

Clover Chronicle



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Announcements

Temporary 4-H Administrative Assistant

Susan Wells-Bowen, our most recent 4-H admin, left us in late September to take another job. She is missed, but we are very happy to announce that Michele Albrecht has stepped in as our temporary admin assistant for the next couple of months. You may remember Michele from when she served as our 4-H summer assistant in 2021 and 2022. Michele's big task is helping with all of your enrollments but also creating the clover chronicle and assisting with preparing for 4-H events.

Sarah On Maternity Leave

4-H Educator Sarah Wilhelm will be on maternity leave from the end of November until the end of January, returning to work part-time in February and March, and then returning to full time work in April. During the time that she is out, Amy and Michele will be your main points of contact for all things 4-H.



Looking Forward...

November 2023

November 4	Harvest Food Fest
November 10	Achievement Night
November 14-15	Grow NY Youth Competition
November 15	Horse Educational Meeting

December 2023

December 1	Teen Council Bowling Outing
December 6	Horse Educational Meeting—Equine Nutrition
December 9	Step Into Woodworking Program
December 20	Horse Educational Meeting

January 2024

January 4	Public Presentation Advanced Training
January 9	Public Presentation Beginner Training
January 10	Horse Educational Meeting—Equine Conformation
January 14	Public Presentation Registration Deadline
January 24	Horse Educational Meeting

February 2024

February 6, 9, 10	Public Presentations
February 7	Horse Educational Meeting
February 13	Public Presentation Show Date
February 21	Horse Educational Meeting—All About Bits

March 2024

March 7	Teen council Meeting
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Horticulture Club Meeting, November 5th

Horticulture club is for anyone who loves plants and is age 8+.

Their first meeting of the year will be Sunday,

November 5th at 1pm. Club leader Richard has planned a day at his dad's farm. You will be picking corn and making decorative bunches, and taking a walk in the

woods to talk about trees and autumn. The address of

the farm is 2631 Tileyard Road, Clifton Springs, NY 144232. Please make sure you put CLIFTON SPRINGS in your GPS as often it will take you to an address in Stanley that is NOT correct. Please let me know if you have plan to attend so that Richard can be prepared with supplies.



WHEP Club Projector Feeder Watch Meeting, November 15:

This meeting will take place at the CCE office from 4-5:30pm. 4-H'ers will experience the Citizen Science opportunities provided by Project Feeder Watch in their own Homegrown National Park. Come prepared to spend some time exploring habitats around OCCE facility. Those attending will be eligible for a WHEP discount in joining Project Feeder Watch this year. Any 4-H'er is welcome to attend. Please let Sarah know if you plan to attend.

November WHEP Birding Excursion November 18th:

The WHEP club will be traveling to Ithaca on Saturday, November 18, and joining up with our Tompkins County counterparts for a day of REAL raptors courtesy the Cornell Raptor Club. The day will begin at 9 am with some actual birding around Fall Creek, followed by an informal time with the folks from Cornell's Raptor Club. Next we'll be treated to the Raptor Club's formal presentation about Raptors (complete with actual birds!). So, the fun will actually begin at 9am at the Cooperative Extension offices on 615 Willow Ave, Ithaca NY, but I'm asking club members to be there by 8:45 am. Estimated end time is 12pm. Any 4-H'er is welcome to attend. Please let Sarah know if you plan to attend.

Teen Council December Meeting

Join the 4-H Teen Council on Friday, December 1st from 6-7pm at Roseland Bowl in Canandaigua for a night of fun teambuilding. Any 4-H teen is welcome to attend this outing. We will use TSC paper clover funds to “scholarship” the first 14 youth who sign up. Please email Sarah to sign up.



Teen Council



Ontario County 4-H Unmounted Horse Clinics



Join us for learning throughout the fall/winter months! Anyone interested in horses is welcome!

