Dear 4-H Families:
Hopefully, everyone is enjoying their summer and is ready for the 2017 Jackson County Fair. Camps have wrapped up and the fair is just around the corner.

Although this time of year is always a little crazy, it is truly my favorite time of year because I get to spend a great deal of time with the kids involved in our program. I never cease to be amazed with the talented and extraordinary youth who are involved in the 4-H program. I have a lot of faith in them and know that our future is in good hands with today’s youth. That is why it is so important to ensure that the 4-H program continues for these youth.

Be sure to check out the enclosed fair schedule as many of the events times have changed slightly this year. This newsletter is packed full of information for members, advisors and families, so please read it carefully and call the Extension Office if you have any questions. I would be glad to address any questions or concerns that you may have.

You can also visit our website at www.jackson.osu.edu. Our website is a great way to access important information including the most up-to-date announcements as well as any forms and applications that you may need. This allows you to have important information and forms at your fingertips 24 hours a day. This also allows for a cost-efficient way to get information to our clientele.

We have also been utilizing text and e-mail alerts. If you are not currently receiving these and would like to opt in to those alerts, please call our office to update your contact information.

You can also follow us on social media for updates: Facebook.com/JacksonCoExtension or on Twitter @OSUJackson – and be sure to use #JCFair17 to share your fair experiences this year!

Just a reminder that our office hours are: Mondays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays 9:30am-4:30pm and you can reach the office at 740-286-5044.

We are working hard to accommodate our clientele the best that we can with our limited resources and staff. Outside these hours you can dial the extension of the person you are trying to reach or leave a message on our voicemail (Erin is extension 25). We also have a secure drop box available if you need to drop off forms or other information. I hope this newsletter finds you in good spirits and looking forward to the upcoming 4-H season.

Sincerely,

Erin Dailey
Extension Educator, 4-H Youth Development & County Extension Director
OSU Extension Jackson County, Ohio Valley EERA
~ Call ASAP if you have not attended QA!
If have not attended Quality Assurance and are taking a market or breeding livestock project, you need to contact the Extension Office immediately to find out the final date for completing Quality Assurance.
Remember, Quality Assurance is MANDATORY in order to fulfill your statewide Quality Assurance requirement.

SECRETARY’S BOOKS ~ DUE JULY 12th
Club Secretary’s Books are due to the Extension Office by July 12th. The books will be judged with an award for the best Secretary’s Book to be given during the awards ceremony at the fair.

SALE ORDER NOTES
At the beginning of each species, the order of the top animals will be as follows:
1. Grand Champion
2. Reserve Champion
3. Top County Bred*
4. Runner-Up County Bred*
5. Overall Showmanship Winner
6. Rate of Gain**
The remainder of the Top Ten will follow and continue through the Sale Order. Only Grand and Reserve Champions (with the exception of Market Beef Feeders) are required to sell and exhibitors can opt to sell up to two animals that place in the Top Ten (based on the judge’s placing). Having multiple Top Ten Animals can allow an exhibitor to sell a maximum of two animals/pens for 2017. This option may be changing in 2018.
* Top Co. Bred N/A for Rabbits, Chickens or Turkeys
**Rate-of-Gain N/A for Hogs, Rabbits, Chickens or Turkeys

4-H THEME ANNOUNCED
The winner of this year’s 4-H Theme Contest was Riley Adkins of the Medallions 4-H Club with her winning submission: 4-H: Your Ticket To Success. This year’s theme will be used to decorate the 4-H Booths and Beatification Projects for the 2017 Fair.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CLUB BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS
There will be an opportunity again this year for clubs to compete with Beatification Projects at the fair. Registration information was included in the club packets earlier this year.

REMINDER OF SHOWMANSHIP REQUIREMENTS
Showmanship is required of all exhibitors showing beef, swine, dairy, horses, goats, rabbits, poultry and turkeys in order to receive a premium and to sell their animals. Showmanship is required for each market animal being sold. Showmanship is required for breeding animals if the member wishes to receive a premium for that project. Members must exhibit their own animal and must use the same animal throughout showmanship. Members showing large livestock (beef, sheep, swine, dairy, and horses), MUST wear boots (need not be western boots) in the show arena. The livestock committee encourages each member to abide by the established dress code.

DOG PROJECT JUDGING
As in the past, all 4-H Dog Projects will be judged at the fair including Dog Care projects. The 4-H Dog show begins at 10 a.m., Wednesday of the fair. The dog show will be at the Commercial Building. All dogs being shown at the fair must have current vaccinations and be licensed. All dog exhibitors must complete a dog release form. If you have not completed one already, please contact the Extension Office to do so. All dog exhibitors will complete an interview during their judging at the fair.

4-H DOG INFORMATION POSTED ON WEB SITE
The 2017 Ohio 4-H dog information can be found at: http://www.ohio4h.org/statewide-programs/animal-sciences/dog
The Showmanship and Obedience Regulations have detailed information about what is expected of handlers and their dogs, and how to perform the various exercises. These will complement the 2017 Rules for State Fair Participation, and are recommended for use at the county level.

