



# Niagara County 4-H

## JANUARY CLOVER SCENE

### Newsletter 2024

## FREE MONEY - NEW THIS YEAR!

### NIAGARA COUNTY 4-H SCHOLARSHIPS HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

*Provided by The Niagara County 4-H Club Sponsors, Inc.*

4-Her's applying for scholarships must be presently enrolled, active Niagara County 4-H members with a minimum of three years exhibiting at the Niagara County Fair. Participating in the county fundraisers is a major component for these awards as is participating in the 4-H Public Presentation program.

#### High school graduating seniors:

- Plan on attending a college or university in the fall - **eligible for \$1000 scholarship**
- Join the military - **eligible for a \$500 award**
- Enroll in a vocational training program - **eligible for a \$500 award**
- Secure full time enrollment after receiving a BOCES accreditation - **eligible for a \$500 award**

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| <b>Niagara County 4-H Sponsors Scholarship</b>   | <b>\$1000</b> |
| This scholarship is for anyone involved in general 4-H work  |               |
| <b>Niagara County 4-H Animal Science Scholarship</b>   | <b>\$500</b>  |
| An applicant must be a member of the beef, dairy, dairy steer, dog, cat, goat, rabbit/cavy, poultry, swine or sheep program  |               |
| <b>Bryan J Poss/Arrow Point Farm Memorial Scholarship</b>  | <b>\$200</b>  |
| For Members participating in the 4-H Beef program  |               |
| <b>Walt Ganshaw 4-H Natural Resources Scholarship</b>  | <b>\$500</b>  |
| For members active in the 4-H Natural Resources program  |               |
| <b>John K. Hall 4-H Memorial Scholarship</b>   | <b>\$500</b>  |
| Members must be active in general 4-H work. Consideration is given to those furthering their education in agriculture, food production and marketing, history, writing, and community development. |               |
| <b>Alice Einstein Garmezy 4-H Scholarship</b>  | <b>\$500</b>  |
| Members must be active in general 4-H work. Preference is given to members attending college for the first time in their family and must come from a family farm in Niagara County.                |               |

- *A personal interview is required and a schedule will be sent to you. All dates are listed on the application. Do not send in late applications. Do not request letters of recommendations from CCE staff or family members.*
- *You may apply for all scholarships that you meet the criteria for.*
- *If applying for multiple scholarships, complete ONE application and the proper criteria for each. Label the name of the scholarship at the top of the papers.*

TO APPLY visit <https://cceniagaracounty.org/4-h-youth/4-h-sponsors-and-scholarships!>

#### College Students can apply for the following scholarships:

- The J Gerald York Memorial** for college students who are presently enrolled and have completed one semester **\$500**
- The Equine Scholarship** is available for college students enrolled in at least their second semester and have participated in the equine program **\$500**

## 4-H Public Presentations 2024

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, poise, gain self-confidence before a group, learn to express ideas clearly, respond spontaneously to questions, and gain subject matter knowledge.

There is a lot of information currently on our website to help/guide the youth in preparing their public presentation.

**NEW, we now have a C.O.O.L** ("Conquering Obstacles, Overcoming Limitations") **rubric/evaluation form for public presentations for youth with a disability. If you would like this form used, please note it on your form.**

For all forms and guides, visit...

<https://cceniagaracounty.org/4-h-youth/4-h-programs/public-presentations>

- Registration Forms Due: Wednesday, January 10
- Optional Pre-Game Practice: Tuesday, February 6 (4-7pm) & Saturday, February 10 (9am-4pm)
- Presentation Dates: Saturday, February 24 & Thursday, February 29

Live Animal Presentations Only in Memorial Room: Saturday, February 24  
See page 7 for the registration form



## 4-H Public Presentations

## CCE Office Schedule

Office Closed

Martin Luther King Mon., January 15  
Presidents Day Mon., February 19

## Come join Cat Club!

Learn about cat breeds and feline issues. Wrap up the meeting with a cat craft/activity.

Club Leader Alexandra Kuhns

Youth leader Leila Kuhns

Dates: Monday, January 29  
Monday, February 26, \*Board Room  
Monday, March 18, \*Board Room  
Monday, April 29  
Monday, June 3

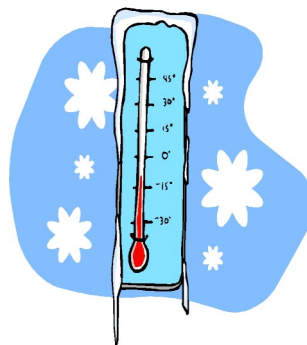
Time: 6:30-7:30

Place: Memorial Room, Upstairs of Admin Building

Contact Alex at [alexandrakuhns@gmail.com](mailto:alexandrakuhns@gmail.com) if you want to be involved or 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!



