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4-H FAMILY NEWSLETTER FALL 2014

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REMINDER...4-H FALL CELEBRATION. SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16TH, 4:00PM RSVP TO THE EXTENSION OFFICE BY FRIDAY, NOV. 14TH

Dear 4-H Friends and Families:

Time has flown by since we wrapped up the 2014 Jackson County Fair. Once again, this year's fair proved to be a success, but most importantly, our efforts resulted in numerous young people who had a positive experience by gaining important life skills and making lasting memories.

As we near the end of 2014, I would like to thank all of our volunteers for their help and support throughout the year, but most importantly for the time and effort that they put into helping the youth of Jackson County. I am continually impressed with the wonderful talent and leadership shown by our youth, as well as the amazing support of our many 4-H advisors and volunteers. I would also like to thank all of our committees for all of their hard work during the week of the fair as well as the many months of preparation that go on before and after the fair. We sometimes forget about the time and effort that goes on behind the scenes in order to make the 4-H program a success.

Earlier this month, a number of 4-H volunteers hosted the 3rd Annual Friends of 4-H Fundraiser Dinner at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp. The goal of this fundraiser is to raise the a large portion of the funds necessary to maintain the Jackson County OSU Extension/4-H program each year. It was a very nice evening raising more than \$13,500 through this event!! I cannot express how grateful we are to have wonderful volunteers and community members who care enough about the 4-H program to make this happen. The support that was shown for the 4-H program from around our community is always phenomenal and made me so proud to be a part of this program. It was so great to see our community come together to make this event a success. Everyone who played even a small part in

this event helped to make this happen. It took every donation of time, auction items, in-kind contributions, purchasing dinner tickets and bidding or buying at the auction to make this a reality. All I can say is THANK YOU to each and every one of you for being the heart of the 4-H program! Please take time to thank the many sponsors who are listed throughout this newsletter. All of these efforts are because of YOU and the promise that you each show through your many 4-H stories.

I encourage you do your part to spread the word and share your 4-H stories with your friends, family and others in the community. Let them know how important 4-H is to Jackson County youth and thank them for their continued support. I have seen first hand the valuable lessons that the 4-H program and other Extension programs can provide. It is because of the wonderful experiences I have had with your children that renew my devotion to the 4-H program each and every day. This is about something much bigger than the projects, the fair or any blue ribbon...it is about the future of our children and our community for generations to come.

I hope to see all of our 4-H families at the 4-H Fall Celebration on Sunday, November 16th at 4 pm at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp. **Please call your reservations in to the Extension Office at 286-5044, ext. 22 (voicemail available) by Friday, Nov. 14th so that we can have an accurate food count.**

Sincerely,



Erin Dailey

Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development
& County Extension Director
OSU Extension Jackson County, Ohio Valley EERA

UPCOMING EVENTS

4-H FALL CELEBRATION ~ SUN, NOV. 16TH ~ Canter's Cave 4-H Camp



Just another reminder...we will be holding a 4-H Fall Celebration & Hayride on Sunday, November 16th at 4:00pm at Canter's Cave 4-H Camp. All 4-H Families are invited. Hot Dogs and drinks will be provided. **Families are asked to bring a covered dish and dessert for every four people that you are bringing to ensure there is enough food.** We will be having a hayride, indoor activities and a brief recognition program. **We will be recognizing 4-H Honor Clubs, Committee Members, Junior Fairboard Members and State Fair Participants/Winners.** This will replace the annual honor club picnic. Volunteer Recognition will be done after the first of the year in conjunction with Volunteer Training. This is a time for all of our 4-H families to come together, relax and enjoy a good meal. It is a small token of appreciation for the hard work you do all through the year. The hot dogs & drinks are sponsored by the 4-H Advisory Council. There will be door prizes given away that evening and a small silent auction. If you know of anyone who would like to donate a door prize please let us know. Please join us on Sunday, November 16th! **Please RSVP to the Extension Office by Friday, November 14th so that we can have an accurate count for the food.**

HONOR CLUBS 2014

We will still accept Honor Club applications until Friday, November 14th. I know we have many more clubs out there that should have been Honor Clubs, but did not submit the score sheet. I encourage everyone to keep track of your activities and don't forget to send in your score sheets. Honor Club Applications are available on our website and the deadline has been extended to November 14th.



Members, parents and volunteers will be recognized at the Fall Celebration on November 16th. Each new honor club receives a plaque following the event and clubs that have been honored in the past receive an additional plate for their plaque. If you have not turned in your plaque to have the plates added please do so. If you are missing a plaque or need plates updated from previous years please contact Erin.

