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Dear 4-H Families and Volunteers.

It's a busy time at the OSU Extension Office. Ashley and I have been very busy entering all of our 2017 enrollment information and are happy to welcome quite a few new families and members to the Holmes County 4-H family.

As summer guickly approaches, don't miss out on opportunities to attend camps and clinics. The 4-H experience is strongly dependent on the opportunities that are taken advantage of. Make the most of your year while growing through many learning experiences!

Happy Spring!



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Add/Drop Deadline

Members wanting to exhibit their project(s) in the Holmes County Fair or State Fair must be enrolled in the project by Monday, June 1 (enrollment information was due April 15th). Parents and/or advisors can contact the OSU Extension Office with any changes.



NEW THIS YEAR

Online Registration for Pre-Judging & LifeSkills **Evaluation Required: Available** June 5th!

In an effort to provide a better evaluation experience for our pre-judging and LifeSkills projects, our office will begin to use GenBook to schedule appointments.

Pre-Judging appointments will be 15 minutes and LifeSkill Evaluation appointments will be 20 minutes.

Look for additional information in the next newsletter. We plan to have the site open and available for scheduling on June 5 following the June 1 add/drop deadline.

All LifeSkills Projects Will Require a Form of Educational Display in the 4-H booth area at the 2017 Fair.

Examples of Educational Displays include:

- Poster (8 ½ x 11 up to Tri-Fold Board)
- Something Made:
 - Scrapbook
 - Result of Project (Woodworking etc.)
- Alternative Example (Cake Decorating with different materials)

Get Creative!



All project requirements (LifeSkills & Livestock) can be found at: https://holmes.osu.edu/ project-completion-requirements

Opportunities!



County Officer Training

Thank you to the 4-H'ers who attended the 2017 County Officer Training. We had some great discussions and reviews of expectations. It was our objective that all attendees would leave having a better understanding of the expectations of officers and we believe that objective was met.

If you were unable to attend, but would like additional officer resources, please review the following website:

http://www.ohio4h.org/families/members/officer-resources

This site contains videos that provide instruction as well as printable resources to make your officers more comfortable with their positions and answer many of the questions they may have while also providing direction and clarification on their roles and responsibilities.



TSC 4-H Paper Clover Campaign is Back!

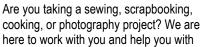
The spring 2017 4-H Paper Clover Campaign will take place April 26 – May 7, 2017. Shoppers at the Millersburg TSC store will have the opportunity to support 4-H by choosing to purchase paper clovers for a \$1 or more at checkout. All funds raised will be donated to 4-H at the state and local level.

The more involvement and participation that local 4-H clubs and staff have at the TSC store during the promotion, the more your clubs and counties will benefit! Where possible, 4-H volunteers, staff, and/or members are encouraged to partner with their store managers to identify upcoming store events at which 4-H'ers can be involved. The more promotion and publicity counties give the 4-H TSC partnership, the more awareness and support will be raised for your local 4-H program!

Please contact store managers of our Millersburg TSC at 674-1039 to schedule an event with your 4-H club.

Sewbookography Night!

Tuesday, June 13, 6:00 p.m. at Baker Building





your project. Each area will have one specialist who will lead an informative lesson and activity.

Please RSVP to the Holmes County Extension Office by June 12th. At least 2 participants per subject area must be registered, otherwise subject area will be canceled and resources and contact information will be provided to members whose session was canceled.

Please bring your project book and basic supplies with you to the clinic. Also watch your email for any additional supplies you may be asked to bring as well.



Promote 4-H with your animal project at the Killbuck Early American Days Petting Zoo, new for 2017.

Saturday and/or Sunday September 2nd and 3rd. Contact Jennifer Gurley for more information and details at 330-473-3141.

2017 Ohio 4-H Conference

The following 4-H Volunteers & Teens attended the 2017 Ohio 4-H Conference: Melissa Boughman, Misty Hendrix, Aubrey Houin, Lisa Lang, Ella Lorentz, Kylie Ramirez, & Cherokee Wells.

There were a wide variety of sessions offered to develop attendees and our 4-H programming.

Additionally, Regan Miller & Ron Wells received awards for 45 years of 4-H service.

Opportunities!

Travel Opportunity! 4-H Values Oversees

In June 2016, 6 Holmes County youth traveled to England, Ireland, and Wales as part of a cultural experience.

