## 4-H Newsletter 10/20/2023

The Ashland County Extension Office is located at 110 Cottage Street, First Floor This is the same building as the Ashland County Commissioners and Board of Elections.

We are open:

Mondays 8:30-4pm Tuesdays 8:30-4pm Fridays 8:30-3pm

#### Fair Premiums

Ashland County Jr. Fair premiums may be picked up BY A CLUB REPRESENTATIVE:

At Extension Office: Monday, October 23 Tuesday October 24 8:30-4pm or Friday, October 27 8:30-3pm At Mozelle Hall: Wednesday, October 25 from 6-7 pm

While ONE designated person from each club is to pick up the premium checks for the whole club, it does not necessarily have to be the organizational advisor. Checks will not be given out individually.

#### Come Join us at the Annual 4-H Banquet!



Join us for a light dinner, volunteer and member recognition.

To RSVP go to: https://go.osu.edu/ashland4hbanquet

## Livestock Buyer Thank You

We still have a few members that have not turned in a thank you note for their buyer.

Your livestock sale check will not be released until the Thank you note is received by the Extension Office. Although Thank you notes are only required for the actual buyer of your animal, we hope that you will also take time to thank anyone who used the add on option.

Thank you's must:

- 1. Be addressed to the buyer with a complete address
- 2. Have a return address
- 3. Have a stamp

For a list of 2023 Ashland County Fair Livestock buyers, visit our website at:

https://ashland.osu.edu/sites/ashland/files/imce/23%20Exhibitor%20List%20for%20Newsletter.pdf

If one of your animals has two buyers listed, either they combined resources to buy your animal OR one of them bought the animal through the sale and the other "added" on an amount for you.

- If you won an award, it is expected that you send a thank you note to that award donor.
- Fin, Feather & Fur Outfitters donates all the ribbons for the Ashland County Jr. Fair! To send them a note of appreciation, their address is 652 US HWY 250 E, Ashland, Ohio, 44805.
- The following businesses donated towards the Jr. Fair T-shirts that were given to each exhibitor: Ashland Farm Bureau, Ashland Soil and Water, Haudenschild Insurance, J Star Equipment, Farm Credit Mid-America, Loudonville Farmers Equity. We appreciate their support of our 4-H youth!

#### 4-H Robotics

Radical Robots will have a short informational meeting on Friday, October 20 at 5:30 pm at the Hayesville United Methodist Church. Open to 4-H age youth.

# BuckeyeNext App: Ohio 4-H Pathways to the Future Announces Youth Engagement App to Help Youth Track their 4-H Participation and Accomplishments

Ohio 4-H middle and high school-aged youth will have the opportunity to track their Ohio 4-H youth development participation and earn digital badges in the skills needed to be successful in the future. The Ohio 4-H Pathways to the Future initiative partnered with Suitable to design BuckeyeNext, an app in which young people earn points for activities, event attendance, and accomplishments during their 4-H career.

Built like a game, youth can easily identify the opportunities available through Ohio 4-H, organize their categories of participation, and track their cumulative progress in real time. "BuckeyeNext lets youth keep track of their accomplishments in real time," said Margo Overholt-Seckel, program manager for Ohio 4-H Workforce Development and Pathways. "It provides insight about how 4-H experiences align with various skills that employers are seeking in their future workforce." Youth who participate will create a digital portfolio and transcript that demonstrate how their abilities align with the eight career readiness competencies identified by the National Association of Colleges and Employers. "BuckeyeNext is the result of hard work and hours of thinking outside the box to make recordkeeping easier and provide certifications for our members," said Jessica Adams, 4-H educator in Miami County.

The BuckeyeNext app is very easy and simple to use. It helps with 4-H records because you can look back and remember what all you've done, and the competition part pushes you to do more!" said Sophia Preston, a Fairfield County 4-H

member. Ohio 4-H members can access BuckeyeNext at https://go.osu.edu/buckeyenextoptin.

## **Shooting Sports**

If you are interested in learning and participating in archery, pistol, rifle or shotgun, Top Shots, our shooting sports 4-H Club, will have their organizational meeting on Wednesday, November 1 from 6-8 pm at Freer Field meeting room in Ashland. ALL disciplines should attend this first meeting. It will count toward meeting attendance. Come prepared to complete paperwork and pay your dues.

#### Save the Date!



Individual volunteers and/or clubs are needed to help plan and lead a craft table. Please text Lisa at 419-685-1296 or email lisa.wilfong@gmail.com if you are willing to help with this event.

## State 4-H Leadership Camp

#### **Leadership Camp Info:**

- **Date:** June 1-5, 2024 Full time attendance is required.
- Location: 4-H Camp Ohio, St. Louisville, Ohio
- What: The Ohio 4-H State Leadership Camp is a premier leadership development opportunity that offers participants engaging sessions in topics such as motivation, courage, teamwork, and more! While at camp, participants are actively learning AND teaching their peers!
- Who: Teen 15-18 as of January 1, 2024 who have significant leadership potential or experience in their home county's 4-H program.
  - Camp is designed for participants to attend one time.
  - What do they do? Participants will develop concrete peer leadership skills that will enable them to have an immediate impact in their home 4-H club, county, community, or school. Participants will leave camp ready to take on new challenges.
- Cost: Cost is \$345/person. Counties have a \$400 credit thanks to Nationwide, Farm Credit Mid America, and the Dorothy L. Miller 4-H Leadership Camp Endowment Fund. This amount can be used for an entire campership, or divided among participants depending on how many Ashland Co. members attend.

Leadership Camp Commitment forms will be available after the beginning of the year, but you may contact the Extension office if you are interested in this opportunity so we can make a plan on how to use our scholarship dollars.

## Camp Opportunity

Carving New Ideas is a camping opportunity for older youth, concentrating on the principles of critical thinking and program facilitation. It is hosted by Collegiate 4-H at The Ohio State University and the college students, who are also 4-H alumni, are preparing all of the fun activities for the weekend of November 17-19, 2023.

The registration website is <a href="https://go.osu.edu/23CNI">https://go.osu.edu/23CNI</a> or share the attached poster. The online registration allows credit cards or checks.

Deadline to register is October 25 or until cabins are full.

## Ohio 4-H Foundation Board Opportunity

Each year Ohio 4-H teens have the opportunity to serve on the Ohio 4-H Foundation Board. This year we have two spaces open. These are two-year terms and so would begin January 1, 2024 and run through December 31, 2025. Teens get a chance to see how the board operates, gain speaking opportunities, and can provide an important youth voice in their position.

More information can be found on our website: <a href="https://ohio4h.org/foundation/about-ohio-4-h-foundation/foundation-board">https://ohio4h.org/foundation/about-ohio-4-h-foundation/foundation-board</a>

Teens can apply by the Qualtrics survey found on our website. Deadline to apply is November 27th at 11:59 p.m.

#### 4-H Volunteers

THANK YOU for all your time and expertise in assisting our youth! We truly appreciate all you do! Club advisors: If you would like yearly completion certificates and pins for your club members, please contact the Extension Office and we will get them ready for you.

#### Ohio Military Kids Winter Wonderland



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## 2023 Ashland County 4-H Calendar

The 2023 4-H Calendar is posted on our website at: <a href="https://ashland.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/breaking-news">https://ashland.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/breaking-news</a>

#### 4-H Newsletter

If you have a second email you would like to add to the list or need to change your email it is sent to, please use the link below:

https://osu.az1.gualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV 39M4tSvTalijniR

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