4-H ADVISORY COUNCIL ELECTIONS



The 4-H Advisory Council elections will be held at the 4-H Fall Celebration on Sunday, November 16th. Seven positions are filled each year, with those positions making up a three-year term. Members of the committee must have served as a volunteer for at least one full program year and are to attend monthly meetings and serve on various sub-committees that help set policy, planning, and carry out the 4-H programs that are offered in Jackson County.

If you would like to have your name on the ballot, or would like to nominate someone, please contact the Extension Office by Thursday, November 13th. You can leave the information on our voicemail. We are looking for willing volunteers that want to help build the 4-H program and continue to "Make the Best Better!"

If you are unable to attend the event, but would still like to vote, please call the Extension Office by Thursday, November 13th to arrange to vote absentee.

FAREWELL TO OUR OFFICE ASSOCIATE LINDA!

As many of you may know...our office associate, Linda Stacey, took a full time position the first of September. We hated to see her leave but wish her luck in this new opportunity! She will be missed! She has enjoyed getting to know many of you so if you see her around town be sure to say hello! We are in the process of posting the position for a new half-time Office Associate position. If you know of any good candidates, please send them our way. The job will be posted at www.jobs.osu.edu in the coming weeks.

4-H VOLUNTEER LUNCHES

As the 4-H program year is unwinding, this is a great time to reflect on the past year. I have a couple of 4-H Volunteer Lunches scheduled in the coming months and I would like to invite any of our 4-H Volunteers to join me to discuss the 4-H program, any questions or concerns that you may have, or just have time to chat. If you would like you can let me know you are coming or just show up.



The upcoming dates that I have set are:

***Friday, November 14th ~ Lunch at Dairy Queen, 12pm**

***Monday, December 15th ~ Lunch at Toro Loco Mexican Buffet, 12pm**

***Friday, January 16th ~ Lunch at Cardo's Pizza Buffet, 12pm**

2015 4-H CAMP DATES

All of the 4-H educators in the counties that make up the Canter's Cave 4-H Camp Corporation recently met in August to set the dates for the 2015 4-H Camps. Those dates are as follows:



- Cloverbud Overnight Camp** ~ May 30th-31st
3rd, 4th and 5th Grade Camp ~ June 22nd-25th, \$136
(\$140 for non-4-H members)
6th, 7th and 8th Grade Camp ~ June 8th-11th, \$136
(\$140 for non-4-H members)
Teen Camp ~ June 19th-22nd, \$140
(\$145 for non-4-H members)

A few other camp dates to remember are:

- Teen Winter Retreat** ~ Feb. 7th-8th, \$35
MXC State 4-H Counselor Workshop ~ Feb. 21st - 22nd
(anyone planning to be a counselor)
Counselor College ~ March 21st-22nd
(anyone planning to be a counselor)
Spring Fling ~ May 8th-9th (grades 3-6)
STEM CAMP ~ June 2nd-4th (grades 5-7)
State Special Needs Camp ~ June 12th-14th
Ohio 4-H Junior Shooting Education Camp ~ June 26th-28th (Ages 9-12)
Ohio 4-H Senior Shooting Education Camp ~ July 12th-17th (Ages 12-18)

**Please contact the Extension Office for further information regarding these camps.

HORSE COMMITTEE

The first Horse Committee meeting for the 2014 program year will be on Monday, January 12th at 6 pm at the Jackson County Extension Office (before the 4-H Advisory Council's meeting). If you or anyone you know are interested in becoming members of the horse committee please call the office and have your name added to our contact list. You must attend or call in that you will not be there for the January meeting and then attend three meetings in a row (including the January meeting) with only one being an excused absence in order to gain voting privileges on the committee. Members of the Horse Committee do not have to be 4-H advisors. Parents, former 4-Hers, or anyone interested in kids and horses is welcome to attend. The Horse Committee currently meets at 6 pm on the second Monday of the month at the Extension Office. This committee provides educational programming and guidance for 4-Hers taking horse projects and needs willing volunteers who care about kids.

REMINDER ~ HORSE APPROVED CLUBS

Again this year, Horse Exhibitors must be part of a Horse Approved Club. At least one advisor must attend Horse Advisor Training to become a Horse Approved Club. This will involve attending additional training that is generally offered the same night as an existing volunteer training opportunity.