## 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 Facebook, put on the

calendar and depending on the number of people affected an email blast. Many times the leader will contact members by phone or email.

Have a safe winter season!

# Workshops

## Food Classes

For all 4-H Food Classes, members MUST pre-register for each class by the due date to Debi Sweeney through email. Ingredients need to be purchased and supplies need to be secured for each member attending.

**\*\*When members RSVP, please include their first and last name and age.**

## Sausage Making

Doni Roehling will teach members and adults how to make Breakfast, Polish and Italian Sausage. Participants will be cutting, grinding, mixing and stuffing the sausage.

Date: Saturday, January 20  
Time: 8:30am  
Place: Large Meeting Room and Kitchen  
Ages: 16 and over (adults welcome!)  
Cost: \$20 - participants will go home with 5 pounds of sausage  
RSVP: by January 11 to [dsweeney7371@gmail.com](mailto:dsweeney7371@gmail.com)

## Gluten and Wheat-Free Mains and Grains

Date: Monday, January 15  
Time: 1:00 p.m.  
Place: Large Meeting Room  
Cost: \$6  
Ages: 8 to adult  
RSVP: by January 9 to [dsweeney7371@gmail.com](mailto:dsweeney7371@gmail.com)

Instructor Carolyn Manning will teach participants how to make two favorite meals, only gluten-free - meatballs and chicken fingers, as well as three different types of gluten-free whole grains - quinoa, millet and seasoned brown rice. A discussion will be held on how to re-think meals to avoid wheat and gluten, as well as different dinner ideas. Minimum of four participants required to run the class.

## Introduction to Gluten-Free Baking and Flours

Date: Monday, January 15  
Time: 5:00 p.m.  
Place: Large Meeting Room  
Cost: \$5  
Ages: 8 to adult  
RSVP: by January 9 to [dsweeney7371@gmail.com](mailto:dsweeney7371@gmail.com)

Come bake three different gluten-free desserts - brownies, chocolate chip cookies, and apple snack cake. Learn about a variety of gluten-free flours and when to use them from teacher Carolyn Manning. Minimum of four participants required to run the class.

## Crafting with Iesa

### Embroidery

Dates: Saturday, January 13  
Saturday, January 27  
Saturday, February 10

Time: 12:00-2:00pm

Continuing to work on projects for those already registered.

### Fabric Basket

Date: Monday, January 8  
Time: 6:00-8:00pm  
Place: Memorial Room  
Cost: \$2.00  
Ages: 8 and up  
RSVP: by January 5, Iesa 716-523-4981

This is not a beginner project. Must have previous experience working with a sewing machine (must have gone through at least 2 beginner sewing projects with me). Working on getting your stitching straight for some nice looking top stitching, to make a cute little decorative basket. Please bring at least 1/3 yard of two coordinating cotton fabrics, you can get several baskets. 4 decorative buttons for each basket and all sewing needs.

### Origami Boxes, Baskets, & Bowls

Date: Monday, January 22  
Time: 6:00-8:00pm  
Place: Memorial Room  
Cost: \$4.00  
Ages: 8 and up  
RSVP: by January 19, Iesa 716-523-4981

Make up to four different origami containers, depending on time. We will be using non traditional paper for these, it will be a bit thicker. All supplies will be provided.

### Stretch Bracelet

Date: Monday, February 5  
Time: 6:00-7:30pm  
Place: Memorial Room  
Cost: \$4.00  
RSVP: by February 2, Iesa 716-523-4981

Very basic jewelry technique using stretch stringing material. We will be using a pattern in making of the bracelets. This is open to anyone who has never made jewelry before, this is a stringing project.

### String Art Snowflake Ornament

Date: Monday, February 26  
Time: 6:00-8:00pm  
Place: Memorial Room  
Cost: \$4.00  
RSVP: by February 23, Iesa 716-523-4981  
Make a snowflake from string, glue and glitter. All supplies will be provided.

