



Your Link To All The Happenings

Champaign County April 2005



4- H CHATTER

Dear Advisors,

Thanks to everyone for getting your enrollments on in time. Great Job!!! Marcia is busy getting them all entered. She is down to about 25 clubs to enter.

Your club still has until May 1st to add new members or change current projects. The deadline for all livestock members to have their projects is May 1st with the exception of poultry.

If you're in the office, please welcome Harold Watters. Harold has taken Barry Ward's position as Ag. Educator. I'm sure many of you will see him around, he is a pleasure to work with.

On with the news....

4-H Button Day

The annual Champaign County 4-H Button Day will be held on May 13th & 14th this year. To get locations and times, contact the Extension Office in April. See detail letter enclosed.



*Help Support
Champaign County
4-H*

Shooting Sports

The Spring 4-H Shooting Sports Leadership Training Workshop will be held at 4-H Camp Ohio April 29 – May 1, 2005.

Check out the Bullseye newsletter and get registrations at www.ohio4hshootingsports.org/bullseyes.htm.

2005 Warren County 4-H Shooting Sports Camp will be May 20-22, 2005 at 4-H Camp Graham, Clarksville, Ohio. Details available through the Extension Office.

“4-H is for All Seasons”

is this year's 4-H Booth theme in the activities building. New in the activities building this year, the Cloverbuds will have their own section where all Cloverbud Clubs will be displayed in one booth. Also, the Junior Leadership Club will be selling 4-H wristbands, 4-H Bandana Gang (stuffed animals), 4-H t-shirts, and other 4-H items.



Horseless Horse Projects

The horseless horse projects can be displayed in the horse barns this year with the rest of the club instead of in a booth at the activities building. The vouchers for the project will still need to be picked up in the activities building at fair time just as in the past.

4-H Bringing Communities Together

There will be no open class swine carcass show at the 2005 Champaign County Fair.

4-H Day at Cedar Point

This year's 4-H day will be held on June 24, 2005. Student tickets (K-12) is \$28.00, adults \$32.00 and Jr tickets (age 3 and under 48") will be \$24.00. Regular gate price is \$44.95. Tickets are available at the 4-H window from 9:30am-2:00pm. Have a representative purchase tickets for a club or group. Reps. should have a membership card or something representing 4-H membership. Individual tickets may also be purchased.



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ATTENTION

4-H Clubs using Community Center

There have been recent problems with the use of the community center meeting rooms. If your club is using the community center meeting room for your club meetings, please make sure young children are not running the hallways. They need to stay in the room you were given permission to use. Also, please make sure you clean up after your meeting. The rooms are rented out daily to other businesses and organizations. If the problem continues, the privilege of using the rooms will no longer be available for use without a charge.

DOGS

The next dog advisor meeting will be held on Monday, June 13, 2005 @7pm in the Extension Office Conference Room.

Dog show entry forms are due on June 13, 2005. If you have any questions concerning the forms – please feel free to attend the meeting and someone will be there to answer your questions.

Quality Assurance

Reminder : Everyone exhibiting a market animal is required by the USDA to attend a Quality Assurance Program.

ONLY TWO DATES LEFT

May 12th @ 7pm

May 17th @ 7pm

If you can not attend one of the remaining dates please contact the Extension Office.

CLUB OFFICER TRAINING

The Collegiate 4-H Club at Ohio State University is coming to Champaign County on April 19th, 7pm –9pm. They will break into sessions with each of the different offices. Even if you don't currently hold an office you are welcome to come and join in any of the sessions. Maybe you would like to be an officer in the future. This is an excellent opportunity to learn. Adults are welcome to attend the sessions also.

Click! Snap! Flash! Say Cheese! – Participate in the 4HUSA.ORG digital camera giveaway promotion. It's a snap! Register at 4HUSA.ORG (It's free!), upload your favorite photos of 4-H related activities into the photo gallery album with the 4-H Photo Promo icon, and you may win a Kodak digital camera in our random photo promotion if you're a youth. Upload as many photos as you wish. 4HUSA.ORG digital camera giveaway promotion ends at 11:59 p.m. Saturday, April 30, 2005. Showcase your snapshots here at <http://www.4husa.org>.

