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FAIR ISSUE

Wayne County 4-H New, The Link

Dear Junior Fair participants, parents and club advisors,

This issue of THE LINK contains **important information** about the Wayne County Junior Fair. Every 4-H family and FFA livestock exhibitor is receiving this letter.

Please note: **IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT EVERY FAMILY HAVE A COPY AND READ THE WAYNE COUNTY JUNIOR FAIR BOOK.** These are available from your 4-H advisor or from the senior fair office. This is a complete list of rules, guidelines, show dates and times, sale requirements, etc. It is also available on-line at go.osu.edu/JFBook2017

Advisors: please be sure you have handed a fair book to every 4-H member, and members - if you did not receive one, please REQUEST one! Rules, show times, and other fair details can change from year to year so be sure to read all information in the general rules and under your respective applicable departments.

As we prepare this month for the fair and during the fair – let us all remember the importance of working together, taking a deep breath when things get tough or stressful, and most of all to take time to have fun, enjoy each other's company and friendship, and to stay positive. We are all a part of 4-H and Jr. Fair because we believe in the incredible learning opportunities available to our youth through this organization. With that in mind, no one is perfect, we are all human and we all make mistakes. So let's be nice to each other and work together to make our fair a successful and enjoyable experience for everyone.

Sincerely,

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The Post Newspapers is calling for all local 4-H members to be featured in our annual Wayne County Fair Guide publishing Sept. 2. Email a photo along with a brief description to news@thepostnewspapers.com. Please include the 4-H member's name, hometown, 4-H club name, how many year's they have been in 4-H and what projects they are doing this year. The deadline is **Friday, Aug. 25 at noon.** Thank you again and feel free to call if you have any questions — 330-309-1745.





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07	Junior Fair Board	7 pm	
08	CARTEENS Advisory Committee	2 pm	
08	FCS, Still Project, Small Animal, and Gardening Project Judging	16 - 9 pm	
09	Coronation Interviews	6 pm	
10	Beef Committee	7 pm	
10	Turkey Blood Testing	6 - 8 pm	
12	Dog Fun Show	10 am - 4 pm	
14	Skillathon Wrap-up & Suggestions Meeting	6 - 7 pm	
14	Horse Committee	7 pm	
14	Sheep Committee	7 pm	
15	Dairy Committee	7 pm	
16	Dog Committee	6 pm	
17	Poultry & Rabbit Committee	7 pm	
17	Swine Committee	7 pm	
21	Senior Fair Board	8 pm	
22	Goat Committee	7 pm	
24	Skillathon Committee	7 pm	
28	Horse Youth, Parents & Advisors Pre-Fair Informational Meeting	6 pm	
28	CARTEENS Class	6 - 8 pm	
28	Live Beef Carcass Show	7 pm	
29,31	Org. Advisors Pick Up Fair Passes & Show Numbers	3 - 7 pm	
31	Beef Carcass Contest Results	7 pm	
31	Live Sheep Carcass Show	6 pm	
SEP	TEMBER		
01	Excellence in 4-H Award Nominations Due	By 4:30 pm	
04	Labor Day - Office Closed	All Day	
04	Junior Fair Board Work Day	8 am - Noon	
04	Food & Fashion Board Work Day	8 am - Noon	
06	Junior Fair Board Work Night	7 - 9 pm	
06	Sheep Carcass Contest Results	7 pm	
07	Junior Fair Board Work Night	7 - 9 pm	
08	Org. Advisors Pick Up Fair Passes & Show Numbers	9 am - 9 pm	
09-14	Wayne County Fair	All Day	
15	Tear Down Club Booths and remove items in 4-H Building 10 by noon	By noon	
15	Org. Advisors Pick Up Premium Reports from Jr. Fair Office by noon	By noon	

19	TEAM FAIR Clean-Up Night	6 pm
25-26	Org. Advisors Pick Up Premium Checks from Jr. Fair Office	3 - 7 pm
25	CARTEENS Class	6 - 8 pm
30	Junior Fair Board Post-Fair Wrap Up Meeting and Party	6 pm
30	Nominations for Action Committees and 4-H Advisory Committee Due	By 4:30 pm
30	County Award Medal Applications Due	By 4:30 pm
30	Excellence in 4-H Award Applications Due	By 4:30 pm
30	Meritorious Service Award Nominations Due	By 4:30 pm
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02	Junior Leaders	7 pm
02	Horse Committee	7 pm
03	Dairy Committee	7 pm
04	Dog Committee	6 pm
05	Beef Committee	7 pm

Baking Contest

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Jr. Fair Board & Wayne County Food & Fashion Board are sponsoring the annual Baking Contest and Auction on Sunday Sept. 10th. The contest is open to any county youth ages 8 - 18.

