



# Wayne County 4-H Newsletter

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Dear 4-H members, parents, & advisors / volunteers:

Spring is finally here and 4-H season is in full swing! It is exciting to have enrollment forms turned in and clubs up and running with meetings and planning their activities for 2015. In addition, our office has been busy training camp counselors; working with Jr. Leaders, Jr. Fair Board and Food and Fashion Board and beginning to wrap up our character counts program for this year. We are also now gearing up for all of our spring and summer activities. These are just a few of the many things going on that help make 4-H in Wayne County the strong and vibrant program that it is.

Before I close, I would like to thank all of the volunteers that helped make our new 4-H Project Fair and Open House held this past month a success! Also, I would like to say a special thank you to everyone that supported our 4-H Junior Leaders Club by dining to donate at Bob Evans March 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>.

Best wishes,

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Extension Educator,  
4-H Youth Development

### 4-H Calendar of Events

#### April

- 01 4-H Enrollment Deadline**
- 01 New Advisor / Volunteer Applications Due**
- 06 Junior Leaders
- 09 Junior Camp Counselor Training
- 13 4-H Advisory Committee
- 14 Building 10 Committee
- 15 Food and Fashion Board
- 15 New Volunteer Training
- 20 Junior Fair Board
- 20 Senior Fair Board
- 21 New Volunteer Training
- 23 Dog Clinic (No Dogs, only people should attend)
- 24-25 Camp Counselor Training at Camp Ohio
- 27 CARTEENS
- 27 Horse Youth, Parents & Advisors Meeting
- 27 Horse Committee
- 28 Cloverbud Day Camp Counselor Training

#### May

- 01 Hugh Kline Endowment Grant Apps Due**
- 04 Junior Leaders
- 05 Dairy Committee
- 07 Junior Camp Counselor Training
- 09 Sheep Clinic
- 11 Swine Committee
- 12 Sheep Committee
- 13 Dog Committee
- 14 Poultry & Rabbit Committee
- 14 New Volunteer Training
- 15 Horse Special Requests Due**
- 16 Mandatory Counselor Training**
- 18 Junior Fair Board
- 18 Senior Fair Board
- 19 Goat Committee
- 20 Food and Fashion Board
- 20 Dog Clinic (Ok to bring your dog)
- 21 Junior Camp Training
- 23 Poultry and Rabbit Clinic
- 25 Memorial Day – Extension Office Closed**
- 26 Cloverbud Camp Counselor Training
- 28 Beef Committee



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## Check out 4-H Project Central

Have you or any of the youth in your club ever wanted to preview a project book before deciding if it would be a good project to take. Well now you can do just that!

The 4-H Project Central website just launched. Anyone can preview the 4-H project books offered by Ohio 4-H. You can also 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.

To access Ohio 4-H Project Central simply scan the QR code to the left of this story or enter the following URL: [projectcentral.ohio4h.org](http://projectcentral.ohio4h.org).



Project Central also allows you to share your project ratings and comments with your friends on Facebook, Twitter, and Pinterest!

## Ohio 4-H Age Requirements

Eligibility for 4-H membership (Cloverbuds) begins when a child has reached age 5 **and** is enrolled in kindergarten. Membership to the 4-H club program begins when a child is at least age 8 **and** enrolled in third grade as of January 1 of the current year. Membership ends December 31st of the year in which the youth reaches age 19.

## Cloverbud Resources Available

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://ohio4h.org/ohio-4-h-cloverbud-connections>.

## 4-H Enrollment Deadline

Enrollment forms must be signed by the youth, a parent/guardian, and a club advisor. Enrollment forms must be turned in to the Wayne County Extension Office no later than **April 1, 2015 at 4:30 pm**. Projects enrolled after this date will not be eligible for exhibition at the 2015 Wayne County Junior Fair!

## Project Guidelines and Updates

Remember, project updates and guidelines are included in the member project books, in the organizational advisor's club packet, and on our website: <http://wayne.osu.edu>.