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Beautification projects must be in place and registered in the Livestock Trailer by noon on Monday of the Fair and removed by Saturday at 10am.
OPPORTUNITY FOR TABLESCAPES CONTEST
There will be a Tablescapes Contest again this year for any 4-H youth in which they can decorate a two-place table setting on a card table with decorative themes and table settings. Tablescapes is a table setting contest open to all 4-H members (due to the competitive aspect, no Cloverbuds, please). 4-H members need not be enrolled in a foods project to take part in this contest.  **Tablescape Registrations are due to the Extension Office or the Livestock Trailer at the Fairgrounds by Saturday at midnight prior to the fair.**

Contest Guidelines
1. Do a table setting for two using a desired theme. Exhibitors must supply their own standard square or round card table. Paper or plastic tableware permitted where appropriate. Include a centerpiece and favors at each place setting to coordinate with theme. No chairs will be used in this contest!
2. Include a menu suitable for your table setting theme and age group. Menu should be no larger than 8 ½ x 11 inches.
3. No alcoholic beverages on the menu.
4. **Table settings must be set up between 9 a.m. and noon, Monday, of the fair in the 4-H Building.** Adults may only help carry items for members. The table must be set/decorated by the 4-Her. (Adults must leave the area while the child sets the table.)
5. Table settings will be judged by age group (as of Jan. 1): Junior, ages 9-11; Intermediate, ages 12-14; and Senior, ages 15 and up. Three places will be awarded in each age group.
6. Awards will be announced at the awards ceremony Monday evening at 5:30pm. **Exhibitors may remove their entries on Friday at 12pm.** Please do not leave valuable items on your tables after the judging is completed.

Judging Guidelines
- Eye appeal and attractiveness: 10 points
- Theme carried out through setting, favors, menu: 40 points
- Appropriate and correct placement of tableware/utensils: 20 points
- Good balance between decorations, place setting, menu: 10 points
- Creativity and hand craftsmanship of favors, menu, centerpiece: 20 points

DEMONSTRATION CONTEST
Great opportunities are available for youth through the Demonstration Contest held at the fair on Tuesday in the 4-H Building. Registration forms are available on our website or in the Extension Office. **Please contact the Extension Office Immediately if you are interested in the Demonstration Contest**

4-H FOOD BOOTH
Each year, the 4-H Advisory Council coordinates the 4-H Food Booth at the Fair. Not only does the food booth provide affordable choices for 4-H families at the fair, but the money raised funds a number of 4-H programs throughout the year. These fundraisers allow the 4-H Advisory Council to pay for camp scholarships, college scholarships, counselor fees and many other 4-H activities throughout the year. It is expected and required that each 4-H Club work at least one shift during the fair. This is part of your club’s service to help support YOUR 4-H program. It only takes a few people and these can be parents, grandparents, club members or others. Younger 4-Hers can help outside the booth and older 4-Hers can work in the booth. THIS YEAR we will ONLY be operating the booth in the BARN AREA and will be offering packaged ICE CREAM again this year. This is a great service opportunity for our young people and great promotion for 4-H. To sign up for your club’s shift please call Tara Salyers at 740-988-6637. **Family Tabs** will be available again this year by providing a check and completing the proper paperwork.

4-H VOLUNTEER LUNCHES
Summer is in full swing and this is a great time to share ideas. 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:
* Monday, July 31st ~ Lunch at Cardo’s 12pm
* Wednesday, August 30th ~ Lunch at Sonic 12pm
* Monday, September 11th ~ Lunch at Dairy Queen, 12pm
IMPORTANT LIVESTOCK RULES
Reminders of several important livestock rules:

HORN RULE
Horns up to 2 inches will be allowed on all market animals and horns of any length will be allowed on goats only. Horns of any length will be allowed on breeding animals if that is part of the breed standard for that animal.

IMPORTANT ODA CASTRATION RULES
New mandatory rule since 2016…it is unacceptable to castrate livestock that exceed the following criteria:

- Cattle over 8 months of age
- Swine over 75 pounds
- Sheep over 75 pounds

Castrating animals after this time will result in disqualification.

IMPORTANT SALE ROTATION NOTES
POULTRY & RABBITS SELL FIRST
Again this year, Poultry and Rabbits will be at the beginning of the sale rotation. Those three projects will still rotate among themselves but will stay at the beginning of the sale rotation. The 2017 Sale Rotation will be:

- RABBITS
- CHICKENS
- TURKEYS
- HOGS
- MARKET BEEF FEEDERS
- LAMBS
- GOATS
- DAIRY MARKET FEEDERS
- STEERS

TERMINAL SALE REMINDERS
The Junior Fair Livestock Sale is a TERMINAL SALE and designed for members to sell their projects for harvest. The only exception to this rule is for Dairy Market Feeders & Market Beef Feeders because they are not a finished product. No animals may be returned to the member after going through the ring. Once the animal is sold, any other ownership transfers are the responsibility of the buyer. All animals going through the Junior Fair Livestock Sale must go to processing (through an approved packer) or to resale with the exception of Dairy Market Feeders & Market Beef Feeders.

NON-TERMINAL SWINE SHOW, STILL TERMINAL SALE
Again this year, the swine show will be non-terminal. This means that swine that do NOT go through the sale will be able to be taken home, exhibited at state fair (with the proper registration in June) or sent for processing. However, the Swine Sale, is still terminal, as it is for all other species except Market Beef Feeders and Dairy Market Feeders.

DRENCHING RULES AND DEFINITION
Drenching of livestock at an exhibition is prohibited except for a medical condition when diagnosed by a licensed veterinarian. “Drenching” means the act of using an instrument, including a bottle, placed in an animal’s mouth to orally administer a liquid, food, or any other substance.

