Dear 4-H Families and Volunteers,

As we quickly approach the 2018 Holmes County Fair, I would just like to personally thank you all for welcoming me into Holmes County. I feel very blessed to be in this community and have the amazing support of my co-workers, Junior Fairboard, Sr. Fairboard, 4-H Volunteers, parents and all of the Holmes County youth! Thank you all for making this year such an amazing one thus far. I am so excited to see the behind the scenes of fair and look forward to next year!

I love 4-H

Holmes County Fair
August 6-11
See you there!

Pen/Project Identification Cards

Please note that ALL livestock projects are REQUIRED to be identified with one of the Pen/Project Identification Cards. These cards have spaces for the member’s name, club name, project and animal/pen weight. Cards come in small (index card), medium (slightly smaller than letter size) and large (letter size).

Cards are available at the OSU Extension office and will be available at the 4-H building on the fairgrounds.

PLEASE USE THE CARDS PROVIDED!

Sportsmanship

Sportsmanship is defined in the American Heritage Dictionary as “conduct and attitude considered as befitting participants in sports, especially fair play, courtesy, striving spirit, and grace in losing.” While this definition specifically mentions sports, perhaps we should broaden it to include many competition and spectator events such as sports, band, chorus, 4-H, recitals, awards ceremonies and graduations, etc.

We have 3 pamphlets available related to sportsmanship: Sportsmanship Expectations for Youth Participants; Sportsmanship for Parents & Supporters; and Sportsmanship for Spectators. These materials would be a good discussion starter at your next 4-H club meeting. Call or stop by the Extension Office to pick them up.
4-H Booths at the Fair

Please let us know if you would like a booth or riser space. Options include:

- Large booths (approx. 12 ft. wide, 4 ft. deep, 6 ft. high)
- Small booths (8 ft. wide, 4 ft. deep, 6 ft. high)
- Display space on the risers.

Booth space will be assigned on a FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED basis by calling the OSU Extension Office. Call today 330-674-3015. Our 4-H booths will be in the Baker Building with FFA and Home Arts this year! Junior Fair Board will be setting up the panels on Thursday, August 3rd. Please refer to Page 34 of Fair Book for details rules and regulations.

Fair Booth Set-up Times in Baker Building

Many clubs are making plans to get together on the fairgrounds to set up their club display. This year, the Baker Building will be open for set-up during the following hours:

- Friday 8/3 5-9 p.m.
- Saturday 8/4 9 a.m.–9 p.m.
- Sunday 8/5 9 a.m.–9 p.m.

As you make your set-up plans, please remember that there is no security on the fairgrounds until Sunday evening. All club displays in the 4-H building MUST be in place by 8:00 a.m. on Monday 8/6.

Working in the 4-H Building

Has your club signed up to work a shift in the 4-H building during the fair? Each club is asked to man the 4-H building for a 3-hour shift, regardless of if they have a booth space or not.

During their shift, clubs are asked to sweep and pick-up in and around the 4-H building, answer questions from fairgoers (or leave a message for Janessa to answer the question), distribute information (fair books, 4-H brochures, etc.) as needed, and watch over all of the club displays.

If your club has not yet signed up, we still have several shifts available. Please call the office to volunteer for a time! If everyone does their part, there will be no open spots! You can sign up online following this link http://signup.com/go/sLcXsdp

Club Packets for the Fair

Club packets will be available for pick-up on Sunday, August 5 and throughout the fair in the Junior Fair Board Office. Your packet will include:

- A club roster with project scores
- A copy of the Life Skills Recognition Event Program
- A copy of the King and Queen Coronation Program
- A Battle of the Clubs flyer

We will attempt to have ribbons included in the packets for advisors as well.

Fair Passes for 4-H Members & Volunteers

Tara Sheldon, Secretary of the Holmes County Senior Fair Board, will be supervising the distribution of Fair Passes this year. To receive passes, the Organizational Advisor/Committee Secretary MUST provide a list of all members/advisors/volunteers meeting the requirements below.