Excellence in 4-H Award Interviews



6 pm



Entry forms are available at the Extension Office or online at go.osu.edu/JFBC17 Entry deadline is Friday, Sept. 8th at 4:30 pm. Prizes will be awarded to the top three placings in each category. Proceeds from the auction will be used for scholarships and board activities.

Congratulations to the Junior Fair Royal Court

Representing Wayne County on the court this year is:

Ty Clark
Garrett Gwin
Isaac Kinney
Briar Lehman
Krystalyn Martin
David Miley
Hannah Strock
Kaci Way
Abbey Werstler
Kierstyn Wood

Be sure to see the crowing of the new queen and king, prince and princess on Saturday, September 9th at 8 pm in the Carter Building.

4-H Youth Participation Expectations:

- Participate fully in the program, activity and/or event.
- Be responsible for your own behavior/conduct, uphold high standards for the group and accept the consequences for inappropriate behavior.
- Support and abide by the group's designated advisor/leader.
- Practice good citizenship, leadership and self-governance.
- Follow the direction of staff.
- Demonstrate positive sportsmanship and attitudes at all times that is becoming of a leader.
- Show respect to others by being courteous and respectful.
- Use appropriate language at all times and always wear school appropriate clothing.
- Respect and adhere to the guidelines of the Ohio State University Extension and Ohio 4-H Program.
- Youth Participating in a 4-H equestrian activity are required to wear protective headgear as described in rule #1 of the Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse shows.

Behavior, Conduct or Activity Not Permitted:

- Unsportsmanlike, unethical, immoral conduct.
- Improper language, i.e. profanity.
- Possession or consumption of alcohol, of illegal drugs, including the use of tobacco, weapons, fireworks, of harmful objects with the intent to harm or intimidate others.
- Unauthorized boys in girls' rooms/girls in boys' rooms or lodging areas.
- Destruction of property; graffiti, etc.
- Violation of established curfew.
- Disrespect for adults, other participants, volunteers, staff and/or those who are in a leadership position.
- Belittling others; putting others down and being disrespectful of individual differences.
- Aggressive, physical behavior; fighting.
- Taking property that belongs to others, stealing; borrowing/using others' property without permission of the owner.
- Other conduct determined to be inappropriate by designated Ohio State University Extension staff members, and/or volunteers, or Junior Fair Officials/Staff.

NOTE: Each 4-H member has agreed to abide by the 4-H youth code of conduct when they signed the form at enrollment. For information about action taken when in violation of the Code of Conduct, please revisit your copy of the 4-H Youth Code of Conduct.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Please encourage folks in your community to donate blood during the fair. The bloodmobile will be located on the south side of the Coliseum on Sunday from 1 - 6 pm and Monday from 1—6 pm

If you or your club would like to donate any juice or snack items, please let 4-H Educator Doug Foxx know by Friday, September 1st.

H3N2 Influenza (Swine Flu) Outbreak at an Ohio County Fair

Last month there was an outbreak of H3N2 influenza at the Clinton County Fair. This strain of virus will often cause a fever in hogs. Humans infected with H3N2v have mostly been associated with prolonged exposure to pigs at agricultural fairs. Limited human-to-human spread of this virus has been detected in the past.

Simple steps to keep in mind to keep everyone safe:

- Don't take food or drink into pig areas; don't eat, drink or put anything in your mouth in pig areas.
- Don't take toys, pacifiers, cups, baby bottles, strollers, or similar items into pig areas.
- Wash your hands often with soap and running water before and after exposure to pigs. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand rub.
- Avoid close contact with pigs that look or act ill.

As always, frequent hand-washing can lower your risk of getting sick from influenza, salmonella, e. Coli and other illnesses. Ohio's fair veterinarians are trained and encouraged to carefully monitor fair livestock and poultry for clinical signs of illness. Exhibitors who believe their animal may be sick should immediately contact a committee member and the fair veterinarian. Fair guests who experience illness should contact a medical professional, and their local health district.

If an outbreak were to occur during the Wayne County Fair, everyone should follow directions given by the veterinarian and ODA officials who would be investigating the case.