GROOMING RULES
Grooming will be allowed for livestock animals (including beef) if those grooming practices fall within the guidelines of the Ohio Livestock Exhibition Rules Chapter 901-19, specifically as described in Rule 901-19-31 which refers to the “responsibilities of and assistance to junior fair exhibitors.” The full rules can be found at http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/901-19

These rules state that:
- A junior livestock show exhibitor shall be responsible for the continuous care, grooming and preparation of the livestock entered in the junior livestock show.
- An exhibitor may receive assistance in the care, grooming, and preparation of the livestock entered in the junior livestock show, provided that the assistance shall be limited to explanation or demonstration provided by the following: family members, household members, advisors or approved adult volunteers of 4-H or FFA in the exhibitor’s club or county, vocational agriculture instructors, county Ext. Educators, department representatives, veterinarians, members of the exhibitor’s 4-H club/FFA chapter, and guest speakers of the 4-H, FFA or other youth organizations (for the demonstration purposes only.)
- Any person not specified in above who provides assistance to a junior livestock show exhibitor shall register in writing with the sponsor. The responsibility to register rests with the exhibitor. An assistant may register for more than one exhibitor. Failure to register constitutes grounds for disciplinary action against the exhibitor. Assistance shall be limited to explanation and minimal demonstration.
- Grooming rules apply to the Junior Fair Livestock Shows held during the fair.
**SWINE GROOMING RULES**
Swine follow all of the Ohio Livestock Exhibition Rules. In addition, for the Jackson County Fair, **NO Artificial or Cosmetic Substances may be added to a hog’s coat after washing and rinsing. Water may be added for cooling purposes.**

Slick shaving of market hogs is not allowed at the Jackson County Fair. **Hogs must have at least ½ inch of hair.** Please pay close attention to these rules as they will be strictly enforced!

Ohio Valley Bank has generously donated cards to measure the ½” Hair Rule. Please note these are for your personal use only to make sure your hog’s hair is long enough. This **DOES NOT give people the right to approach other hogs** and measure their hair. Hog hair will be measured by fair officials.

**REMINDER OF RULES FOR THE LIVESTOCK ANNEX**
There will be NO PERSONAL FANS in the new barn where hogs and other animals are housed. Additional fans have been added. There are large fans throughout the barn to allow adequate ventilation. The new barn is a DRY BARN which means that you will not wash or spray down your hogs with a hose while in their pens. You can wash your animals in the designated wash rack and spray them with a handheld sprayer in the pens to keep cool.

**GRAND/RESERVE MARKET BEEF FEEDERS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO SELL**
Just as it has been since 2013, the Grand and Reserve Champion Market Beef Feeder Calves will not be required to sell as all other Grand and Reserve Champions are required to do. They do not fall under the ODA mandates for Grand and Reserve Champions to sell. This will give exhibitors the opportunity to bring these animals back as a steer or beef breeding project the following year.

**BARN DECORATIONS**
With the renovations in the Beef Barn, the Livestock Committee is asking that there be **NO STAPLES, NAILS OR ADHESIVES** used in the barn for decorations. Please make plans to use wires, zip ties or other removal options. 

**TACK AND SHOW BOXES**
**NEW...** Tack, bedding and show boxes may be brought into the fairgrounds beginning at 5pm on Monday preceding the fair until Thursday at 9pm preceding the fair. After this time, tack, bedding and show boxes will not be able to be brought in until check-in begins for your species. The Jackson County Agricultural Society and the Junior Fair Livestock Committee are not responsible for lost or stolen items. No one will be allowed in on Friday or Saturday prior to check-in without paying the event admission for harness racing.

**POTENTIAL TO SELL MULTIPLE ANIMALS**
Just as it has been the past three years, all exhibitors who placed in the Top Ten, Rate-of Gain, Top County Bred, or Runner-Up County Bred will be able to sell those animals even if this means selling multiple animals. **This will be limited to selling two animals.** The only exception to this rule would be if an exhibitor would win more than two Grand or Reserve Champions. Exhibitors can still only exhibit a maximum of two market species. This rule is being discussed to be changed in 2018.

**LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST**
Open to All Market Animal Exhibitors!
A Livestock Judging Contest, formerly the Steer Bill Judging Contest, will be held again this year. Participants must be a Jackson County 4-H or FFA member exhibiting a market animal. Contestants must be present and complete a score sheet at designated time of contest. Animals will be judged in their own stalls and may not be handled during contest. Prizes will be awarded as follows: 1st Place (Trophy, plus $50.00), 2nd Place ($30.00), 3rd Place ($20.00). The contest is sponsored by: #1 Buckeye Lawn and Landscape; Christopher, Melanie, Brynlee, Corybn and Coleson Smalley.

**BREEDING ANIMAL REGISTRATION FORM**
Those who were registered for a breeding project have been contacted to complete their Breeding Animal Registration Form. If you have not been contacted and are planning on exhibiting a breeding project please contact us ASAP. Additional copies are available at the Extension Office.
SALE SELECTION FORMS & DROP SLIPS

All members with livestock projects must complete the **SALE ANIMAL SELECTION FORM** and present it to the Livestock Committee or Extension Personnel in the Junior Fair Office by MIDNIGHT of the day of the show in which their project was placed. The **SALE ANIMAL SELECTION FORM** is a form that indicates which project the member wants included in the Jr. Fair Livestock Sale. **ONLY ONE (1) MARKET UNIT MAY BE SOLD IN THE SALE** (with the exception of multiple Champions/Top Ten Animals), AND **ALL MARKET LIVESTOCK MUST BE OWNED BY THE EXHIBITOR**.

