4-H Family Newsletter – March/April 2018

Dear Williams County 4-H Youth, Families, and Volunteers,

As we embark on the 2018 4-H year, I want to echo Kim's thoughts in her last newsletter- thank you to the families and volunteers that made 2017 a very successful year. Also, a huge thanks to Kim for her service to Williams County youth over the past several years.

Welcome to the new families and volunteers joining us in 2018you will play a special role in continuing the Williams County 4-H tradition of excellence!

As you are aware, our office is undergoing some transition as we work to find a new 4-H Educator. Thank you for your patience and understanding as Karen and I do double-duty to keep things running smoothly. We look forward to introducing you to our new 4-H staff later this spring!

As you complete your enrollment online this year, please reach out and ask for help if you have questions. The online system works well, but can have a learning curve for first-time users. If the need arises and you prefer to use the paper forms, that will be acceptable as well. Please remember our April 2 enrollment date (for previous) members. We will accept project changes and new 4-H members until April 16.

Lastly, please read this newsletter and the included calendar carefully, as there is a lot of important information contained in the newsletter. Additional dates have been added to the calendar.

Sincerely,

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County Updates

Enrollment Deadline April 2 (new members & changes through April 16)

The 2018 enrollment window is quickly closing. Please remember that we are using online enrollments this year through the 4-H Online system. Families should have received instructions from your club advisors.

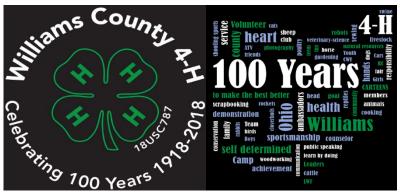
Please make sure you are using either Google Chrome or Firefox. Other browsers, especially Internet Explorer, cause problems. Another frequent issue has resulted in messages telling users that their email address is not valid, even if it is the email used previously in the 4-H Online system. In these cases, the browser has "auto-filled" your email address, causing your email to be unrecognizable to the system. Rather than using auto-fill, always type your email address completely.

Families can still receive 4-H correspondence via USPS instead of email, if desired. We understand that with this being a new process, there may be some growing pains. Feel free to contact our office for assistance.

Williams County 4-H celebrates 100 Years!

Williams County 4-H is celebrating 100 years in 2018!! Clubs are encouraged to think about special activities and events that can help spread the word about 4-H throughout 2018.

To commemorate this milestone, the Williams County 4-H Council is selling T-Shirts. T-Shirt color is Dark Heather Gray with a 4-H clover and 100 year anniversary emblem on the front left and a large "Wordle" in the shape of Ohio on the back. Cost will be \$13 each. Orders will be placed with your 4-H club; check with your advisor for details!



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Save-the-Date! Williams County 4-H Camp! June 7-10!

Summer will be here before you know it! This year's junior camp dates are June 7-10. Cloverbud camp will be held on Saturday, June 9. Registration and additional information will be coming soon. We will send out more information when details are available, and will post forms and schedules on our county website. Please note, the Williams County camp information is not yet available on our website. Additionally, Camperships will once again be available this year. Applications and Forms will be distributed in the near future. If you or your club would like to donate to the campership fund, please contact the Extension office.

Ohio 4-H International Program - Host a Japanese Youth

Looking for some new fun and educational excitement this summer? How about hosting a boy or girl from Japan in your home for 3½ weeks? (July 23 – Aug. 17) The Ohio 4-H International Program is offering hosting opportunities to 75 families around the state, and Japanese youth on the other side of the world are anxiously waiting to learn who their new family might be! Host families should have their own child aged 10-15 who will serve as the main host sibling. Families will be matched with a Japanese youth of the same gender and approximate age. Special trips and activities are not required. The focus is on everyday family life. Host families provide lodging, meals, and any family activities. Medical insurance is provided. Youth bring money for personal spending (gifts, souvenirs, etc.) For more information, please visit www.ohio4h.org/youth/international or contact thalheimer.1@osu.edu

Williams County 4-H Endowment Update and Scholarship Awards

The Williams County 4-H Endowment Committee was formed in 2000 to create continuing support for the Williams County 4-H program. The first college scholarships were awarded in 2003. Since then, they have awarded over \$55,000 in scholarships, including \$10,000 in 2018 alone.