Plans are currently underway for Summer 2018! After reviewing destination options with youth who expressed interest, as well as, Junior Fair Board and Educators in Marion and Wayne County, The 2018 Travel Destination has been selected - Puerto Rico!

As a U.S. Territory, teens will not need to have a passport to travel to Puerto Rico. Additionally, flight time will maximize the time available to be spent on the ground exploring the vast culture and history Puerto Rico has to offer. One day of the tour also features an all-day experience at a Hacienda, or plantation, where we will be able to observe farming practices. Another appeal of this trip was that the cost was much more reasonable than some of the other experiences being explored.

Look for additional information, including a tour registration meeting, coming in the next newsletter! Do not hesitate to contact Hallie with questions. Open to high school freshman through one year post graduate.

Teens Awarded Scholarships for Teen Opportunities

Leadership Washington Focus (LWF) - No Applicants **Leadership Camp**—Lexi Ogi

Congratulations! Thank you to the 4-H Committee for sponsoring these scholarships.

4-H is...





Calling All 4-H Alums: Don't Forget to Raise Your Hand!

In 4-H, we believe in the power of America's youth to



succeed in life; however, only one in three kids says they have the skills they need to handle what life throws their way. That's why 4-H created "Raise Your Hand." A nationwide call to action for alumni to "raise their hands" to empower our nation's youth with the skills to lead for a lifetime. Help us grow the next generation of True Leaders—because every child deserves the opportunity to succeed.

Are you a #4HGrown Alum? Raise your hand to pay it forward & help the next generation of #TrueLeaders. The state who secures the most "raised hands" will receive \$20,000 for 4-H Programming. You can raise your hand at www.4-H.org./RaiseYourHand. It doesn't cost a thing!



Help With Kid's Day @ The Fair!

"KID'S DAY!" will be held Wednesday, August 9 from Noon to 4:00p.m. at the Holmes County Fair at Harvest Ridge. Please consider joining us on this day of family fun and hands on learning by having your Club host an activity! This is a great way to promote 4-H in our community and fulfill your Community Service requirement! If you would like to participate, please answer the questions below and email to kdhilltop@earthlink.net, then Kathy will be in touch with you in July, regarding details of your activity!

4-H Club:

Contact Person:

Phone:

Email:

Address:

We will participate from Noon - $4:00 \text{ pm } \textbf{\textit{OR}}$ We will participate during these hours:

Teens Awarded Scholarships to Citizenship Washington Focus

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is a 4-H leadership program for older 4-H youth, from across the country. CWF is an opportunity to explore, develop, and refine the civic engagement skills they need to be outstanding leaders in their home communities and at the national level.

We are proud to announce **Cherokee Wells and Chase Wells** as this year's selected attendees.

Thank you Senior Fair Board for your sponsorship!





Let's Go To Camp!

Calling all campers! 4-H Camp will soon be here! Mark your calendars for tons of fun at 4-H Camp Ohio from June 6-10. Join your fellow 4-H'ers for many opportunities to learn new skills while also participating in activities such as swimming, zip lining, and rock climbing! Additionally, the Knolmes 4-H Camp is open to youth who are not enrolled in the 4-H program, so all Holmes County youth are invited to attend.

Holmes County 4-H'ers may apply for a scholarship from the Holmes County 4-H Committee. Scholarship forms and camp enrollment are available at the OSU Extension office and on our <u>website</u>. Scholarships may be granted in any amount, based upon need and availability.

The Early Bird Deadline for camp registration is May 12th.

Public Speaking

Speaking contests, illustrated talks, and demonstrations have long been a great training ground for Holmes County 4-Hers, helping them with public speaking skills that translate into better classroom performance and skills to persuade others on important issues. If 4-H members, their parents or advisors would like more information or help in preparing for one of these contests, please contact the OSU Extension Office.

Members interested in the Health & Safety Public Speaking or Skit Contest will be sent to the Regional Contest in Wooster (OARDC Fisher Auditorium, TBA). Members have the option of preparing an Individual Health and Safety Speech or a Team Talk/Skit (2 or more members) on a Health and Safety topic. Topics can be anything related to health and safety that affects family living, whether it is in the home, on the farm, on the highway, or in public places.