If a member fails to complete the Sale Animal Selection Form and turn it in to the Livestock Committee or Extension personnel in the Junior Fair Office, the Livestock Committee will decide which animal you will be selling and that will be your only option for selling an animal through the livestock sale. **The committee will choose the first market unit that would go through the ring in the livestock sale based on the sale order for that year if you do not turn in a Sale Selection Form. If you do not turn in a Sale Animal Selection Form you are ineligible to opt to sell multiple Top Ten market units.**

**ALL ANIMALS not going through the sale or to resale must be removed from the fairgrounds by NOON on Friday.** A drop slip can be filled out and submitted by Thursday at midnight to send a drop animal to resale. These animals will be loaded by the Livestock Committee. No other destination options are available for drop animals. Any animal remaining on the fairgrounds as of NOON on Friday that does not go through the sale or Market Hogs without a completed drop slip WILL GO TO RESALE. The Livestock Committee and Senior Fairboard are NOT responsible for any animals left on the grounds after NOON on Friday and will load all remaining animals without a designated destination on the resale truck. **Drop Slips for all market animals NOT going through the sale on Friday must be turned in by Thursday at midnight.** on the resale truck. **Drop Slips for all market animals NOT going through the sale on Friday must be turned in by Thursday at midnight.**

BREEDING ANIMALS

**~IMPORTANT NOTE~**

BREEDING RABBITS, POULTRY, SHEEP AND GOATS ONLY HAVE TO COME IN OR THE SHOW ONLY!! They do not have to stay at the fair during the week. They can stay if there is extra space. Extra pens will be available on a first-come-first-served basis. All Breeding Animals may opt to leave after 11 pm the night of their show. Anyone leaving before the deadlines will forfeit their premium and may be deemed ineligible for future events.

**~DOE & LITTER CLASS~**

A Doe & Litter Class will be offered again this year. The litter must not be less than 35 days old and not more than 56 days old by the first day of the fair each year. Submit on Breeding Registration Form.

**DRESS REQUIREMENTS FOR LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS**

Members showing large livestock (goats, beef, sheep, swine, dairy, horses) must wear boots (need not be western boots) or safety shoes in the show arena. Each member must abide by the established dress code as set forth here:

- No tee-shirts with political, derogatory slogans or statements or music groups will be worn by Jr. Fair members during the show or sale. Plain shirts (no writing) or 4-H Club tee-shirts are mandatory and should be tucked inside pants. All shirts must have sleeves. No other type of shirt will be acceptable. No tennis shoes.

- Long pants or jeans will be worn by all Jr. Fair members showing livestock, including poultry and rabbits.

- Jr. Fair members should portray a positive image of 4-H & FFA and dress accordingly. Violating these rules will mean dismissal from their showmanship/quality show class and forfeiting of their fair premium for that project.

- All dress code rules also apply to the Livestock sale on Friday evening. Members not dressed in an appropriate manner will be required to change before selling or showing their animals.

**Extra clothes are often available in the Livestock Trailer if a member needs something to wear for the show or sale.**
Junior Leaders Club Meeting
~ Tuesday, July 11th, 7-8pm at the Fairgrounds ~

~Next Mtg. ~Tuesday, July 11th, 7pm, 4-H Building at the Fairgrounds

The next Junior Leaders meeting will be held on Thursday, July 14th from 6-7pm at the Fairgrounds. I would encourage all older 4-H members to attend! We will be making plans for our remaining summer events. Please pass this word along to 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 you may not be able to make it to every meeting or event, but I would encourage you to come when you can and try to get involved in this group.

Congrats to our 4-H Scholars

We are pleased to announce that we had six 2017 4-H scholarship winners in the 4-H program in Jackson County. The OVB Scholarship is a $750 award that is renewable for four years. The 4-H Advisory Council Scholarship is a one-time $500 scholarship. The Janie Hatfield Memorial and Livestock Committee Scholarships are awarded based on the funds available. I know we have many of our older youth who are graduating, so don’t forget to congratulate them on their accomplishments. Congratulations to our successful 4-Hers!

2017 Ohio Valley Bank 4-H Scholarship:
Zayne Warrens

2017 4-H Advisory Council Scholarships:
Chase Dickens, Carlee Dempsey

2017 Janie Hatfield Memorial Scholarship:
Carlee Dempsey

2017 Livestock Committee Scholarships:
Carlee Dempsey, Chase Dickens, Kayle Kiser, Haley Sexton, Zayne Warrens

2017 Horse Committee Scholarships:
Martha Logan

Two local youth headed to national 4-H Congress

Two local young men will find themselves among a select group of 4-H members taking part in the prestigious 2017 National 4-H Congress to be held in Atlanta this November. Chase Dickens, of Oak Hill, and Zayne Warrens, of Jackson, were recently selected as State 4-H Achievement Award winners. They each earned a trip to National 4-H Congress as part of the Ohio 4-H Delegation by placing first in one of 25 program areas. Dickens was the award winner in the Personal Development category, while Warrens was chosen as the winner in Meat Goats.

National 4-H Congress is one of the premiere experiences in which the most outstanding 4-H members across the country can participate. For 90 years, members of the 4-H program have been gathering to celebrate the successes and accomplishments of 4-H at this event.
**IMPORTANT FAIR CHANGES**

ARRIVAL AND WEIGH-IN PROCESS FOR LIVESTOCK
Livestock check-in at the fair for RABBITS and POULTRY will be the **Saturday** preceding the fair from 8:00am to 10:00am, with weigh-in following at 10:30am. No rabbits or poultry will be allowed on the fairgrounds before 8:00am on Saturday preceding the fair and must be in their respective designated areas by 10:00am.

