

4-H Family Newsletter December

It has been a fun and successful year and I hope that everyone has enjoyed the journey! 2018 is gearing up to be a great year!

All 4-H members are encouraged to thank those individuals and organizations that have helped them throughout the year. I, also, want to thank a few important people in 2017:

- ❖ Thank you to the 4-H Advisory Council for helping to organize and run this amazing program. This group helps with a lot of behind-the-scenes work and does not get enough recognition for what they do.
- ❖ Thank you to the 4-H advisors that helped with all the paper work, project work, club meetings and county-wide events. Without you, this program would not be possible.
- ❖ Thank you to the 4-H families that shared your lives with us this year. It was a great opportunity working with all of you!
- ❖ Thank you to the 4-H members that keep the 4-H traditions strong. From the shyest first-year member to the independent last-year member, you have all left your mark on Williams County 4-H!

I also want to take this time to wish the 4-H families of Williams County "good luck" in 2018. I will be leaving the 4-H program at the end of January. There will be a new 4-H Educator in place by April or May. Until then, please contact the office with any 4-H questions you may have.

Sincerely,



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Calendar

December 2017

25-26 Office Closed, Holiday
30 Steer Tagging, Fairgrounds, 8-10 am

January 2018

1 Office Closed – Holiday
5 4-H Achievement & Camp Counselor
Apps Due
9 4-H Advisory Council, 7 pm
12 County 4-H Scholarship Apps Due
15 Office Closed – Holiday
15 Youth Sewing Class, 9 am – 12 pm
16 Club reg. & Treasury Report Due
22 4-H Endowment Committee, 6:30 pm

County Updates

Fall Fling Recognition

Volunteer Years of Service

First Year Volunteers: Curtis Crossgrove and Damian Dorsten of Sharp Shooters 4-H Club; Tammy Dockery of Heartland 4-H'ers; Christina Henricks of Clever Clovers; Andrew Mills of Hop For It; Chris Oberlin of Wide Awake; Matt Uran of the 4-H Advisory Council.

Five Year Volunteers: James Engels of Locos In Action; Nichole Cameron of 4-H Explorers; Beth Dye and John Dye of Livestock Locomotives; Jacob Herman of Bonnie Blue Ribbon & Dairy; Monica Monachino of Hoof Beats; Bradley Sampson of Sharp Shooters; Vicki Schaffner of Successful 4-H'ers.

Ten Year Volunteers: Jeff Dick of the 4-H Endowment; Stacey Wieland of Successful 4-H'ers.

Fifteen Year Volunteers: Dawn Fisk of Hoof Beats

Twenty Year Volunteers: Tina Miller of Fit N Trim; Marilyn Wiegel of Stryker Livestock.

Twenty-Five Year Volunteers: Rozetta Luke, Resource volunteer

Forty Year Volunteers: Curtis Newcomer, ATV Safety

Forty-Five Year Volunteers: Rosanne Fisher, 4-H Endowment

2017 Honor Clubs

4-H Explorers, Bonnie Blue Ribbon & Dairy, Fit N Trim, Heartland 4-H'ers, Hoof Beats, Kidding Around Goat Club, Sharp Shooters, Stars of 4-H, Superior Farmers.

Club Charter Anniversaries

Kunkle 4-H'ers, 95 years, Superior Farmers, 70 years; Locos In Action, 45 years; Kunkle Livestock, 40 years; Stars & Stripes, 15 years; Fit N Trim, 15 years; Blue Bomber Bacon, 15 years; High Achievers, 10 years; Clever Clovers, 5 years; Livestock Locomotives, 5 years, A's & B's, 1 year.

