The Leader



TRUMBULL COUNTY 4-H NEWS

April

1 4	-H	Enrollments	& Animal	Registrations	to	OSUE
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1 Royal Court Apps due to OSUE

Trumbull County 4-H Advisory Scholarship due

1 4-H Advisory Comm., OSUE, 7:00 pm

2 New Family Orientation, OSUE, 6-7:30 pm

3 Heritage Market Turkey Estimated Arrival

8 1st Year Member Equine Safety Mtg, OSUE, 6-8:00 pm

9 Poultry Comm. Mtg., OSUE, 5:30 pm

9 4-H Small Animal Comm. Mtg., OSUE, 7:00 pm

10 Livestock Sale Comm. Fairgrounds, 7:00 pm

11 QA test-out, OSUE 4:00-5:30 pm

13 Quality Assurance, Fairgrounds, 9:00-11:00 am

15 Ohio State Fair Scholarships due

17 Jr. Fair Board Meeting, Fairgrounds, 6:30 pm

20 Dairy Palooza- Mahoning County/Canfield Fairgrounds

23 Equine Comm. Mtg, Fairgrounds, 6:00 pm

27 Goat/Sheep, Swine, Beef Feeder Tagging, Fairgrounds

29 CARTEENS, OSUE, 6:00-9:00 pm

<u>February</u>

- 5 4-H Advisory Comm. Mtg., OSUE, 7:00 pm
- 9 4-H Conference Registrations due
- 10 4-H Club Officer Training, OSUE, 9:00 AM- 12:30 pm
- 13 Poultry Comm. Mtg., OSUE, 5:30 pm
- 13 Small Animal Comm. Mtg., OSUE, 7:00 pm
- 14 Livestock Sale Comm. Mtg., Fairgrounds, 7:00 pm
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- 26 CARTEENS Program, OSUE, 6:00-9:00 pm 27 Equine Comm. Mtg., Fairgrounds, 6:00 pm
- TBD 4-H FCS Committee Mtg, OSUE, 7:00 pm

March

- Ohio 4-H Week (ends 3/9)
- 4 4-H Advisory Comm. Mtg., OSUE, 7:00 pm
- 5 New Volunteer Orientation, OSUE 6:00-8:00 pm
- 5 Market Duck Estimated Arrival
- 11 Market Turkey Estimated Arrival
- 13 Livestock Sale Mtg, Fairgrounds, 7:00 pm
- 14 Ohio Beef Expo (ends 3/17)
- 16 Counselor Camp @ Camp Whitewood, Session 2
- 16 Trumbull County Saddle Horse Equine Symposium, TCTC
- 20 Jr. Fair Board Mtg., Fairgrounds, 6:30 pm
- 19 Market Geese Estimated Arrival
- 25 4-H Equine Comm. Mtg., Fairgrounds, 6:00 pm
- 27 Ohio Spring Dairy Expo (ends 3/30)
- 23 Dairy Feeder Tagging, Fairgrounds, 8:00 am
- 25 CARTEENS, OSUE, 6:00-9:00 pm
- 29 1st Year Member Equine Safety Meeting, OSUE, 6-8:00

Ohio 4-H Week March 3-9, 2024 Ohio 4-H Conference Saturday, March 9 @ the Greater

Columbus Convention Center

A Word From Ashlee





Dear 4-H Families,

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February is here and it's going to be a busy month for Trumbull 4-H. We will be hosting club officer training, promoting our 4-H program in several schools, completing several Chick Quest Programs in various schools, and gearing up for the Ohio 4-H Conference. Please read through this edition to highlight exciting news about this year's t-shirt contest and see who was awarded our annual volunteer awards and honor club recognition (pg 7)! Before we know it, spring will be here and so will our 2024 enrollment deadline. Families are encouraged to log-in to 4-H Online to re-enroll. Please take a moment to brainstorm how your club could promote our county 4-H program. We want to encourage youth countywide to join!

4-H Youth Development

CLUB OFFICER TRAINING

Club officer training will be held **Saturday**, **February**10th 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. More details can be found on page 5.

2024 OHIO 4-H TEEN & VOLUNTEER CONFERENCE

The 2024 Ohio 4-H Teen & Volunteer Conference will be held on **Saturday, March 9** at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. All teens and advisors are encouraged to join in on the workshops and opportunities offered! The registration fee is \$40.00 and is due by Friday, February 9th to the OSUE-Trumbull Office.

In 2024, the Trumbull 4-H Advisory Committee will be providing a charter bus as transportation to and from the conference. Don't miss this opportunity for a free ride! Members/volunteers can confirm their bus seat at https://go.osu.edu/oh4hctcbus. A permission/wavier will also need signed at time of registration turn-in.

Registration materials can be downloaded from http://www.ohio4h.org/events/ohio-4-h-conference.