NEW…Livestock check-in at the fair for LARGE ANIMALS will be **Friday - Sunday** preceding the fair from 11pm Friday to 6am Saturday; and 11pm Saturday to 11am Sunday for ALL LARGE ANIMALS. All large animals must be in their respective designated areas by 11:00am on Sunday.

Weigh-In for RABBITS will begin at 10:30am on SATURDAY. Barn Meetings for ALL animals will be at 11:30am on SUNDAY in the Show Arena with weigh-in for all large animals immediately following. Exhibitors (or a designated representative) should be at their pen to await instructions at the beginning of their respective weigh-in.

During Weigh-ins, the weight for each animal will be announced once. **If the animal does not make weight, the exhibitor (or their representative) may request a re-weigh immediately before leaving the scale area.** If a re-weigh is requested, the animal can immediately step off the scale and then back on without leaving the scale area. **This re-weigh is FINAL.** If a re-weigh is requested for rabbits, they will be re-weighed on the opposite scale. All requests for a re-weigh must be made IMMEDIATELY before that animal leaves the scale area and before the next animal gets on the scale. **The scale master has the final say and can request a reweigh at any time.** If a member chooses not to show an underweight or overweight animal, the animal that did not make weight must be removed by 10:00am Monday.

GENERAL PROJECTS AWARD CEREMONY
The 4-H Awards Ceremony will be held on Monday night of the fair at 5:00pm in the Show Arena. All General Project Exhibitors are invited to attend. There will not be a separate letter sent out to award winners. All awards will be announced at this time.

BUYER’S SIGN CONTEST
Members who sold market livestock projects in 2016 are encouraged to put up Thank You signs to the buyers around the sale arena Friday before the sale. The signs are to be the size of one half a sheet of poster board and must be in place by 12pm on Friday. A list of 2016 Buyers can be found at www.jackson.osu.edu. Prizes will be awarded.

THANK YOU NOTES TO BUYERS
Each member selling an animal project through the sale ring is required to provide a completed thank you note that is addressed to the buyer of that project and has the proper postage on the envelope. Members not providing this thank you will not receive their payment. **Thank You notes can be turned into the Extension Office after the fair or turned in the night of check distribution.**

JUNIOR FAIR NIGHT IN THE GRANDSTANDS-MONDAY
CLOVER GAMES, OUTHOUSE RACES, LIP SYNC
There will be no parade again this year, however many fun events are planned. It will begin with the opening ceremony at 5pm on Sunday at the WesBanco Bandstand on the Midway. The Outhouse Races will be brought back this year and will kick off the Junior Fair Night Activities on Monday night at 6pm. The all new Lip Sync Competition will follow the Outhouse Races and then the “Clover Games” will feature competitions between our Junior Fair 4-H and FFA as teams of five battle it out in a series of fun tests of skill! Clubs can turn in an entry for the Clover Games up until the Monday prior to the Fair! The Queen’s crowning will be held on Sunday following Opening Ceremonies, then OMPTA Truck and Tractor Pulls will begin at 6pm.

CAMPING AT THE FAIR
Please go to jacksoncofair.com under facility rentals for information from the Senior Fairboard regarding camping at the fair this year. Flyers were also put in all club mailboxes.
FAIR PARKING & HANDICAP PARKING
All parking will be outside the gates in the parking lots. Vehicles will not be allowed on to the grounds at all without a permit after Sunday during the week of the fair. All feed and equipment must be in by Sunday of the fair or it will have to be carried from the parking lot outside the gates. A walk-in gate by the rabbit barn will be open during specified times. Handicap parking for the OWNER OF THE PERMIT ONLY will be allowed in an area outside of gate 4 with shuttles provided from the campground to the gate. If additional assistance is needed, the Senior Fairboard will be happy to transport you to the barn area or the main part of the fairgrounds. Cart Passes will be available this year for $20 with parking in a designated area inside the gate. The full rules are available on the Fair Website and are included in this newsletter. All Parking Rules will be strictly enforced.

LINEUP OF OPEN SHOWS
All open shows will take place on the same day as that specific Junior Show. Open shows include Sheep, Goats and Dairy.

HORSE EXHIBITORS-MANDATORY BARN MEETING
There will be a mandatory barn meeting for all horse exhibitor, horse committee members, horse advisors and parents at the Horse Arena by the announcer’s booth at 11am on Sunday of the fair. Please plan to attend.

4-H & SEASON FAIR PASSES
Fair passes will be distributed as they were last year. We will provide the Senior Fairboard a copy of each club’s enrollment and who have completed project judging and advisors have turned in grade sheets for so they will know which members have completed their 4-H projects and are eligible for fair pass. NEW...Sibling Passes will be available for Siblings ages 3-5 that are turned in with club grade sheets.

Passes will be sold on Sunday, July 9 from 3-5 pm and Wednesday, July 12 from 5-7 pm. in the Senior Fairboard Office.

Wristbands passes WILL BE distributed to club advisors. ALL PASSES will need to be put on by the 4-H Advisors. We are depending on advisors to ensure that this is done correctly. We have an ethical responsibility to make sure that the system is not being abused. Advisors may purchase their entire club’s passes at once and then put them on the members so that they cannot be removed. All wristbands for members and advisors are $10 for the week and include rides all week. Everyone on the grounds will be able to ride with any type of pass, there will be no separate ride passes. Passes will only be distributed to those members, advisors and siblings listed on the Grade Sheets that were submitted by your club.

