Camping Season Is Almost Here!

Most of us are ready for summer and our 4-H Camp Counselors agree as they gear up to go “Cruisin’ with Camp Graham.” Counselors had their first training on Monday, February 17 and are off to a great start! They worked hard all day to determine a theme and camp sessions, while also participating in training and teambuilding activities.

All youth ages 8-14 are invited to attend 4-H Camp. Camp will be held in Clarksville, Ohio at Camp Graham on June 6-10. Registration forms will be available soon, so please watch your email and the OSU Extension website (http://clermont.osu.edu) for more information. The cost to attend 4-H Camp is $180. The cost for non 4-H members if $205.

A Camp Scholarship is available to assist with the required camp fees. The scholarship is designed to support 4-H youth who might otherwise not have the opportunity to attend 4-H Camp Graham. Priority will be given to youth who have not previously been awarded a camp scholarship. Camp Scholarship applications are due to the Extension Office by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, March 31. Click here for the application.

A Payment Plan is also offered to anyone who would like pay their camp fees in three monthly installments. Participants who take advantage of the Payment Plan will also need to complete the camp registration forms when they become available. Click here to access the Payment Plan form.
Southwest Ohio Teen Leadership Camp
OSU Extension is excited to announce the return of Teen Camp to 4-H Camp Graham! The Southwest Ohio Teen Leadership Camp will be held at 4-H Camp Graham in Clarksville, Ohio on June 23-26. SWOTLC is open to any youth ages 14-18. The price for 4-H members to attend will be $130 and non-4-H members will cost $160. Mark the dates on your calendar, tell your friends and watch for more details about this exciting opportunity!

General Project Judging
Please note the change in dates for General Project Judging for Clermont County this year. We will ask you to pre-register for your judging time(s) like you did in 2013. Cloverbud Show & Tell will be held during the week of the Clermont County Fair.

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Dog Clinics
Any youth enrolled in a dog project is invited to attend the 4-H Dog Clinics. All clinics will be held in the 4-H Hall from 6:30-8:30 p.m. The clinic dates are listed below. There are two different Fun Matches being held on Saturday, May 31. One will be held in Franklin County (click here for the Franklin Co. information) and the other in Warren County (click here for the Warren Co. information).

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Dog, Cat and Ferret Registration/Vaccination Forms
Registration and Vaccination forms for dogs, cats and ferrets are due on Friday, April 11. Please complete and return registration and vaccination forms to the OSU Extension Office by 4:30 p.m. Click here to access the registration and vaccination forms.

Junior Fair Updates

Quality Assurance
Only two QA trainings remain! All Junior Fair exhibitors taking market steers, feeder calves, market lambs, market hogs, market goats, lactating dairy cattle, lactating dairy goats, market poultry and meat rabbits are required to complete an approved Quality Assurance Program in an Ohio County.

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Horse Training
We will be showing Every Time, Every Ride – Helmet Safety for Riders and Horses, Kids and Ethics videos on April 12 in the 4-H Hall. Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. and we will start showing the videos promptly at 9:00 a.m. All first year members MUST attend this training and all returning members are encouraged to attend. Please contact your Horse Advisor with questions.

Poultry Order Forms
Poultry order forms and payment are due by Friday, April 11. Please mail to Clermont County Junior Fair Board, PO Box 7, Bethel, OH 45106. Click here to access the poultry order form. Fancy chickens will NOT be ordered this year.

Fair Book Cover Design Contest
The Clermont County Agricultural Society is proud to announce a contest to design the cover of the 2014 Fair Book. The theme for this year’s fair book is “The Clermont Co. Fair—It’s Good for the Whole Family.” More than 35,000 copies of the fair book displaying the winning design will be printed and distributed throughout the county, as well as posted on the Clermont County Fair website. The winner will be awarded $50.00 and will receive two complimentary fair passes. In addition, he/she will have his/her name and picture in the fair book and on the website, as well as newspaper announcements. The winner will receive the first printed copy of the fair book. Click here to access contest rules.

Scholarship Opportunity
Graduating seniors who will be attending an institution of higher education for a two or four year program are eligible to apply for the Ceil Bee Scholarship. Preference will be given to dietary, nutrition, or culinary fields of interest and education majors specializing in the above areas of study or home economics. Click here to access the scholarship guidelines and application.
Rabbit Fun Show
Submitted By: Jessica Bauscher, Carrot Cruncher Reporter, 2014
Bring your rabbits and join the 4-H club “Carrot Crunchers” at their annual fundraiser on April 27 at 1:00 p.m. at the Clermont County Fairgrounds. Members of the club discussed the lunch menu at the last meeting. We will be serving Walking Taco’s, hot dogs, nachos and cheese, and lots of homemade baked goods. Hope to see you all at the Rabbit Fun Show.

Ohio 4-H News

4-H AstroCamp
Blast off to a great summer adventure at 4-H AstroCamp! Learn about the solar system, space travel, stars and more with help from OSU astronomers and NASA. 4-H AstroCamp is a week-long day camp at the Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center in Columbus and is open to all youth entering grades 4, 5 and 6 (fall 2014). The camp fee is $200 and includes all activities, supplies, snacks and lunch on Friday. Camp enrollment is limited to 30 participants. Click here for informational flyer and here for registration forms.

4-H Camp Tech
Join us for 4-H Camp Tech this summer at the Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center! You'll discover all things "tech" with hands-on experiences that include writing code, engineering design, geocaching and electrical design. 4-H Camp Tech is an overnight program open to all youth entering grades 6, 7 and 8 (fall 2014). Camp fee is $200 and includes accommodations in an OSU dorm, meals and all activities. Program limited to 24 participants. Click here for registration information.