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.

4-H ROYAL COURT



The 4-H Royal Court has a junior (9-13 yrs.) and senior (14-18 yrs.) division. Applications for 2024 will be available in early February on the OSUE Trumbull website. Applications will be due on Monday, April 1, 2024.

4-H PROJECT JUDGING/SKILLATHON All Animal Projects

(beef, cat, dairy, dairy feeders, dog equine, goat, poultry, rabbits, sheep, swine, etc.)

Tuesday, June 4th, 2024 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Trumbull County Fairgrounds

General Project Judging

Thursday, June 20th, 2024 6:00-8:00 p.m.; At Champion Christian Church

Clothing Project Judging

Friday, July 5, 2024 1:00-3:00 p.m. at OSUE

NEW FAMILY ORIENTATION

New Family Orientation will be offered twice this year on February 15th and April 2nd from 6:00-7:30 pm at the OSUE Office. This program is geared towards walking parents, who are new to the program, through the 4-H year. Families will be provided a folder of resources and the presentation will cover important expectations, guidelines, 4-H events and opportunities. Please preregister at https://go.osu.edu/newfamilyorientation.

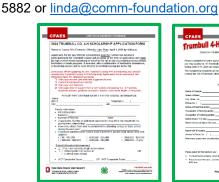
SCHOLARSHIP COLUMN



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 2023 or year previous. Eligible members are encouraged to apply using the online application found at: 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 March 1, 2024 by 11:59 p.m. Contact Linda Welch at the Community Foundation with questions at (724) 981-





TRUMBULL 4-H SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

The 4-H Advisory Committee will be overseeing the application and selection process for the Trumbull 4-H Senior Scholarship, due on April 1, 2024. There will be two, \$500.00 awards given to high school seniors who are current members of the Trumbull 4-H Program. Application will be shared through Facebook & our county webpage.

GEAUGA-TRUMBULL 4-H CAMP CAMPERSHIP

The 4-H Advisory Committee will also be overseeing the 4-H camp campership distribution. Several awards will be given and a family discount is possible if multiple siblings attend. This is something you don't want to miss if you love 4-H camp! The campership will be shared via Facebook & our county webpage.

Applications are due May 1, 2024.

4-H News for Advisors and Members

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

If your club is taking on new advisors for 2023-2024, don't forget that they must complete the application and approval process! Applications can be found at http://trumbull.osu.edu \rightarrow 4-H Youth Development Tab \rightarrow 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

% Tuesday, March 5, 2024 6:00-8:00 PM

All materials must be turned in and checklist completed by March 28, 2024 to be an advisor for the 2023-2024 4-H year

2024 4-H PROJECT GUIDELINES

The 4-H project guidelines are a tool and resource for families and clubs to keep tabs of deadlines and important upcoming events. Each set of guidelines provides a checklist, special project notes, project information & fair information.

Guidelines are available for the following areas:

- **8** Beef
- **%** Clothing
- Companion Animal (Cavy, Pocket Pets, Reptiles, Pigeons)
- **%** Dairy
- **B** Dairy Feeder
- **%** Dog
- **Food & Nutrition**
- General/Still



- **Goat**
- **#** Horse
- **%** Poultry
- **Rabbit**
- Sheep
- Shooting Sports
- **Swine**

Please keep one for your reference. The guidelines are posted on our webpage under the 4-H Youth Development Tab or you can copy and paste this link: https://trumbull.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-project-information.

PROJECT BOOK ORDER REMINDERS

Clubs must order books by April 15, 2024.

Project book orders must be paid using a club check.
Order forms are available to club advisors. Families may also purchase online through https://extensionpubs.osu.edu.

GEAUGA-TRUMBULL 4-H CAMP

June 9-14 @ Camp Whitewood in Windsor, OH 2024 Pricing: \$360.00 for a week of memories!



CARTEENS- TEEN HELP WANTED \$2

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. We are on the search for teen volunteers to help lead our program! 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, February 26, 2024, 6:00-9:00 PM OSUE
- Monday, March 25, 2024,6:00-9:00 PM OSUE
- Monday, April 29, 2024, 6:00-9:00 PM OSUE

4-H Livestock News

WEIGH IN & TAGGING All weigh in/tagging will be at TC Fairgrounds

<u>Dairy Feeders:</u> March 23 from 8:00 am – 9:00 am

<u>Swine:</u> April 27 from 8:00 am – 10:00 am

Beef Feeders: April 27 from 10:00 – Noon

Sheep/Goats: April 27 from 10:00 – Noon



TRUMBULL COUNTY FAIR

The 2024 Trumbull County Fair Dates have been set! Mark in your calendars: July 9-14, 2024.