# Niagara Nature

## Migration Challenge!

Date: Thursday, January 25  
Time: 6:30pm  
Place: Auditorium  
Ages: All ages are welcome.  
RSVP: by January 22 to Heidi Feltz at [hmk3@cornell.edu](mailto:hmk3@cornell.edu)

As seasons change certain animals are on the move. Why? Where do they go? How do they get there? What challenges do they face? You will face those challenges in this class thru a fun migration obstacle course. Are you up for the challenge? Heidi and Keith will be instructing.

## Owl Pellet Dissection Activity

Date: Saturday, February 3  
Time: 2:30pm – 3:30pm (maybe longer)  
Place: Auditorium  
Ages: 8 and Up  
Bring: Patience and tweezers  
Cost: Zero – Thank You TriTown Clan 4-H Club  
RSVP: by January 30 to Heidi@ [hmk3@cornell.edu](mailto:hmk3@cornell.edu)

Teachers: Linda Harvey and the Tri Town Clan Club  
First come, first serve. Space is limited.



## Basic Body Care Essentials Unicorn or Dragon Shower/Bath Salts

Date: Saturday, February 3  
Times: (Session 1) 11:30am-12:30am  
(Session 2) 12:45pm-1:45pm  
Place: Large Meeting Room  
Ages: 8+ (Children under 8 are welcome with adult supervision)  
Cost: \$9  
RSVP: by January 25, Lindsay  
at [Lindsay.Tracey@VibraFinance.com](mailto:Lindsay.Tracey@VibraFinance.com)  
Please leave a "note" with your child's first name, last initial and which time session they will be attending (1 or 2).

Youth will make one full-size jar of Unicorn OR Dragon Shower/Bath Salts to take home (a fantastic DIY Valentine's gift!). Each product features wholesome, easy source ingredients and recipe copies that are easy to recreate at home. Estimated shelf life of each product is 12 months. Add your creative art to each jar with a customized label! Please bring an apron/smock to protect your clothing. Class size is limited to 20 participants.

# STEM w/Christina Wright

## Ozobot Color Coding

Date: Thursday, January 11  
Time: 5:00-6:00pm  
Place: Large Meeting Room  
RSVP: by January 5, at [ckw38@cornell.edu](mailto:ckw38@cornell.edu)  
Ages: 5+  
Fee: \$2

Youth will build on knowledge of Ozobot robots (from Fall class) and learn coding principles. No experience necessary

## Lego Engineering Club

Date: Wednesday, January 17  
Time: 4:30-6:00pm  
Place: Memorial Room  
RSVP: by January 12, at [ckw38@cornell.edu](mailto:ckw38@cornell.edu)  
Ages: 5+  
Fee: \$2

Youth are given a building challenge and have fun sharing their original designs

## Stop Motion Animation

Dates: Tuesdays, January 23 & 30  
Time: 5:00-6:00pm  
Place: Large Meeting Room  
RSVP: by January 19, at [ckw38@cornell.edu](mailto:ckw38@cornell.edu)  
Ages: 8+  
Fee: \$5

Youth will learn basics of stop motion animation and make their own mini-movie.

## Lego Engineering Club

Date: Wednesday, February 14  
Time: 4:30-6:00pm  
Place: Memorial Room  
RSVP: by February 9, at [ckw38@cornell.edu](mailto:ckw38@cornell.edu)  
Ages: 5+  
Fee: \$2

Youth are given a building challenge and have fun sharing their original designs

## OPEN SEWING IS BACK!

Dates: Sundays, January 7 & 21  
Sundays, February 4 & 25  
Time: 2:30-4:30pm  
Place: Memorial Room  
RSVP: Contact, Patti Travers, 716-930-1238

Patti Travers, a 4-H Veteran Volunteer, is offering open sewing on Sundays, 2:30-4:30-twice a month. Sewing machines are available. This class is open to any 4-H member that is interested in setting aside time to sew. Patti is available to help/assist/guide 4-H'ers with projects of their choice. If you are new to sewing, she can help you pick out a simple first year project. If you go, please RSVP to let her know so that IF the class is canceled due to weather or unplanned circumstances, she can let you know.

## Cloverbud Party

Date: Thursday, February 1

Time: 6:00pm-7:00pm

Place: Auditorium

Ages: 4-H'ers ages 5-8

RSVP: by January 4, Kathy at [krc8@cornell.edu](mailto:krc8@cornell.edu)

Youth will meet new and old 4-H friends, play a game, make a treat to take home, play just dance on the big screen and have an ice cream treat.

This is for CLOVERBUDS only. Cloverbuds are youth ages 5-7 or just turned 8 in January!