Season fair passes for the general public will be $40 this year and includes rides, but the pass is valid from Friday, July 14 through the end of the fair. Exhibitors passes for those individuals entering exhibits in the open shows are available for $30.

IMPORTANT CHANGES TO CHECK-IN PROCEDURES
A $5 Admission will be charged for events on Friday and Saturday; $8 admission begins on Sunday; and admission is $10 for the final Friday and Saturday of the fair. NEW...Your fair pass will get you in on Friday, the day of harness racing through the end of the fair. Entrance for Junior Fair exhibitors and parents for all check-ins should be through Gate 4.

IMPORTANT TIME CHANGE... Arrival time for RABBITS AND POULTRY at the fair is the Saturday preceding the fair from 8:00am to 10:00am for RABBITS AND POULTRY ONLY. ALL OTHER ANIMALS can be brought in Friday - Sunday preceding the fair from 11pm Friday to 6am Saturday; and 11pm Saturday to 11am Sunday for ALL LARGE ANIMALS (EXCEPT HORSES). Horses can come in from 11 pm Saturday until 11 am Sunday due to harness racing. No rabbits or poultry will be allowed on the fairgrounds before 8:00am on Saturday preceding the fair and must be in their respective designated areas by 10:00am Saturday. No large animals will be allowed on the fairgrounds before 11:00pm on Friday preceding the fair and must be in their respective designated area by 11:00am on Sunday. All Trailers should come in gate 4 and there will be a 30 minute unloading time, then trailers need to move out to keep traffic moving.

REMINDER….Fair Passes Cannot Be Purchased until all Candy Bills are paid.
Candy Bar and Snack Stick Money Due

The candy bar/snack stick bills are past due. Bills must be paid before your club can receive their fair passes. If you still need a bill please contact the Extension Office. Payments should be mailed to the 4-H Advisory Council at P.O. Box 428, Jackson, OH 45640 or can be made by contacting Anita Good. Payments must be made in full before Fair Passes will be distributed! Anita can be contacted at 740-245-5373 (home) or 740-418-2711 (cell). Only checks/money orders accepted.

The 4-H Advisory Council fundraising requirements are based on a per club amount based on the amount of youth in each club. Clubs must meet this requirement in order to be eligible for various programs sponsored by the 4-H Advisory Council including scholarships, awards and other activities. Clubs also must meet this requirement before that club can hold any fundraisers on their own. All additional club fundraisers must be approved through the 4-H Extension Educator prior to advertising the event.

We have had great participation in the county fundraisers this year and understand that many clubs may utilize these fundraising opportunities to help support the efforts that are going on to continue Extension Programs for both this year as well as future years. Clubs need to remember that the county-wide fundraiser is what funds the 4-H program for the whole county and all clubs benefit from it. Each year the 4-H Advisory Council pays for: two $500 college scholarships, 4-H promotion, Volunteer Training, Officer Training, Camp Scholarships (over $1000), Camp Counselors (training and 2/3 of their camp fee), Awards, 4-H Trips (Washington Focus, Sea Camp, etc.), Volunteer Recognition, 4-H Conference participants and much, much, more! All of our clubs benefit from the countywide fundraiser. Please, help keep the program strong and have your take part in our county fundraisers!

Reminder about Meeting Requirements

A 4-H club must have a minimum of 8 meetings during the year. All 4-H members are required to attend a minimum of 5 meetings in one year in order to be considered an active 4-H member and receive a project.

Pen Clean-Ups at the End of the Fair

Again this year, all club advisors will be required to check their club’s pens and come to the Livestock Trailer by 10am on Saturday of the fair to sign off that their club’s pens are clean. Club Advisors will be responsible for making sure that their club’s pens are clean and if they are not, exhibitors will be charged a pen clean-up fee that will be deducted from their sale check.

Honor Club Scoresheet Available

The Honor Club Scoresheets were included in your club packets earlier this year and are available at the Extension Office and on our website. We would encourage you to start working on your scoresheet soon so that you can record your club’s activities.

The score sheets are due back in to the Extension Office by August 1st to be graded. Honor Clubs will be recognized at our Fall Recognition. Each honor club receives an award they can display. So, keep track of those points!

Last year we had many clubs who were recognized as Honor Clubs and I know we have many more clubs out there that should have been Honor Clubs, but did not submit the score sheet. I would encourage everyone to keep track of your activities and don’t forget to send in your score sheets.

Pre-Assignment of Pens

All pens will be pre-assigned again this year. This allows us to more easily accommodate all of the animals coming to the fair and make sure everyone has an assigned pen for the fair. Clubs will continue to be assigned together in order to help advisors and club members by having all of the club’s animals in the same area. Clubs will be encouraged to decorate their area of the barn and display their club spirit. Clubs were not asked to submit a Livestock Stall Registration Form again this year. Instead, we utilized the original weigh-in registration forms. Pen Assignments will be posted on Saturday, July 8 at 7 pm prior to the fair. Advisors will be responsible for picking up stall tags and having them completed and hung prior to tack being brought in (5pm on Monday preceding the fair until Thursday at 9pm preceding the fair).
PEN DECORATING CONTEST
Recognition will be given to the clubs with the best pen decorations in each barn. We would encourage all clubs to participate to help make the barns look nice for fair visitors.

CLUB BOOTHS
Advisors received information on club booth signups in their club packets. 4-H booths will be lining the entire long back side of the building again this year. Club booths will be 6ft wide x 6ft deep x 6ft tall. 10ft wide booths are available upon requests for clubs with more projects to display. We really need to have a good showing in the 4-H Building so it is important that clubs participate. The remainder of the building will be rented out to vendors again. All general projects should be displayed in club booths or in the community booth and must be displayed in order to receive a premium. Livestock & Cloverbud displays can also be displayed in club booths.

