

Woune County 4-H News





Dear 4-H members, parents, and advisors / volunteers,

Thank you to everyone that attended one of our recent Required Advisor / Volunteer Training events. We really enjoyed getting to see you and hope that you gained some useful information to help you be successful as a 4-H advisor and volunteer this year.

Don't forget 4-H enrollments, forms, and activity fee payments are due to the Extension Office by April 1st at 4:30 p.m. and thanks for all you do to make the best better.

Sincerely,

Douglas S. Foxx Extension Educator,

4-H Youth Development

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OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY **EXTENSION**

BEGINNING OF THE YEAR REMINDERS

4-H Enrollment and Activity Fee Deadline

Enrollment forms must be signed by the youth, a parent/guardian, AND a club advisor. Enrollment forms and activity fee payments http://go.osu.edu/AFform must be turned in to the Wayne County Extension Office no later than April 1, 2017 at 4:30 pm. Youth enrolled after this date will not be eligible for exhibition at the 2017 Wayne County Junior Fair!

Online Enrollment

4-H Clubs are encouraged to input their own enrollment data into the 4-H Online system. If you would like to access this system or have questions while imputing the data, contact the Extension Office.

4-H Activity Fee Scholarship Deadline

Applications are due March 15, 2017 at 4:30 pm for members who wish to apply for the activity fee scholarship. Applications can be found at: http://go.osu.edu/AFscholarship

Project Guidelines and Updates

Project updates and guidelines are available for each of the project books. We include these in the organizational advisor's club packet and on our website: http://wayne.osu.edu/projectinfo. All livestock and some beginner projects will have printed guideline sheets included in the book, but all others will be available online. FCS and still project guidelines will be available online. Poultry, Rabbit, Sheep and Swine guideline sheets are almost complete and will be mailed to the lead organizational advisor.

Check Out the Ohio 4-H Project Central Website

On the 4-H Project Central website, anyone can preview the 4-H project books offered by Ohio 4-H. You can rate projects you've taken in the past to let other youth and advisors know how well you liked the project and to provide feedback to Ohio State University Extension professionals who will consider your feedback in future revisions and updates to project books. Project Central allows users to browse projects by skill level, topic area, and to search by keyword. Project Central allows you to share your project ratings and comments with your friends on Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest!

To access Ohio 4-H Project Central simply visit: projectcentral.ohio4h.org.

For All Potential New 4-H Advisors / Volunteers

All NEW 4-H advisors/volunteers will need to complete the volunteer screening process. Potential 2017 volunteers are defined as "new" if he or she was not enrolled as an advisor/volunteer in the 2016 4-H year.

To complete this process:

Ш	Receive or pick up a volunteer application packet from the Extension	Office	
	Complete the new volunteer application and return it to the Extension	Office by	April 1st
	Agree to and sign the Volunteer Standards of Behavior form.		

Send and successfully pass the criminal history fingerprint background check

☐ Complete a new volunteer training session and interview with 4-H Educator Doug Foxx. These are scheduled for May 15th and May 30th - all at 7:00 p.m. at the Extension Office.

Receive a letter from 4-H Educator Doug Foxx indicating they are approved to serve as an Ohio State University Extension 4-H volunteer.

Due to the need to complete the process (which takes approximately 6 weeks) before a volunteer begins working with the 4-H program, new volunteers will only be accepted from November 1st through April 1st each year.

If you have or are recruiting new volunteers for your club, please have them come to the Extension Office to pick up a packet which contains all of this information. The application must be turned in by April 1st by any potential new volunteer.



Make a World of Difference

Volunteer Trainings

For returning volunteers, who didn't attend a required advisor training in February, you will be sent a letter notifying you to:

- Schedule and attend Part 1 of the new advisor trainings held on May 15th and May 30th from 6-7 pm or call in to schedule a one-on-one appointment with Doug
- Update and complete your enrollment form and standard of behavior form and return to your club advisor or Extension Office by April 1st at 4:30 pm.
- If you do not complete these requirements, your volunteer status will be terminated for the 2017-2018 4-H year.

For new volunteers, who didn't attend the new volunteer trainings in February, you will be sent a letter notifying you to:

- schedule and attend Part 1 and Part 2 of the new advisor trainings held on May 15th and may 30th from 6-8:30 pm or call in to schedule a one-on-one appointment with Doug.
- Turn in all necessary paperwork to the Extension Office by April 1st at 4:30 pm
- If you do not complete these requirements, you will not be eligible to be a volunteer for the 2017-2018 4-H year.