Members must:
1. Have at least one project judged at a scheduled county judging day or pre-judging prior to the county evaluation day;
2. Exhibit a project at the fair; If Life Skills, educational display in Baker Building.
3. Meet the minimum attendance at club meeting requirement (at least 4 or the number required by the club’s constitution).

Volunteers must:
1. Be an approved Holmes County 4-H volunteer
2. Have been actively involved with the club this year.

If the pass is lost or destroyed, the member/volunteer must purchase a new one at his/her own cost. A youth may only receive one fair pass, even for multiple projects. Members that are currently 10 years old and younger will NOT receive a wrist band, as fair admission is free for youth 10 and younger.

The lists of members, advisors/volunteers and your club/committee name must be emailed to Tara Sheldon at taras@shearequipment.com by Tuesday, July 31. Tara requests an email and no phone calls please. Leaders who do not have access to email may drop their lists off at the OSU Extension Office.

Leaders may pick up passes at the fairgrounds on Friday, August 3 from 3p-8p; Saturday, August 4 from 10a-8p; and Sunday, August 5 from 10a-8p.
Please note the show schedule changes in your fairbook. The full week schedule can also be found on Page 7 of this newsletter. For more details visit the Holmes County Fair website.

4-H Lifeskills members please bring posters to display, if your club is not displaying your project in a club booth. You can drop posters off by 8/11 at 5:00PM at the Jr. Fairboard Office. Please be sure your name, project, and club name is listed if displaying in the general lifeskills booth and not a specific 4-H club booth. Questions call 330-674-3015

New for this year!
The Holmes County Dog Show will be August 11, at 1:00PM details for this show can be found the Holmes County 4-H Dog Program sheet that is posted on our website

4-H Thank You Notes
Don’t forget that the Extension Office is selling 4-H Thank You note cards. The bright green 4-H clover on the front of the cards shows your 4-H spirit. They are a great way to send a thank you message to donors and supporters of the Holmes County 4-H program.

Sold in packs of 10 for only $3.00!
Here’s an added bonus: People like being appreciated, and if they

Cloverbud Fun Hour
Wednesday, August 8, 10:30 – 11:30 a.m. in the Baker Building.
The Junior Fair Board will once again be sponsoring the “Cloverbud Fun Hour” designed for youth who will be entering Grades K-2.
Youth and their families will be provided a “Passport” where they will be able to participate in the activities across the fair grounds.

Support Junior Fair Royalty!
Join us at 5:00 p.m. on Monday August 6th at the Stage on the Green for the 2018 Homes County Junior Fair King and Queen Coronation Program. This year we have five young women and two young men from 4-H, FFA and Jr. Fair Board vying for the honor of being named Holmes County Junior Fair King or Queen.
The roles of the Junior Fair King and Queen extend well beyond the one week of the Holmes County Fair. These representatives of Holmes County Junior Fair will participate in many local community events and may travel to other county fairs and events across the State. We want to wish 2017 Junior Fair King Leon Williams and Queen Tallie Troyer much success in their future endeavors.

Celebrate Life Skill Award Winners!
Youth who are selected as State Fair Delegates, County Award Winners, and Project Excellence Award Winners will be honored at the 2018 Life Skill Recognition Ceremony on Monday, August 6th at 4:30 p.m. at the Stage on The Green.
Youth are asked to be there by 4:15 p.m. in order to be lined up in the proper order. We are excited to celebrate the outstanding work of our 4-H youth!

Certificates for Members/Volunteers
If your club would like membership certificates for club members and advisors, please contact our office. We need to know when you need the certificates and if you would like them for members only (or a certain sub-set of members) or members and advisors. Please allow several days turn-around time for certificate preparation.