Source: https://www.cdc.gov/flu/swineflu/h3n2v-cases.htm and ODA Press Release July 14th: OHIOANS URGED TO PRACTICE GOOD HYGIENE AT FAIRS



Nomination Forms Due in September

Due to the large amount of information, we are unable to provide each application in print in this newsletter. Please visit the link below or stop by the Extension Office.

Excellence in 4-H

Nominate your older outstanding members (17-18) for this award. Nomination forms are available on the county 4-H website go.osu.edu/EN4H17. Please turn them in to the Extension office by 4:30 p.m. on September 1st.

County Award Metals

Nominate outstanding 4-H members (or yourself) who you think excelled in their project area. The awards are presented at the fall banquet. The form is available at go.osu.edu/CAM17. This form is due to the Extension Office by September 30th.

Meritorious Service Award

Each year the Extension 4-H Committee presents an award to an individual, group, or business who has made great contributions of his/her time and talent to the 4-H program. We welcome any nominations you have for the Meritorious Service Award. Please complete and submit to the Extension Office the brief nomination form at go.osu.edu/EN4H17. Nominations are due September 30th.

Star Club Award

This program is not a competition, but a standard of excellence for all clubs to strive to achieve. Every club can earn points during the year (January through September). Star Clubs will be recognized at the 4-H Recognition Banquet on November 9, 2017. Fabulous prizes will be awarded to clubs that earn this special recognition! Final applications are due to the Extension Office on September 30th. The application can be found at go.osu.edu/STAR17.

Thank You to our Outgoing Committee Members



Our organization is made up of many parts and pieces! Each piece is vital to keep our organization moving forward and growing! One of those pieces is our 4-H/FFA Action Committees. These action committee member are the behind the scenes volunteers for each project area that help prepare clinics, the Jr Fair fair shows, and project judging! These Action Committee members are voted in for a three year term and can complete two 3 year terms in a row.



We want to thank the following committee members for their years of service. We are very grateful for them and all they do!

Completing their first terms or 3 years on a committee:

Josh Harley – Beef Bob Wirth – Beef Ken Wood - Beef Marcia Brueck - Building 10, FCS Sharon Emler – Building 10, FCS Brenda Oser – Building 10, Still

Keith Winkler – Building 10, Still Anita Hershey – Dairy Michelle Kindle – Dairy Jennifer Wood – Dairy Jeb Weeman – Goat Cameron Cline – Goat

Adam Gasser – Goat Beth Shisler – Horse Susan Howman – Rabbit/Poultry Angela Shoemaker – Sheep Ron Strock – Sheep Laura Wood – Sheep

Completing their second term or 6th year on a committee:

Renee Jackwood - Dog Cindy Barstow – Swine Dave Devore – Swine Molly Devore – Swine

Committee Nominations

Everyone will have the opportunity to pick up a form to nominate people to serve on the Beef, Dairy, Horse, Sheep, Swine, Goat, Rabbit/Poultry, Building 10 and Dog committees. Nomination forms may be picked up at the Junior Fair office or downloaded from the Extension web site at go.osu.edu/4HAC17 or for the 4-H Advisory Committee at go.osu.edu/4HAD17. Forms must be returned to the Extension office by September 30th. These nomination forms must be completed, or at least signed, by the person being nominated. The completed nomination forms will be compiled and placed on a ballot to be voted on by advisors and committee members. Nominees do **not** need to be current club advisors.

Just keep peddling, Just keep peddling..... Bikes for Kids

We would like to add your club's name to the list below who have supported the Bike's for Kids At Christmas project. We have not received many sponsorships so far this year. Thank you to those who have sponsored so far:



Madisonburg Pioneers - 2 bikes, Apple Creek Wide-A-Wake - 2 bikes, Sugar Creek Gang, Jefferson Pioneers, Springville Cowpokes, and Country Strong - 1 bike.

Decoration Requirements

The following guidelines are provided by the office of the State Fire Marshall for use in connection with fire safety decoration activities at the fair:

- Paper or cloth suspended or shown in any manner for use in decorations or other purpose shall be specially treated materials to render them flame-resistant. Commercial flame retardants are suggested. Flame-resistant treated crepe paper may be obtained through reputable paper dealers, although it is not recommended.
- Decorative materials such as cotton batting, straw, dry vines, leaves, trees, artificial flowers or shrubbery and foam plastic
 materials shall not be used for decorative purposes in a building in such a quantity as to constitute a fire hazard. Per 1301:7703(G)F-305.1OFC
- <u>Decoration Flame-Resistant Solution:</u> 7 oz. Borax + 3 oz. boric acid + 2 quarts hot water. Dissolve the boric acid by making a paste with a small quantity of water. Add this and the Borax to the hot water. Stir until solution is clear. Warm the solution if it becomes cloudy or jelly-like from standing.