COUNTY AND STATE OPPORTUNITIES

Dairy Palooza Registration Deadline is March 24

The Wayne County 4-H and FFA Dairy Committee invites any youth interested in Dairy to attend the Ohio 4-H Dairy Palooza on Saturday, April 22 at our Wayne County Fairgrounds. The Dairy Committee will sponsor registration fees for our county youth that preregister with the office. An email was sent out last month with the registration form, which can also be found at http://go.osu.edu/DairyPalooza These forms are due to the Extension Office by March 24 in order for your fees to be sponsored.

Club Officer Training Held April 4

The Junior Leaders will be holding a training for county club officers on April 4 from 7:00-9:00 pm at Fisher Auditorium. A great officer team can take your club meetings from average to extraordinary, and we want to help prepare your officers to do just that! Encourage your officers, new and old, to attend!

Judging and Educational Teams

We have several judging and educational teams in the county for our members to get involved with! Visit http://go.osu.edu/JudgingTeamContacts for the coach's name and contact information to be in the loop for practice and contest information.

Congratulations to our Junior Livestock Judging Team on bringing home 1st place honors at the ATI Contest February 25! Members Kelton Bair, Mason Johnson, Morgan Johnson, Kendra Marty, Macie Sexton, and Angelina Vanzile represented us well!

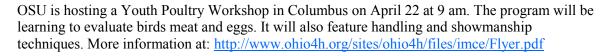


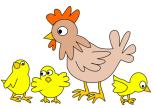
OSU Junior Swine Day

OSU is hosting a Junior Swine Day clinic at the OSU ATI campus on March 25, 2017 from 9 am—3 pm. Topics include Quality Assurance, Meat Science, Animal Evaluation, Nutrition and Show Tips and Tricks. Registration is due March 19th. This is a great opportunity for all members to learn something new and get credit for QA! More information can be found at: http://go.osu.edu/jrswineday

State Youth Poultry Clinics

OSU/OARDC is also hosting a Youth Poultry Clinic at OARDC on March 25, 2017 starting at 9 am. Topics include quality assurance, nutrition, flock care, biosecurity and health. Reservations are due March 17. More information can be found at: http://go.osu.edu/jrpoultryday





Junior Leaders

County-wide Junior Leadership club meetings are held for members 13 and older on the first Monday of each month January to May, and October through December (no meetings during the summer). All meetings begin at 7:00 pm, and are held throughout the county depending on the program. Members have a short business meeting, refreshments, hear from guest speakers, learn leadership games and other team-building activities, and community service activities.

If you have members still wanting to join, please contact the Extension Office to be put on the mailing list for meeting updates and reminders.

Celebrate 4-H Week - March 5-11, 2017



March 5-11 Ohio and Wayne County celebrate 4-H! The Awareness team has been out in February and March promoting 4-H to 3rd graders in Wayne County. We would like your help in recruiting new members and spreading the word about 4-H in our community! At your next meeting take pictures of your members during an activity and post them on our Facebook page. Use #WC4Hweek



Wayne County Rural Youth Square and Line Dance

Join the Wayne County Rural youth on Saturday, April 8, 2017, 8-11 p.m. at the Smithville United Methodist Church (243 N. Milton St., Smithville) for a square dance with the Stocksdale Band. Free lessons start at 7:30 pm. Admission is \$5. More info can be found at waynecountyruralyouth.org or call 330-669-2786

Future dances in 2017—June 10, September 10 (Wayne County Fair Dance), November 11 (*Locations to be announced. Check the Rural Youth website or Facebook page.*)

New this year -<u>The Star Club Award</u>

Earn points to be awarded fabulous prizes for having an outstanding club. Involve your members and plan a great year. View the application at:

http://go.osu.edu/STAR17

Club Officer Training

Junior Leaders is hosting their 2nd Annual Club Officer Training on April 4th at Fisher Auditorium from 7-9 pm . All clubs are welcome to send their club officers and members to learn how to better lead their clubs. The meeting will be lead by peer junior leader members.

Club Activity Ads

Does your 4-H club have an activity open to members outside your club OR have a fundraiser we could help promote? It's a free and easy way to advertise! Send us the information and we can add it into the next LINK Newsletter. We're all about 4-Her's supporting other 4-Her's, plus we like to know what you're up to as well!

CLOVERBUD CORNER

Cloverbud Resources

The State 4-H Office publishes a quarterly newsletter called *Cloverbud Connections* that is full of resources, ideas, and activities that 4-H advisors can do with cloverbud members in grades K-2. Cloverbud Connections is now available on-line at http://go.osu.edu/CloverbudConnections.

Big Book of Cloverbud Activities - includes hundreds of activities designed for Cloverbuds on topics from science, communication, citizenship and environment/plants/animals.