Jr. Fair Theme:

"Going for Gold at the Trumbull County Fair"



NEW VOLUNTEER WELCOME

- Hannah Gilligan, Silver Claws
- Ryan Hickey, Silver Claws
- **Boris Lingsch**, Wild Clovers

Several adults are in the middle of the application process now. We look forward to bringing on additional volunteers this spring!

2024 4-H ENROLLMENT NEWS

Enrollment Requirements for 2024- 4-H Online 2.0

Continuing in 2024, existing families will be responsible for making changes and/or corrections to personal information, clubs and projects in which they are enrolling in. An UPDATED 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. Existing families will need to use their primary family email to access their family profile. Not sure which email you used? Did your email change? Please contact us to assist you at 330-638-6783.

Families who are new to 4-H in 2024 must still fill out the paper enrollment forms (first year only).

This is a reminder that the deadline for 2024 4-H enrollment is **Monday, April 1**st. After this deadline, no clubs or projects may be added.





Tips for Re-Enrolling in 2024:

- 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.
- ** 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 with the book you may be interested in completing.

CONTINUING IN 2024- ANIMAL REGISTRATIONS DUE APRIL 1^{ST}

4-H enrollments and animal registrations will BOTH be due on Monday, April 1, 2024. 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 27th for sheep, goats and swine (Unless stated otherwise).

Officer Reminders



We encourage all club officers to attend Annual 4-H Club Officer Training on **February 10, 2024**! The flyer can be viewed on our Trumbull 4-H Facebook page or on our website at:

https://trumbull.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms-and-applications. Each club must send at least one youth representative. Members can register via QR code or by using the Qualtrics link on the flyer. Remember secretaries and treasurers receive 10 points of their score by attending!

Although officer books are no longer available for purchase via paper copy, the online resources are very helpful for keeping things organized! Go to the link below to access the following officer *record books* & *resource guides*:

- President
- **Wice President**
- **Secretary**
- **3 Treasurer**
- **# Health/Safety**
- *** News Reporter**
- **#** Historian
- **Recreation**
- **Community Service**

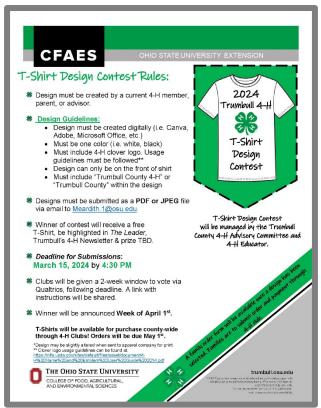
https://ohio4h.org/families/mem bers/officer-resources

2023-2024 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 2024 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.



4-H T-Shirt Design Contest- Due March 15



In 2024, we will be having another county-wide t-shirt sale for 4-H families and volunteers. YOU can be a part of designing the t-shirt! More details can be found on our website at: https://trumbull.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms-and-applications.

Designs must be submitted by March 15th. Family order forms are available and will be collected no later than early May for distribution in June! We are so excited to offer this opportunity and see the creative efforts of our 4-H community!

OHIO 4-H WEEK

This year, Ohio 4-H Week is March 3-9th. Has your club promoted 4-H week in the past? If not, 2024 is a great year to begin! As 4-H members and volunteers, you are our county's best kept secret, and we want to let the secret out! We encourage you to share with others the value of being part of 4-H, what is means to you as an individual, what you have learned, and what experiences you have shared with your club. Don't be afraid to speak up and talk about it.

Some things you may be able to complete during Ohio 4-H Week:

- Invite a non-4-H friend to a meeting
- Make a poster to hang at school
- Put up county or specific club flyers at local businesses or libraries
- Share a personal story with classmates
- Share on social media (Facebook, Instagram, Snap Chat)
- Make clover cookies and give them to a special organization

*Get creative! We'd love to share your ideas and photos of how you share your passion for 4-H during Ohio 4-H Week!

Don't forget to make attending the Ohio 4-H Conference in Columbus on March 9th a part of your celebration! Registrations are due February 9th. For more information, visit https://ohio4h.org/events/ohio4-h-conference.



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OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION



2024 Good Production Practice (GPPs) Focus:

#2: Establish and Implement an Efficient and Effective Health Management Plan

- #4: Properly Store and Administer Animal Health Products
- **#5:** Follow Proper Feed Product Protocols

Members must pre-register for Trumbull QA at: https://go.osu.edu/tcqa

2024 Program Details:

* In-Person Option- Saturday, April 13th from 9:00-11:00 am at the Trumbull County Fairgrounds.

Continuing in 2024, we will be separating participants in color groups by age. Participants will remain with their color group in one location for the duration of the program. Color groups will be assigned and communicated via email 1-2 days prior to the program. The educational presentation and breakout activities will all be done by the same instructor(s), so groups do not have to rotate/travel. We will be utilizing the following buildings: Sr. Fair Meeting Room, Flower Barn, Annex Building and the Old Bazetta Firehall Meeting Room. Participants must attend with a parent if they are 16 or younger or are a first-year market livestock/dairy member. Please dress accordingly for weather. The Flower Barn and Annex Building are enclosed but do not have heat. Youth must register using the Qualtrics link provided on page 1. QA certification will be good for 1 year.