Cloverbud Participation

Per state guidelines, Cloverbuds are permitted to participate in the Junior Fair <u>for exhibit only</u>. Participation ribbons and premiums will be given to each Cloverbud who has an exhibit. *Advisors will find Cloverbud and Group Project ribbons in their fair booth beginning Sept. 5th.*

Pre-fair Traffic

Thursday and Friday prior to fair opening, all traffic will be one way!!!! Traffic must enter Vanover Street gate and exit the back gate. Everyone (including Junior Fair Board) must park in the track infield or back parking lot. Do not park on grounds where tents, booths and trailers are moving in. Please unload large items at the Junior Fair building, then go park.

We ask that owners of trailers and large trucks DO NOT PARK VEHICLES JUST OUTSIDE THE WEST GATE during the fair. Please park in the designated areas. NO EXHIBITOR PARKING AROUND 4-H HORSE BARNS. ONLY AUTHORIZED VEHICLES ARE PERMITTED IN THAT AREA. The parking lot behind the Coliseum is for handicap parking only.

Vehicle Pass

Members with beef, sheep, goat, dairy, swine, rabbit, poultry or saddle horse projects will be issued a vehicle pass (ONE per family). It will permit a vehicle on the grounds for feed delivery or feeding between 10:00 PM and 10:00 AM. You must have an exhibitor gate pass and a vehicle pass to drive in to feed.



Wayne County Fair Camping

Those wanting to camp at the fair must pick up registration forms at the Senior Fair Office. The completed application must be returned to the Senior Fair office by **August 19th.** Last year's campers will receive preference. If you are a first time camper, please do not include payment with your application; payment will be requested when you are informed as to whether you have been assigned a camping spot.

If you know of a family that is now done showing in 4-H, please encourage them to let their space become available for those who are current exhibitors and need to stay in the camping area.

DUNF Forms

Drug Use Notification Forms were passed out at the skillathons to all participants needing them. More DUNF forms are available at the Jr. Fair Office and Extension Office. You must bring the completed DUNF form(s) to the fair with you at animal check-in.

Be Aware of the Overnight Policy

Staying overnight during the Wayne County Fair is STRONGLY discouraged. However, if a member MUST stay, then the following rules apply:

- 1. Members must complete an overnight form and return to the Jr. Fair Office by September 1st as they have in the past. The form is available on the 4-H website go.osu.edu/OP17. Absolutely no overnight forms will be accepted after September 1st.
- 2. No children under the age of 9 years will be allowed to spend the night.
- 3. Children from age 9 14 must be accompanied at all times by a parent or legal guardian during the night and no more than 2 children can be with any one parent/guardian.
- 4. Children age 15 to 20 years will be permitted to spend the night in a building accompanied by either:
 - Any adult 21 years of age or older, on a one-on-one basis; or
 - A parent or legal guardian with no more than two children with one parent or legal guardian.
- 5. All those staying overnight must be in the barn in which they are staying by 10:00 pm and remain there, or they will not be permitted to stay.

Fair Passes and Show Numbers

Show Numbers will be given out with the fair admission passes and vehicle passes on the following dates at the Junior Fair office:

Tuesday, August 29 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 31 3:00 - 7:00 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8 9:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

An Advisor or designated adult should pick up and sign for fair passes and show numbers for the entire club. NO TICKETS or SHOW NUMBERS WILL BE MAILED OR HANDED OUT INDIVIDUALLY BY THE JUNIOR FAIR OFFICE!

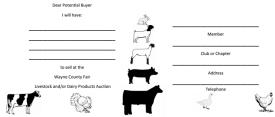
Members under 6 years of age do not need a ticket to enter the fairgrounds. Parents may use their child's ticket when feeding animals. If parents have concerns about getting in to feed livestock they can feed prior to 8:00 a.m., purchase a fair membership or season ticket for six admissions from the Senior Fair Secretary's office (under the grandstand).

