

The Leader



TRUMBULL COUNTY 4-H NEWS

DEC 2022- JAN 2023

December

- 4 **Beef Tagging & Forms Due;** Fairgrounds, 8-10:00 AM
- 7 4-H Advisory Comm. Dinner, Candywood, 6:00 PM
- 17 Holly Jolly STEM Program, OSUE, 9:00 AM
- 12 Annual Advisor Update- Session 1, OSUE 6:00-8:00 PM
- 23 **OSUE Closed- Christmas Break (through Jan 2)**

January

- 3 OSUE- normal office hours resume
- 9 4-H Advisory Comm. Mtg., OSUE Office, 7:00 PM
- 9 Annual Advisor Update-Session 2, OSUE, 6:00-8:00 PM
- 11 Livestock Sale Comm. Mtg., Fairgrounds, 7:00 PM
- 14 Annual Advisor Update-Session 3, OSUE, 9:00-11:00 AM
- 16 **Martin Luther King Day, Office Closed**
- 18 Jr. Fair Board Mtg., Fairgrounds, 6:30 PM
- 22 Goat Committee Mtg, OSUE, 1:00-3:00 PM
- 23 Geauga-Trumbull Camp Counselor Interviews, Geauga OSUE 6:30 PM
- 24 **New Volunteer Orientation, OSUE 6:00-8:00 PM**
- 24 Equine Comm. Mtg., Fairgrounds, 6:00 PM
- 30 CARTEENS Program, OSUE, 6:00-9:00 PM
- 31 Dairy Comm. Mtg., OSUE, 6:30 PM

February

- 2 New Family Orientation, OSUE, 6:00-7:30 PM
- 6 4-H Advisory Comm. Mtg., OSUE, 7:00 PM
- 8 Livestock Sale Comm. Mtg., Fairgrounds, 7:00 PM
- 11 **4-H Club Officer Training, OSUE, 9:00 AM- 12:30 PM**
- 14 Small Animal Comm. Mtg., OSUE, 7:00 PM
- 15 Jr. Fair Board Mtg., Fairgrounds, 6:30 PM
- 27 CARTEENS Program, OSUE, 6:00-9:00 PM
- 28 Equine Comm. Mtg., Fairgrounds, 6:00 PM



REMINDERS:

Our Holly Jolly STEM Registrations are due Friday, December 9th for grades K-5!

The 2022 Officer Book Review is completed. Thank you for organizing club materials to the best of your ability!

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A Word From Ashlee



Dear 4-H Families,

December is here! We hope that everyone had a happy & healthy Thanksgiving with family and friends. It's time to start gearing up for another 4-H year! Please take a moment to review the contents of this newsletter for important updates and reminders for both 4-H families and advisors.

4-H members may now re-enroll for 2023 using the 4-H Online website at <https://v2.4honline.com>. More information is listed on page 4. If you have questions about re-enrolling, please email me and I will assist you.

From all of us at Trumbull County OSU Extension, we wish you and your families a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Ashlee Meardith, 4-H Extension Educator



4-H Youth Development

YEAR-END PIN & CERTIFICATE DISTRIBUTION

Club pins and certificates will be given to advisors during the Annual Advisor Updates. Packets will only be distributed to an advisor within the club. Thank you!

2023 OHIO 4-H TEEN & VOLUNTEER CONFERENCE

The 2023 Ohio 4-H Teen & Volunteer Conference will be in-person this year on Saturday, March 11 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. All teens and advisors are encouraged to join in on the workshops and opportunities offered! More information will be shared as it becomes available from the state 4-H office. The registration fee is \$40.00 and is due by Friday, February 10th. Registration materials can be downloaded from <http://www.ohio4h.org/events/ohio-4-h-conference>.