## “Stain” Glass Art

Date: Thursday, February 15

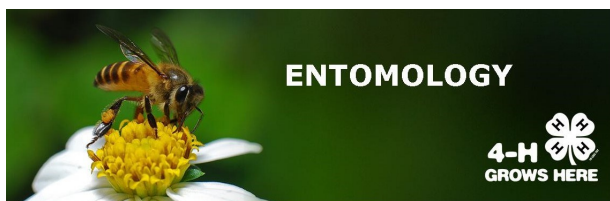
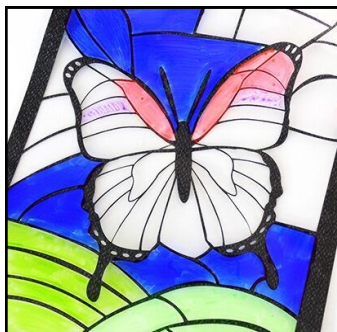
Time: 6:30pm

Place: Memorial Room

Ages: 10 and up

RSVP: by February 12, Kathy at [krc8@cornell.edu](mailto:krc8@cornell.edu)

Youth will be using a sharpie and paint on a picture frame to create their own “stain” glass work of art. Once you register, Kathy will let you know what she will need from you to get the design you want!



## Entomology

Date: Thursday, February 1

Time: 7:00pm

Place: LMR

Ages: All ages

RSVP: Toby Mansfield, 716-597-4438, [bigwigkim@aol.com](mailto:bigwigkim@aol.com)

Youth will learn about insects and how to make it into a great 4-H project!

More dates!    March 21  
                      April 25  
                      May 23  
                      June 13  
                      June 27

## Archery Classes

### Beginner Archery

Dates: Mondays, February 5, 12 & 26  
          Mondays, March 4 & 11

Time: 5:30–6:15pm

Place: Ag Ed Building

Age: 8+

Cost: \$15

RSVP: MUST– first come, first served... see below

This class is for 4-H members new to 4-H archery or need more instruction/practice shooting from shorter distances.

### Intermediate/Advanced

Dates: Mondays, February 5, 12 & 26  
          Mondays, March 4 & 11

Time: 7:00-7:45pm

Place: Ag Ed Building

Age: 8+

Cost: \$15

RSVP: see below!

This class is for 4-H youth who have taken the class before, know the range commands and need little to no guidance. Archers will shoot from longer distances.

**Space is based on first come, first served, please email us at [Niagara4h@cornell.edu](mailto:Niagara4h@cornell.edu) with ARCHERY in the subject line, name of child, age and time slot in the body of the email. Thank you.**

**KIDS NIGHT OUT!**  
Parents Night Out Too!

Parents can go on a date, get some shopping done, or just enjoy some peace and quiet and we will spend the evening with your kids.

STEM activities, board games, teambuilding, dinner, snacks, movie and more!

Friday, February 9  
4-H Training Center  
Auditorium  
5:00-9:00pm  
Ages 5 to 12

\$20 per youth or  
\$50 for 3 or more!

Space is limited, RSVP to Kathy Bowers, [krc8@cornell.edu](mailto:krc8@cornell.edu) or 716-433-8839 ext. 239.

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THIS COMPLETED FORM IS DUE TO THE 4-H OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY JANUARY 10, 2024

## 2024 Niagara County 4-H Public Presentation Registration Form

Note: Repeat presentations that you already presented at a previous 4-H public presentations event will not be accepted.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Regular 4-H Member \_\_\_\_\_ Cloverbud Member \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Age as of January 1, 2024: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Presentation: Demonstration \_\_\_\_\_ Dramatic Interpretation \_\_\_\_\_ Illustrated Talk \_\_\_\_\_  
Recitation \_\_\_\_\_ Speech \_\_\_\_\_ Interview \_\_\_\_\_ Unsure \_\_\_\_\_

Title or Topic of Presentation: \_\_\_\_\_ Approx. Length of Presentation: \_\_\_\_\_ mins.

Are you presenting with a partner? (co-presenting) Circle: YES NO

\*\*\*Your partner still needs to fill out their OWN registration form\*\*\*

Are you planning to use this presentation at "Horse Communications" competition? Circle: YES NO

How many 4-H presentations have you given? County \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_ Club \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Please check your presentation date preference:

\_\_\_\_ Saturday February 24, between 10am-3pm (4-H training center) small live animals

\_\_\_\_ Thursday February 29, between 4:30pm-8pm (4-H training center)- no live animals

I will count my presentation towards this animal species educational meeting \_\_\_\_\_

You must specify which species on this form. It will be recorded and given to your species leaders.