Premium Payout Reminders

The Junior Fair office will be doing ALL premium pay-outs after the Fair. On Monday, Sept. 25th and Tuesday, Sept. 26th, from 3:00-7:00 p.m. THESE ARE THE ONLY TWO DAYS advisors can come to the Junior Fair Office to pick up premium checks. The checks will be made payable to each individual member. Organizational advisors will have the opportunity to review the club's premium pay-out report before checks are printed so there should be no need for corrections after Sept. 26th. Contact the Junior Fair office by phone (330-264-9895) or e-mail (wcjrfair@hotmail.com).

School Absences

The Junior Fair will request excused absences for day(s) members show and/or sell their animal(s). Check with your school to determine proper absentee procedures.



Buyer Invitations

A "buyer invitation" for members with market animals or dairy cows and heifers to use with prospective buyers is on our website at go.osu.edu/JFLA17. If you have serious potential buyers, have them contact the Extension Office for a pass to get in on sale days. If you are selling a market animal or showing a dairy animal you need to get out and promote the market or dairy products sales.

Reminder about sale programs

Sale programs are only printed for the buyers (each buyer receives one program). Members and parents must refer to posted programs in the barn to determine final sale order.



Selling your Market Animal??? Consider Donating

to the Wayne Co. 4-H Scholarship Fund, the Hugh Kline 4-H Endowment Fund, Beef Committee Scholarship Fund or the Wayne County 4-H Youth Development Fund. Pick up a donation slip at the buyer registration table and give it to the auctioneer as you sell your animal.

<u>Note:</u> One of the options on the donation card for many years was to give to the F. Doyle Findley Scholarship Fund. This fund is now a permanent endowment at the Wayne County Community Foundation. This new setup will generate at least one collegiate scholarship per year in perpetuity. Since this scholarship is now fully funded, we have decided to take this fund off the list options on the green cards available for exhibitors to make a donation during the sale.

Announcements during the Livestock Auctions

The auctioneers have shared with us some issues when notes and letters are handed to them during the auction. We request Junior Fair members do not give the auctioneers any written notes or scripts without prior approval.

Gifts for Livestock Buyers is Discouraged

Please do not give your livestock buyer a perishable item after selling your animal. Remember buyers sit at the sales for many hours and there can be food safety issues with perishable food items not kept at proper temperatures.



We strongly recommend **NO GIFTS TO BUYERS AT ALL DURING THE FAIR!** Although appreciated, some buyers prefer not to carry these gifts with them the rest of the day as they remain at the fair after the sales. You might consider holiday cards, or creative ideas other than gifts during the fair. Some buyers have indicated they appreciate a 'look in the eye and strong handshake with a sincere thank you' as opposed to a gift.

Buyer Thank You Notes



Exhibitors selling their animal(s) at the Junior Fair livestock sales **MUST** send a "Thank you" note to the buyer(s) before they receive checks. This thank-you note is to be delivered to the Extension Office **in a stamped, sealed and completely addressed envelope** beginning the Monday after the Fair and no later than one (1) week after the sales!

Checks for the sale of market animals will be sent to members only after a "Thank you" note is presented to the Extension Office. To help you find your buyer's name and address, the results of the 2017 auction will be posted on our web site at go.osu.edu/WCLA17. We will try to get that list posted on Friday, the day after the auction, or as soon thereafter as possible. The list will be posted by 4-H/FFA members' names, alphabetically, followed by the member's project(s), the buyer, and the buyer's address. The thank you note itself must be brought into the Extension Office to be checked off before mailing.

While you are at it.....

Have you thanked your club's advisors and officers for the guidance they have given you in completing your project this year? And what about your parents? Have you expressed appreciation for the time, money and effort they have put into supporting you through the 4-H year? The Junior and Senior Fair Boards, the 4-H committees, trophy sponsors, the folks at the Extension Office—all of these people have contributed to your success in 4-H. Give them a call or write them a note. They'll love it!

Stalls and Bedding Requirements

The type of bedding at the fair is determined by department. You need to provide your own bedding, unless you are using straw. If you are using straw, a donation of straw has been made to the fair board for the first bedding only. Subsequent beddings must be provided by the exhibitor.

Barns & Preferred Bedding

Hog – shavings (supply your own)

Goat - straw

Dairy – straw (if using saw dust under straw, follow Sr. Fair rule; maximum of 6" deep)

Both Beef Barns - mulch (provided by beef comm.)