OHIO 4-H CONFERENCE



The combined **Ohio Volunteer is Conference and Ohio Teen Conference** is now the **Ohio 4-H Conference** and will be held at the Columbus Convention Center on **Saturday, March 14, 2015**. Registration is \$35 and is due by February 11th to the Extension Office. The 4-H Advisory Council covers the first 10 teens or adults that register to attend. The \$35 registration fee must be paid by Feb. 11th to hold your spot but is refunded to the first 10 who register upon attendance of the event. This is a great opportunity to interact with other volunteers and teens from around the state and gain valuable information and counts as your yearly mandatory training. Please contact Erin if you are interested in attending or visit <http://www.ohio4h.org/about-ohio-4-h/ohio-4-h-conference> for more info.

LIVESTOCK UPDATES



STEER CALL-IN DEADLINE AND WEIGH-IN DATES SET FOR DECEMBER



The call-in deadline for 2015 market steers is **December 1st**. Market Steer weigh-in and tagging is scheduled to be held at the fairgrounds from 8-10 am, Saturday, December 20th. **The tagging fee for each animal is \$5.** Animal registration forms are available from the Extension Office if you need them ahead of time.

In order to be eligible for Top County Bred Awards, exhibitors must complete a County Bred Registration Form signed by the breeder that they are purchasing the animal from verifying that animal was born in Jackson County. These forms can be obtained from the Extension Office or are posted on our website.

AGAIN THIS YEAR....County Bred Forms must be obtained from the Extension Office or from our website **PRIOR** to weigh-in and a **SIGNED FORM must be submitted AT WEIGH-IN! No forms will be accepted after this date.**

MANDATORY HORSE CHECK-IN ~ SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH



Horse Exhibitors will be required to bring their horse to a Mandatory Check-In on Saturday, April 25th again this year for Horse Identification and Body Conditioning Scoring. Horses must be in the possession of the exhibitor and be present at the fairgrounds on this date just as livestock are required to check in during the April Weigh-in. Horses that are not present at this check-in will not be permitted to exhibit at the fair without prior approval of the Horse Committee.

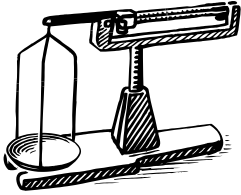
SPRING WEIGH-IN/TAG-IN ~ SAT, APRIL 25TH

The spring weigh-in/tagging for market lambs, goats, dairy market feeders, market beef feeders and hogs will be Saturday, April 25th at the fairgrounds.

All market animals must be tagged in order to show and sell at the 2015 Jackson County Fair. **The tagging fee for each animal is \$5.** It is not necessary to call-in how many animals you will be weighing in/tagging.

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NEW THIS YEAR....County Bred Forms must be obtained from the Extension Office or printed off of our website PRIOR to weigh-in and a SIGNED FORM must be submitted AT SPRING WEIGH-IN! **No forms will be accepted after this date.**



Please pass this word along to any older 4-Hers (**those who are ages 13 and up**). This is a great opportunity for teens to be involved in fun, educational and exciting activities. I realize that teens' schedules are very busy and they may not be able to make it to every meeting or event, but I would encourage youth to come when they can and try to get involved in this group.

OLDER YOUTH APPLICATION INFORMATION COMING IN EARLY DECEMBER



Watch your mailbox!! It is getting to be the time of year when we send a letter out from our office to all 4-H youth ages 14 to 18 to find out which opportunities and groups they might like to take part in. This letter will be going out in early December and applications will be due by January 15th.

Teens can obtain applications for Junior Leaders, Junior Fair Board, Camp Counselor, Scholarships, Awards, Trips, etc. online or by calling or stopping in the office and picking them up. The letter will also let the teens know of the deadlines to apply for each of the listed activities. The deadlines must be enforced in order to begin interviews, trainings, etc.

Please remind and encourage all of your older 4-Hers to watch for their letter in the mail so that they can complete the proper applications by their specified deadlines.

UPCOMING TEEN OPPORTUNITIES

JUNIOR LEADERS CLUB MTG.

~Tuesday, November 18th

~6:00-7:00 at the Extension Office

The Junior Leaders Club will be holding their next meeting on Tuesday, November 18th at 6:00pm at the Extension Office. Our December

Meeting will be on Tuesday, December 16th at 6pm at the Extension Office. We will be doing some fun activities at these meetings! We would like to get more youth throughout the county involved. Please encourage your older 4-H members to attend. We are in the process of planning some fun events for this fall and winter, but we always want to get more youth involved!!!