## **Kelleys Island 4-H Teen Camp Counselor Applications Now Available**

Do you know any college students or other recent 4-H graduates? We are looking for some past camp counselors and/or other young adults (ages 19-25) that might be interested in working with 4-H teens (ages 14-18) during a weekend teen camp at **Kelleys Island 4-H Camp July 24<sup>th</sup> – July 26<sup>th</sup>**. Applications are now available on our website at [wayne.osu.edu](http://wayne.osu.edu).



## **Registration Now Open for Kelleys Island 4-H Teen Camp**

Teens are you ready for a fun, island adventure? Youth that are ages 14-18 as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of this year are invited to attend Teen Camp at Kelleys Island 4-H Camp. The island setting of this camp provides a unique opportunity for beach and waterfront activities, games, and swimming in Lake Erie.



Teen Camp at Kelleys Island 4-H Camp will also feature exciting and interactive sessions for teens to explore possible future careers and discuss issues relevant to them such as dating, safe driving, and preparing for college. Additionally, teens will have the opportunity to explore Kelleys Island and its rich geological history as they go on guided hikes through rock quarries, wooded and waterfront trails, and visit the exciting glacial grooves. Camp will also feature a grand campfire on the beach!

Visit [wayne.osu.edu](http://wayne.osu.edu) and click on 4-H, then forms and applications to download the Teen Camp registration form today! Registrations will be due June 1<sup>st</sup>.

## **Registration Now Open for Junior Camp**

Youth that are in the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade or higher and ages 8-13 as of January 1<sup>st</sup> of this year, can attend Junior Camp at 4-H Camp Ohio from June 29<sup>th</sup> through July 3<sup>rd</sup>. There are dozens of fun activities to do at Junior Camp including but not limited to: rock climbing, canoeing, kayaking, zip lining, climbing the adventure tower, human foosball, 9-square in the air, gaga pit, stream studies, nature exploration, swimming, water games, scuba diving, archery, riflery, mountain boarding, high ropes courses, campfires, line dancing, and much more.



Junior Camp Counselors are hard at work planning a fun filled camp and may be contacting organizational advisors soon to schedule a time to visit club meetings to talk about camp! Visit [wayne.osu.edu](http://wayne.osu.edu) and click on 4-H, then forms and applications to download the Junior Camp brochure and registration form today! Registrations are due June 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **Registration for Cloverbud Day Camp to Open in May**

We are currently in the process of working on plans for this year's Cloverbud Day Camp. It is looking like we will be taking a one-day bus trip to somewhere fun and educational. Look for more information about Cloverbud Day Camp and how to register in the May Link newsletter.

## New Volunteer Orientation / Interviews and Required Advisor Training

Nearly 300 4-H Advisors / Volunteers completed the new required training sessions on Recognizing and Reporting the Signs of Child Abuse and Neglect that our office offered in February! To assist those who were unable to attend in February we are offering three more opportunities to complete this state-required training.

Anyone that did not attend one of the February required trainings, should attend Part 1 of the New Volunteer Orientation which will cover the training on Recognizing and Reporting the Signs of Child Abuse and Neglect. **Part 1 will be offered from 6-7 pm on the evenings of April 15<sup>th</sup>, April 21<sup>st</sup>, and May 14<sup>th</sup>** at the Wayne County Extension Office. **Please call the Extension Office to pre-register.**



All individuals that are in the process of completing the 2015 New Advisor / Volunteer application process should plan to attend **Part 2 of the New Volunteer Orientation / Interviews which will be held from 7-8:30 pm on the evenings of April 15<sup>th</sup>, April 21<sup>st</sup>, and May 14<sup>th</sup>**. Again, please call the Extension Office to pre-register.

