandatory auction meeting. LAST date will be offered – Thursday, March 12 at 6:30pm in the Auditorium.

New auction meeting format this year! 4-H’ers will be meeting with “mock” bidders from the community during the auction meeting, so that kids can practice talking to potential bidders. What does a bidder need to know about you and your animal? 4-H’ers are welcome to bring notes on an index card to use for reference. Breed/type of animal, how you take care of and feed your animal, what 4-H is, benefits of eating and buying local meats, costs, goals, etc.

Agricultural Activities

Horse Bowl
Date: Thursday, March 5
Time: 7:00 – 8:30pm
Place: Auditorium

If you are interested in competing at the Regional Horse Bowl contest the date is Sunday, March 15 at 10:00am in the 4-H Training Center. Anyone is welcome to join us to learn more about horses and their care. We do divide up into 3 different age categories for lessons and **you do not have to attend all meetings, just come when you can.** These meetings will count towards your 3 required educational meetings to qualify to show at county fair. For more info, contact Cheryl Bish @ 439-4499, ckrfarms@aol.com or check out the Niagara County 4-H Equine page on Facebook.

On Wednesday, March 4 at 7:00pm in the Auditorium all goats are welcome to attend a meeting on goat nutrition, vitamins and minerals.

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national multi-species quality assurance program for youth with a focus on three core pillars: food safety, animal well-being, and character development. YQCA training curriculum is new and different every year.

Any 4-H’er exhibiting or raising animals is highly encouraged to attend a YQCA training once a year. Upcoming YQCA training dates being held during species meetings, but any interested 4-H’er may attend:

Sheep & all other animals – Thursday, May 14 at 7:00pm in Auditorium

YQCA

Key Leaders

**Auction**, Randy Librock, 445-5252
**Beef**, Kathie Librock, 417-4944
**Dairy Goats, vacant**
**Dairy Steer**, Kevin Luckman, 550-2795
**Equine**, Cheryl Bish, 439-4499
**Swine**, Jessica Daningburg, 930-0385
**Working Goats**, Helen Rowlands, 535-7115

**Dairy Cattle**, John Sweeney, 795-9257
**Entomology**, Toby Mansfield, 597-4438
**Livestock Judging & Skillathon**, Katie Hopkins, 545-0432
**Rabbits**, Diana Smith, 628-9226
**Sheep**, Stacey Johnston, 574-6622

**Beef**, Kathie Librock, 417-4944
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**Dairy Steer**, Kevin Luckman, 550-2795
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**Swine**, Jessica Daningburg, 930-0385
**Working Goats**, Helen Rowlands, 535-7115

**Cats**, Tammy Baltzley, 920-896-2983
**Dog**, Dawn Keough, 940-7677
**Meat Goats**, Abby Criswell, 628-3132
**Poultry**, Kate Heschke, 796-5720

**Entomology**, Toby Mansfield, 597-4438

Room Key

**Administration Building**- BR (Board Room), ADMIN (Administration Building), MR (Memorial Room), **Training Center**- AUD (Auditorium), TC (Training Center), LMR (Large Meeting Room), SMR (Small Meeting Room)

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Kathy Bowers  4-H Community Educator – 433-8839 ext. 239 or krc8@cornell.edu
Chris Wright  4-H Stem Educator – 433-8839 ext. 232 or ckw38@cornell.edu
Darlene Farnham  Office Support/Building Usage – 433-8839 ext. 224 or djf18@cornell.edu

CCE Office Schedule
Office Closed
Presidents’ Day  Monday, February 17
Good Friday  Friday, April 10
Memorial Day  Monday, May 25
Fourth of July  Friday, July 3
Labor Day  Monday, September 7
Columbus Day  Monday, October 12
Veteran’s Day  Wednesday, November 11
Thanksgiving  Thursday & Friday, November 26 & 27
Christmas  Thursday & Friday, December 24 & 25