Does the presenter have any special needs that you would like to share with the judges?

We have an alternative judging rubric that may be requested for your child.

Besides easels, are there any special equipment requests? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you presenting a PowerPoint Presentation? Circle: YES NO

\*\*\*Bring saved PowerPoint on USB flash drive\*\*\*Laptop & Projector will be provided\*\*\*

Would you like to volunteer as a room host? Circle: YES NO If yes, what date? \_\_\_\_\_

(Counts as community service)

### **Join us for Public Presentations Pre-Game Practice! (Optional)**

***HIGHLY ENCOURAGED!***

Practice "Pre-Game" dates will be **Tuesday, Feb 6 and Sat., Feb 10**, by appointment only. Please choose a practice date & RSVP to Helen Rowlands by January 15, to set up appointment for practice session:

[hrihell65@aol.com](mailto:hrihell65@aol.com)

***Return this completed form to 4-H Office or E-mail as an attachment to [ssh85@cornell.edu](mailto:ssh85@cornell.edu) by 1/10/24...***

***You will receive a sign-up genius link to schedule your exact time slot.***

For more information... <https://genesee.cce.cornell.edu/4-h-youth-development/club-information-resources/tractor-safety?fbclid=IwAR1PucDbtbFT8BUAwxMnqeo191TR2ybiorE5LGxhc2OgnFnw1Jm1Yxfllc>

The cost is \$25 per youth. Upon completion of the program, The Niagara County 4-H Club Sponsors will reimburse youth, contact Debi Sweeney at dsweeney7371@gmail.com.



# **4-H TRACTOR SAFETY PROGRAM**

**Saturdays, 8:00am - 12:00pm  
January - March 2024**

**This certification program allows youth ages 14 and 15 to  
legally operative farm equipment for hire.**

**Registration is due January 27th.**

**Contact the Genesee County 4-H Office to register:  
genesee4h@cornell.edu or 585-343-3040**



# VIRTUAL 4-H DAIRY BOWL PRACTICES

Join other youth from across the state for Virtual Dairy Bowl practices, hosted by the NYS 4-H Dairy Committee.



JANUARY 11  
JANUARY 25  
FEBRUARY 8  
FEBRUARY 22  
FEBRUARY 29

TIME: 7:00 - 8:00 PM

Register at:  
<https://bit.ly/2024DairyBowlPractice>

CONTACT DEBBIE GRUSENMEYER  
WITH ANY QUESTIONS AT  
[DJC27@CORNELL.EDU](mailto:DJC27@CORNELL.EDU)



TO REGISTER:

<https://cornell.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMoc-urpjlVHd0lq3wxsJAstSGRQabydK2G>





# SAVE THE DATE: NYS 4-H Horse Judging Clinic

*9am-2pm  
February 11th, 2024*

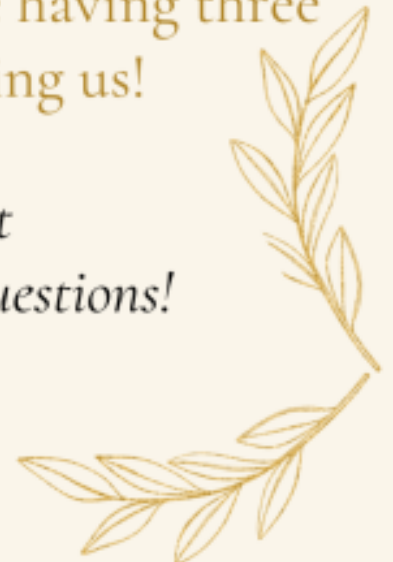
*Cornell University  
507 Tower Road  
Frank B Morrision Hall*

Registration information will be sent out soon!

Cost: \$10 per youth/adult participant with a cap of \$25 per family!

Join us for a day of learning about horse judging and how to prepare and give reasons! We will be having three judges from across the state joining us!

Contact Jessica Tyson at  
[jms943@cornell.edu](mailto:jms943@cornell.edu) with any questions!