Club booths have been a long standing tradition in Jackson County and I know that many of you have put a lot of time into booths in the past and we hope you will continue to do so this year.

Booth Setup will be on Tuesday and Wednesday before the fair from 6-9pm. Sunday will be for project drop-off only from 8-10am. No booth construction can take place at this time.

PROGRAM TO HONOR 4-H CAREER ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL AGES ~ CASH AWARDS
~ Deadline is September 1st
The 4-H Career Achievement Awards program will be offered again this year. This program will recognize youth in 3 age divisions with cash awards starting at $25. Age divisions will include youth ages 8-10, 11-13 and 14-18. We did not have a lot of participants last year (especially in our younger age divisions) so we really encouraging youth to participate. To compete for these awards, youth will complete a modified 4-H Achievement Record similar to the form used by 4-H teens for state awards. This form can be obtained at the Extension Office or on our website By doing this, youth are not only eligible for awards, but they are also keeping track of important information and perfecting the skills necessary to compete for other awards and scholarships when they get older. Youth should start now keeping track of their 4-H activities for the year and filling in previous years. To help them do this, they can complete the 4-H Career Record Book which can be found at our website or picked up at the Extension Office.

OSU EXTENSION WEB ADDRESS…
Please continue to check out our website for the most current information at http://jackson.osu.edu. Check out the home page or click on 4-H Youth Development to go to the 4-H page. Most forms and applications that you may need can be found there.

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK…
Keep up to date with current events and pictures. Like our page on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/JacksonCoExtension or visit the Friends of 4-H Page at: www.facebook.com/ForExtension Also, check out our Canter’s Cave 4-H Camp Page at https://www.facebook.com/CantersCave and follow camp activities going on.

Reminder of links that may assist you
National 4-H Brand website: http://4hansi.osu.edu/
4-H Horse Website: http://horse.osu.edu/
Ohio 4-H Cloverbud Connections Newsletter http://cloverbudconnections.osu.edu/
Ohio State Fair Non-livestock http://www.ohio4h.org/statefair/guidebook.html
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.ohio4hshootingsports.org/

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Schedule of Events

FRIDAY, July 14
HARNESS RACING

7:00 pm ........................................................................................................ Harness Racing PARA MUTUAL WAGERING
11:00 pm – 12:00 a.m. ..................................................................................... Livestock Unloading

SATURDAY, July 15
HARNESS RACING & LIVESTOCK ARRIVAL

12:00 am – 6:00 a.m ..................................................................................... Livestock Unloading
8:00 am - 10:00 am ............................................................................. Rabbit/Poultry Check-in (Weigh-in at 10:30 am)
5:00 pm ........................................................................................................ Harness Racing PARA MUTUAL WAGERING
8:00 pm (Or immediately following harness racing) ..................................... Draft Horse Pull (Grandstand)
11:00 pm – 12:00 a.m ..................................................................................... Livestock Unloading

SUNDAY, July 16
Sponsored by BROWN-FORMAN

12:00 am – 11:00 am ..................................................................................... Livestock Unloading
10:30 am ...................................................................................................... Admittance for Opening Ceremonies, Queens Tea and Contest, Entertainment - $8.00 per person
12:00 pm ...................................................................................................... Barn Meeting For All Species / Immediately Following – Weigh-in Of Large Livestock Classes
12:30 pm ...................................................................................................... Queens Tea (4-H Building)
5:00 pm ...................................................................................................... Opening Fair Ceremony followed by Crowning of Jr. Fair Queen (WesBanco Bandstand on the Midway)
6:00 pm ...................................................................................................... Improv Comedy Show: Colonel Clyde’s Comedy Clan Presented by Lykins Energy (WesBanco Bandstand)
6:00 pm ...................................................................................................... Ohio Modified Tractor/Truck Pulling Association (OMTPA) Truck and Tractor Pulls Presented by Mark Porter Ford

MONDAY, July 17
KIDS DAY Sponsored by GENERAL MILLS

Ages 12 & Under Admission/Rides FREE – Rides Open at 3:00 pm, Child must be accompanied by an adult

8:00 am ...................................................................................................... Junior Fair Rabbit Showmanship
10:00 am ...................................................................................................... Junior Fair Market Rabbit Show
11:30 am ...................................................................................................... Junior Fair Breeding Rabbit Show
2:30 pm ...................................................................................................... Turkey Showmanship
1:00, 3:00, 5:00 pm ..................................................................................... The Zoot Suit Magician (WesBanco Bandstand)
3:00 pm ...................................................................................................... Turkey Show
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm ..................................................................................... MedFlight Helicopter Display/Education
3:00 pm – 10:30 pm ..................................................................................... Rides Open
5:00 pm ...................................................................................................... 4-H Awards Ceremony (Show Arena)
6:00 pm ...................................................................................................... Junior Fair Fun Night Presented by Jackson-Vinton Farm Bureau (Grandstand)

Events include: Outhouse Races (Check-in/Inspection at 1 pm), Lip Sync Competition, Clover Games, Whitner Eating Competition

9:00 pm ...................................................................................................... Greased Pig Competition Presented by Jackson County Livestock Committee

TUESDAY, July 18
SENIOR CITIZENS DAY Sponsored by CIRCLE M FARM FEED & SUPPLY and DIAMOND J RODEO
(Senior Citizens 60+ $5 Admission until 4 pm w/ a Golden Buckeye Card or Driver’s License)