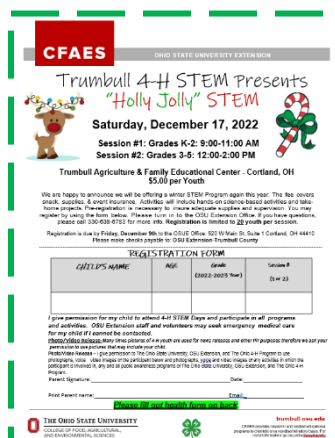


PAUL AARON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

With the support of the Community Foundation, there will be another scholarship available to graduating seniors this year who have exhibited a market project in 2022 or year previous. Eligible members are encouraged to apply using the online application found at: [SCHOLARSHIPS | CF Website \(comm-foundation.org\)](http://SCHOLARSHIPS | CF Website (comm-foundation.org)). Applicants will need to create a profile, fill out a general application and select the Paul Aaron Memorial Scholarship from the list of Community Foundation supported scholarships. Applications will be taken starting on January 1st and are due on February 28, 2023 by 11:59 p.m. Contact Linda Welch at the Community Foundation with questions at (724) 981-5882 or linda@comm-foundation.org

4-H KICKOFF RECAP

On Monday, November 14th, the 8th Annual 4-H Kickoff was held from 6:00-8:00 pm at TCTC! We had over 300+ in attendance! Thank you to all of our clubs- advisors, members & families- who participated and gave youth of our county an opportunity to join 4-H in 2023! Without all of you, this event would not have been a success.



HOLLY JOLLY STEM

Holly Jolly STEM will be on Saturday, December 17 for youth in grades K-5. Registrations are due by Friday, December 9th to the OSUE Office. Fee is just \$5!



CLUB OFFICER TRAINING

Club officer training will be held **Saturday, February 11th** from 9:00 AM-12:30 PM at the OSUE Office- Large Conference Room.

Ages 8-13: 9:00-10:30 AM

Ages 14-18: 11:00 AM- 12:30 PM

This training will be **mandatory** for each club to send at least one representative. The representative could be a current officer (strongly encouraged) or someone who would like to learn more about the officer roles.

NEW: NEW FAMILY ORIENTATION

New to 2023, Ashlee will be offering a New Family Orientation on **February 2, 2023** at the OSUE Office from 6:00-7:30 pm to help ease the transition of joining a club and understanding the 4-H expectations, requirements and opportunities offered throughout the year. Save the date! More news to be shared via email and at the Annual Advisor Update.

CARTEENS: TEEN LEADERS WANTED



Trumbull County 4-H partners with the Ohio State Highway Patrol and Trumbull County Courts to help young people understand the importance of safe driving. As teen leaders, you will help assist with hands-on activities with our program participants. Our program is offered once per month for three hours. This is an excellent community service opportunity and to network with teens. For more information, please contact Trumbull OSUE Office at 330-638-6783.

Upcoming Dates:

Monday, January 30, 2023, 6:00-9:00 PM OSUE
Monday, February 27, 2023, 6:00-9:00 PM OSUE
Monday, March 27, 2023, 6:00-9:00 PM OSUE



PROJECT GUIDELINES

Returning in 2023, project guidelines will be available for families to serve as a resource and tool for the specific project species or area. Once complete, the project guidelines will be posted on our website and shared with advisors and families.

4-H News for Advisors and Members

MANDATORY ADVISOR UPDATE

Attention all head organizational leaders, project leaders and resource leaders: There will be three advisor updates available for the 2022-2023 4-H year. It is required that the head advisor AND at least one additional advisor attend from EACH club. However, I strongly suggest that all volunteers attend. Areas of discussion include: yearly updates, rule changes, Policy 1.50, fundraising guidelines, county & state opportunities/events and goals for the new year. You will also receive a folder with important club forms such as club charter, financial summary, constitution/bylaws and club info sheet.