# 2024 NYS 4-H LIVESTOCK SUMMIT

JANUARY 24TH TO FEBRUARY 24TH @ 7 P.M.  
VIA ZOOM

- January 24th - AgVocating for your Market Animal  
Eileen Jenson, New York Animal Agricultural Coalition
- January 31st - Getting it Done at Home!  
Tracy Dendinger, Champion Choice Camps
- February 7th - Swine Health  
John Heins, National Pork Board
- February 21st - Animal First Aid  
Kate Perz, Suffolk County Farm and Education Center Educator
- February 28th - Where is that Steak From?  
Jessica Waltemeyer, NYS Extension Small Ruminant Specialist

To Register: <https://cornell.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMvcOGvpjgiHNO-OmN6ENgjxt8vWMfIVYiG>

For more information contact Brian Aukema at [bj14@cornell.edu](mailto:bj14@cornell.edu)

TO REGISTER: <https://cornell.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJMvcOGvpjgiHNO-OmN6ENgjxt8vWMfIVYiG>

# Agricultural Activities

## Animal Science Members

**\*\*NEW\*\* Re-Enrollment deadline for returning members is January 5, 2024**

- Returning/Re-enrolling members must re-enroll by January 5, 2024, to be eligible to show/exhibit animals at the 2024 Niagara County Fair. Re-enrollments received between January 6, 2024-March 1, 2024, can still participate in 4-H and attend all animal meetings & 4-H programs, but are not permitted to show animals at fair in 2024. This is a hard deadline and exceptions will not be made.
- First time enrolling/new members - must enroll by March 1, 2024, and meet the minimum meeting requirements (explained below) to be eligible to show any animal species at 2024 fair.
- Each Clover Bud & 4-H Member must attend at least 5 species meetings per year (between September 2023-July 2024) to meet minimum meeting requirements, to be eligible to show/exhibit animals of any species, at the 2024 Niagara County Fair.
- County level 4-H public presentations can count towards ONE of those 5 meetings, for those showing multiple species, counts for only 1 animal species of 4-H'er's choice \*Decide at time of public presentation sign up
- Farm Safety Course (newly offered in 2024) can count towards ONE of those 5 meetings, for only 1 animal species of 4-H'er's choice (if showing multiple species) \*Decide at time of course sign-in
- Each animal species program/leader has the right to require additional requirements in order to be eligible to show that species within their program, at leader's discretion.

### 4-H Dairy Cattle Cloverbud Meetings

Date: Thursday, January 18

Time: 6:00pm

Place: Large Meeting Room

RSVP: by January 10, contact Debi Sweeney at dsweeney7371@gmail.com or 716-795-9257 to ensure there are enough supplies for each member

All 5, 6, 7 year old members are welcome to join the club that meets monthly in the Large Meeting Room at 6:00 p.m. All members will learn the 7 breeds of dairy cattle; a variety of topics such as farm safety, parts of a cow, dairy nutrition, and preparing a calf for the fair. They will make cow crafts to enter in the fair and end each meeting with dairy product refreshments. All parents are encouraged to provide helping hands. Please call if you have any questions.

Future scheduled dates:

|                         |
|-------------------------|
| February 15             |
| March 12                |
| April 18                |
| May 16                  |
| June 13                 |
| July Workbee            |
| July 31 - August 4 Fair |



### Working Goats

Working goats will be holding two meetings on their meeting dates unless otherwise noted. The first meeting will start at 6:00 pm and it will be for Cloverbuds and new members. It is Goat 101. The second meeting will start at 7:00 pm and be Goat 202 - for those members who have been in the program for awhile and it will introduce new learning.



Looking for other animal science meetings? Check the calendar for upcoming meetings.



### Attention Livestock Auction Participants

4-H youth planning to participate in the 2024 Livestock Animal Auction at the Niagara County Fair, **must** attend one of the two meetings.

- January 17, 7:00pm in the Auditorium OR
- March 14, 7:00pm in the Auditorium

**INTERESTED IN CATS???** There is a new cat club in town! Check out more information on page 2.



### Dog Program

Classes will resume 3/6/2024. If you are interested in any information regarding the dog program, please contact Dawn Keough at 716-940-7677, kerikkelsi11@aol.com.