Horse – straw or shavings (supply your own)

Market Lamb – shavings or mulch (supply your own)

Breeding Sheep – shavings, mulch or straw (wool breeds may prefer straw) (supply your own)

Rabbit – shavings—no cedar shavings (supply your own)

<u>Please note</u>: all types of bedding may go on manure wagons. You may still use straw in a barn that is designated above as shavings but you must provide your own. Mulch **must** be used in the beef barns.

Beef Projects

On steer and breeding beef show days, members may bring their grooming chutes in to the barn area. Chutes must be taken home at the end of show day.

During fair week, the two beef champions and the two dairy champions may leave their chutes in the barn area. Up to three more chutes (total of seven) may be brought in to the barn area; however, all beef exhibitors are to use these seven chutes throughout the week. Members wanting to bring in their own chutes for the week must get permission from the beef committee.

Horse Projects

The Horse Committee and Senior Fair Board would like all of you to work together to keep the horse barns clean and looking new! Also, please see the Jr. Fair rule book for tack box dimensions.

Please follow these rules:

- 1. Use ROPE and PLASTIC ZIP-TIES ONLY for hanging decorations, stall cards and pictures, etc. Hooks will be provided for use in stalls. These hooks are not to be removed, nor additional hooks added.
- 2. No staples, nails, tack, screws, or tape of any kind are to be used
- 3. No painting of the stall or anything else in the horse barns.
- 4. No painting of hooves on the concrete.

Violation of these rules will result in loss of fair premium!



Pen and Stall Assignments

Stall cards and pen assignments will be posted by the evening of Wednesday, September 7th. We ask that advisors, members or parents do not come to the Junior Fair office to look at barn charts before this date. Do not come to decorate prior to this as stall charts may not be available.

CHECK-IN TIMES FOR LIVESTOCK

Animals **must** arrive and be checked in during the following times or by the following times. DO NOT BRING ANY ANIMALS TO THE FAIR PRIOR TO THE ARRIVAL AND CHECK-IN DATES LISTED BELOW! There is no security until Friday. Thanks for your cooperation.

BEEF Market steers and heifers must arrive by 10:00 AM Friday. Breeding beef and feeder calves must arrive by

5:00 PM Friday. Feeder calves will be weighed following steers (5:30pm). Check in for breeding beef is

Fridday from 4-6 pm in the Coliseum (**Do not bring animal**).

DAIRY Check in Friday 3:00-10:00 PM and Saturday 8-9 am (You must check in or you will not show)

GOATS Check in Friday 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM (no early arrival)

HORSE By 9:00 AM Saturday

POULTRY Check in Friday 11:00 AM to 10:00 PM RABBITS Check in Friday 11:00 AM to 10:00 PM

SHEEP By 10:00 PM Friday

SWINE Arrive and check in Thursday 4:00-10:00 PM or Friday 9:00 AM-10:00 PM

(no other arrival time). Note: Member, family member, or authorized person must be present to pen the pig after the

pig is weighed.

Overweight and Underweight Animals

Market Hogs, Market Lambs, Meat Goats, Market Poultry and Market Rabbits that are underweight and Market Goats that are overweight **will not** remain at the fairgrounds to show. They will be removed immediately following weigh-in.

Fan Use in the Barns

Because of the present electrical wiring in the barns, we limit the use of fans. If we have hot weather, every effort will be made to provide adequate ventilation in the barns. Steers are limited to one 24" fan per animal.

Pen Cleaning Policy For Beef, Goats, Horse, Poultry, Rabbit & Swine

Animals are to be fed, watered and pens cleaned at least once a day! (more often if necessary)

Inspection:

- A) Shall be completed by a minimum of two Beef, Goat, Horse, Poultry/Rabbit or Swine Committee members.
- B) Inspection shall take place twice a day.
- C) A written log must be kept and include the following information: exhibitor's name, aisle, pen #, date of first, second, and third warning.
- D) A list will be maintained on the bulletin boards of the respective barns showing: who is in violation and where they stand on warnings (first, second, etc.)
- E) During inspection any pen found to be wet, have excessive manure, or be emitting foul odor will be considered in violation and receive a warning. (Horse: a violation is also considered if the project animal is not being properly fed and watered EACH DAY).
- F) When a warning is issued the pen will be posted with a card advising of such and which warning it is (first, second, etc.).
- G) Goat, Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep, Swine project exhibitors must clean their animal's pens after they leave or are sold.