Please RSVP using the Qualtrics QR Code or link below to one of the following dates. All dates will be held in-person at the OSUE Office unless we are limited to virtual programs only at that time. If this is the case, the trainings will be held via ZOOM:

- ✿ **Monday, December 12, 2022 6:00-8:00 PM**
- ✿ **Monday, January 9, 2023, 6:00-8:00 PM**
- ✿ **Saturday, January 14, 2023 9:00-11:00 AM**

<https://go.osu.edu/annualadvisorupdate>

Club forms will be due Tuesday, January 31, 2023.

ADDING NEW ADVISORS? ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ADVISOR IN A CLUB?

If your club is taking on new advisors for 2022-2023, don't forget that they must complete the application and approval process! Applications can be found at <http://trumbull.osu.edu> → 4-H Youth Development Tab → 4-H Volunteers. Applications are also available at the OSUE Office located in Cortland.

New Volunteer Checklist

- ✓ Ohio 4-H Volunteer Application
- ✓ Signed Volunteer Standards of Behavior Form
- ✓ Three Non-Family References (1 must be professional source)
- ✓ Interview with 4-H Educator
- ✓ New Volunteer Orientation (3 offered per year)
- ✓ Approved BCI Check (if Ohio is state of residence)

2022-2023 New Volunteer Orientation Dates Held @ OSUE Office

- ✿ ***DATE CHANGE*** Tuesday, January 24, 2023 6:00-8:00 PM
- ✿ Wednesday, March 8, 2023 6:00-8:00 PM

All materials must be turned in and checklist completed by March 31, 2023 to be an advisor for the 2022-2023 4-H year

SPECIES RULES & 4-H CALENDAR

Rules meetings are held in late fall/early winter to make updates and/or changes. Rules and animal registrations will be available on our trumbull.osu.edu website when they are revised.

Advisors, please email updated rules/registrations to Meardith.1@osu.edu.

OLDER YOUTH OPPS

Attention youth 14-18 yrs: Are you interested in learning more about 4-H State Awards? Please check out the complete list of Older Youth Opportunities & Awards at: <https://ohio4h.org/awardsandscholarships>.

SAVE THE DATES (TENTATIVE):

- ✿ **Quality Assurance:** Saturday, April 15, 9:00-11:00 am at TCF
- ✿ **Animal Project Judging,** Tuesday, June 6, 6:00-8:00 pm, TCF
- ✿ **General Project Judging,** Thursday, June 22, 6:00-8:00 pm, Champion Christian Church
- ✿ **Clothing Project Judging:** Friday, July 7, 1:00-4:00 pm, OSUE



TRUMBULL COUNTY FAIR

The 2023 Trumbull County Fair Dates have been set! Mark in your calendars: July 11-16, 2023.

4-H Livestock News

WEIGH IN & TAGGING

All weigh in/tagging will be at TC Fairgrounds

Beef Steers: December 4 from 8:00 am - 10:00 am

Dairy Feeders: March 25 from 8:00 am – 9:00 am

Swine: April 22 from 8:00 am – 10:00 am

Beef Feeders: April 22 from 10:00 – Noon

Sheep/Goats: April 22 from 10:00 – Noon

POULTRY ORDERS

All market poultry projects will be ordered through a mass order by using the following email:

trumbullcopoultry@gmail.com.

The orders will be overseen by our poultry co-chairs: Christina Stout, Tracey Wagner & Rachel Ward. **Deadlines for all orders (turkey, duck, geese, chickens) Monday, January 27, 2023.** Orders will need to be paid at the time of the order. Exact prices will be determined by the number of birds that are ordered. Delivery dates are anticipated to be:

- 🌿 **Turkey:** March 1
- 🌿 **Geese:** March 22
- 🌿 **Duck:** April 5
- 🌿 **Chicken:** May 17

HERITAGE MARKET POULTRY DIVISION

The Heritage Market Poultry Division will be launching in 2024 at the Trumbull County Jr. Fair. Further details to come.