Check Us Out on Facebook at:
www.facebook.com/JacksonCoExtension

or visit the Friends of 4-H Page at:
www.facebook.com/ForExtension



FAIR WRAP-UP



4-H FOOD BOOTH

A special thanks to everyone who helped out in the 4-H Food Booths this year. And a big Thank You to our 4-H Advisory Council members and officers for heading this up this year! It is sometimes difficult to find volunteers to help in the food booth, so we are very appreciative of those clubs and individuals who volunteered their time during the fair! THANK YOU!

JUNIOR FAIR PARADE WINNERS

Floats & Decorated Vehicles

- 1st Place – Hayseeds
- 2nd Place- Barn Burners
- 3rd Place- Bloomfield All-Stars
- 4th Place- Forward Thinkers
- 5th Place- Ridge Runners

Walking Entries

- 1st Place- Totally Awesome Kids

Truck Entries

- 1st Place- Moonshine
- 2nd Place-Highlanders
- 3rd Place- Barnyard Buckeyes

Horse Costume Contest

- 1st Place- Barnyard Rascals

BEAUTIFICATION AWARD WINNERS

Small Flower Container

- 1st Place – Barnyard Buckeyes

Large Container

- 1st Place – Country Critters
- 2nd Place- Barnyard Rascals
- 3rd Place – Highlanders

Hanging Baskets

- 1st Place- Leo Country Buckaroos
- 2nd Place-Bloomfield All-Stars
- 3rd Place- Ridgerunners
- 4th Place- Highlanders

Large Ground Display

- 1st Place- Forward Thinkers
- 2nd Place-Hayseeds
- 3rd Place- Forward Thinkers
- 4th Place- Franklin Guys & Gals
- 5th Place- Country Classics

CLUB BOOTHS

- 1st Dream Catchers
- 2nd Totally Awesome Kids
- 3rd Highlanders
- 4th Ridge Runners
- 5th Leo Country Buckaroos

TABLESCAPES

Overall Jr. Division

Addison Dickens, Dream Catchers

Tablescapes ~ Overall Int. Division

Abby Lewis, Dream Catchers

Tablescapes ~ Overall Sr. Division

Katelyn Jones, Dream Catchers

SHOWMAN OF SHOWMEN

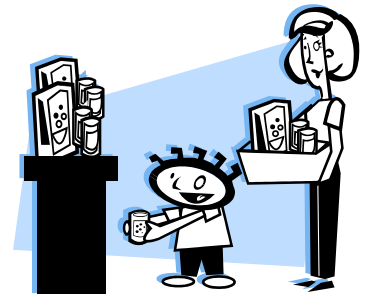
Congratulations to Devin Coon...our 2014 Showman of Showmen!

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED

~More than \$1350

Donated By Exhibitors!

A special “Thank You” to all of the 4-H members who donated money from their livestock checks to go to various funds including the Janie Hatfield Scholarship, the Extension Support Committee Fund, Livestock Committee Scholarship Fund and the Canter’s Cave 4-H Camp Endowment Fund just to name a few. **Overall, \$1359.82 was donated from Livestock Exhibitors topping last year’s donations.** This is a wonderful way to give back to your community and an example of the many values and life skills that our youth are learning. So let’s give all of our exhibitors a pat on the back for their generosity! Each year we see these donations grow! It is great to know that are exhibitors are learning the important lesson of “Paying it Forward!”



GIVING THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS

If you have not already, I hope you will take time to say thanks to all of the many sponsors of our program within the community. Please say thank you by supporting their businesses and while you are there, let them know you appreciate their support of 4-H.

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR BARN SPONSORS

Show Arena Sponsors

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SPECIAL THANKS TO:

Mike & Tammy French, Mike's Gun Shop
Canter's Cave 4-H Camp

NEW WEBSITE DESIGN COMING SOON...

OSU EXTENSION/4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT WEBSITE...

For the most up-to-date information, visit our website at <http://jackson.osu.edu> for the OSU Extension, Jackson County Website. Then click on 4-H Youth Development to go to the 4-H page.

Reminder of links that may assist you

Ohio 4-H Website www.ohio4h.org/

4-H Horse Website: www.horse.osu.edu/

Ohio 4-H Cloverbud Connections Newsletter

<http://cloverbudconnections.osu.edu/>

Engineering-related project news is at

<http://4hengineering.osu.edu>

4-H Advisor Handbook:

<http://advisorshandbook.ohio4h.org/index.html>

4-H Shooting Sports:

<http://www.ohio4hshootingports.org/>



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