Save the Date – 2018 Volunteer Recognition Banquet
Mark your calendars for Thursday, October 11th for the 2018 Volunteer Recognition Banquet. The banquet, sponsored by the Senior Fair Board, will again be held at Harvest Ridge at 7:00 p.m. Please note the new location at Harvest Ridge!
Market Livestock Sale Letters

Youth enrolled in Market Livestock projects should be communicating to potential buyers. This is a great way to let area businesses know who you are and what you will be selling in our market livestock sale. There is a list of last year's Jr. Fair Buyers in the Holmes County Fair Book. Feel free to send letters to potential buyers that are not on the list.

Letters should include your name, age, club info and what projects you are taking at the fair (you can include your life skills and non-marketable projects also). Buyers like any information you feel comfortable providing about yourself and family. They also enjoy pictures of you and your animal. This year, flyers will be available online at the Extension website and we will have a small number of printed copies available at the office. Please send neat legible letters and remember you are representing Holmes County and 4-H. Letters can be found and printed off of our website https://holmes.osu.edu/2018buyerletter

Livestock Requirements for Fair Exhibition

Enrollment in livestock projects includes several steps if an animal will be taken to the fair:

- Enrollment in a 4-H club or FFA Chapter;
- Attending Quality Assurance 45 days prior to exhibition (for market or lactating animals);
- Having the animal identified according to county rules;
- Turning in the proper paperwork per species requirements to the Extension Office;
- Turning in Pen Assignment Forms for each animal
- Attending a pre-evaluation or project-specific evaluation.
- Completing DUNF forms for all Market livestock.

Care of Animals at the Fair

Humane care (or lack of care) of animals of all types has been in the news many times in the past year. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to care for animals in a manner that is responsible and ethical. Please remember that the County Fair is a place where many people will be seeing the animals on display and the care our 4-H and FFA youth are providing for these animals. We know you all take excellent care of your animals, let’s make sure our fair visitors know it too!

Grooming Assistance

Please see the Fairbook under Jr. Fair Rules (VII), Member/Adult Involvement (4) for information about who is allowed to assist a member in the care, grooming and preparation of their animals. Specifically, Paragraph C specifies "Any exhibitor using a person not specified in paragraph B of this rule who provides assistance to a junior livestock show exhibitor shall register in writing with the Fairboard secretary by July 31."

Letters may be addressed to Tara Sheldon, PO Box 376, Millersburg, OH 44654.

DUNF Forms

DUNF (Drug Use Notification Form). Every market and lactating animal must be drug free the day of showing, selling, and harvest. This includes rabbit fryers, broilers, market ducks, meat goats, turkeys, market lambs, dairy feeder calves, market steers, market hogs, lactating dairy cows and goats. The DUNF is a report of the medications that are prescribed by a vet or are Over the Counter (OTC) whose withdrawal time is not finished at the start of the fair. Check the labels of medications and medicated feeds for withdrawal time to make sure the market and/or lactating animal is drug free prior to the fair. DUNF Forms will be given out at Livestock Project Evaluations. If a 4-H member is being judged prior to this, he/she must obtain the form at the OSU Extension Office. Holmes County Fair Code is 54.

The DUNF must be turned in at the time of unloading your animal at the fair on August 5. Please use a pen to fill out the form completely and write with sufficient pressure that all parts of the triplicate copy are readable.

Buyer Thank You Posters

If you sold a market animal last year it is a nice gesture to hang a poster with this year’s animal and thank your 2017 buyer.

Buyers like to see that we appreciate their support, and it shows potential buyers that Holmes County exhibitors support the Market Livestock Sale buyers. Posters can be neatly handwritten or typed on 8 1/2 by 11 paper or on poster board (depending on space availability). These thank you posters should be hanging where buyers can see them (animals can’t eat them) and should be legible.

Carcass Contest

Believe it or not, fair competition doesn’t end on Saturday night at the end of the fair. The final competition is the Carcass contest held for the top 10 Beef Market Steers and the top 5 Dairy Market Steers. Please join us Thursday, August 16 at 5pm at Sugar Valley Meats in Sugarcreek for the contest.