Discipline:

- A) First offense: Pen will be tagged advising first warning clean pen now.
- B) Second offense: Pen will be tagged advising second warning clean pen now.
- C) Third offense: Pen will be tagged advising third and final warning.
- D) If pen is still found to be in violation on the inspection following the third warning the exhibitor will not be allowed to show or sell his or her project at the fair. The exhibitor also will not be allowed to exhibit that same project the following year of the violation at the Wayne County Fair. (Horse: if stall has not been cleaned or the animal has not been fed or watered following the third warning, the exhibitor will not be allowed to show any classes beyond the date of third warning or collect the premium for that year's fair.)

<u>THANK YOU!</u> - A special Thank You to Jackwood Law Office, Tractor Supply, W.G. Dairy and Weaver Leather for donating the Outstanding awards for skillathon this year! Bowman Beverage, Gerber Poultry, Certified Angus Beef, Frito-Lay, and Rural King for donating towards the facilitator's meals. And as always, the Skillathon Facilitators for volunteering to make a difference in the lives of the youth in Wayne County!

Skillathon Suggestions Meeting

We understand there were many concerns about how Skillathon went this year and are very sorry for any confusion, misunderstanding, or other challenges that youth and/or parents and volunteers experienced. Despite these issues, there were also many positive experiences with Skillathon and we are proud of the efforts of our youth and facilitators that worked through the challenges.

While things are fresh in everyone's minds we would like to invite anyone that has ideas or suggestions to improve Skillathon for next year to please join us for a Skillathon Suggestions Meeting on Monday August 14th from 6-7 pm at the Extension Office

Wayne County Junior Fair Clean-up Night

Inviting our Wayne County 4-H TEAM (Together Each Accomplishes Much). All members, advisors, parents, committee members and friends are encouraged to come join the fun on Tuesday, Sept 19 from 6 - 8 pm at the Jr Fair Office. Senior Fair Board members will lead work teams to accomplish jobs at all skill levels. Pizza and drink will be provided at 8 pm for all the workers. Bring gloves, screwdrivers, pliers, trucks and your enthusiasm!!

Thinking of Starting a New 4-H Club

In the past few years, we have lost clubs around the county while our enrollment has increased! As always we are trying to grow the program, and we feel more clubs would help us get some new members and lessen the burden on our current Organization Advisors.

To help this challenge, we have created a new club packet that we will give to any new clubs created for 2018! Included within this club packet is a set of desktop US and 4-H Flags, 4-H Pledge banner, a gavel and a few other things. We also hope to have a handful of meetings to help these advisors get started on the right foot! So if you are interested in starting a new club up, breaking away from your current club, or just have questions on the subject call or email Doug Foxx at the Extension Office!

5 tips for healthy fair animals

Show season brings new concerns for livestock health. Here are some ways to keep livestock healthy before taking them to the fair.

- **1. Vaccinate** Vaccinating animals before attending a fair or show can help decrease the risk of catching some diseases from other livestock at the event. Keep vaccination records to keep track of withdrawl times and when animals need to be vaccinated.
- 2. Conduct Health Checks Before shows and fairs, watch animals for signs of contagious diseases. Some fairs and shows require health checks from veterinarians prior to the show. Regardless, do not exhibit animals that show signs of contagious diseases to avoid spreading disease to other animals. If an animal becomes ill during the fair, quarantine the animal and consult a veterinarian.
- **3. Be aware** Some species have specific or greater health concerns than others. For example, avian flu has been devastating for poultry owners in the last few years. Swine also bring special biosecurity concerns. For example, Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome can be a problem because some swine that are not obviously ill can carry the disease and infect other swine. Being aware of diseases and risks for particular species gives exhibitors a greater chance of preventing these issues and recognizing if there is a problem.
- **4. Practice Trailer Safety** Before towing livestock in a trailer, make sure that the truck and trailer are both in good condition and that all latches, safety chains, brakes and connections are working properly and fastened securely.
- When loading livestock, remain calm and patient to minimize stress on the livestock and double check the trailer for any safety hazards, such as broken or sharp objects in the trailer. If animals are tied, use slipknots tied securely at head height. Do not allow animals to have their heads out of the trailer, where they could be hit by flying objects.
- **5. Pre-clean** Disinfect all equipment, including buckets, manure rakes and shovels, halters and brushes, before bringing it to the show. Also, clean and disinfect the trailer and avoid transporting animals with livestock from other farms, when possible, to decrease the risk of contamination.