4-H Sew Fun
Are you ready to learn some new sewing skills or improve upon what you already know? Come join us for Sew Fun! It's an interactive sewing day for first year and intermediate level 4-H members led by Ohio Master Clothing Educators and 4-H volunteers. The program runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on April 12 at the Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center in Columbus. Bring your sewing machine, sewing kit and lunch. Send your completed registration form and $20 fee to Sally McClaskey, Ohio 4-H Center, 2201 Fred Taylor Dr., Columbus, OH 43210. Questions? Contact mcclaskey.12@osu.edu or call 614.247.8141. Click here for more information and registration!

Youth Welding Workshop
The Youth Welding Workshop provides a unique opportunity for youth ages 10 to 18 to develop their arc welding (stick or SMAW) skills or their oxyacetylene welding and cutting skills. Through one-on-one assistance students are able to begin their own level and progress their skills throughout the day. The Youth Welding Workshop will be held April 12 from 9:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m. at Ohio State University. Click here for more information.

Rabbit Clinic Extravaganza
A Rabbit Clinic Extravaganza sponsored by the Ohio State Rabbit Breeders Youth will be held March 22 at the Delaware County Fairgrounds. Registration is from 7:30-9:00am. Quality Assurance will be at 2:30pm. Click here for more information and to access the flyer. Contact youthdirector@osrba.net if you have any questions.
Head, Heart, Hands, Health and Homeruns!
On May 31, 2014, we invite you to join us for an evening of family, friendly 4-H fun! Plans are underway for another great 4-H Day with the Dayton Dragons. Before the game at 5:00 p.m. there will be activities on the Plaza outside the main gates. At 6:00 p.m. participants will meet to line up for the 4-H Parade of Counties which will take place on the field. The 4-H pledge will be led by selected 4-H members. One of the highlights of the evening will be the opening pitch at 7:00 p.m. thrown by a representative of the county with the most people in attendance. Of course, attendees will be able to watch a great game of baseball. Tickets are on sale now. The $16 dollar ticket price includes admission to the game and a special 4-H Night Dayton Dragons t-shirt. Click here for more information.

Stierwalt Beef Grooming and Show Fitting Clinic
Kirk Stierwalt will be coming to Coshocton County Fairgrounds on April 19, 2014 for an all-day beef clinic on clipping, fitting, nutrition, show day dressing, showmanship and daily care. This clinic is FREE! Registration starts at 8am and the clinic will last all day. Food stands will be on grounds. Click here for details and to access the flyer.

Club & Community

Benefit for Jim Darnell
A Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction Benefit for Jim Darnell will be held on Saturday, March 29 from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the 4-H Hall. Jim Darnell is a 4-H volunteer and Shooting Sports instructor who was diagnosed with brain cancer in January 2014. His diagnosis is a Grade 4 Ganglioblastoma. To say the least - everyone is in shock. This has thrown his family a huge curveball in life. The funds raised will help to pay for Jim's chemotherapy drugs (the chemo pills are $2,500 for only 30 capsules!) and everyday expenses. Click here to view the flyer.

If you or your club would like to donate a basket or item for the silent auction, contact Dave Guthridge at bigdave3443@gmail.com. Click here for event details.

Tech Time Workshop
BYOD (Bring Your Own Device) and join the Look to Clermont Leadership Class for their Tech Time Workshop, teaching the basics of using your iPhone. The workshop will be held on Saturday, April 5 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. in the 4-H Hall. The workshop free but is limited to 35 participants. Please R.S.V.P. at 513-732-7070.

Behind the Scenes at the OSU Veterinary Med Center
The College of Veterinary Medicine is hosting its Annual Open House from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, April 5. Activities are designed for all ages, including the popular children's activity center, and there will be information booths featuring student groups and community organizations. There will be demonstrations and seminars on a variety of topics including applying to vet school and careers in veterinary medicine, pet care and animal nutrition. Attendees will have the opportunity to take self-guided tours of the Veterinary Medical Center. There will be a special guest appearance by the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, go to http://vet.osu.edu/AnnualOpenHouse
Buckeye Vet Prep Camp at OSU

The Ohio State University College of Veterinary Medicine is offering a summer day for high school sophomores, juniors and seniors (as of fall 2014). This five day camp gives participants an opportunity to learn more about veterinary school and the profession through hands on experience, seminars, demonstrations and off-campus field trips at one of the premier veterinary schools in the country. For more information, go to http://vet.osu.edu/osuvetcamp.

Ultimate 4-H’ers Gold Star Fundraiser

Submitted by: Erin Jennings

The members of the Ultimate 4-H'ers of Felicity voted in February to host a fundraiser to help raise money for the new livestock pavilion on the Clermont County Fairgrounds. Club members worked on February 17 to greet and serve customers at Gold Star in Bethel. As a result, people were very generous with their tips that helped the club raise more than $650 in only two short hours. The Ultimate 4-H'ers would like to thank all who attended for their support!

Spring Paper Clover Campaign

The Spring 2014 Paper Clover Campaign at Tractor Supply Company runs from April 23 to May 4. Visit the Batavia or Loveland TSC Stores to support Clermont County 4-H. Funds raised will be used to purchase new Skill-a-Thon Kits. Please contact the Extension Office to see how your club can help!

Special note from OSU Media Distribution regarding project books

It’s busy season at Media Distribution so counties can expect orders to be received within two and a half weeks (two weeks in the queue at the warehouse and a few days for shipping). Orders are filled on a first-in-first-out system, regardless of county and order size. County offices still enjoy free shipping, so please continue to consolidate orders and limit your county to one order per week.

***We know project book orders are taking longer than planned this year and many titles have been on backorder. The above message was sent March 17 from OSU Media Distribution. Please continue to be patient with us! Ordering the books through the local office is still your best cost savings!***
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