DUNF Forms
Holmes County Fair at Harvest Ridge Reminders

As fair quickly approaches, there are many things to remember! Please review the following items, which are often Frequently Asked Questions for Senior Fair Board

Camping

- No flag poles, signs, etc. allowed that extend above the height of the camper.
- No camper is to be positioned south of the designated line in west row of the lower lot.
- It is suggested that at least one metal stabilizer is in direct contact with the ground to minimize static build up and prevent nuisance static electricity. This static electricity is normal adjacent to high tension lines, and as long as nothing is extended above the camper height and the camper is not placed past the marked line, everything should be safe.
- To turn on water – hook up water hose, turn on hydrant and pull down on backflow preventer.
- Each camping space will receive two vehicle parking passes – no additional passes will be given. These are for vehicle ONLY; you must still purchase a week pass or purchase tickets daily at the gate to be admitted.

Passes/Gate Entrance

- The upper camp area entrance gate may only be used if you have a camper parking pass AND a week pass. If you do not have a week pass OR have additional people in your vehicle without a week pass you must use the lower drive in entrance by the township road to purchase tickets, then proceed to your camp space using the outer drive.
- All persons (over 10) entering the gates must have a week pass or purchase a ticket. Drop off within the gates will not be allowed without all persons in the vehicle having a pass or purchasing a ticket.

Golf Carts & UTVs

- Golf carts/UTV’s may not be driven on the following drives (6,8,9,10,11 on map):
  - CSB Way, Killbuck Bank Lane, First Knox Avenue, Arena Drive, Midway Drive
  - You must provide proof of insurance, pay $25 permit fee and keep issued permit visibly on golf cart/UTV throughout the week.
  - Golf carts/UTV’s may not be left randomly around the grounds – please park in designated golf cart area near tack tent or in your camper space.
  - Only carry the number of riders that can sit on a seat, no riding on laps or hanging on golf carts/UTV’s
  - Drivers must be 18 years of age and older – be prepared to show a driver's license/ID card if requested by Fairboard or staff.
  - Be cautious on drive from upper campgrounds to lower area – check your brakes!
- If any of the above rules are ignored, you may be asked to immediately remove your golf cart/UTV from the premise.

The Holmes County Sr. Fairboard has sponsored another amazing way for Holmes County 4-H'ers parents and volunteers to communicate! If you have not already subscribed to Sentext please be sure you do before fair! Lots of details and reminders are sent out via this message system. For more details and to sign up please visit our website.

https://holmes.osu.edu/sentext
Holmes County 4-H members in Washington DC! Thanks to Holmes County Sr. Fairboard, and East Holmes Vet Clinic for sponsoring this opportunity!

It was an awesome experience all and all. I got to tour the nations capital and learn a lot along with spending time with my good friend Alyx Morris and my new friends Leah, Megan, and Aliya who also doubled as my roommates. I would recommend anyone who has the chance, please go. You will not regret it. -Tallie Troyer

I had a great time on our trip to D.C.. I roomed with 2 other girls from Ohio, Paige from Columbiana County and Katie from Warren County. We got to visit the WWII memorial, Vietnam, Martin Luther King Jr, the Pentagon memorial and many others. We also spent a day meeting and talking to Congress Members and we got a picture with our one representative Bob Gibbs. I am so grateful for this opportunity because I was able to enhance my leadership skill and make friends for a lifetime. - Alyx Morris
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