## 2015 Junior Fair Office Hours

### **Pick Up Entry Forms and Jr. Fair Books**

Monday June 1 <sup>st</sup>	5:00 – 8:00 pm
Tuesday June 2 <sup>nd</sup>	5:00 – 8:00 pm
Thursday June 4 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 – 8:00 pm

### **Turn in Entry Forms**

Thursday July 30 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 – 8:00 pm
Friday July 31 <sup>st</sup>	5:00 – 8:00 pm
Saturday August 1 <sup>st</sup>	9:00 am – 12:00 pm

### **Fair Pass / Show Number Pick Up**

Tuesday August 25 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 – 8:00 pm
Thursday September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	5:00 – 8:00 pm
Friday September 11 <sup>th</sup>	9:00 am – 9:00 pm

### **Premium Pick Up**

Monday September 21 <sup>st</sup>	5:00 – 8:00 pm
Tuesday September 22 <sup>nd</sup>	5:00 – 8:00 pm

Questions – Contact the Jr. Fair Secretary - Marcia Brueck by e-mail at [wjrfair@hotmail.com](mailto:wjrfair@hotmail.com)

## 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Wooster Spring Spectacular Steer and Heifer Show hosted by Wrangler Kids 4-H Club

This year's show will be held Sunday April 12<sup>th</sup>. Check-in is from 8:00 am – 10 am. Wayne County 4-H members are encouraged to show! This show counts as "showing prior to the fair" per the Jr. Fair Beef Dept. rules. For more information, please contact Don Castella at 330-317-5668.

## IRS 990 e-Post Cards Due May 15<sup>th</sup>

All chartered 4-H clubs and affiliates (committees) must file the 990-N e-postcard no later than May 15, 2015. More information including a link to the 990 N e-post card is available on our website. Simply go to [wayne.osu.edu](http://wayne.osu.edu), click on 4-H, then click on forms and applications, then click on IRS 990 e-post card.

## **4-H Project Deadline Reminders**

**April 1st member enrollment deadline:** Members who enroll by this date are eligible to exhibit 4-H projects in the Wayne County Junior Fair. Members may enroll after April 1st and may participate in 4-H club activities, clinics, camp, etc. but are not eligible to exhibit 4-H projects in the Wayne County Junior Fair.

**June 1st Ohio 4-H care and possession rule:** All animals exhibited must have been in the complete possession and continual care of the exhibitor on and after **June 1<sup>st</sup>** of the current year. The exception is steers and market poultry; the effective date of ownership is January 1st of the current year for steers and the poultry deadlines are listed in the Jr. Fair Book and the project guidelines. Ownership of an animal will be considered lost if after June 1<sup>st</sup> of the current year the animal has been consigned or sold through an auction or any other type of transaction, even if the exhibitor “buys back” his animal.

**June 1st—all project changes completed: Any project changes must be made with the Extension office** (either in writing or by phone) **by June 1st.** This includes correcting a member’s enrollment form. Projects cannot be added after April 1st, only changed within project areas below. After June 1st, no project changes will be allowed, as the State 4-H Office requires that all members have their projects selected and in their possession by then.

For an example, a member who enrolled by April 1<sup>st</sup> with a breeding sheep, but intended to sign up for a market lamb is able to contact the Extension office and make the change. If that same member signed up for a market hog project, but intended to sign up for a market lamb, he is unable to make that change.

Likewise if a member enrolled in “Snack Attack!” and wants to change to “Star Spangled Foods” (beginner to intermediate level cooking project) this is allowed. She would not be able to change from “Snack Attack” to “Let’s Explore the Outdoors.”

## **Dog Clinic / Informational Meeting – April 23<sup>rd</sup>**

All 4-H youth taking a dog project are encouraged to attend the clinic on April 23<sup>rd</sup> in the **Sheep & Swine Arena at the Wayne County Fairgrounds.** ***No dogs should be brought to this clinic.*** Only youth, parents, and advisors should attend. This clinic will feature information on several topics and will be an opportunity for youth to complete a dog-focused Quality Assurance training enabling them to by-pass the Quality Assurance session during Skillathon in July.

### ***Topics to be covered during the April Dog Clinic include:***

- Dog Permission to Participate Forms
- Safety rules and tips on preparing for future Dog Clinics and Shows
- Reviewing the 2015 Dog Calendar of Events
- Information on Grooming
- Skillathon Preparation
- Information about State Fair Dog Show
- Dog-focused Quality Assurance Training!