On March 3, the Williams County 4-H Endowment held their biennial Scholarship Fundraiser and Banquet. Nearly 300 people were in attendance to show their support of Williams County 4-H, and a silent and live auction helped raise more than \$8,000 for scholarships and awards. The next banquet will be held March 7, 2020.

Congratulations to all of the 2018 scholarship award recipients!

Levi ChappuisDanika HickeyKaleb RinckRebecca SchroederEthan DunsonKaitlyn MarkwoodElaine SchaffterShi'Anna WhitmanEvan FiskAmanda OberlinRachel SchroederSierrah Whitman

Drew Herman

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the auction, purchased tickets or items, or otherwise helped to make this event a great success. If you are interested in making a donation, please contact the Extension Office. Additionally, our Endowment Committee is always looking for new members- let us know if you would have an interest in serving in this way!

Williams County Teens Selected for Trips

Congratulations to the following teens who were selected and plan to attend the following Leadership and Development events. The Williams County 4-H Endowment Committee helps to sponsor up to 80% of the costs of these trips.

Citizenship Washington Focus: Amanda Oberlin, Kaleb Rinck Leadership Washington Focus: Hannah Missler, Chloe Wyllie

Sea Camp: Gradyn Monachino

Ohio Conference: Colton Friedel, Kaylee McCaskey, Grace Monachino, Nikolas Rinck, Audrey Schroeder

Williams County Teens Nominated for State Achievement Awards

Each year, 4-H youth ages 14-18 are encouraged to apply for State Achievement Awards. Nominees are selected from each county and are then forwarded on to the State level where they will compete against nominees from across the state. An Ohio winner is selected in each category and is invited to attend National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia, in November.

Congratulations to our 2018 Williams County Nominees:

Austin HuffmanBeef; Shooting SportsRachel SchroederFoods & NutritionJoe ReamsnyderDairy GoatKaitlyn MarkwoodHorse; Leadership

Chloe Wyllie Sheep Alex Rinck Mechanical & Engineering Science

Kaleb Rinck Veterinary Science

Kaylee McCaskey Citizenship and Community Service; Personal Development **Grace Monachino** Environmental Science; Family Life and Child Development

TSC Clover Drive - April 11-22

The spring Paper Clover Fundraiser will be April 11 - 22! Invite friends and family to support 4-H by donating \$1 at check out when they are done shopping. 100% of each dollar goes to the 4-H. 70% of all funds collected support local and state 4-H programs right where you live. *New for 2018* - online shoppers can make paper clover donations online. More information can be found at www.tractorsupply.com/4-H.

Volunteer Updates

Complete Policy 1.50 Youth Protection by April 1

OSU Policy 1.50 Youth Protection Training is required to be completed by all Ohio 4-H Volunteers. In 2018, the 4-H Online system will be utilized to complete this requirement. Once volunteers have completed your 2018 enrollment, you will be able to use the following steps to fulfill the training requirement. 1.50 training should be completed by April 1, 2018. You must use Chrome or Firefox as your browser. Internet Explorer will not work.

- 1. Log into http://oh.4hOnline.com, click on "Continue to Family".
- 2. Click "Edit" to the right of your name
- 3. Click on "Trainings" at the top of the page
- 4. Click on "Sign Up for a Training"
- 5. Select "1) OSU Policy 1.50 Child Abuse & Neglect TRAINING (Online)" and complete the training
- 6. Select "2) OSU Policy 1.50 Child Abuse & Neglect QUIZ (Online)" and complete the quiz
- 7. Click "Edit/View" in the Trainings Completed or In Progress to print a certificate of completion

Volunteer Trainings Scheduled

In addition to completing the 1.50 training, volunteers should also attend one in-person training each year. Many of the opportunities to attend a training locally were in February and early March, so if you still need to attend a training, please hold Thursday, April 5, 2018, 6:30pm, at the Montpelier School, for Officer & Advisor Training.