Members interested in Demonstrations or Illustrated Talks will be sent to the State Fair Communications Days Contest. Demonstrations can be fun for 4-Hers who teach other club and audience members a new skill. It could be anything from how to make a prize winning brownie recipe to skills in refinishing a family heirloom. Illustrated talks use visual aids, such as posters, PowerPoint and equipment to teach a new skill or present facts for a new idea.





Other Camping Opportunities

Sea Camp

July 8-12, 2017 @ Kelleys Island

"Get your feet wet" as you learn about one of Ohio's most important resources: Lake Erie! You'll be in, on, and around the water as you explore the science of the lake, learn marine-related skills, and discover the history and recreational uses of our great lake.

Piedmont Shooting Sports Camp

June 9-11, 2017 @ Camp Piedmont http://www.ohio4h.org/events/piedmont-shooting-sports-camp

Space Camp

June 20-22 @ Marietta College

Build and fly a hot air balloon; Test some laws of physics; Try your skills at landing on the moon; Experiment with the principles of flight. Check out http://spaceadventurecamp.cfaes.ohio-state.edu

Shooting Sports Camps

4-H Shooting Education Camp @ Canter's Cave 4-H Camp Juniors-June 30-July 2 Seniors-July 23-28 http://www.ohio4hshootingsports.org/shootingedcamp.htm

Ohio: Operation Military Kids @ Kelleys Island August 7-11 for kids with family in military service Check out http://www.ohio4h.org/omk

Holmes County Cloverbud Day Camp @ The Baker Building

Holmes County will be hosting Cloverbud Day Camp on Saturday, May 6th from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. All Holmes County youth of Cloverbud age, Kindergarten through Grade 2, are invited to participate whether they are enrolled in 4-H as Cloverbuds or not. Youth will be participating in activities which explore topics of: leadership, communication, teamwork, nature, crafts, service.



Registration is \$25 and is due April 27th to guarantee a t-shirt. Camp cost includes make and take crafts, lunch, and snacks. Registration forms are available at holmes.osu.edu for print. Contact our office with any questions.

Livestock Project Info

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;
- 2. Attending **one** Quality Assurance session (if it is a market or lactating animal);
- 3. Having the animal tagged and/or weighed at the county weigh-in or tag-in;
- 4. Obtain a Fair Book for fair requirements, showmanship and class information (available early to mid May);
- 5. Turning in the proper paperwork per species requirements to the Extension Office as listed below. Leases if applicable (see below), pen form submissions, market livestock photos)
- 6. Attend Livestock judging or schedule online to attend pre-judging if unable to attend Livestock judging. Bring completed projects book and records, refer to the website for project knowledge expectations, complete skill-a-thon station, refer to the Dress Code.

All are due in the Extension Office by Monday, June 1 in order to participate in the Holmes County Fair.

- Dairy Projects: Project Leases; Birth dates, Registration # or other ID.
- Beef Projects: Heifer and Feeder Calf Leases, Grooming Form
- Horse Projects: Identification page, Photo, Lease, PAS Entry Form and Permission to Participate in 4-H Horse Activities and Release of Claims.
- Llama Projects: Lease, IRL Registration (if applicable) and Photo.
- All Breeding Animal Projects: Project leases

Other applicants will receive a halter that will be given to them at tag-in.

Thank you to John Fouts of Fouts Club Lambs in Marysville, OH for donating this years Lamb Give Away project.

Poultry Clinic



The Holmes County Junior Fair Poultry Committee invites all poultry exhibitors to attend a Poultry Clinic on Saturday, May 6, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. in the Baker Building.

This will be the perfect event for first time exhibitors or one who has been showing for years. Exhibitors will learn more about handling Avian Influenza, components of turkey, chickens, and ducks, and many other techniques about raising and showing poultry. For questions or to RSVP, call the Extension Office at 330-674-3015.



Bunny Day Camp

The Holmes County Rabbit Committee will be hosting a Bunny Day Camp at the Holmes County Fair Grounds on Sunday, May 21 from 1:30 – 4:00 pm. The first hour will be Quality Assurance which can be attended by anyone needing Quality Assurance.

