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Cloverbud Supplement

176th Columbia County Fair
August 31 – September 5, 2016
Chatham, NY



Here it is! The 31st Annual Cloverbud Fair Letter. We hope you find it very useful. Linda Tripp is here to help make your experience at the fair an enjoyable one so if you have any questions, please feel free to contact her at 518-828-3346 x203 or lke2@cornell.edu.

Please return the R.S.V.P. by August 1. The deadline is very important so, if you have your information ready in July - send it in! Do not delay!

We will post a complete list of event schedules (along with those registered for the events) and reminders on our CCE website (www.ccecolumbiagreene.org) by the middle of August.

WHAT IS THE COLUMBIA COUNTY FAIR? The Columbia County Fair is an annual exhibition sponsored by the Columbia County Agricultural Society. Cornell Cooperative Extension, a division of the United States Department of Agriculture, is invited to exhibit at the fair each year.

WHERE IS THE COLUMBIA COUNTY FAIR? The fairgrounds are located in the village of Chatham. The entrance can be found on Rte. 66. A walk-in entrance is on Rte. 203.

WHERE IS THE 4-H OFFICE? At the fair, the 4-H office is located in the Columbia Hall building. The building is staffed from noon to 9 p.m. on Wednesday and then 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday thru Monday (all during the fair). If you have questions or need help with any problems, this is where you should go. At least one Cooperative Extension staff person or authorized volunteer will be in the building on a full-time basis. A staffing schedule for fair week will be posted. If you need to speak with a specific person, please leave a message for that person.

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WHEN IS THE COLUMBIA COUNTY FAIR? The Columbia County Fair will be opening August 31 at 12 noon and runs through Labor Day. Specific dates for entries, shows, and events are published in the 4-H Cloverbud Supplement annually.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO EXHIBIT? Any Columbia County 4-H Cloverbud member enrolled for the current year.

COLUMBIA COUNTY FAIR EXHIBITS DUE

Cloverbud member exhibit displays are to be put up and arranged by each individual club in their assigned space. It is up to each club leader to assure that the entry tags and ribbons are attached when the exhibits arrive and that the exhibits are arranged in your club's display space. Spaces will be labeled with club name and located in the Cloverbud Building.

Please let us know if your club plans to exhibit so we can plan the space needs. Sign up using the form on the last page of this letter. Club spaces begin at three feet long and are increased as club size increases. Please call if your club has special display needs.

All Cloverbud exhibits, club windsocks, and club banners must be brought to the Cloverbud Building (behind the Columbia Hall building) and set-up between noon and 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, August 30. All exhibits should have a Cloverbud entry tag (yellow) and ribbon (available from the Cooperative Extension Office) attached to it. The **exhibit must have been created as part of a cloverbud club activity or program to be displayed at the fair.** Projects done on your own are not eligible for the County Fair Cloverbud Display.

Each member is responsible for getting his or her exhibits to the Fairgrounds by 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 30.

All exhibits must be on display through the last day of the fair, Labor Day. They may be picked up on Monday, September 5 from 9 to 9:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, September 6 between 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. or 4:30 and 6:30 p.m.

CLUB WINDSOCK CONTEST

All clubs are invited to participate in the Annual Windsock Contest. Why not start now to make a windsock to represent your club? Be creative with ideas and materials. (This should be done as a club activity.)

Previously entered windsocks are not eligible for ribbons, though they may be set up with your club's exhibit. Only new windsocks will be given ribbons. Call the Cooperative Extension Office if you need a pattern.

CLUB BANNER CONTEST

All clubs should have some sort of a banner to put on the wall with their club display. Banners should be at least three feet long by two feet wide, but no longer than four feet long by three feet in size.

Ribbons will be given for new banners. Banners exhibited in previous years may be displayed, but no ribbons will be given.

WORKING BOOTH DEMONSTRATIONS

Would members of your club like to show fair-goers something they know? Here's the spot for them! Get a group from your club together to demonstrate for at least a half hour. (If they want to work in shifts it may be longer than a half hour - let me know). We'll have easels for your posters and a table for your materials. You are welcome to have fair-goers join in. Please sign-up, on the enclosed R.S.V.P., with your name, title of presentation, length and what day and time is best.