Club Updates

Officer and Advisor Training - April 5

Please note that officer and advisor training will be held Thursday, April 5, 2018 at the Montpelier School, starting at 6:30pm. The officer training will include sessions for **Presidents, Vice Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers, News Reporters, Health/Safety Officers, and Recreation Leaders.** There will also be a youth session hosted by your 2018 Camp Counselors to get you pumped for camp!

4-H Booth Theme Poster Contest – due by May 8

All 4-H youth members are encouraged to submit a booth theme poster by **May 8** to the OSU Extension office. Posters are reviewed by the Williams County 4-H Advisory Council to determine a booth theme for the current year. The first place theme will be used by each 4-H Club to design and decorate their 4-H Club booth at the Williams County Fair. First place poster will win \$15.00, second place will win \$10.00 and third place will win \$5.00. Remember, this year marks the 100th Anniversary of 4-H in Williams County ©.

Rules and guidelines can be found on page 8 of the 2018 Williams County Family Handbook.

Family and Consumer Sciences Projects

Food & Nutrition Workshop

Saturday, April 14, 9:30 – 11:30 am OSU Extension Office-Williams County

All members enrolled in food & nutrition projects are encouraged to attend the Food & Nutrition Workshop lead by the Williams County Food & Fashion Board. Attendees will learn tips to utilize when completing their 4-H projects as well as how to prepare for their county 4-H project judging.

Fashion Workshop

Saturday, April 14, 12:30-2:30 pm OSU Extension Office-Williams County

All members enrolled in clothing projects (sewing and consumer projects) are encouraged to attend the Fashion Workshop lead by the Williams County Food & Fashion Board. Attendees will learn tips to utilize when completing their 4-H projects as well as how to prepare for their county 4-H project judging.

Food & Nutrition Projects

4-H Food & Nutrition projects rely on a member's level of experience, not age, when selecting a project. Regardless of what the age requirements state in the book, selection should be based on member's level of cooking experience.

Beginner Level – for youth of any age with little to no experience in food preparation and nutrition **Intermediate Level** – for youth of any age with some food preparation and nutrition experience **Advanced Level** – for youth of any age with substantial experience with food preparation and nutrition

Members enrolling in food and nutrition projects are encouraged to progress through each level spending, preferably, 3 years at each level before advancing. Please remember that you cannot move back-and-forth between levels. For example, once you have reached Intermediate level, you must stay at that level or move up – you cannot return to a beginner level project once you have completed an Intermediate level project.

Creative & Leisure Arts Projects

Cake Decorating Workshop - Beginner

Saturday, April 28, Stryker United Methodist Church Beginner Class: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 pm RSVP by Thursday, April 26th if you are planning to attend.

Bring what you have, don't worry if you do not have all the tips listed

Marilyn Weigel, long time cake decorator and 4-H advisor will be hosting this hands-on workshop. Participants will learn and practice cake decorating techniques. Experienced members are welcome to attend and help as needed. Parents are also welcome to attend and practice their skills, just bring your own supplies.

Those wanting to participate should bring:

- 1 prepared recipe of Butter Cream Frosting, from the Resource Book, no coloring please
- Decorating Bag with Coupler (coupler allows the changing of tips)
- Flat cake pan or cookie sheet to practice on
- Tips: (as listed in project book)
- No cake please

Supplies can be purchased at Special Occaisons. Some but not all are available at Walmart.

Beginner Tips to be used:

- One plain round or writing tip: 3 or 4
- One Leaf tip: 67 or 352
- Three star tips: 16, 18, 22 or 27 and 31 or 35
- Two drop flower tips, one large and one small: 224 or 107 and 131 or 193

Animal Science Projects

2018 Livestock Quality Assurance (LQA)

All youth planning to exhibit market animals or animals that produce

marketable byproducts (eggs, milk, etc.) are required to attend annual LQA training or pass an LQA test (if applicable) each year. This includes beef, sheep, swine, poultry, and goat projects. Market rabbit exhibitors are also required to attend the training. Youth not completing the LQA requirement in 2018 will not be able to exhibit at the 2018 Ohio State Fair or 2018 Williams County Fair with livestock. This year, we are

Horse Royalty applications are available at www.go.osu.edu/willhorse

Remaining 2018 Williams County LQA dates:

Monday, April 23, 6:30pm, Gillette Building, Fairgrounds

Thursday, May 10, 6:30 pm, Gillette Building, Fairgrounds This is a make-up date only. Please contact us ASAP if you will plan to attend

not using the yellow half-sheets of paper at LQA. Your sign-in will provide the documentation needed for the LQA requirement.