Record Keeping Contest

Secretary

First Place - Patience Johnson, 4-H Explorers
Second Place – Nadaly Knox, Fit N Trim
Third Place - Annastasia Eitniear, Kidding

Around

Fourth Place – Mandy Taylor, Superior Farmers

New Reporter

First Place – Justice Bear, 4-H Explorers
Second Place – Nadaly Knox, Fit N Trim

Treasurer

First Place – Serenity Johnson, 4-H Explorers

Second Place – Arabella Arquette, A's & B's

Third Place – Ash Walz, Kidding Around

Ohio 4-H Achievement Awards

Poultry Colton Friedel - Winner

Clothing Rebecca Schroeder - Winner

Mechanical & Engineering Science Evan Fisk -
2nd Alternate

Family Life & Child Development Grace
Monachino - 2nd Alternate

Environmental Science Grace Monachino - 2nd
Alternate

Shooting Sports Austin Huffman - 1st Alternate

2017 4-H Camp Counselors

Allison Altaffer, Bailey Bowen, Kali Collins,
Caitlyn Dietsch, Reece Disbro, Jaret Dye, Evan
Fisk, Madison Freeman, Erika Grime, Abigail
Herman, Jonathon Herman, Katherine Herman,
Timothy Herman, Danika Hickey, Casey
Leppelmeier, Kaitlyn Markwood, Haley Maxcy,
Hannah Maxcy, Zara McNalley, Adley McNeal,
Grace Monachino, Grace Nye, Nick Nye,
Addison Oberlin, Amanda Oberlin, Leeanna
Pelz, Joe Reamsnyder, Alex Rinck, Kaleb Rinck,
April Schaffter, Elaine Schaffter, Dominik
Schmitt, Audrey Schroeder, Amos Sloan, Larry
Spieth Jr., Katie Taylor, Rachel Webb, Kaitlyn
Wonders

2017 Teen Trips

Ohio 4-H Conference - Kaitlyn Markwood,
Kaylee McCaskey, Amanda Oberlin, Grace
Monachino, Kaleb Rinck, Audrey Schroeder,
Alex Rinck

Ohio 4-H Leadership Camp - Evan Fisk, Colton
Friedel

Citizenship Washington Focus - Kaitlyn
Markwood, Alex Rinck

Leadership Washington Focus - Austin
Huffman, Adley McNeal

Ohio 4-H Sea Camp - Kaylee McCaskey

Skillathon Achievement

Sr. Beef Division – 2nd Place - Taylor Brown,
Hoof Beats 4-H Club

Jr. Beef Division – 1st – Makayla Keppeler; 2nd –
Adryan Keppeler; 3rd – Gretchen Keppeler, all
of Fit N Trim 4-H Club.

Jr. Dairy Division – 1st – Ava Herman, 2nd –
Carolyn Herman; both of Bonnie Blue Ribbon &
Dairy

Sr. Goat Division – 1st – Joe Reamsnyder,
Kidding Around; 2nd – Leeanna Pelz, Stars of 4-
H; 3rd – Jocelyn Schlachter, Bonnie Blue Ribbon
& Dairy

Jr. Goat Division – 1st – Garrett Walz &
Elizabeth Thiel, Kidding Around; 2nd – Lauren
Lambert, Stars of 4-H; 3rd – Ash Walz, Kidding
Around

Sr. Horse Division – 1st – Jessica Reader,
Thundering Hooves; 3rd Andrea Hartman, Stars
& Stripes

Sr. Poultry Division – 1st – Jacquelyn Wager,
Stars & Stripes; 2nd – Colton Friedel, Superior
Farmers; 3rd – Andrea Hartman, Stars & Stripes

Jr. Poultry Division – 1st – Luke Loveberry,
Kunkle Livestock

Sr. Rabbit Division – 1st Alexis Firm, Stars of 4-
H; 3rd – Ella Calvin, Successful 4-H'ers

Jr. Rabbit Division – 1st – Makayla Keppeler, Fit
N Trim; 2nd – Hayleigh Angeli, Hop For It; 3rd –
Hayley Kimpel, Fit N Trim

Sr. Sheep Division – 1st – Ragen Roesch,
Successful 4-H'ers; 2nd – Evan Fisk, Hoof Beats;
3rd – Chloe Wyllie, Stars of 4-H

Jr. Sheep Division – 1st – Grady Monachino,
Hoof Beats; 2nd - Mackenzie Frame, High
Achievers

Sr. Swine Division – 1st – Emily Fox, Superior
Farmers; 2nd – Drew Herman, Fit N Trim