CLOVERBUD PET SHOW

The Pet Show will take place on **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5** at 10:30 a.m. Please R.S.V.P. by August 1 as we need to know how many animals/participants to expect. We will have a list of questions ready to ask each participant. Questions will include name, type of pet, grooming techniques, what you feed your pet, how many times a day you feed it, is there anything special your pet can do, do you have other pets at home. **All pets must be in a cage, get along with other pets**

and be one the cloverbud member can control. Pets only on a leash (and not in a cage) are NOT allowed onto the fairgrounds.

Each member is asked to bring ONE pet. Animals must leave fairgrounds immediately after the show. Animals may only be handled by a Cloverbud or a family member. Please allow time for parking/walking to the building. Everyone receives a Pet Show rosette.

Picture Option – Cloverbuds may bring up to five pictures of an animal they help care for (farm animals as well as pets). Be prepared to answer the same questions as above, but leave the animal at home.

MINI-BARNYARD

4-H members are setting up a mini-barnyard outside Columbia Hall on **THURSDAY, September 1** from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m., **SUNDAY, September 4** from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m. and **MONDAY, September 5** from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. This is an opportunity to meet the animals and ask questions. NO R.S.V.P. is necessary. Wear appropriate footwear.

4-H FASHION REVUE

Cloverbud members who participated in the spring 4-H Fashion Revue are invited to participate at the fair. It will take place at 12 noon on **SUNDAY, September 4**. Please use the R.S.V.P.

VEGETABLE ART DISPLAY

Each year 4-H'ers and Cloverbuds come and make their own "Vegetable Art Creations". This will take place at Columbia Hall on **SATURDAY, September 3** at 9:30 a.m. Each participant will have from a half to one hour to create a vegetable sculpture. You will need to supply the tools such as knives, twin curl cutter, spiral slicer, or food decorator tool, the vegetables and anything else you will need.

Your creations will be exhibited only until they begin to spoil. We'll give you a ribbon for participation. Sound like fun? It is! Be sure to join us by signing up on the R.S.V.P. and coming on Saturday.

4-H PEDAL POWER DERBY

Once again, "The Derby" will take place on **THURSDAY, September 1**, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Cloverbuds who have completed grades K-2 can try their skill at a "mini tractor pull." They will have a choice of two pedal toy tractors. Everyone will receive a ribbon. There is a limit of 25 participants so sign up now. Use the R.S.V.P. and provide the name and grade the child just finished.

CLOVERBUD BUILDING CLEAN-UP

We need the help of adults and youth to wash down and clean-up the Cloverbud Building. This will be done **TUESDAY, AUGUST 23** from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. (Fair Clean-Up Night).

Please bring brooms, buckets, sponges, cleaning supplies, shop vac, scissors and staple guns. The more help we have, the faster the job will go!

EXHIBIT PICK-UP

ALL Cloverbud exhibits should be picked up on **MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5** from 9-9:30 p.m. and **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6** between 8:30-10:30 a.m. or 4:30-6:30 p.m. We cannot allow any early release of exhibits.

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN MANY WAYS

All the programs of Cooperative Extension, including 4-H, could not have a successful County Fair display without your help. Please consider volunteering a few hours. Select from the following opportunities and give us a call or complete the R.S.V.P. and return by August 1. **If an adult is volunteering during the fair for at least a three-hour time slot, and signs up by August 23, we will give you a fair entrance pass.**

COLUMBIA HALL SET-UP – Help is needed to set up Columbia Hall on Monday and Tuesday, August 29 and 30, for judging. We also need help on Wednesday morning, August 31, to arrange the 4-H exhibits for viewing.

JUDGE'S AIDE – Each of our Tuesday night judges needs a helper to attach ribbons, punch cards and move exhibits. The more help we have the more smoothly the evening goes. We are also in need of an adult or two to help in the 4-H office to transfer information from the double-entry cards to the master list – Tuesday evening and Wednesday morning.