Topics may include nutrition, health, housing, supplies, breeds (commercial & fancy), certain breed disqualifications & general disqualifications, grooming, hands on showmanship, skillathon, breeding (palpating), marketing (products), & meats. 4-Hers wishing to practice showmanship may bring their rabbits to the clinic. This event is free and open to all 4-H members. The Committee will also be hosting a silent auction and refreshment stand. All proceeds benefit the new Fairgrounds.

Weigh-In, Tag-In, Tattooing & Identification

Dairy Feeders: May 13, 8:00-10:00 am @ Harvest Ridge Swine: May 13 and 20, 7:00-10:00 am @ Harvest Ridge

* Goat: May 20, 9:00-10:00 am @ Harvest Ridge *

Sheep: May 27, 8:00-10:00 am @ Harvest Ridge

* Meat Rabbit: July 21, 5:00-7:00pm @ Harvest Ridge *

* Breeding/Pet Rabbit: July 21, 7:00-8:00pm @ Harvest Ridge*

Dairy Feeders - Vaccine Reminder!

Mandatory Dairy Feeder Vaccination Program. At Tag-In, all dairy feeders will be given an injection of Bovi-Shield Gold One Shot™ (covers 4 major viruses & Pasteurella) administered by East Holmes Veterinary Clinic staff member. Cost of the vaccines is being sponsored by the Market Livestock Sale Committee. Animals not vaccinated will NOT be able to exhibit at the Holmes Co. Fair.

Livestock Project Info

Quality Assurance

There are two remaining QA opportunities in 2017 in Holmes County. Many other opportunities exist including special clinics and events. As a reminder any youth taking a market or lactating project must complete QA. Here are the events that are currently scheduled:

- * May 4th, 6:00 pm at Winesburg Fire Station
- * May 21st, 1:30 pm at Baker Building (Will be first hour of Bunny Day Camp, but all Holmes County youth are welcome to attend QA portion). If you've completed QA out of county, please provide a receipt and/or certificate to the OSUE office.

The Quality Assurance Test Out Option is still available thru May 31st. Members ages 12-18 may take a QA test.

Youth ages 12-14 who pass the QA test can test out of their annual QA program for up to 3 years.

Youth ages 15-18 years who pass the QA test can test out of their annual QA program permanently.

***These ages are as of January 1, 2017 – a youth's 4-H age.

Youth must score at least a 70% to pass (If they do not pass the first time they must sit through a QA session for the current year and then can return the next year to try the exam again).

Cost is \$5 per individual.

Testing is by appointment only, please call (330) 674-3015 to schedule.

A study guide is now available. A hardcopy can be loaned from the OSUE office or the study guide can be emailed to the member.

Fair Books

The 2017 Holmes County Fair Books have arrived! They're available at the OSUE office and Baker Building.

Did you ever wonder how many days you must own a steer? How about exactly when will the livestock sale checks be distributed? Well both of those questions can be answered by looking in the Holmes County Fair Book. The fair books contain ODA Livestock Rules, Jr. Fair Livestock Rules, 4-H Life Skills project requirements and dates for weigh-ins and tag-ins etc. Advisors, parents and members should read and understand their project section of the fair book every year.



Llama & Alpaca Showmanship Clinic -Saturday, May 6, 10am to Noon (Horse Barn)

Horse Clinics - Saturday, May 20 9 am and 1 pm. One or both can be attended.





Goat Showmanship Clinic, July 11, 6:30 to 7:30pm at Harvest Ridge

Holmes County Fair August 7-12, 2017



Penning Forms

- Can be completed at http://holmes.osu.edu/penforms
- Forms will open 12:01 am June 1st & close 11:59 pm July 1
- A paper form will not be available
- Please fill out a digital form for every species you plan to bring to the fair
- Can be completed on smart phone, tablet, or computer
- If you need assistance, our office is happy to help!

Club Advisor Updates

2017 4-H Booths—Looking for Sponsors

The 4-H Booth area has long been an opportunity for our 4-H Clubs to demonstrate to the community the learning and engagement that goes on in 4-H. It is reflective of the 4-H year with pictures of club activities and educational with posters and materials where youth have an opportunity to showcase the things that they have learned.

Last year, we borrowed booth walls from Tuscarawas County, but this year we are looking to purchase walls of our own. The Holmes County 4-H Committee has approximately 1/2 of the money necessary. If your club or someone you know would like to sponsor materials for booths, please contact the Extension Office.