State Fair Assistants Needed

College age students are needed as 4-H Educational Assistants during the 2005 Ohio State Fair. They will be employed the entire State Fair, August 3-14. These assistants will provide overall support of Ohio 4-H members, parents and volunteer participation in the 4-H educational activities held in the Youth Discovery Center . This position also includes set-up and cleaning of Clovertowne Center prior to the opening of the fair, setting up displays, daily public relations responsibilities during the fair, and partial tear-down of the 4-H area following the fair's closing. If you are aware of anyone that might be interested, please send their name and address to Allen Auck by April 15, 2005 at the State 4-H Office, 2120 Fyffe Road, Room 25, Columbus, OH 43210. I will make contact with them and they will be notified of their selection to help as soon as possible. By: Allen Auck, 4-H Youth Development

Market Sheep and Goat Tag-In

May 4, 2005

4:00pm – 8:00pm

Sheep Barn @ Fairgrounds.

Tag-in cards are available in the Extension office for 1 advisor to pick-up for their sheep and goat exhibitors. Please make sure all cards are filled out before getting in line. In helps speed the process up.

ALL SHEEP AND GOATS MUST HAVE SCRAPIE TAGS – SEE YOUR VET.

Skill-a-thons and Quality Assurance are being held separately this year.

Several Skill-a-thons will be held on the same day. See the January newsletter or the website for details. Skill-a-thon dates will be published again next month.

4-H Enrollment Deadline

Reminder: The last day to add, delete, or change 4-H enrollment information for your club is May 2, 2005. The information we have on May 2nd is what we use for developing judging schedules, camp registration lists, produce lists for a member and advisor fair passes and send in our county enrollment statistics to the State 4-H Office. A roster will be sent sometime after May 3rd to the organizational advisor of each club for them to review for any computer errors.

ACTIVITY FEES DUE

The 4-H "Activity Fee" of \$5.00 per member is due May 2, 2005. The fee goes to support the Champaign County 4-H Program. If dues are not paid, the advisors forfeit all fair passes.

On The Board

For more information – check out the board in the Extension Office.

- Ohio Signature Beef Fundraiser.
- Warren County 4-H Horse Shows – May 21, June 4, July 9, 2005.
- Warren County 4-H Shooting Sports Camp

HORSE MEASURING

Will be held June 13th at the Fairgrounds from 6-8pm. We will not be measuring before the PAS show on July 16th this year.

HORSE FLU & RHINO VACCINATIONS

The Competitive Edge 4-H Club is having Dr. Grant Johnson come to the fairgrounds on July 7th to give flu & rhino vaccinations for fair. All horse club members are welcome to come.

HORSE LEASES

Leases are due in the office April 25, 2005. The extra records normally done along with the leases are not required this year. All leased horse members will have the same requirements as members who own horses in regards to feed records and books.

REMINDER TO ADVISORS :

Check your calendars for when you can help with skill-a-thons. As mentioned at the advisor trainings, we are going to need lots of manpower.

SPECIAL THANKS TO THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY VOLUNTEERED WITH PUTTING THE SKILL-A-THONS TOGETHER AND PARTICIPATING ON THE JR. FAIR COMMITTEES.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April

- 19th – Officer Training 7 – 9 pm
- 19th – Junior Leadership –brief mtg during officer training.
- 23rd – Safety Day 10am – 1pm
- 25th – Camp Counselor Training 6-9pm
- 25th – New Advisor Training – 11am
- 28TH – Adv. Mtg on Funds
- 30th – Performance Pig weigh-in 9am-1pm