## 2015 OHIO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE LIVESTOCK QUALITY ASSURANCE AND SKILLATHON REQUIREMENTS

Again this year it will be mandatory **FOR ALL** Junior Fair livestock exhibitors (4-H and FFA) to attend a **quality assurance program before showing their animals at the Wayne County or Ohio State Junior Fair**. Exhibitors of market steers, market dairy steers, market lambs, market goats, market hogs, all poultry meat pens, and meat rabbits, lactating dairy and lactating dairy goats will also need to complete a Drug Use Notification Form (DUNF) for each of these animals. **The quality assurance requirement may only be met by participating in ONE of the following: (1) Quality assurance program in Wayne County, or (2) An Ohio industry quality assurance training (e.g., Ohio Beef Expo, Ohio Pork Congress, etc.).**

**Participation in the skillathons is also mandatory** for all exhibitors (4-H and FFA) of livestock projects who wish to exhibit their animals at the Wayne County Junior Fair. **The skillathon may be completed only in Wayne County.**

The Wayne County quality assurance and skillathon are combined into one program. These programs will be offered

●July 16th

●July 22nd

●July 28th

**From 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Fisher Auditorium, OARDC**

Members will need to attend **one** of those evenings to complete the quality assurance program and then the skillathon for each species of animal he/she is exhibiting. The skillathons will consist of four stations that cover quality assurance issues and one station on project records (five total).

### **IMPORTANT NOTES FOR SKILLATHON 2015!!!**

- **School appropriate attire is REQUIRED for Q/A and Skillathon participation.**
- For 2015 there will be **NO BONUS** points given for any Skillathon station. Members receiving a 92 or higher on their Skillathon will be considered an Outstanding Skillathon participant.
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- Participation in DairyPalooza or in a BEST beef quality assurance program will count as the member's Quality Assurance training for the year. **HOWEVER**, the member must still complete Skillathon to have their project considered complete and be able to exhibit at the fair. \*\* If you participate in either of the two previously mentioned events please contact the extension office to receive a Quality Assurance pass.

**Members participating in the Ohio State Fair with market goats or lactating dairy goats MUST participate in a quality assurance program prior to their State Fair participation.** Contact our office to make arrangements.

The quality assurance program, combined with the skillathon will meet the Ohio Department of Agriculture quality assurance participation requirements. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated in helping your 4-H or FFA members to reach this requirement. If you have any questions, call Stephen at 330-264-8722.

#### **Skillathon Committee & Lead Facilitators listed below:**

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|-----------------|---------|---------------------|---------|
| • Diane Baker   | Beef    | • Geoffrey Zimmerly | Sheep   |
| • Mike Kauffman | Dairy   | • Mike Noble        | Swine   |
| • Bev Reed      | Horse   | • Renee Jackwood    | Dogs    |
| • Phil Shriver  | Poultry | • Jared Bardall     | Rabbits |
| • Dave Wengerd  | Goat    |                     |         |

## **Turkey and Chick Orders – Due April 30th**

To order your turkeys and chicks you must go online to <http://go.osu.edu/WaynePoultry> (CaSe SENSITIVE link). 4-H and FFA members can order 6 turkeys and/or 12 chicks as long as they have enrolled in the project. Online there is an option for individual club member or clubs/chapter to order the poultry as a group. If you have further questions call the Extension Office at 330-264-8722.

## **4-H and FFA Market Lamb and Goat Tagging**

Tagging of Market Lambs and Goats will occur on **Saturday June 6, 2015 from 8:00 am – 10:30 am** at the Wayne County Fairgrounds. All Lambs and Goats **MUST BE TAGGED** to be eligible for fair participation. Details will be sent to Vo-Ag teachers and 4-H members enrolled in market lamb and market goat projects. Please check to make sure your members receive them.