My 4-H Cloverbud Year - a fun book for cloverbuds to keep track of their activities and experiences as they transition to regular membership.

County Cloverbud Dates

- May 6 Cloverbud Fun Day Wayne County Fairgrounds with Ohio State's Astronomy Team (bring a 2-liter bottle)
- June 6 8 Cloverbud Day Camp Fisher Auditorium

Try this at your next meeting

Materials: paper or Styrofoam cups with the bottoms cut out.

What to do: Ask if anyone ever noticed the different ears animals have and their size compared to ours? What would it be like to have _(animal) ___ ears? Let the kids hold or put the cups on their ears. Try whispering, talking, singing and making noises with their "animal ears"

Application: Invite children to talk about what they observe about their animals and to notice more about them now. Learn how different animals react to noises. (loud/soft, in front/behind, predator/prey...) What can they do with their ears that others can not? How do others communicate that are deaf?

Thanks to The Big Book of Cloverbud Activities for the idea!

2017 JUNIOR FAIR RULE CHANGES

ALL EXHIBITORS:

- ◆ All livestock exhibitors must complete Quality Assurance training in order to show and sell at the 2017 Wayne County Fair. Quality Assurance will be held separately from Skillathon this year; both events are required.
- Youth may apply to be on Junior Fair Board from either 4-H or FFA, not both. If not selected by one organization they are not eligible to serve as a representative on Junior Fair Board for the other organization.
- Revised the Show / Sell rule to state: All 4-H/FFA members are expected to exhibit and sell their own animals. Exhibitors must be present to show in their Market or Showmanship class to sell. A Jr. Fair exhibitor may substitute for the exhibitor either in one class or in the sale, but not both. Exceptions will be made only for exhibitors who have a medical condition documented with a doctor's excuse or have conflicting shows.

QUALITY ASSURANCE:

- All livestock exhibitors (including Beef, Dairy, Dog, Goat, Horse, Poultry, Sheep and Swine projects) MUST complete Quality Assurance by <u>August 1st</u> in order to meet the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) livestock exhibition requirement for the Wayne County Fair and Ohio State Fair.
- Quality Assurance Training will no longer be offered during Skillathon and must be completed at another county or state opportunity such as QA specific training nights, clinics, Beef Expo, Swine & Poultry Day, or Dairy Palooza.
- ♦ If you complete QA at a state approved event, you must send proof to the office of your attendance by August 1st to receive credit and show at the fair

SKILLATHON:

◆ All livestock exhibitors (including Beef, Dairy, Dog, Goat, Horse, Poultry, Sheep and Swine projects) MUST complete Skillathon or livestock interview judging for each project area to complete their project and show at the Wayne County Fair.

BEEF:

- ♦ Beef has established an Outstanding Market Exhibitor program.
 - Members MUST sign up for the class via their Jr Fair Entry form
- ♦ The Beef Carcass Contest has been split into two separate classes consisting of Market Beef and Dairy Beef. The classes will not compete against each other.

BUILDING 10:

• Members have the opportunity to make a traditional paper poster or they may make a presentation with a laptop, notebook, or tablet to use at judgings to present to the Judge.

♦ E-Poster Requirements:

- The member may create the presentation, we are calling an e-poster, within a mainstream presentation software including, but not limited to PowerPoint, Google Slides, or Prezi.
- The e-poster may not include more than 15 slides or advancements.
- Members must bring their own device to share the presentation with the judge. Electricity may not be available, please bring a battery powered device.
- For the Fair displays, members print out their e-poster and attach the slides to a 22" x 28" full-size poster board.

DAIRY:

- ♦ Dairy has established an Outstanding Exhibitor Program.
 - Members MUST sign up for the class on their Junior Fair Entry form
- ♦ Exhibitors MUST check-in or they will not show. The committee will not be responsible for tracking down exhibitors.
- ♦ Change check-in time to Friday 3-8 pm and Saturday 8-9 am
- Judging contest registration to begin at 8:00 and contest to start at 8:30 am on Saturday

DOG:

• Revise and combine rule numbers 3 and 11 to read: For safety reasons, any female dog that appears to be in season, any dogs showing unruly behavior, signs of aggression, or general unsoundness, contagious diseases, or parasites are dismissed from showing and must be immediately removed from the fairgrounds.