LQA can be completed in any county as long as documentation is brought to the Williams County Extension Office. Livestock QA must be completed by June 1, 2018.

LQA Test-Out Option

The test-out option is not available in Williams County this year (but youth can travel to another county to test if so desired); however, youth who have tested out previously and still fit in the specified age groups (12-14 or 15+) are not required to attend an LQA training in 2018. Please make sure to ask questions if you are unsure of this, as we don't want you to miss a required training.

Horse Quality Assurance

4-H & FFA Members enrolling in an equine project are required to attend one (1) Horse Quality Assurance (HQA) Training each year. Youth not completing the HQA requirement for the current year will not be able to exhibit at the Ohio State Fair or Williams County Fair with equine projects. In 2018, HQA and LQA will be the same program (see LQA information above). There will not be specific breakout sessions for equine projects, but the program will still meet the requirements. Once we have final information on PAS dates and rules changes, youth with equine projects and club advisors will receive that specific information in a separate newsletter.

Youth enrolling in an equine project for the first time are required to watch two (2) safety videos. These videos will be available for viewing by appointment at the Extension Office, or through your 4-H club.

4-H Dog Project Introduction and Work-Nights

Planning to participate in a 4-H Dog Project? Want to meet Amy Snyder, our county dog key leader? If you answered yes to either of these questions, please plan to attend the 4-H Dog Project Introduction Workshop on **Thursday, May 3, 6:00 pm** at the OSU Extension Office. This is geared to members taking a dog project for the first time and will provide an overview of the requirements and opportunities.

For all members with a dog project, 4-H work-nights have been scheduled for the summer. Youth are required to participate in at least 4 nights to show at State Fair, and 3 to show at the Williams County Fair. Work-nights are as follows: June 12, 19, 29; July 10, 17, 24, 31; August 7, 14, 21. Sessions will be held at the home of Amy Snyder.

We are still waiting on information about changes to the Dog Project rules and requirements. When available they will be posted to our website at http://go.osu.edu/wcdogs, as well as distributed to 4-H dog project members.

Free Turkeys from Cooper Farms - due April 2

Once again this year, 4-H/FFA members interested in exhibiting turkeys at the 2018 Williams County Fair are eligible to receive 5 free turkeys from Cooper Farms of Oakwood, Ohio. Additional turkeys are available at a rate of \$3.25 each for hen/straight run or \$4.25 each for toms. Interested youth should submit an order form and completed biosecurity form no later than April 2, 2018 to the OSU Extension-Williams County Office. If additional turkeys are purchased, payment is due at time of ordering and checks should be made payable to OSU Extension-Williams County. Order forms can be found at http://go.osu.edu/turkeys or picked up from the Extension Office.

Goat & Sheep Seminar - March 22 at Defiance Co. Extension Office

Hicksville Grain is sponsoring a sheep and goat seminar on Thursday, March 22, 2018, 6:30 pm at the Defiance County OSU Extension Office (06879 Evansport Rd., Defiance). Topics to be covered include animal selection, management, nutrition, and more. Please RSVP by calling the Defiance County office at 419-782-4771.

Show Cattle Success Seminar - April 12 at the Fairgrounds

Kalmbach Feeds is sponsoring a show cattle seminar on Thursday, April 12, 2018, 6:30 pm at the Williams County Fairgrounds (Rabbit Barn). Topics to be covered include animal selection, health, nutrition, management, and more. Live animals will be on display for demonstration. Come and learn how to succeed from start-to-finish with your show cattle projects. Please RSVP by calling the Williams County office at 419-636-5608.