Jr. Swine Division – 1st – Grace Schroeder,
Heartland 4-H'ers & Marissa Bennett, Kunkle
4-H'ers; 2nd – Ashlee Hug, Heartland 4-H'ers;
3rd – Blake Flower, Fit N Trim

Outstanding First Year Members

Carter Eckley, Superior Farmers
Hailey Johnson, Stars of 4-H

Outstanding Teens

Amanda Oberlin, Stryker Livestock
Rebecca Schroeder, Heartland 4-H'ers

4-H Advisory Council Election Results

Congratulations to the recently elected members of the 4-H Advisory Council!

Adult Representatives

At Large – Sara Dye
Edon School District – Pete Muehlfeld
Northwest Township - Teresa Slater
Superior Township – Angela Friedel
Bridgewater Township – Lindsey Eckley
Madison Township – Betsy McCaskey
West Unity Schools District – Abbie Sanders
Edgerton School District – Tiffany Studer
North Central School District – Becky Weber
Pulaski Township – Chris Carlin

Youth Representatives

Bryan – Kaitlyn Markwood
Edon – Taylor Brown
West Unity – Ben Wieland
North Central – Kaylee McCaskey
Stryker – Amanda Oberlin
At Large – Luke Pickford

These members will join current members in January to kick off the 2018 4-H Year.

NEW Projects!

In an ongoing effort to keep 4-H project books current, several project books have been discontinued, revised, or added for the 2018 program year. A complete list can be found in the [2018 Family Guide](#) on our website. Each family will receive a hard copy of the Family Guide once clubs reorganize in 2018.

As members begin to think about the project(s) they will take in 2018, please remember to utilize the [Project Central](#) site. Anyone can view the first few pages of each project book and leave reviews of the projects they have completed.

Member Premiums

All members exhibiting in the 2017 Williams County Jr. Fair receive premiums. These premiums are dispersed to the 4-H club and then passed along to the members. Please be sure to catch up with your advisor to collect your premiums.

Endowment Fundraiser – March 3

Did you know that the Williams County 4-H Endowment Committee gives away college scholarships every year? Did you know the 4-H Endowment keeps 4-H camp costs low? They reduce the cost of 4-H camp by \$20-\$30 per Williams County 4-H member that attend our local 4-H camp. They also cover up to 80% of the cost of the state-wide 4-H camps (CWF, LWF, and Leadership Camp).

Now is your chance to give back to the Endowment Committee. Plan to attend their fun Scholarship Fundraiser on Saturday, March 3 at the Veterans' Memorial Building. The evening includes a meal, live and silent auctions, and other fun games to help the Endowment Committee continue their support of the Williams County 4-H program.

Tickets are available from Endowment Committee members. If you need tickets, please contact the office and we will have an Endowment Committee member contact you. Adults (12 & up) are \$15, Children (11 & under) are \$10. These would make a great stocking stuffer for your favorite 4-H supporter!

Endowment Donation from Clubs

4-H Clubs are asked to donate at least one item to the 4-H Endowment Fundraiser valued between \$25-50. Clubs are encouraged to be creative and can turn in their donation to the Extension Office no later than Feb. 23. This donation can be used towards your Honor Club points.

New Enrollment Process for 2018

The 2018 enrollment window is right around the corner! This year, the Williams County 4-H program will be utilizing the 4-H Online program to allow families to complete their enrollment on their own via the internet. Current 4-H families will have until April 2, 2018 to complete their enrollment. Changes after this date will have to be called into the office.

4-H Online utilizes an email to identify each family. This email is used to confirm login information – so it must be accessible. Families can still opt to have 4-H correspondence sent via USPS mail instead of email. Club advisors will receive enrollment instructions that will be shared with the families.

Like us on Facebook!



Williams County 4-H has an active Facebook account. Find current updates and event reminders at <https://www.facebook.com/will4h/>.

Family Emails

Please make sure the office has your current email address in our records. If you (or someone you know) is not receiving this information, please contact the office so we can correct the issue.