8:00 am ...................................................................................................... Junior Fair Sheep Showmanship
9:30 am ...................................................................................................... Open Class Sheep Show
9:30 am ...................................................................................................... Open Class and Junior Fair Sheep Breeding Show, Followed By Junior Fair Market Lamb Show
10:00 am ...................................................................................................... Senior Citizens King & Queen Contest (4-H Building)
1:00 pm ...................................................................................................... Junior Fair Dairy Goat Showmanship
1:30 pm ...................................................................................................... Open Class and Junior Fair Dairy Goat Show
2:00 pm ...................................................................................................... 4-H Demonstrations (4-H Building)
2:30 pm ...................................................................................................... Junior Fair Market Goat Showmanship
4:00 pm ...................................................................................................... Open and Junior Fair Market Goat Breeding Show
5:00 pm ...................................................................................................... Junior Fair Market Goat Show
3:00 pm – 10:30 pm ..................................................................................... Rides Open
8:00 pm ...................................................................................................... Mutton Bustin - Sheep Rodeo for Kids Presented by JVC Metals (Grandstand)
8:00 pm ...................................................................................................... Improv Comedy Show: Colonel Clyde’s Comedy Clan Presented by Adena Health System (WesBanco Bandstand)
7:00 pm ...................................................................................................... Diamond J Rodeo - Bulls & Barrels Presented by Brown-Forman
Schedule of Events

WEDNESDAY, July 19
Sponsored by HOLZER HEALTH SYSTEM
8:00 am ......................................................... Open Class Dairy Cattle Show followed by Junior Fair Dairy Cattle Show
9:00 am ........................................................... Junior Fair Beef Showmanship, followed by Dairy Market Feeders, Market Beef Feeders & Steers
10:00 am .......................................................... Junior Fair Dog Show (Commercial Building)
1:00 pm ........................................................... Junior Fair Beef Breeding Show
2:30 pm ........................................................... Junior Fair Dairy Market Feeder Show
3:00 pm, 5:00 pm .............................................. Parkour Stunt Show (Wesbanco Bandstand)
3:00 pm – 10:30 pm ........................................... Rides Open
4:00 pm ........................................................... Junior Fair Market Beef Feeder Show
5:00 pm ........................................................... Junior Fair Market Steer Show
7:00 pm ........................................................... Extreme Action Sports Entertainment Presented by Vinton County National Bank and General Mills (Grandstand)

THURSDAY, July 20
Sponsored by WALMART OF JACKSON
8:00 am ........................................................... Junior Fair Swine Showmanship
10:00 am .......................................................... Market/Breeding Poultry Showmanship
10:00 am .......................................................... Junior Fair Horse Show (Horse Arena)
11:00 am - 4:00 pm ........................................... Paw Patrol Meet & Greet Presented by J-V Farm Bureau, Mt. Zion Animal Clinic and Whit’s (Commercial Building)
12:30 pm .......................................................... Market Poultry Show
2:00 pm ........................................................... Fancy Poultry/Breeding Poultry Show
3:00 pm ........................................................... 4-H Cloverbuds Recognition (4-H Building)
3:00 pm, 5:00 pm .............................................. BMX and Parkour Stunt Show (Wesbanco Bandstand)
3:00 pm – 10:30 pm ........................................... Rides Open
5:00 pm ........................................................... Junior Fair Swine Show (Followed by 4-H Fun Night in the Show Arena)
7:00 pm ........................................................... Extreme Action Sports Entertainment Presented by G&J Pepsi and Edward Jones - David W. Furbee (Grandstand)

FRIDAY, July 21
VETERANS DAY Sponsored by WESBANCO
All Veterans Admitted Free with a Military I.D. or V.A. I.D.
8:00 am – 12 noon ........................................... All non-sale animals MUST be removed (unless they are going to resale)
8:00 am .......................................................... Jackson County Livestock Judging Contest
10:00 am .......................................................... Jr. Fair Showman of Showmen Contest
3:00 pm .......................................................... Junior Fair Livestock Sale

Sale Order: Rabbits, Chickens, Turkeys, Hogs, Market Beef Feeders, Lambs, Goats, Dairy Market Feeders, Steers
3:00 pm – 11:00 pm ........................................... Rides Open
7:00 pm ........................................................... Demolition Derby Presented by Holzer Health System (Grandstand)

SATURDAY, July 22
COUNTRY MUSIC DAY Sponsored by EDWARD JONES - DAVID W. FURBEE
7:00 am ........................................................... Livestock Sale Load Out Complete
No Livestock will be available for viewing by the general public on Saturday
9:00 am ........................................................... Pretty Baby Contest (Wesbanco Bandstand)
10:00 am .......................................................... All livestock pens must be cleaned out and checked off by the Junior Fairboard
12:00 pm .......................................................... Craft Beer Tasting - 21 and over only (Wesbanco Bandstand)
3:00 pm – 11:00 pm ........................................... Rides Open
5:00 pm ........................................................... Arm Wrestling Competition (Wesbanco Bandstand)

LIVE COUNTRY MUSIC CONCERT at the NEW Wesbanco Main Stage at the Grandstand
7:30 pm ........................................................... Crossroad Station
9:00 pm ........................................................... Country Music Superstar Clay Walker

SUNDAY, July 23
10:00 am – 2:00 pm ........................................... 4-H & Commercial Exhibits Released/All Booths Must Be Completely Dismantled & Removed