## **Horse Youth, Parents, & Advisors Informational Meeting – April 27<sup>th</sup>**

All horse youth, parents, and advisors are invited to a special meeting with the Horse Committee to review changes for this year, go over forms and information that will be due June 1<sup>st</sup>, learn about changes to the special requests process, and discuss details about summer fun shows and clinics. At least one representative of each club with horse projects is required to attend. ***The meeting will be held on April 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Sheep and Swine Show Arena at the Fairgrounds.***

Additionally – please remember that all youth taking horse projects must purchase the Equine Record Book as well as the appropriate resource book. Every member must have the 190R Equine Record Book and bring it with them to Skillathon.

## **2015 Poultry & Rabbit Clinics**

## **2015 Sheep Clinic**

## **FCS Summer Events – Sewing and Cooking Workshops**

## **Railroad Safety Poster Contest**

The Orrville Railroad Heritage Society invites 4-H youth of Wayne County to participate in the railroad safety poster contest. Entry deadline is July 15<sup>th</sup>. Any questions, please contact Roy Carmony at 330-262-5555 or 1-800-200-7966.

## **Liability Issues**

The insurance that OSU provides for all of its volunteers (you are automatically included upon completing the application process) is secondary personal liability only. This means that your own liability insurance (renter's or homeowner's) must be exhausted before this insurance goes into effect. This insurance is not automobile liability and will not cover those types of additional auto liability.

## **PROJECT BOOKS - Please share with members!**

The project book format for 4-H beef, goat, cavies, dairy, pocket pets, dog, rabbit, sheep and swine members includes a resource handbook that needs to be purchased once every five or more years, and a Project and Record Book that needs to be purchased and completed **every year** that the respective project is taken.

If you prefer to keep computerized records, you may attach your print-outs where appropriate. You will still need to fill out the project/record book as stated. **These computerized records are not in place of the record book.**

Youth may use special Excel spreadsheets to keep Dairy project records. Dairy Excel spreadsheets are available on our website at [wayne.osu.edu](http://wayne.osu.edu) – click on 4-H, then project information, then look under the Dairy section of the table on that page. Youth will need to print off or bring their completed spreadsheets with them on a flash drive to Skillathon.

## **Ohio 4-H Cloverbud Kits Provide a Teaching Tool for 4-H Volunteers**

Do you want to provide your 4-H Cloverbuds more fun and hands-on activities? you need meeting ideas?

Volunteers have access to easy-to-use teaching resources for 4-H Cloverbud meetings. As the result of a generous grant from the Ohio 4-H Foundation, 4-H Cloverbud Volunteers can borrow 4-H Cloverbud Kits from our office. The kits focus on lessons taken directly from the Ohio 4-H Cloverbud Curriculum, Series II.

The 4 kits available are “The Science of Sound,” “Our Country,” “Food Fun,” and “Fitness is Fun.” Contact the extension office for availability.

## **Facebook Guidelines for 4-H Clubs**

Volunteers and members utilizing Facebook and other social media platforms for 4-H are encouraged view <http://go.osu.edu/drg>.

## **Tractor Supply Company Spring Paper Clover Campaign**

Tractor Supply Company will again partner with 4-H to offer the spring paper clover fundraising campaign in their stores throughout the U.S. and right here in Wayne County. In addition to providing needed support to our county 4-H program – the Paper Clover Campaign is also a great time of the year for 4-H clubs to hold in-store fundraisers such as car washes and selling hot dogs. Please contact our local TSC managers to thank them for their continued support of 4-H and ask if you club can help promote paper clover or do a fundraiser in the store. ***The spring paper clover campaign is set to run April 22 – May 3, 2015.***

## **Wayne County 4-H Hugh Kline Endowment Fund Grant Applications**

All Wayne County 4-H clubs are invited to apply for Hugh Kline Endowment funds to support new or innovative club projects, activities, field trips, etc. A copy of the grant application is included with this month's LINK 4-H Newsletter and is also available on our website by going to [wayne.osu.edu](http://wayne.osu.edu) and clicking on 4-H, then forms and applications. 2015 applications for Hugh Kline Endowment funds are due to the Extension Office by 4:30 pm on May 1<sup>st</sup>.