11 AM - 2 PM  Flower Exhibits Accepted
12 PM - 8 PM  Set-up Booths and Decorate Pens
2:30 PM  Flower Exhibits Judging Begins
7 AM - 11 AM  OFFICIAL Swine Check In & Weigh-In
8 AM - 10 AM  OFFICIAL Poultry Check In & Weigh-In
12 PM - 2 PM  OFFICIAL Rabbit Check In & Weigh-In
12 PM - 2 PM  Horse Check In (1st)
12 PM  Dairy Cows & Heifers Check In (thru Barn Monday)
2 PM - 5 PM  OFFICIAL Sheep/Goat Check In & Weigh-In
2 PM - 5 PM  Llama Check In
5 PM - 7 PM  Horse Check In (2nd)
6 PM - 8 PM  OFFICIAL Dairy Feeders & Steers Check In & Weigh-In
7 PM - 9 PM  OFFICIAL Beef Breeding, Feeders, & Steer Check-In
9 PM  All Market Projects in Place

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

9:30 AM  FAIR OPENS
9:30 AM  Dairy Steer, Dairy Feeder Calf Showmanship and Show (L)
9:30 AM  Dairy Goat Showmanship & Judging; Pack Goats, Supreme Dairy Goat Showmanship (SA)
9:30 AM  Horse Contest Show (H)
12:00 PM  Pygmy Goat Showmanship and Show (SA)
NOON  Rides Open: Unlimited ride pass (good all day) $13, after 3 PM $6
12 PM - 4 PM  SENIOR DAY ACTIVITIES (Arena Building)
4:00 PM  David Wayne (Classic Country & Rock) (S)
5:30 PM  Livestock Sale (L) Sale Order: Market Lamb, Dairy Goats, Market Goats, Hogs
7:30 PM  Bucky Covington – Country entertainer and American Idol Finalist!

MONDAY, AUGUST 6

8:00 AM  FAIR OPENS
8:00 AM  All Jr. Fair Projects in Place
8:00 AM  4H Booth Judging (4-H Booth Area Closed)
9:00 AM  Poultry Judging (SA)
9:30 AM  Horse Show - Pleasure (H)
4:00 PM  Rides Open: 4 pm – 10 pm unlimited ride pass - $13
4:30 PM  4H Life Skills Project Awards Recognition (S)
5:00 PM  Coronation of King and Queen (S)
6:00 PM  Swine Showmanship (L)
6:30 PM  Holmes County’s Got Talent (S)
7:00 PM  Full Rodeo (G) For rules and registration information email rtemmendon@email.com

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7

8:00 AM  FAIR OPENS
9:30 AM  Meat Goat - Showmanship, Breeding, Judging (L)
NOON  Rides Open: Two for Tuesday – Two unlimited ride passes for $20.00, individual passes $10
2:00 PM  Sheep Showmanship, Sheep Breeding, Market Lamb Judging (L)
5:00 PM  West Holmes Marching Band (S)
6:00 PM  Swine Judging (L)
7:00 PM  Motorcross (G) For rules and registration information visit: omah.net
Registration 3:30 PM, Practice 6:30 PM, racing at 7:00 PM
7:00 PM  Comedy Night (S)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 8

10th ANNUAL KIDS DAY!

8:00 AM  FAIR OPENS
9:00 AM  Rabbit Judging (SA)
9:30 AM  Showmanship, Beef Breeding, Market Steer, Holmes Co. Bred, Beef Feeder Calf Showmanship and Show (L)
9:30 AM  Horse Show - Versatility (H)
10:00 AM  Antique Tractor Pull (G) For rules and information visit: www.holmescountyfair.com
10:30 AM  Cloverbud Fun Hour - All youth age 5-9 (B)
NOON  Rides Open: Unlimited ride pass (good all day) $12.00-4.00$13, after 4.00$15
12 PM - 4 PM  KIDS DAY ACTIVITIES - Reduced Ride Passes, Vendor Specials & Giveaways, and Activities (B)
1:00 PM  Mr. Puppet Show (S)
3:00 PM  Mr. Puppet Show (S)
5:00 PM  Hand Marching Band (S)
6:00 PM  Beef Feeder, Beef Breeding, Market Steer Show (L)
7:00 PM  OSTPA Truck & Tractor Pull (G) Limited pro diesel trucks/super stock tractors/pro stock/ pro stock semis. For rules and registration information visit: www.OSTPA.com
7:00 PM  Amish Country Theater (S)