2023 4-H ENROLLMENT NEWS

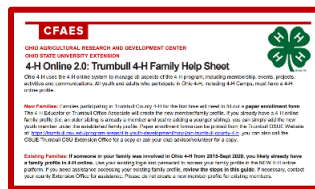
Enrollment Requirements for 2023- 4-H Online 2.0

Continuing in 2023, families will be responsible for making changes and/or corrections to personal information, clubs and projects in which they are enrolling on the 4-H Online database (<https://v2.4honline.com>). **An online tutorial and video instructions are provided on www.trumbull.osu.edu >> 4-H Youth Development >> 4-H Club Essentials or <https://trumbull.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms-and-applications>.**

All existing (2+ year) families will need to use their primary family email to access their family profile. Not sure which email you used? Please contact us to assist you at 330-638-6783. Please **DO NOT** create a new family profile, as this will restart the member(s)' 4-H year count.

Families who are new to 4-H in 2023 must still fill out the paper enrollment forms (first year only).

This is a reminder that the deadline for 2023 4-H enrollment is **Saturday, April 1st by 4:30 pm**. After this deadline, no clubs or projects may be added.



Tips for Re-Enrolling in 2023:

- 🌿 Each family has a personal profile.
You must use one "family" email to access the family's account and individual members. If you have not listed a family email, you will need to do so before attempting to sign in. **When in doubt, call or email Ashlee!**
- 🌿 Please make sure all information (address, telephone, health considerations club, projects, etc.) is **CURRENT**. We use the information provided for contact purposes and to make sure your child/children are enrolled in the correct projects for the given year.
- 🌿 **Please double check project list to make sure all projects are listed that your child/children plan to participate in.**
- 🌿 Keep in mind that one project book may support multiple projects. (Ex. #150 Poultry Book). When enrolling in a project, make sure you select one/all projects in that book at you may be interested in exhibiting/completing.

ANIMAL REGISTRATIONS DUE APRIL 1ST

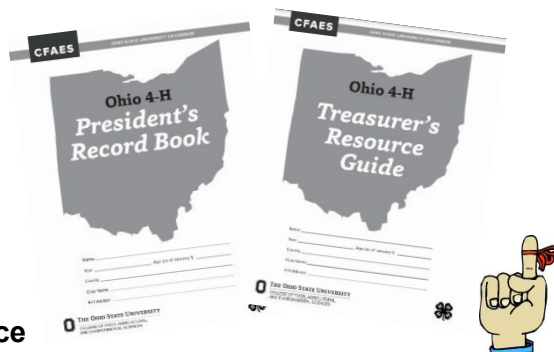
In 2023, the 4-H enrollment and animal registrations will BOTH be due on Saturday, April 1, 2023 by 4:30 p.m. I invite families to make sure that their 4-H projects and registrations are mirror images of one another.

***Registrations are turned into the OSUE Office by April 1. Registrations will then be turned over to advisors for tag in on Saturday, April 22nd for sheep, goats and swine (Unless stated otherwise).**

Officer Resources

Go to the link below to access the following officer **record books** & **resource guides**:

- ❁ President
- ❁ Vice President
- ❁ Secretary
- ❁ Treasurer
- ❁ Health/Safety
- ❁ News Reporter
- ❁ Historian
- ❁ Recreation
- ❁ Community Service



<https://ohio4h.org/families/members/officer-resources>

How Can Club Advisors Support Youth Officers?

1. Purchase a 1-1.5-inch binder (\$1-\$3)
2. Print resources for your family/club for respective officer position(s). **This includes the record book and resource guide.**
3. Organize in binder and create a cover sheet to make it unique!
4. Secretary & Treasurer Roles: Keep a copy of scoresheet/guidelines. This will help you prepare your binder/folder for a successful review. Make sure you have the most recent copy of the scoresheet, as this often changes from year to year as updates occur.
5. Encourage youth officer to attend Officer Training (February 11th, 2023).
6. Meet with officer team prior to meetings to discuss agenda and after meeting to address questions.
7. Have previous officers serve as a mentor to new officers.

If you have questions about accessing these resources, please let our office know

Trumbull 4-H Camp News

SAVE THE DATE!

