Medina County 4-H





September Family
Newsletter



<u>September</u>

• Alumni Picnic - September 17th

October 2023

- Honor Club Application Due October 2nd
- Secretary's Book Contest Due October 2nd
- Treasurer's Book Contest Due October 2nd
- Club Community Service Recognition Form Due October 2nd
- Volunteer Awards Recognition Nomination Form- Due October 2nd
- Committee Member Application Due October 31st
- Endowment Request Due October 31st

Medina News

4-H Alumni Family Picnic



When: Sunday, September 17th: 12:00pm-3:00pm*

Where: Letha House Park 5800 Richman Road Spencer, OH 44275

Cost: \$5.00 per person

*Pre-registration is now closed. If you have not yet registered, you may still pay at the door to participate. Please

note that food has already been ordered if you did not RSVP you are not guaranteed a meal. We still hope you will join us for fun and games this Sunday!





Nominate A Volunteer for an Award- Due October 2nd



If you noticed a volunteer who went above and beyond this fair, you can nominate them for an award here: https://go.osu.edu/medinaawards Awards will be presented at the 2023 Volunteer Banquet in November.

You can nominate a volunteer for:

- Meritorious Service to 4-H
- Medina County Hall of Fame
- Leadership Development
- Nominate a Junior Fair Committee for the Spirit Award
- Nominate a business or supporter for the Friend of 4-H Award

New Committee Applications Open

<u>Click Here</u> to fill out a new committee member application. If you are currently a volunteer, you will follow the steps below. If you are not currently a 4-H volunteer, you will need to go through the process of becoming a 4-H volunteer, in addition to the steps listed below.

How to Join a Livestock Committee:

- Turn in your application and select the desired committee
- The Medina 4-H Extension Educator reviews application
- Your name is added to your desired committee list
- Medina County Junior Fair Committee of the Medina County Senior Fair Board votes on membership
- Fair Board approved committee members then approve membership on the desired committee

To Become a 4-H Volunteer you must:

- Attend an interview with the 4-H professional
- Create a 4-H online account as a volunteer



- Complete a background check
- Submit 3 references
- Complete New Volunteer Orientation

Please note: General volunteer applications will open in December. The current application period is for committees.

Pre-Fair Committee Applications Open:

New this year when applying for committees you will have the opportunity to apply for Pre-Fair committees in addition to Livestock committees. This includes:

- Dog Committee
- Family and Consumer Sciences Committees
- Pet Animal Committee
- Still Exhibits Committee



What do they do? Pre-Fair committees are responsible for planning and running our Pre-Fair Judging nights in cooperation with the Extension office. Committees make rule recommendations, distribute awards, select judges, decorate exhibit barns, and promote non-livestock projects.

How much of a time commitment is this? Pre-Fair Committees have just a few meetings each year with the bulk of work happening May-July. Individual committee members need to be present at judging night and for set up. Other meeting dates and requirements are set by the individual committees.

Learn more about Pre-Fair and the committees here: https://medina.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/pre-fair-resources

This year we are especially looking for new members on the Still Exhibits and Pet Animal committees. If you are interested, please <u>Click Here to</u> apply!

Livestock Committees Re-Applications: Due October 31st

Returning Livestock Committee Members must re-apply every two years.

Click Here to re-apply. Be sure to select returning committee member when prompted.

If you have questions or need help with this process, reach out to Sierra at 330-661-6406.

Please note: Pre-Fair committee members do not need to reapply for 2024.

Teen Opportunities

CARTEENS Fall Workshop - October 12th

Join CARTEENS and make a difference! There has never been a better time to join the CARTEENS team than our upcoming training workshop. Attendees will learn about public speaking, leadership, traffic safety and more! Once we are done training, you will have the chance to test the information by assisting with the CARTEENS Class, a peer-led course for first-time traffic offenders. Not only can you improve your own communication skills, you could make a difference and potentially save someone's life!

Who: Youth 14-18 years old

Why: Vehicle crashes are the #1 cause of death for teens. The CARTEENS program seeks to save lives through education. CARTEENS participation also counts towards volunteer service hours.

When: Fall workshop will run from 3-5pm, with class to follow 5:30-7:30pm. Dinner will be provided. Classes are offered twice a month for two hours and volunteers can attend as many or as few classes as works for them.

How: If you are interested in joining the team and attending the Fall Workshop, simply email Rachel at chapman.894@osu.edu.

<u>Click here</u> for the current class schedule.





- Build leadership skills
- Help reduce teen traffic deaths
- Improve your driving knowledge

CARTEENS is a traffic safety program designed for teens by teens. Driving is the #1 cause of death for teenagers. By joining the Medina County CARTEENS program you can help keep you and your friends safer behind the wheel. In this program, you will help lead educational activities and talk about important traffic safety information with your peers.