Sources: Preventing the spread of animal diseases — Applications for youth livestock shows by Rosie Nold, extension youth animal science specialist; David R. Smith, extension beef/dairy veterinarian, Michael C. Brumm, extension swine specialist, University of Nebraska Lincoln Extension; Livestock trailer safety, extension.org; Biosecurity checklist for livestock exhibitors, Washington State Department of Agriculture; Keeping your livestock show animals healthy, The Poultry Site; Keeping animals healthy, Penn State Extension.

THE SMITHIE WHIZ KIDS ARE SPONSORING A <u>TRAINING SESSION & PRACTICE SHOW for Dairy Goats & Boer</u> PRIZES With Judge June Johnson PRIZES

Saturday, August 12 from 9:30-11:30 a.m., at Bernhardt's Indoor Arena, 2749 E. Hutton Rd, Wooster

NO whites to wear, & No shaving or cleaning goats Bring one animal for showmanship and lawn chairs

R.S.V.P. to Heide for reservation: 330-988-3547 – FIRST 30 4-Hers - NO WALK-INS!!

BE ON TIME....TRAINING STARTS AT 9:30



Congratulations! Thank you to everyone who donated school supplies this year! Together, we gathered 1,995 school supplies!!!!

Congratulations goes out to **Country Strong 4-H Club** for winning the 2017 4-H "Back to School Drive". Country Strong was able to collect an outstanding 12.2 items per member! WOW!!

Coming in second place was the Madisonburg Pioneers 4-H Club with 8.4 items collected per member. And in third place we have the Wayne Country Cousins 4-H Club with 6.3 items per member.

Thank you to all the other clubs who attempted our challenge & donated items:

Apple Creek Wide-A-Wake, Baughman Guys & Gals, Clinton Lads & Lassies, Cream of the Crop, Dalton-Kidron Big 4, Horses R Us, Jefferson Pioneers, Milton Country Clovers, Smithie Whiz Kids, Springville Country Club, Springville Cowpokes, Sterling 604 Rangers, Valley College, West End Rowdy Wranglers.

Once again Congrats to Country Strong 4-H Club, who will be enjoying a Pizza or Ice Cream Party on behalf of the Wayne County 4-H Committee!

Ten Commandments for Parents and Advisors of Jr. Fair Livestock Exhibitors

- 1. Thou shalt not feed, train and care for the animal, for thou art trying to teach the child responsibility.
- 2. Thou shalt forgive a child for making mistakes in the showing ring, for thou hast made mistakes, too.
- 3. Thou shalt not get mad when thy child forgets items in the show box, for one day thou mayest forget the show box.
- 4. Thou shalt help the show management, for they are doing a job that thou wouldst not want to do.
- 5. Thou shalt see that thy child is on time for all showing activities, for thou wouldst not want to wait on another.
- 6. Thou shalt be sure that thy child has possession of the animals and the entry papers in order by the designated time, for thou art trying to teach the child honesty.
- 7. Thou shalt teach the child that winning a blue ribbon is a desirable goal, but learning and making friends along the way are more worthy goals.
- 8. Thou shalt not complain about the judge, for it is his/her opinion that has been sought.
- 9. Thou shalt not forget that livestock projects are teaching projects and not money-making projects.
- 10. Thou shalt remember that the livestock project is a family project that shall be enjoyed and supported by the entire family.

ADVISOR'S CORNER ON PRACTICING GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP

This is a natural time of year, with county fair competition right ahead, to discuss good sportsmanship with the members of your 4-H club. You might do it this way: give two groups of members time to plan short role plays. One group's skit should illustrate good sportsmanship in the show ring; the other groups should act out poor sportsmanship. Or, have members draw pictures or sculpt playdough of what they think represents good sportsmanship and present it to the club. After each group performs in front of the club or shares, have all club members identify some rules or characteristics of good sportsmanship.

Here are some things that should make your list:

- •Win graciously. Don't brag or "rub it in."
- •Play fair, by the rules don't cheat.
- •Congratulate the winner and others who place above you.
- •Don't take it out on your animal when you don't win.
- •Don't blame everyone and everything else when you're not at the top of class.
- •Be helpful and considerate of other exhibitors.
- •If you've won, share your knowledge and skills with others. Help them improve.
- •Be courteous to the judge and everyone.

Conclude by encouraging all members to be good sportsmen, representing your club well. It's how you play the game . . . not just whether you win or lose!