THURSDAY, AUGUST 9

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

8:00 AM  FAIR OPENS
9:30 AM  Dairy Steer, Dairy Feeder Calf Showmanship and Show (L)
9:30 AM  Dairy Goat Showmanship & Judging; Pack Goats, Supreme Dairy Goat Showmanship (SA)
9:30 AM  Horse Contest Show (H)
12:00 PM  Pygmy Goat Showmanship and Show (SA)
NOON  Rides Open: Unlimited ride pass (good all day) $13, after 3 PM $6
12 PM - 4 PM  SENIOR DAY ACTIVITIES (Arena Building)
4:00 PM  David Wayne (Classic Country & Rock) (S)
5:30 PM  Livestock Sale (L) Sale Order: Market Lamb, Dairy Goats, Market Goats, Hogs
7:30 PM  Bucky Covington – Country entertainer and American Idol Finalist!

FRIDAY, AUGUST 10

8:00 AM  FAIR OPENS
9:00 AM  Dairy Showmanship and Show (L)
10:00 AM  Llama Show Judging (SA)
NOON  Rides Open: Unlimited ride pass (good all day) $13, after 3 PM $6
4:00 PM  Dairy Auction (L)
5:30 PM  Livestock Sale (L) Sale Order: Turkeys, Ducks, Rabbits, Boilers, Dairy Feeders, Dairy Steers, Beef Steers
7:00 PM  KCI Drag Racing For rules and registration information visit: www.holmescountyfair.com
8:00 PM  Getaway Band – Rock & Modern Country (S)
12:00 AM  Lactating dairy animals released (thru 7am Saturday)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 11

8:00 AM  FAIR OPENS
10:00 AM  Showman of Showmen Contest (L)
NOON  Rides Open: Unlimited ride pass (good all day) $12.00-10.00
1:00 PM  Dog Project Judging/Show (SA)
2:00 PM  Pedal Tractor Pull (outside arena building)
3:00 PM  Battle of the Clubs (L)
5:00 PM  Money Scramble (H)
5:30 PM  Pee Wee Swine Show (L)
5:30 PM  Horse Fun Show (H)
7:00 PM  Demolition Derby (G)
8:00 PM  Badstone – Classic Hard Rock (S)
8:30 PM  Barn Dance (L) - $2 Admission for Ages 9-18, Claspers will be in attendance

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

7:00 AM  Dairy Projects Released (Market Livestock Released)
9:00 AM  All Other Exhibits Released
4:00 PM  ALL EXHIBITS MUST HAVE BEEN REMOVED

Thank you to our 2018 Event Corporate Sponsors:

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- Shearer Equipment
- Sun Valley Auto Repair
- Millersburg Tire Service, Inc
- Holmes Pest Control
- Denco Group
- The Commercial & Savings Bank
- East Holmes Veterinary Clinic
- The Bargain Hunter
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Visit www.holmescountyfair.com for updates
Dates to Remember!

July
7/25-8/5 – Ohio State Fair

August
8/5 – Official Fair Livestock Weigh-In
8/6-8/11 – Holmes County Fair
8/16 – Beef Steer and Dairy Steer Carcass Contest @ Sugar Valley Meats
8/23— Junior Fair Board Post-Fair Meeting

September
9/1 – Honor Club Forms Due Today
9/1 – Honor Secretary & Treasurer Books Due Today
9/11— Fair Wrap-Up Meeting (Sale @ 6:30/ All Committees @ 7:30)
9/18—Holmes County 4-H Committee Meeting
9/30—Non-Honor Club Secretary & Treasurer Books Due

October
10/11 – Holmes County Volunteer Recognition Banquet