Visit: medina.osu.edu to learn more, or call 330-661-6405

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Contact Rachel Chapman: chapman.894@osu.edu medina.osu.edu

Junior Fair Board Applications Now Open- Due Nov 1



Interested in Joining the Medina County Junior Fair Board?

Applications are open now until November 1st! Must be 13 or older to be a member. Youth 11 to 12 may apply as associate members only.

Jr Fair Board is a board made up of 4H or FFA members who are between 13 and 18 years as of January 1 of the upcoming year. Applicants must have been a member of a Junior Fair Organization

for at least one year prior to applying for membership. Any youth 11-13 years of age may join as associate members of the Jr. Fair Board. Associate Members participate in all aspects of a regular member but may not hold an office or service as committee chairs.

As a member individuals will participate in Community Service projects, fundraising, and promotional opportunities. Members also help with judgings before and during the fair helping by announcing,

passing out ribbons, and recording results. As well as helping with passing out fair passes and the livestock sale. During the meetings, members plan activities for youth to participate in during the fair from brainstorming ideas, to finding sponsors, to advertising and finalizing details.

Every year, members put on an event for individuals with developmental disabilities called Fair Friends, showing them what it is like to participate in the fair. Members find sponsors, and plan stations for individuals to go through.



Apply here: Medina County Junior Fair Board Application (google.com)

Tractor Safety Certification Registration Open

Medina County will once again hold its yearly Tractor Safety Certification SPIN Club. The course will be held on Saturday mornings, February 3rd to March 16th. Successful completion along with passing scores on the written; skills; and driving exams, will certify a 14–15-year-old youth to legally operate a tractor and farm machinery as a minor.

Cost: \$50

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER







Camp Counselor Applications Now Open!

Application for 2024 Camp Counselors will be open until December 1st. Anyone who is age 14 and older can apply to be a Counselor. Those who are 13 by January 1, 2024, can apply as a CIT (counselor in training.) You do NOT have to be a 4-H member to serve as a camp counselor or to attend 4-H camp.

Remember that EVERYONE including those who were camp counselors last year need to reapply for 2024.



Find even more teen opportunities online here:

HTTPS://MEDINA.OSU.EDU/PROGRAM-AREAS/4-H-YOUTH-DEVELOPMENT/TEEN-OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunities From State

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Saturday September 16th at 10AM the Ohio State Small Ruminant Center and Ohio State ATI livestock Judging Team will be hosting an OPEN/FREE workout to ALL ages of 4-H or FFA teams/individuals who would like to get some practice in.

SPREAD THE WORD.

We will have available the following:

₹3-5 classes of black faced market lambs (Sheep will be racked and can be used to teach handling lambs)

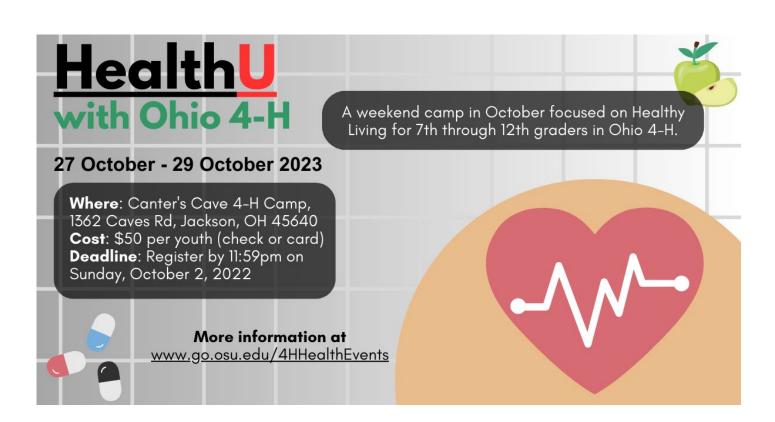
2-3 classes of loose breeding doe classes

1 class of market goats (Class from the state 4-H contest)

1-2 classes of breeding loose breeding ewes

We will have coolers of drinks. Bring a packed lunch and take advantage of a great workout at ATI.

If you plan on attending, please let Seth Ebert know by texting/calling at 419-908-5828 or email at Ebert.100@osu.edu



JACKSON CO. BEEF BONANZA

Judge: Kyndal Reitzenstein



September 30th, 2023

Jackson Co. Fairgrounds
96 Meadow Run Road, Wellston OH 45692

Weigh in & Entry Fee

Registration & Weigh in 7:30-9:30am Entry Fee \$45 per head Showmanship included

Show Starts at 10am

Heifers, Market Animals, Showmanship to follow

<u>Top 5 Payouts</u>

Grand Champion \$500
Reserve Champion \$400
3rd Overall \$300
4th Overall \$200
5th Overall \$100

Class Payouts

1st \$45 2nd \$20 3rd \$10

General Information

- Stall/Barn space limited
- · Generators are encouraged
- All Southern Ohio Showdown Rules Apply
- Steers & Heifers must be born on or after Jan 1st, 23
- · Health papers are required for all out of state cattle
- Concessions & Show Supplies on site
- Camping available

Contacts

Jessica Taylor: 740-988-8554 Angie Eisnaugle: 740-418-5017

Not responsible for lost or stolen items, injuries or accidents. Rulings are final.