4-H Membership Across County Lines

Reminder: If your club has members that do not live in Holmes County (permanent/primary address), they must complete a Request for 4-H Membership Across County Lines form. This form can be found on our website (holmes.osu.edu) or picked up at the OSU Extension Office. Youth may only participate/exhibit as a 4-H member in one county.

The form only needs to be submitted once. Approval must be given by the Extension Educators in both the county of residence and county of request. After approval, the Across County Lines membership may continue until the youth ages out of 4-H. However, if there is no support for OSU Extension/4-H in the county of residence, then the Across County Lines Membership will terminate at the end of the current 4-H year.

Tax Filing Reminder

OSUE will be filing for all clubs and committees by May 15, 2017. Confirmation will be provided to Organizational Club Advisors when complete. Filing will not be completed for clubs whose EIN number has been revoked (see below) and/or clubs that have obtained a new EIN.

We have received a small list from the State office of clubs whose EIN number was officially auto-revoked and will need to apply for a new EIN number (EIN numbers were lost during IRS transitions). If your club needs a new EIN number, you will be contacted by the OSUE office via email with instructions for obtaining a new number. If you'd like to assistance applying, we'd be happy to walk through it with you here at the office. The process requires full contact information and social security number. You will not be able to file a 990N for tax year 2016 if the EIN was revoked.

Community Service Grants

Once again, Commercial & Savings Bank is sponsoring Community Service Mini-Grants for Holmes



County 4-H Clubs. CSB will be happy to fund up to 50% of a club's community service project expenses, with a maximum amount set at \$100.00 in funding from the Commercial & Savings Bank. This opportunity is a great way for your club to do more for your Community Service project! Remember that community service can take many forms, from Junior Fair support to a village clean-up project. Service projects which maximize club participation and hands on learning experiences will be regarded highly. These Mini-Grants are designed to encourage clubs to be creative in the community service projects they select!

All Mini-Grant applications must include a short plan of action approved by the club membership. Go to the Holmes County OSU Extension website (holmes.osu.edu) for the application. Send completed applications to the Extension Office by Wednesday, June 1. You will be notified by CSB if your project is selected for funding. Completion date for all projects is expected to be on or before September 1st of the current year

Activity Fees: \$10 per member, \$25/family cap.

Members pay primary club only. Cloverbuds and

Advisors not to be included in total. Paid collectively
by club advisor (parents pay club). Due to OSUE by

June 1. This fee funds travel, training (for staff, volunteers & members) printing and postage for the
county 4-H program.

2017 4-H Committee Exchange

On Thursday, April 25th, the Crossroads EERA 4-H Committee Exchange was held at Harvest Ridge. The event was an opportunity for the Holmes County 4-H Committee and Senior Fair Board to showcase Harvest Ridge to 4-H Committee members from 13 surrounding counties.

During the event, attendees were able to tour Harvest Ridge and engage in conversations regarding 'Hot Topics' in their 4-H communities.

Those who attended on behalf of Holmes County included: Jody Irwin, Ella Lorentz, Kathy Ringwalt, Jillian & Jennifer Gurley.

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Dates to Remember!

April

4/26—May 7 —TSC Spring Paper Clover Campaign 4/29—Dairy Palooza, West

May

5/2—Camp Counselor Training Work Night 5/2—Junior Fair Board 5/4—Quality Assurance @ Winesburg Fire Station 5/6—Cloverbud Day Camp @ Harvest Ridge 5/6 Poultry Clinic @ Harvest Ridge 5/6—Llama & Alpaca Showmanship Clinic @ Harvest Ridge 5/12—Early Bird Registration Deadline for Knolmes 4-H Camp 5/13—Dairy Feeder Tag-in 5/13—Swine Tag-in (first) 5/20—Swine Tag-in (second) 5/20—Goat Tag-in 5/20—Holmes County Horse Clinic 5/21— Quality Assurance & Bunny Day Camp 5/25—Camp Counselor Training 5/25—Junior Fair Board 5/27—Sheep Tag In

JUNE

6/1 Drop/Add Deadline for all 4-H and FFA projects – DUE TODAY
6/1 CSB Mini Grants – DUE TODAY
6/1 Dairy, Goat, Beef Heifer & Beef Feeder Calf Leases – DUE TODAY
6/1 Horse and Llama Leases and Photos – DUE TODAY