GOAT:

- ♦ Added a Pygmy Obstacle course class shown by exhibitor age rather than goat age
- Rule 4 now reads: "No spiked or pronged collars of any kind allowed on the fairgrounds." in order to allow goat show halters



- ♦ The time limit of 5 minutes for all Utility Goat courses has been changed to 3 minutes
- ♦ Adding an additional age break to pygmy wether and doe classes. (i.e. for does: 0-6 months, 7-12 months, 13-23 months, 24 -35 months, 36-59 months, 5 years +)

HORSE:

- The costume class during the 2017 Wayne County Fair will be held a ½ hour following the conclusion of the Jr. Horse Show on Monday September 11th.
- Lack of forward motion during Contest Fun Shows will be DQ'd.
- Smaller condensed patterns will be used for walk trot contest classes during Tuesday Night Contest Fun Shows and the Fair.
- Senior Western Horse and Senior Western Pony classes to be combined into one Senior Western Horse / Pony class; same combination to happen for junior classes.

POULTRY:

- ♦ Small cage decorations may be torn down Thursday before 9:30 pm; however, large hanging signs that require a ladder to remove must remain in place until after 10:30 pm or the barn empties, as a safety precaution.
- \Diamond Check-in time from 11:00 am 10:00 pm

RABBIT:

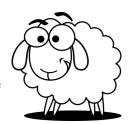
- Eight (8) or more entries are required for a **section** (i.e. breed). If there are not at least 8 animals in a section, those rabbits will be shown in the respective Commercial or Fancy "Other" section and class.
- Three (3) or more entries are required for a **class** (i.e. Junior Buck, Senior Doe, etc.) within a section (breed). If there are not enough animals for a class, they will be combined by <u>age</u>.
- ♦ There is NO CHANGE to the definition of a Meat Pen, as had been discussed as a potential rule change at Advisor Trainings. Meat pens consist of 3 rabbits that must be of the same commercial breed and same variety.
 - Sorry for any confusion this may have caused. Please call Nicole at the Extension Office with any questions or for further clarification.

SHEEP:

- ♦ The order of the sheep rules has been updated but few rule changes were made
- ♦ There will be a sheep carcass contest. These lambs must be tagged in at the June tag-in. Further details to follow

SWINE:

- OME –Outstanding Market Exhibitor will return.
 - Members MUST sign up for the class via their Jr Fair Entry form
- Underweight hogs will be dismissed as usual, but members will have the choice to sell it at market price or to have it custom harvested at a plant serviced by Heffelfinger Meats and receive the meat.
- Showmanship classes will be placed 1 5 rather than 1- 10



County-wide 4-H Shooting Sports Club starting up!



It has been many years since our County has had a countywide shooting sports program. At this time we are looking for volunteers willing to complete a training to become a certified Ohio 4-H Shooting Sports instructor that will work with the club. We have a few 4-H certified volunteers that are willing to head up the group, but we need more! The size of the club will correspond with a number of certified volunteers.

If you have questions, feel free to call Stephen Heppe at 330-264-8722 at the Extension Office.

17th Annual Wooster Spring Spectacular Steer and Heifer Show

Hosted by Wrangler Kids 4-H Club on Sunday, April 2 at the Wayne County Fairgrounds. Check in from 8 - 10 am. Show starts at noon. Heifers will show first, immediately followed by steers and a Wayne County Bred/Born/Raised Steer class. A dairy steer class will be held within the county class. Wayne County members are encouraged to show. If members did not show their steer (s) at tag-in, they may use this show as an opportunity to meet the "show before fair" requirement. For more information contact Don Castella (330-317-5668) or Todd Bair (330-465-6053).

Community Service Activity

Last fall in Gatlinburg Tennessee, many 4-H kids lost homes, animals and projects due to wildfires. Two young 4-H members also lost their lives. In an effort to help these families, the Seiver County Extension Office in Seiverville Tennessee is collecting gift cards to places such as Walmart, McDonalds, Burger King and Tractor Supply, to help those 4-H families that were affected. They are also collecting donations to send kids to 4-H camp. If your club would like to donate to the cause, please collect donations, gift cards or make handmade cards and send them to Seiver County Extension Office, 752 Old Knoxville Road, Seiverville TN 37862.



Tack Swap

The Wayne County Saddle Club is hosting a tack swap at the Wayne County Fairgrounds FFA Building on March 11, 2017 from 11 am to 4 pm. Cost is \$1 and there will be 4-H discounts. Vendor spots are available for \$15. Call Rich Gortner 330-466-1171 for more information.