October 9th, 2-5pm: Anatomy and Grooming @Little Bear Acres

October 22nd, 2-5pm: All about Tack @Little Bear Acres

November 1st, 6-8pm: Color Genetics @CCE Office

November 15th, 6-8pm: Horse Quizzing Fun @CCE Office

December 6th, 6-8pm: Equine Nutrition @CCE Office

December 20th, 6-8pm: Horse Educational Kit @CCE Office

January 10th, 6-8pm: Equine Conformation @CCE Office

January 24th, 6-8pm: Horse Quizzing Fun @CCE Office

February 7th, 6-8pm: Horse Education Kit - @CCE Office

February 21st, 6-8pm: All About Bits! @CCE Office

****Any 4-H participant is welcome to join the horse bowl team for a fun contest in March but this is NOT required! We just want to keep the learning going through the winter.**



WHEP Bird Outing, December 30th: The December outing for our WHEP club will occur on Saturday, December 30th. We will meet on the Gazebo at the Finger Lakes Welcoming Center in Geneva, NY at 10 am to look for local waterfowl. We will then travel to nearby Johnson Rd in the town of Phelps to look for short eared owls, northern harriers and red tailed hawks. Hope to see you there! Please let Sarah know if you plan to attend.



Public presentations

It's never too early to be thinking about public presentations! Public presentations are one of our most popular 4-H events. Alumni of the 4-H program always credit public presentations as one of the most influential 4-H events that they took part in during their time in the program. Public speaking is an important life skill, and we encourage EVERY 4-H'er to take part!

To accommodate as many as possible, we hold a few different time options: February 6th from 6-8pm, February 9th from 6-8pm, and February 10th from 9am-1:30pm. Please note, that our snow date for this event is February 13th from 6-8pm. If any of the sessions are canceled due to inclement weather, they will be made up on February 13th. Registration is due January 14th. Please find the registration form and other helpful informational documents at the following link: [Cornell Cooperative Extension | 4-H Public Presentations \(cceontario.org\)](https://cceontario.org/4-H-Public-Presentations)



Beginner Public Presentation Training

New to 4-H public presentations? Join Amy on January 9th at 6pm at the CCE office for a fun workshop teaching you how to create a public presentation. This workshop is ideal for youth in their first or second year of public presentations. Please register by January 1st for this training.

Advanced Public Presentation Training

Done presentations before but looking to advance in your skills? Join Amy on January 4th at 6:30pm for a training on Impromptu presentations. This type of presentation is a great way to improve your skills of thinking on your feet and challenging your comfort zone. This session will also double as our January Teen Council meeting.

Covid Supplies Available

Ontario County is providing free COVID test kits, alcohol wipes, antibacterial wipes, face coverings, and KN95 face masks. We have a supply of these items that we are distributing here at the CCE office. They will be set out in the meeting rooms and you can take as much as you would like when you or at your meetings or any other time you want to stop in. Note, the COVID test kits state they have expired in October but that date has been extended by 3 months.

Entrepreneurship Club



Our Agricultural Economic Development Educator, Jacob Maslyn, is working on developing a Youth Entrepreneurship Program to start this winter. More information will be coming soon!

The Bulletin Board

Teen Council: Our first 4-H Teen Council meeting of the year was on October 5th. We worked on our achievement night forms, made goals for the coming year, and went over our schedule for the 2023-2024 4-H year. Our second meeting took place on November 2nd, and we learned about how to serve as teen evaluators for 4-H harvest food fest and public presentation programs. We learned about how to give quality feedback and encouragement to our peers and the hope is that these teens will be able to serve as teen evaluators at public presentations in February.



Blue Ribbon Bandits 4-H Goat Club: The Blue Ribbon Bandits 4-H Club recently completed a community service project by decorating a tree for the Granger Homestead. If you are going to the Granger Homestead, be sure to check it out!

Bird Blurb: "Black-capped chickadees refresh their brains once a year. Every autumn, these birds allow brain neurons containing old information to die, replacing them with new neurons so they can adapt to changes in their social flocks and environment."

"Naturally Curious Day by Day: A Photographic Field Guide and Daily Visit to the Forests, Fields, and Wetlands of Eastern North America" By Mary Holland



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HOUSING LIFE



CANANDAIGUA POP-UP FOOD PANTRY

JUNE 26 JULY 24
AUGUST 28 SEPTEMBER 25
OCTOBER 23 NOVEMBER 27
DECEMBER 18
11:00-12:30 PM/
UNTIL FOOD
IS GONE

TOWN OF CANANDAIGUA

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT BARN

5440 ROUTE 5 & 20

CANANDAIGUA, NY 14424

PLEASE ENTER ON BUFFALO
STREET

All are welcome.

No public restrooms.

Please do not get in line before 9:30 am.

First come, first served.

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