# Equine Happenings

## 2024 County Equine Educational meetings

Dates: Jan. 11 (Thurs.), Jan. 24 (Wed.), Feb. 7 (Wed), Feb. 22 (Thurs), March 6 (Wed)

Time: 7:00pm

Place: Auditorium

All meetings will be broken down into 3 knowledge levels (beginner, junior and advanced). We will cover breeds, feeds, health, tack, etc. Meetings are open to anyone interested in horses and fulfill county fair requirements. More info: Cheryl Bish 716-439-4499 or [ckrfarms@aol.com](mailto:ckrfarms@aol.com)

## TACK SWAP

Date: Friday, February 23

Time: 7:00– 9:30pm

Place: Training Center

Time to clean out those closets or tack room to make room for this year's tack and show attire. Tables are free to current 4-Hers, but must be reserved. Contact Cheryl Bish 716-439-4499 or [ckrfarms@aol.com](mailto:ckrfarms@aol.com)

**2024 Regional Horse Event dates:** Horse Bowl - March 9 (Cattaraugus Co.)  
Presentations - April 6 (Alleghany Co.)  
Hippology - April 27 (Erie Co.)

## Public Presentations

If you are interested in doing an equine presentation, there are 3 categories: Individual, team or public speaking. You must do a county presentation before going to regionals. Top regional presenters go onto the state contest and State contest winners get to attend Nationals in Kentucky. If you need an idea or help, please contact Cheryl Bish 716-439-4499 or [ckrfarms@aol.com](mailto:ckrfarms@aol.com) or Ashley Randall [ashley.randall22@houghton.edu](mailto:ashley.randall22@houghton.edu)

## Equine 5-Star test 2024

Date: Wednesday, March 20

Time: 6:00 - 8:30pm

Open to anyone. Study guides may be found on the CCE website or come to any of the county equine meetings. Questions? Contact Cheryl Bish 716-439-4499 or [ckrfarms@aol.com](mailto:ckrfarms@aol.com)

See **NYS Horse Judging Clinic** flyer on page. 9

## Sheep & Swine Virtual Meetings

### Swine Zoom Meeting

Date: Monday, January 29

Time: 7:00pm

Link to join: <https://cornell.zoom.us/j/92950202057?pwd=ZVB5UjBZUU4xTzB4YoIrKzZybCtRQT09>

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### Sheep Zoom Meeting

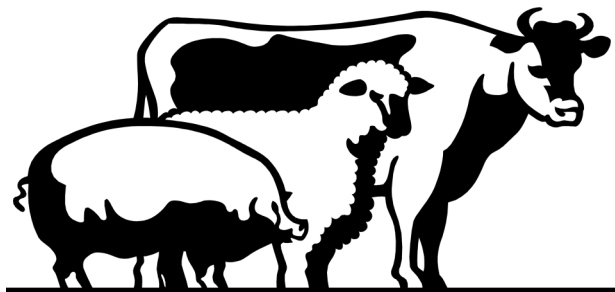
Date: Wednesday, January 31

Time: 7:00pm

Link to join: <https://cornell.zoom.us/j/93473378490?pwd=ZC9HdTFyV3I3c294V21tZTEySmxTZz09>