Show Cattle Success Seminar





Thursday, April 12th 6:30 pm Williams County Fairgrounds

Come and learn how to succeed from start to finish with your show cattle projects. Live animals will be on display for demonstration. Refreshments will be served.



Questions: Matt Uran 419-553-0141

Cattle Topics Covered:

- -Selection
- -Health
- -Nutrition
- -Management



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2018 4-H CALENDAR

Dates are subject to change. Check the web site for updates http://williams.osu.edu
All meetings will be held at the OSU Extension Office unless stated differently

March 16-17 18 24 26	2018 Counselor training (Camp Palmer) Maple Syrup Brunch, 4-H Camp Palmer Maple Syrup Festival (Fairgrounds) Endowment Committee, 6:30 pm	9 10-15 12 20 24-30	4-H Cloverbud Camp, 4-H Camp Palmer Ohio Forestry Camp 4-H Advisory Council, 7 pm OSF entries must be postmarked Citizenship Wash. Focus, D.C.
April 2018		July 2018	
2	4-H Enrollment Due, Dog Perm. to Part. Due, Horse Royalty Applications Due, Cooper Turkey Orders Due	2 4	Creative Writing Project Due Office Closed, Holiday Leadership Washington Focus, D.C.
7	4-H Camp Clean-Up, Camp Palmer	10	Miscellaneous Project Judging
5	Officers' & Advisors' Training, 6:30 pm,	12	Food & Clothing Project Judging
	Montpelier School	18	4-H Advisory Council, 6:30 pm, Veterans
10	4-H Advisory Council, 7 pm		Building
14	Food & Fashion Workshop	19	4-H Chicken BBQ, Veterans Building
16	Final 4-H Enrollment Due	23	Endowment Committee, 6:30 pm
21 23	Horse Royalty Contest (Fairgrounds) Quality Assurance, 6:30 pm, Gillette	23	Early Livestock Interviews, by appointment g 5 Ohio State Fair, Columbus
23	Building	25-Au	g 5 Onio State Pair, Columbus
27	100 Year T-Shirt Orders Due	Augus	st 2018
		14	4-H Advisory Council, 7 pm,
May 2	018	15	Livestock Interviews, Fair Entries Due,
1	Dog ID Forms Due, Camperships Due		Gillette Building
3	Dog Project Meet-N-Greet- New Members		
	(6:30pm, Extension Office)	September 2018	
4	Cooper Turkey Pick-Up (1:30-5:30pm)	3	Office Closed, Holiday
6	Counselor Training (Ext. Office, 1-4pm)	3-6	4-H Booth Set-up, Fairgrounds
8	Booth Poster Contest Due by 4:30 pm	8-15	Williams County Fair, Fairgrounds
8	4-H Advisory Council, 7 pm	18	4-H Advisory Council, 7 pm
10 12	Quality Assurance, 6:30 pm, Fairgrounds	24	Endowment Committee, 6:30 pm
20	Early Bird Jr. Camp Registration due Counselor Training (Ext. Office, 1-4pm)	October 2018	
21	Endowment Committee, 6:30 pm	1	Officer Books, Honor Club, Outstanding
26	Final Jr & Cloverbud Camp Reg. Due	•	Teen & 1 st year forms due
28	Office Closed, Holiday	7	Celebrate Camp Palmer, 4-H Camp Palmer
	,,	16	4-H Advisory Council, 7 pm
June 2017		28	Fall Fling
1	Forms Due: Swine ID, Dairy ID, equine		
	paperwork, lease forms		nber 2018
2-6	State Leadership Camp	12	Office Closed, Holiday
3	Counselor Training (Ext. Office, 1-4pm)	22-23	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
7	Horse Measuring, Fairgrounds, 6:30-7:30 pm	26	Endowment Committee, 6:30 pm
2	Sheep, Goat, Calf Tagging, Fairgrounds, 8-	Dass	nhor 2010
7	11 am Counselor Training (early, Camp Palmer)	3	nber 2018 4-H Council Budget Comm., 6:30 pm
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7-10 4-H Jr. Camp, 4-H Camp Palmer



24-25 Office Closed, Holiday