**Geauga-Trumbull 4-H Camp 2023:
June 11-16 @ Camp Whitewood in Windsor, OH**



2023 Counselor Search

Teens between the age of 15-18 (as of June 11, 2023) are eligible to be camp counselors! Applications are now available online. They are due December 31, 2022 to the Geauga Extension Office. Interviews will be held on January 23, 2023 at 6:30 pm (tentatively) at the Geauga Extension Office. Trainings will begin in March from 7:00-9:00 pm on Monday evenings.



2022-2023 Club Officer Book Requirement

As clubs are electing officers for the new year, keep in mind that Secretary and Treasurer records/binders will be due the **1st Monday in October in 2023** to the OSUE Office and every year after. **Accurate officer records are a very important piece of club record management.** Please take this seriously and alert your new officers of the collection and their responsibility as an officer.

CONFERENCE ROOM RESERVATIONS FOR CLUB MEETINGS

Reminder: Please call Amy Reeher [330-637-2056] at the Soil & Water Conservation District Office to reserve your club's meeting dates for 2022. First come first serve! Several clubs utilize the large conference room available at the Trumbull Agriculture and Family Education Center. If you do use the room regularly for your club meetings, please remember to be respectful of the space and leave it cleaner than you found it. It is important that clubs are sanitizing tables and chairs after use as well*

New Volunteer Welcome

The following volunteers have completed the volunteer application process as of 11/30:

- ❁ **Melissa Machingo**, Rogue Riders
- ❁ **Dwight Ward**, Shooting Sports
- ❁ **Alicia Watson**, New Club; Name to be determined soon!

New & Revised 4-H Projects for 2023

Ohio 4-H releases new projects each year. They also revise current project books and discontinue unpopular projects. The following is a list of new, revised and discontinued projects. We encourage trying a new project book this year!



New

- **365.00** Digital Media Idea Starter (X)
- **360** Your Feelings Matter (B)
- **386** You're Hired (A)
- **509** Robotics Essentials (I)
- **544** Ready, Set, ... Mow (A)

Revised or Replaced

- **228** Rabbit Project & Record Book (X)
- **467** Cooking on My Own (A)

Discontinued

- **365.00** PhysBot Idea Starter
- **762** Horse Nutrition
- **507** Robotics 1 with EV3
- **508** Robotics 2: EV3N More

Price Changes

Prices have been increased across the board and will remain in effect throughout the 2023 program year.

Please use a 2023 form when ordering.

X= A project appropriate for all skill and age levels

B= A beginning-level project for members with no experience in a project area or 8-10 years old

I= An intermediate-level project for members with some experience in a project area, or 11 to 13 years old

A= An advanced-level project for members experiences in a project area, or 14+.

Thank you for reading the fine print. If you're reading this, email me to redeem a prize. The first five people to email me with "Secret Santa" in the subject line will win!



Getting the Most Out of Your 4-H Career

4-H Members

The number of 4-H opportunities out there can be both hard to find and overwhelming. Here are a few examples of local, state and national ways you can be involved and make the most out of your 4-H career! The first step is knowing who and what can help. The county and state website is a great place for information: www.trumbull.osu.edu>> 4-H Youth Development and www.ohio4h.org.

Local

- Participate as an **officer** in your club. This builds public speaking skills, leadership skills and organizational skills that will help you for many years to come. Don't forget to utilize officer training offered each year!
- Apply for **4-H Royal Court**: There are two divisions, junior (ages 8-13) and senior (ages 14-18). Applications are due April 1 of each year.
- Serve as **Geauga-Trumbull Camp Counselor** (ages 15-18). Camp is held from June 11-16, 2023.
- Volunteer as a helper for our Annual STEM Days for Grades K-5
- Try new projects each year! Ohio 4-H offers over 200 projects in various areas. Reach out of your comfort zone!
- Utilize the 4-H Career Book:
https://trumbull.osu.edu/sites/trumbull/files/imce/Program_Pages/4H/4H%20career%20record%20book_0.pdf This book allows you to keep track of accomplishments from year to year as you continue on your 4-H journey
- Participate on the 4-H Advisory Committee. Each October, advisors can nominate other advisors and also teens to serve on this committee that oversees the county program.
- Serve as a **Junior Fair Board Member** (contact Jan Solomon @ solojan@aol.com for more details)
- Serve as a **CARTEENS** Program volunteer (16-18 yrs old)