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# Calendar

| Date                           | Time    | Place                         | Topic                    | Type     |
|--------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|
| <b>**December 25-January 1</b> |         | <b>CCE Offices are Closed</b> |                          |          |
| January 7                      | 2:30pm  | MR                            | Open Sewing              | Workshop |
| January 8                      | 6:00pm  | MR                            | Fabric Basket            | Workshop |
| January 9                      | 6:30pm  | LMR                           | Beef Cloverbuds          | Meeting  |
| January 10                     | 6:00pm  | AUD                           | Rabbit & Cavy            | Meeting  |
| January 11                     | 5:00pm  | LMR                           | Ozobots Coding           | Workshop |
| January 11                     | 7:00pm  | AUD                           | County Equine            | Meeting  |
| January 13                     | 12:00pm | MR                            | Embroidery               | Workshop |
| January 15                     | 1:00pm  | LMR                           | Gluten Free Baking       | Workshop |
| January 15                     | 5:00pm  | LMR                           | Gluten Free Baking       | Workshop |
| January 15                     | 7:00pm  | MR                            | Dairy Bowl               | Meeting  |
| January 16                     | 7:00pm  | AUD                           | Beef                     | Meeting  |
| January 17                     | 4:30pm  | MR                            | Lego Engineering         | Workshop |
| January 17                     | 7:00pm  | AUD                           | Livestock Auction        | Meeting  |
| January 18                     | 6:00pm  | LMR                           | Dairy Cattle Cloverbuds  | Meeting  |
| January 18                     | 6:00pm  | AUD                           | Working Goats            | Meeting  |
| January 20                     | 8:30am  | LMR                           | Sausage Making           | Workshop |
| January 21                     | 2:30pm  | MR                            | Open Sewing              | Workshop |
| January 22                     | 6:00pm  | MR                            | Origami Baskets & More   | Workshop |
| January 22                     | 7:00pm  | AUD                           | Dairy Bowl               | Meeting  |
| January 23                     | 5:00pm  | LMR                           | Stop Motion (part 1)     | Workshop |
| January 23                     | 7:00pm  | AUD                           | Poultry                  | Meeting  |
| January 24                     | 7:00pm  | AUD                           | County Equine            | Meeting  |
| January 25                     | 6:30pm  | AUD                           | 4-H Niagara Nature       | Workshop |
| January 27                     | 12:00pm | MR                            | Embroidery               | Workshop |
| January 29                     | 6:30pm  | MR                            | Cat Club                 | Meeting  |
| January 29                     | 7:00pm  | Virtual                       | Swine Zoom               | Meeting  |
| January 29                     | 7:00pm  | AUD                           | Dairy Bowl               | Meeting  |
| January 30                     | 5:00pm  | LMR                           | Stop Motion (part 2)     | Workshop |
| January 31                     | 7:00pm  | Virtual                       | Sheep Zoom               | Meeting  |
| February 1                     | 6:00pm  | AUD                           | Cloverbud Party          | Activity |
| February 1                     | 7:00pm  | LMR                           | Entomology               | Meeting  |
| February 3                     | 11:30am | LMR                           | Making Skin Care Product | Workshop |
| February 3                     | 12:45pm | LMR                           | Making Skin Care Product | Workshop |
| February 3                     | 2:30pm  | AUD                           | Owl Pellet Dissection    | Workshop |
| February 4                     | 2:30pm  | MR                            | Open Sewing              | Workshop |
| February 5                     | 6:00pm  | MR                            | Stretch Bracelet         | Workshop |
| February 5                     | 7:00pm  | LMR                           | Dairy Bowl               | Meeting  |
| February 6                     | 4:00pm  | Admin                         | Public Presentation      | Practice |
| February 7                     | 7:00pm  | AUD                           | County Equine            | Meeting  |
| February 9                     | 5:00pm  | TC                            | Kids Night Out           | Activity |
| February 10                    | 9:00am  | TC                            | Public Presentation      | Practice |
| February 10                    | 12:00pm | MR                            | Embroidery               | Workshop |
| February 12                    | 7:00pm  | LMR                           | Beef                     | Meeting  |
| February 13                    | 6:30pm  | LMR                           | Beef Cloverbuds          | Meeting  |
| February 13                    | 7:00pm  | AUD                           | Dairy Bowl               | Meeting  |

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| February 14 | 6:00pm | AUD | Working Goats           | Meeting  |
| February 14 | 4:30pm | MR  | Lego Building           | Workshop |
| February 15 | 6:00pm | LMR | Dairy Cattle Cloverbuds | Meeting  |
| February 15 | 6:30pm | MR  | Stain Glass Art         | Workshop |
| February 20 | 7:00pm | AUD | Dairy Bowl              | Meeting  |
| February 21 | 7:00pm | AUD | Poultry                 | Meeting  |
| February 22 | 7:00pm | LMR | Entomology              | Workshop |
| February 22 | 7:00pm | AUD | County Equine           | Meeting  |
| February 23 | 7:30pm | TC  | Equine Tack Swap        | Event    |
| February 24 | TBA    | TC  | Public Presentations    | Event    |
| February 25 | 2:30pm | MR  | Open Sewing             | Workshop |
| February 26 | 6:00pm | BR  | Cat Club                | Meeting  |
| February 26 | 6:00pm | MR  | String Art              | Workshop |
| February 26 | 7:00pm | AUD | Dairy Bowl              | Meeting  |
| February 27 | 7:00pm | AUD | County Equine           | Meeting  |
| February 29 | TBA    | TC  | Public Presentations    | Event    |

## Room Key

**Administration Building**-BR (Board Room), ADMIN (Administration Building), MR (Memorial Room)

**Training Center**- TC (Training Center), AUD (Auditorium), LMR (Large Meeting Room), SMR (Small Meeting Room)

**Out Buildings**- SHOW (Showring), BARN (Animal Species Barn), MB (Merchants Building), GH (Greenhouse), AEB–Agricultural Education Building, TBA– To Be Announced

## 4-H Resources

<https://cals.cornell.edu/nys-4-h-animal-science-programs->

4-H Animal Science Programs

<https://www.nys4-h.org/international-exchange>– International Exchange

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