Youth Beginning Sewing Class

Monday, January 15, 2018

9 am – 12 Noon, OSU Extension Office
Fee: \$8

Open to all youth beginner sewers.
Complete a simple project while learning the basics of sewing.

Items to bring: scissors, measure guide, seam ripper, pins, pencil, sewing machine if possible.

Taught by Donna Missler,
OSU Master Clothing Educator
RSVP by Jan. 11 to 419-636-5608.

2018 Livestock Quality Assurance Dates

LQA required for beef, dairy, sheep, goat, horse, swine, rabbit, and poultry. Plan to attend one of the following sessions:

**Sat., Feb. 24, 2018
9 AM, Gillette Building**

**Mon., Apr. 23, 2018
6:30 PM, Gillette Building**

NEW RULE: Williams County Jr. Fair members must have LQA completed no later than June 1 of each year.

Volunteer Updates

Finger Prints

By now, all volunteers that are required to complete their fingerprint for the 2018 4-H year have been notified. If you were one of these volunteers, please be sure to complete the process by Dec. 31, 2017.

Volunteer Enrollment

Enrollment for 2018 will be completed using the 4-H Online database at <https://oh.4honline.com>. All volunteers received notification that 2018 enrollment would be completed online along with detailed steps to complete the process. Please be sure to complete the process by Jan. 1, 2018 so that the next phase of youth enrollment can be completed in a timely manner.

Policy 1.50 Youth Protection

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.

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. Next, select "2) OSU Policy 1.50 Child Abuse & Neglect QUIZ (Online)" and complete the quiz.
7. After completing the training and quiz, click "Edit/View" in the **Trainings Completed or In Progress** to print a certificate of completion.

Williams County 4-H Endowment Scholarship Fundraiser



Saturday, March 3, 2018
Veterans' Memorial Building, Fairgrounds
Doors Open at 5 PM – Dinner at 6 PM



Adults \$15 – Children \$10
Tickets available from Endowment Members

Silent Auction – Live Auction – Family Fun!
Proceeds benefit the Williams County 4-H Endowment Committee

Volunteer Training

Volunteer Training is an annual requirement that is to be completed by all volunteers. Annual training includes the OSU Policy 1.50 (youth protection) and signing the standards of behavior. The Standards of Behavior will be completed during the reenrollment process through 4-H Online. For 2018, the OSU Policy 1.50 training will also be completed using this program and should be completed by April 1, 2018.

Volunteers should also attend one in person training. Due to the staffing changes, there will be fewer options available to complete this requirement. Please plan to attend ONE of these trainings.

Thursday, **Feb. 1, 2018**, Putnam County, 124 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa, OH; 6-8:30 PM
RSVP to Williams Co. by Jan. 30.

Thursday, **Feb. 22, 2018**, St. John Lutheran Church, 23120 US Hwy 6, Stryker, OH; 6-8:30PM
RSVP to Williams Co. by Feb. 20.

Sat., **March 10, 2018**, Ohio 4-H Conference, Columbus, OH
[Click Here for Registration Materials](#)

Thursday, **April 5, 2018**, Officer & Advisor Training, Montpelier School, 6:30 PM

NOTE: Policy 1.50 will NOT be offered at these trainings. Policy 1.50 will be completed using the 4-H Online database.

Regional 4-H Volunteer Advisor Training

February 1, 2018 (Thursday), Putnam County Educational Service Center
124 Putnam Parkway, Ottawa, Ohio
6:30 - 8:30 PM **RSVP:** To your local Extension Office by 1/30/18

February 22, 2018 (Thursday), St. John Lutheran Church (corner of U.S. Hwy 6 & St. Rt. 66)
23120 US Highway 6, Stryker, OH 43557
6:30 - 8:30 PM **RSVP:** To your local Extension Office by 2/20/18

Training Topics (attend 2): New Advisor Training, 4-H Club Finances, Youth & Adult Partnerships, Branch Out with STEM, Q&A Panel Discussion

6-6:30 PM: Poster Sessions – STEM, Roberts Rules of Order, The Winning Plan, Horse Sense, Health Officer Resources, Medicine Cabinet, Cloverbud Kits

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