MILK BAR ADVISORS - At least one adult is needed each time period to help supervise the teens as they work. You need not have a team working there to assist. You should attend training on Tuesday, August 23 at 6:30 p.m.

BAKED POTATO PROMOTION - Three to four adults needed each shift to work with staff in serving potatoes. It runs from Wednesday through Monday – shifts on Wednesday are 12-3:30 pm and 3:30 -7:00 pm. Thursday-Monday shifts are 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. and 3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

ADULT BUILDING VOLUNTEER - Either an adult volunteer or a 4-H Junior Superintendent is needed in each building for each shift to keep a watchful eye on our exhibits, answer questions and encourage the public to visit other 4-H exhibits. Shifts run each day: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon, 12:00 noon-3:00 p.m., 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

MARKSMANSHIP BOOTH - Adults are needed to supervise youth at the Marksmanship booth. It is open every day – with shifts 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Those interested will be invited to a training before fair begins.

FAIR ENTRY PASS INFORMATION

A daily pass can be purchased by enrolled 4-H members and enrolled 4-H leaders at the Fair Administration Office on the Columbia County Fairgrounds. The cost of this 4-H pass is \$5.00 per day. Only those enrolled as of June 15 will be eligible for these passes – the Fair Administration Office will be checking the 4-H list provided to them.

Cloverbud members and 4-H members under age 12 cannot purchase these passes as they may already enter for free.

Passes must be purchased before 8 p.m. on Tuesday, August 30.

Anyone over the age of 12 who is not an enrolled Cloverbud or 4-H member or 4-H volunteer leader is encouraged to purchase advanced sale passes - \$8 each. They can also be purchased from the Fair Administration Office now until 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 30.

2016 COLUMBIA COUNTY FAIR 4-H EVENTS

TUESDAY, August 30

4:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

All exhibits except live animals brought in and evaluated (Columbia Hall)

WEDNESDAY, August 31

10:00 a.m.

12:00 Noon

1:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

7:30 p.m.

All animal exhibits must be in place

4-H Buildings Open

4-H Marksmanship Booth (behind Columbia Hall)

4-H Rabbit/Cavy Show (Show Ring)

Required Large Animal Exhibitor Meeting (Milking Parlor Bleachers)

THURSDAY, September 1

10:00 a.m.

1:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

4:30 p.m.

5:30 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

4-H Poultry and Displays Judged (Poultry Building)

4-H/Open Beef Show (Show Ring)

4-H Marksmanship Booth (behind Columbia Hall)

4-H Mini-Barnyard (in front of Columbia Hall)

4-H Avian Bowl (Columbia Hall Porch)

4-H Cloverbud Peddle Power Derby (in front of Columbia Hall)

4-H Swine Show (Show Ring)

FRIDAY, September 2

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

10:00 a.m.

12:00 Noon – 3:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

3:30 p.m.

5:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

4-H Public Presentation Showcase (North Stage)

4-H Dairy Cattle Show (Show Ring)

4-H Public Presentation Showcase (Columbia Hall)

4-H Marksmanship Booth (behind Columbia Hall)

4-H Goat Show (Show Ring)

4-H Animal Costume Class (Show Ring)

4-H Rabbit Hopping/Agility Exhibition (Show Ring)

SATURDAY, September 3

9:30 a.m.

12 Noon (approximate)

1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

2:30 p.m.

30 minutes after the Dairy Show

4-H Vegetable Art Display (Columbia Hall)

4-H Dairy Cows Judged During Open Show (Show Ring)

4-H Marksmanship Booth (behind Columbia Hall)

4-H All American Pizza Contest (Columbia Hall)

4-H Sheep Show (Show Ring)

SUNDAY, September 4

10:00 a.m.

12:00 Noon

1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

1:30 p.m.

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

8:30 p.m.

4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Exhibition (Columbia Hall Porch)

4-H Fashion Revue (Columbia Hall)

4-H Marksmanship Booth (behind Columbia Hall)

4-H Brown Bag Lunch Contest (Columbia Hall)

4-H Mini-Barnyard (in front of Columbia Hall)

4-H Livestock Sale 25th Anniversary Bidders' Picnic – invitation only (Show Ring)

4-H Cow Chip Bingo (Wash Rack Area)

MONDAY, September 5

9:00 a.m.

10:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

11:30 a.m.

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

1:30 p.m.

6:00 p.m.

9:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

4-H Dairy/Livestock Challenge (Show Ring)

4-H Master Livestock Showperson Competition (Show Ring)

4-H Cloverbud Pet Show (Columbia Hall Porch)

4-H Creative Place Setting Contest (Columbia Hall)

4-H Mini Barnyard (in front of Columbia Hall)

4-H Marksmanship Booth (behind Columbia Hall)

4-H Livestock Sale (Show Ring)

4-H dairy, beef, sheep, swine, goats released

4-H non-animal exhibits release

4-H poultry, covies, rabbits released

TUESDAY, September 6

8:30 a.m. -10:30 a.m. &

4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.

All 4-H exhibits may be removed – any left after this time are at your own risk

Cloverbud R.S.V.P.

Due by August 1 to: Cornell Cooperative Extension, 479 Route 66, Hudson, NY 12534

NAME: _____

CLUB NAME: _____ PHONE: _____

WINDSOCK CONTEST

___ My club will enter a new windsock.

BANNER CONTEST

___ My club will enter a new banner.

PUBLIC PRESENTATION SHOWCASE – Friday, September 2, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

___ I will do a formal presentation on Friday. The best time for me is: _____

Title of Presentation: _____

WORKING BOOTH DEMONSTRATION

___ I will present a working demonstration. Day and time preferred: _____

Who are you working with? _____

Title of Presentation: _____

CLOVERBUD PET SHOW - Monday, September 5, 10:30 a.m.

___ I will bring a pet in a carrier – name and type of pet _____

___ I will bring up to five photos of my pet instead of my pet

VEGETABLE ART DISPLAY - Saturday, September 3, 9:30 a.m.

___ Please sign me up for the Vegetable Art Display

PEDDLE POWER DERBY - Thursday, September 1, 5:30 p.m. (for those who have completed grades k-2)

Name(s) and Grade(s) Completed: _____

CLOVERBUD CLUB EXHIBIT SPACE

___ My club will use: 3 feet 5 feet 7 feet (circle one) of exhibit space in the CB Building.

FASHION REVUE - Sunday, September 4, 12:00 Noon

Names(s): _____

ADULT RSVP

Please return by August 1st to: Cornell Cooperative Extension, 479 Route 66, Hudson NY 12534

Name: _____

Address: _____

Day Phone: _____ Email: _____

BAKED POTATO PROMOTION BOOTH

Wed		Time	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
12:00-3:30		11 am-3 pm					
3:30-7:00		3-7 pm					

COLUMBIA HALL SET UP

___ I would like to help set up on the following days at the times indicated:

___ Monday, August 29 (1:00 pm—4:00 pm)

___ Tuesday, August 30 (9:00 am—noon)

___ Wednesday, August 31 (8:30 am—noon)

ASSISTANCE ON JUDGING NIGHT—TUESDAY FROM 4:00-8:30 PM

___ I would like to help an evaluator

___ I would like to help in the 4-H office

(over)

ALL OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

(please put a check mark in the time and day available to help)

Time/Activity (9 am-noon)	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Milk Bar Advisor					
Columbia Hall Vol.					
Rabbit/poultry Bldg. Vol.					
Cloverbud Bldg. Vol.					

Time/Activity (noon-3 pm)	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Milk Bar Advisor						
Columbia Hall Vol.						
Rabbit/poultry Bldg. Vol.						
Cloverbud Bldg. Vol.						

Time/Activity (3-6 pm)	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Milk Bar Advisor						
Columbia Hall Vol.						
Rabbit/poultry Bldg. Vol.						
Cloverbud Bldg. Vol.						

Time/Activity (6-9 pm)	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
Milk Bar Advisor						
Columbia Hall Vol.						
Rabbit/poultry Bldg. Vol.						
Cloverbud Bldg. Vol.						