May

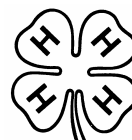
- ❖ 3rd – Goat Committee Mtg 6pm
- ❖ 3rd – New Advisor Training 7:30pm
LAST ONE
- ❖ 4TH – Sheep and Goat tag-in
- ❖ 5th – Jr Fairboard Mtg. 6:30pm
- ❖ 5th – Sr. Fairboard Mtg. 7:30pm
- ❖ 7th – Jr. Fairboard Carwash 10-2
Advanced Auto Parts
- ❖ 9th – Camp Counselor Training 6-9
- ❖ 10th – Camp Information will be sent out
- ❖ 11th – Horse Advisor Mtg. 7pm
- ❖ 12th – Quality Assurance 7pm
- ❖ 13th – 4-H Button Day
- ❖ 14th – 4-H Button Day
- ❖ 17th – Quality Assurance 7pm **LAST ONE FOR THE YEAR!!!!**
- ❖ 18TH – office closed 12:30-1:30pm for walk-a-thon.
- ❖ 20th – Camp Scholarships due
- ❖ 21st – Spring Rabbit Show
- ❖ 21st – Feeder Calf tag-in 1-3p @ fairgrounds.
- ❖ 24th – Camp Scholarships announced
- ❖ 24th – Swine Skill-a-thon
- ❖ 26th – Camper Round –Up 6:30 – 9:30pm
- ❖ 28th – Junior Leaders trick-or-treat for cans and glow bowling.
- ❖ 31st – Camp Counselor Training 6-9pm

June

- 2nd – Jr Fairboard Meeting 6:30pm
- 2nd – Sr. Fairboard Meeting 7:30pm
- 3rd – **LAST DAY TO ACCEPT CAMP REGISTRATIONS**



Dairy Feeder Tag In
Saturday May 21st
1-3pm
Fairgrounds



Jr. FAIRBOARD CAR WASH

Help support the Champaign County Junior Fairboard by bringing your dirty vehicles to Advance Auto Parts on Saturday, May 7, 2005. The Youth will be scrubbing away from 10am – 2pm. Donations will be accepted.

Employer Contribution and Match Fund Meeting

Several advisors work for companies who donated money for volunteer hours. In order for those companies to do so, they must follow IRS rules and regulations. Ohio State University must follow those guidelines of acceptance also. There will be a meeting April 28th at 6pm to go over the proper procedures for accepting donations and contributions from employers. Everyone is welcome to attend to find out the correct IRS, The Ohio State University and employer procedures work in order for your club to receive funds.

2006 PROJECT BOOK CHANGES

Being replaced 10/1/05

- 131-1R Goat Manual Record Book
- 167 Ducks & Geese
- 171 Basic Horsemanship
- 172 Basic 4-H Horse Science
- 349 Health A: Discovering Myself
- 361 Keeping Fit

Discontinued 10/1/05 (no replacement)

- 404 Laundry for Beginners
- 405 Laundry – Advanced
- 493 Furniture and Woodwork Recycling
- 626 Keeping Fish Alive
- 627 Special Aquarium Setups
- 628 Aquatic Plants

Moving to the Web 10/1/05

- Lift Off – Club Activities Handbook

Red on Friday

You will soon see a lot of people wearing Red on Fridays. Here's why. The Americans who support our young men and women, are WEARING SOMETHING RED on Fridays. SUPPORT OUR TROOPS, WE LIVE IN THE LAND OF THE FREE, BECAUSE OF THE BRAVE. FOR US, THEIR BLOOD RUNS RED!! GOD BLESS AMERICA

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Let's Give a Hand for Those Mooveulous Volunsteers !

They offherd their time and tailents in many whays
Some round up donated books for the lidairy
Others do chopping for those who don't cattle drive
They do cream-up work on our hideways
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Others pullan lots of fundraisers
They bake cowkies for meetings
Some do paperherd work in charity oxfiecs
Others organize the roamage sale
They rarely churn down a request to help their cownunity become a butter place
Shanks, folks!!!

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Have a wonderful month!!

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