State

- Fill out a Ohio 4-H State Achievement Record
- Attend the 2023 **Ohio 4-H Conference!**
- Serve on the **Ohio 4-H Teen Leadership Council** (ages 14+). Help out with the Ohio State Fair and meet with other 4-H members to oversee Ohio 4-H as a whole!
- Ohio State Junior Fair Board
- Attend the Buckeye Leadership Workshop
- State 4-H Leadership Camp
- Ohio Military Kids Camp Counselor

National

- International Programs & Exchanges
- Participate in Citizenship Washington Focus
- Participate in Leadership Washington Focus

4-H Advisory Committee

Fall Recap

Spooktacular Whitewood

The 5th Annual Spooktacular Whitewood occurred on Friday, October 21st at Camp Whitewood in Windsor. County camps decorated a cabin to pass treats and county camp information. In addition, attendees could go on a lantern hike, take a hayride circling camp, paint a pumpkin, enter the costume contest, browse the camp store, roast smores and sip hot chocolate and more! We estimated that there were over 250 youth and adults in attendance. We look forward to 2023!



Spooky STEM- October 22

Our Spooky STEM Program was a success! 31 participants in grades K-5 participated in the fall/Halloween themed program on Saturday, October 22nd. Participants got to create bat magnets, eyeball towers, pumpkin catapults, participate in a sensory guess, indulge in dirt pudding & more! Special thanks to our youth and adult volunteers: Wendy, Lorrie, Elaine, John, Rayna, Kayla, Izzi, Kaitlyn & Brooke! Thank you also to the Cortland Moose Lodge for helping to supply materials and t-shirts for youth participants!



2022 Fall Chick Quest Program

During the months of October and November, Trumbull 4-H partnered with Southington Local School's second grade and Joseph Badger's fourth grade classrooms to provide Chick Quest, a school enrichment program. Students had the opportunity to learn about the chicken's lifecycle, pre and post hatch care and about the egg industry! The programs were wrapped up with a STEM Nest Challenge, where students worked in teams to create a nest out of common household items to support an egg drop from one and three feet! If you are interested in learning more about Chick Quest, please contact our office! We are looking for additional schools to implement Chick Quest in the spring and fall of 2023.



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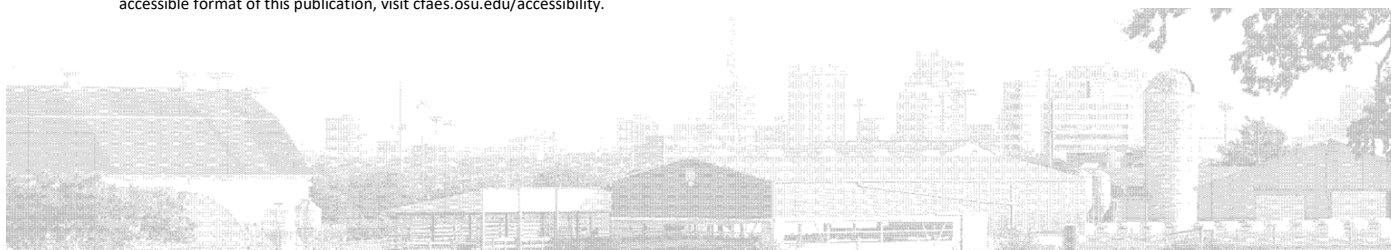
Until further notice:

Open to public: Monday through Thursday from
8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Closed for Lunch 11:30 -12:30 pm.

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