Fun Fair Update

We are just a few months away from the 2nd Annual 4-H Fun Fair – to be held Saturday, June 24 from 4:00-8:00PM! This year we will have games, prizes, food, a petting zoo, pony rides, farm Bingo, a pedal tractor pull for ALL ages, a Chinese auction, the raffle, and a silent auction! Make plans NOW to attend! We are in need of YOUR help to make this event successful!! There are several ways you can help us:

- ★ <u>Donate!!</u> We are looking for donations to use in the raffle and auction. We would like to request that every club donates an item or basket to be used in our auction. Have fun with it!! Pick a theme and gather your items we will gladly put the basket together for you! Popular items include: apparel, equipment, books, toys, home décor, gift cards in any denomination, sporting event tickets, handmade items or woodworking projects, services such as repairs, lawn care, hair care, etc. We will also gladly accept cash donations to purchase items we need and to help cover expenses. If you would like to make a donation, (or if you would be willing to help the committee gather donations) please email Marie Marty at marie.marty@yahoo.com. This year, all donors will be recognized in our event program the deadline for all donation commitments is May 5 in order to be publicized.
- ★ Volunteer!! It takes hundreds of volunteers to make the Fun Fair successful and we would love your help running a game or serving food. If you or your club is interested in running a game or two, please contact Stacy Riley via email at rileycreston@aol.com. Stacy is in charge of setting up the game schedules, so please let her know if you are available to help.
- * Raffle Tickets!! We will have raffle tickets available for sale at the following events:

March 28 – Quality Assurance, April 4 – Officer Training Sessions, April 26 – Quality Assurance, May 25 – Quality Assurance, June 24 – at the Fun Fair

- Members may also pick up some tickets at these events to sell to family and friends. There will be prizes for the top 3 clubs and the top 5 individuals. If you sell tickets prior to the Fun Fair, all stubs must be turned in by Friday, June 23 in order to be counted for this contest! Details will be forthcoming on turn-in dates.
- Prizes for the raffle include: 40" LED TV, Kalahari Getaway for 6 People, Grill & Meat Package, MANY baskets!!!

If you have any questions, or would like to help in any way, PLEASE contact a committee member for details. Thank you for your support!

Junior Leaders T-Shirt Fundraiser



FRONT

Orders are due to the
Extension Office on

<u>May 1st, 2017.</u>

T-shirt pick up will be
<u>June 1st</u> at the
Extension Office.

More order forms can be
found at wayne.osu.edu



BACK

Last year's shirts were so popular, we decided to offer them again! This year we're also selling Long Sleeve Shirts and Hoodies in addition to T-shirts. The design is green and black, printed on a gray shirt.

Money from shirt sales will sponsor Junior Leaders Club activities!

T-shirts: \$10 Long Sleeves: \$15 Hoodies: \$25

Club/Chapter Name Advisor Name:							
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Total (due when you place your order): \$______ Please make checks payable to "Junior Leaders"



Legacy Dinner Join us for an evening benefiting

WAYNE COUNTY 4-H!

Thursday, April 20, 2017

Cocktail Hour - 6 p.m., sponsored by Troutman Vineyards

Dinner - 7 p.m., sponsored by Certified Angus Beef LLC and Gerber Poultry

Short program followed by a live auction

Shisler Conference Center · 1680 Madison Ave., Wooster, OH 44691



MENU

Roasted Certified Angus Beef® brand Split Strip Steak
Basil Chicken from Gerber Poultry
Garlic Whipped Potatoes
Vegetable Medley
Garden Salad

TICKETS

Assorted Desserts

French Bread

Funds raised will benefit Wayne County 4-H youth development programs.







\$50 per adult

Judging teams, clinics, camps, leadership development series, program supplies and more!



For more information, please contact Doug Foxx at 330-264-8722 or email foxx.2@osu.edu.

Thursday, April 20, 2017 Reception – 6 p.m. Dinner – 7 p.m.



Shisler Conference Center 1680 Madison Ave. Wooster, OH 44691

RSVP: kindly reply by April 1, 2017

First:	Last:
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Email:	
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Number of tables to be p	dult tickets to be purchased at \$50 each purchased at \$1,000 each (table seats 10 people)
I cannot attend but would like to	make a charitable donation in the amount of \$

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

Diamond Clover \$10,000 **Platinum Clover** \$5,000 All sponsors will receive recognition in event program and other printed materials. Silver Clover sponsors will receive two tickets. Gold Clover (table) \$2,500 **Emerald Clover** sponsors will receive ten tickets, and logo or family name displayed at the \$1,000 **Gold Clover** table. Emerald, Platinum and Diamond Clover sponsors will receive ten Silver Clover \$500 tickets, table signage, and additional premium recognition and promotional benefits. Contact Doug Foxx to discuss sponsorship opportunities and benefits. **Bronze Clover** \$250 \$100 Friend of 4-H

*A gift receipt for sponsorship can be issued upon request. Make checks payable to: The Ohio State University Foundation Note for memo line: Wayne Co. 4-H Fund #314869

Please send RSVP and contributions to:
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