Test-Out Option- Thursday, April 11th beginning at 4:00 pm* at the OSU Extension Office. Start times will be staggered.

The test-out option is only offered to members who are 12-18 years of age as of Jan 1, 2024. Members aged 9-11 years must attend an in-person or virtual program* Tests are broken down into small animal (poultry & rabbits) and large animal (beef, dairy, goat, sheep & swine). There is also a 12-14 age test and a 15-18 age test. Tests consist of 50, multiple choice questions. Participants must achieve a 70% to pass (35 correct answers out of 50). If the participant does not pass, they must attend an in-person or virtual program.QA certification is good for the remainder of youth's age in the specified division.

Example #1: Lana is a 13-year-old who is enrolled in a beef project. She passes the 12-14 large animal test. She does not have to attend a QA program or re-test until she is 15 4-H age. **Example #2:** Max is a 15-year-old enrolled in a market rabbit project. He takes the small animal 15-18 test and passes. Max does not need to complete another QA program or test-out for the rest of his 4-H career.

Cannot make a Trumbull County option? It is permissible for 4-H members to attend an out-of-county program but must notify the Trumbull 4-H Educator **prior** to the out-of-county program date and provide proof of program attendance.

4-H Advisory Committee

2023 Trumbull County Honor Club Recognition

Congratulations to the following clubs who were awarded with the Honor Club title based on their participation in various events to promote the 4-H's: head, heart, hands & health and striving to always "Make the Best Better" in Trumbull County. Honor Club Applications are due the 1st Monday in October.

* Four Seasons- Gold Level
Jennifer Svensson, Kinsey DiPietro
Hare Raisers- Gold Level

Charlene Benton, Brandy Benton, Wanda Sawyer, Chelsea Mealy, Jennifer Nolan, Ashley Oakford



Kinsman Busy Bees 2nd Ed.- Gold Level
 Carla Smith, Marsha Stanhope, Katelyn Bailey
 Silver Claws- Gold Level

Melody Kelley & Marie Moore

₩ Wild Clovers- Gold Level Eric & Carrie Shockey, Kristy Johnson, Kelly Beers

* Trumbull's Best Shepherds- Gold Level Brenda Hall, Barb Peterson, Lorena Jones



2023 Trumbull County 4-H Volunteer Award Recipients

Congratulations to the following individuals who were selected among fellow volunteers as a 2023 Volunteer Award Winner! Thank you for your service to 4-H & Trumbull County!

4-H Alumni Award

Luke & Logan Culp



Meritorious Service Award

Dr. Cathy Benton



Distinguished Service Award

Barb Likens & Linda Vannelli

Candy Cane Lane STEM



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On Saturday, December 16th Trumbull 4-H hosted a "Candy Cane Lane" STEM Program for youth in grades K-5 at the Trumbull OSUE-Office. We had 30+ participants between the two sessions and had a great time creating snowstorms in a jar, making a parachute for Santa's elves, building on teamwork skills for creating a package to ship candy canes, designing a candy cane themed keychain and more! Special thanks to our youth and adult volunteers: Wendy, Rayna, Rylee,







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OSUE Trumbull Office Hours

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.

Thank you!

Find us on:

Facebook - Trumbull 4-H Program

Instagram-trumbull4h





2024 Trumbull County 4-H Advisory Committee Membership

Below is an updated list of our 2024 4-H Advisory Committee Membership! 4-H Advisory Committee meets on the 1st Monday of the month and helps oversee our county program. This includes but is not limited to: county policies, current issues, new programming, fundraising opportunities, and other topics of education and support. Thank you to these dedicated volunteers for their time and service! All members serve a three-year term unless listed otherwise:

- **Priscilla Alfonsi**, Trumbull County Equestrians
- **Elaine Brown**, Touch of Class
- **3 John Einfalt, Resource Leader**
- # Jill Halstead, 2024 President, Trumbull Dairy Feeders
- **Sarah Imhoff**, 2024 Treasurer, Happy Hams
- **Karen Mitchell**, 2024 Vice President, Resource Leader (1-year)
- **Debbie Owen,** TC Dairy Judging Team
- * Ali Peterson*, Trumbull's Best Shepherds, Youth Representative (1-year)
- **Barb Peterson**, Trumbull's Best Shepherds
- **Thomas Shay***, Resource Leader (1-year)
- **Eric Shockey***, Wild Clovers
- **Ginny Taylor**, Everything Under the Son
- **Meghan Turon, 2024 Secretary, Cows R Us**