ACHIEVEMENT FORM WORKSHOP

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1 2023, 6:00-7:30 P.M.

Learn about opportunities that can arise from successful achievement form completion, improve record keeping skills, and enhance forms to make them even stronger!

Location: hosted virtually on Zoom!

Cost: FREE

Who: 4-H members interested in completing the achievement form; 4-H professionals, parents and advisors interested in supporting 4-H members

This fall, Teen Leadership Council will be hosting a virtual Achievement Form Workshop for 4-H members statewide!

- October 1, 2023 (6:00-7:30 p.m. on Zoom): An informational session will be held, providing a basic overview of the Achievement Form, giving introductory tips for completion, and sharing about potential opportunities available to members who complete and submit their forms.
 - Must register at https://go.osu.edu/AchForm2023 by September 29 to receive Zoom information for the workshop.
 - This session will be recorded for those who cannot attend in live-time.
 - More information can also be found at go.osu.edu/TLC.
 - Questions? Contact Frances Foos foos.61@osu.edu 614-247-9945



Ohio 4-H Health HEROES

A Teen Healthy Living Advocacy Group

Are you a 4-H teen interested in learning about healthy living?

Consider becoming a part of 4-H Health HEROES! HEREOS stands for Health Education Resources for Outreach, Engagement, and Service.

Teens who participate will have the opportunity to:

- Learn about a variety of healthy living topics
- · Gain valuable leadership and communication skills
- Meet other 4-H youth from across Ohio who are invested in healthy living
- Leave a positive impact on your family, friends, and community
- Promote the 4th H!

Applications are due **Sunday, October 15th by 11:59 pm**. Any questions contact Justin Bower at bower.183@osu.edu or 614-247-1979.



For more information, expectations, and application, visit go.osu.edu/HealthHeroes or scan this.







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PAPER CLOVER

EVERYONE'S A WINNER!







OCTOBER 4-15

Funds support 4-H camp and leadership activities.









Tractor Supply Thank You Video

Thank you for all of your support of the bi-annual Paper Clover fundraising campaign at Tractor Supply. This spring, the campaign reached a major milestone – raising \$20M for 4-H'ers since 2010.

As a thank you to Tractor Supply for their longstanding partnership and commitment to 4-H'ers across the country, we'd like to hear directly from YOU, the youth and adult mentors involved in 4-H.

We are asking you to submit a brief video to say thank you to the Tractor Supply associates and share a testimonial about how the funds raised through Tractor Supply create opportunities for young people.

Videos can feature an individual, or a group thank you. We will be compiling the clips into one video to share with Tractor Supply associates ahead of the Fall 2023 Paper Clover campaign.

Video Testimonial Instructions

Sample Script:

- Introduce yourself Name and where you are located.
- Thank you, Tractor Supply, for your support of 4-H and the Paper Clover Campaign!
- We use funds raised through Paper Clover to XXXXXX.

The video should be brief, about 15-30 seconds in length. The main message should be the thank you. And please, be yourself and try to have fun with it! (Try to use a conversational tone vs. reading from a script.)

Filming Tips:

- No fancy equipment needed. You can film using your phone.
- Keep the phone horizontal while filming. Ideally, use a tripod or rest the phone on a steady surface.
- Make sure you are in a quiet place limit the background noise as much as possible.
- Try to set the phone up so that it's approximately at eye-level with you. Ideally, your face and shoulders will fill most of the frame without too much blank space around you.
- Try to make sure you have enough light on your face to be seen clearly. Try to avoid having lights or bright windows behind you as you film—this will create a silhouette effect in the video.

Deadline: August 18, 2023

How to Share your Video: Please email all completed videos to creininger@fourhcouncil.edu



Explore the exciting world of renewable energy with the **2023 4H STEM Challenge Kit**, *Power Protectors*! This year's Challenge Kit teaches kids about the exciting world of renewable energy. Perfect for youth aged 8 to 14, the kit consists of three activities that provide them with the knowledge to address real-world issues and explore careers in energy. The three activities are:

- Superhero Hideout Kids will learn about renewable energy and get creative to design an electrifying Power Protector hideout!
- Amped Up Engineering Acting as engineers, kids will design and build a model of a renewable energy source to help Energy Island survive and thrive!
- Energy Island Adventure Playing this collaborative board game, kids work as a SUPER team and use solar, wind and hydropower to save endangered Energy Island!

Thank you for being a part of 4-H in Medina County!

