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Thank You for Your Patience

It has been a very challenging year for OSU Extension, Ottawa County. We have made several adjustments due to a funding shortage. We unfortunately lost a valuable employee and Ann is surely missed. But as they say "the show must go on" and we have done just that, continue to move forward.

We appreciate the patience our 4-H families and volunteers have shown as we make the necessary staffing adjustments. It hasn't been easy and we have made some mistakes along the way. For those of you who have shared words of encouragement and offered a hand to

assist us, we thank you. As we look to the new year we hope things will flow a little easier and the challenges are behind us.

The Ottawa County 4-H program continues to grow year to year. With the limited 4-H staff, it has become necessary to build a middle management system to maintain current programming.

In January, we will be conducting a training for 4-H volunteers who have been identified as Middle Managers. Their position will be to coordinate activities and events within a project area.

In Memory of...



In October, our office laptop, crashed, making a challenge of computer programming. Through a generous donation we recently received, we will be able to replace the laptop. The donation was given to us by Laura Winter and Randy Laubacher in memory of Laura's mother, Marian Winter.

Marian was an Extension employee, beginning her employment with the Ottawa County office in 1943. She worked for Extension several years until she accepted the position of secretary for the Ottawa County Fair.

Marian was very supportive of Extension work and Laura and Randy feel this would have been a desire of hers to give something back to express her support.

We greatly appreciate this

4-H Reminder

4-H clubs will be starting up for the 2011 year very soon. **Please remember that enrollment forms are due to the Extension Office by April 1.** These should be turned in by the 4-H Advisor with the advisors' signature.



donation and will utilize the laptop for Extension programs conducted by our staff. If you have the opportunity, please share with Laura and Randy your thanks for their generosity for providing a vital piece for delivery of Extension programming.



4-H Volunteer Breakfast

Attention Advisors! January 29 we are hosting the Volunteer Breakfast at Schedel Gardens in Elmore. Please mark your calendars to attend. You will receive your club enrollments, Handbook CD's and important information for the

2011 4-H year. Registration form is enclosed. If you are unable to attend, please make sure you have someone in attendance to represent your club. Packets will not be available for pick-up until after January 29.

Ohio 4-H Week

Ohio 4-H Week will be observed statewide March 6-12, 2011. We encourage clubs to promote 4-H in their towns, townships and school districts. Encourage 4-H members to show everyone their 4-H

pins, projects, awards and t-shirts.

If you are interested in 4-H promotional material for a display in your school or community, supplies are available at the Extension Office.



*"The most important single ingredient in the formula of success is knowing how to get along with people."
Theodore Roosevelt*

College Scholarship Applications



I am sure most of our 4-H members who are seniors this year are looking forward to graduation and are busy making

plans for the future.

With college fees at astronomical proportions, many of you may be facing the dilemma of financing your education. To help Ottawa County 4-H members, we

have several 4-H scholarships that are available— 4-H Advisory Committee sponsors two \$500 scholarships; the 4-H Endowment Committee sponsors two scholarships, one for \$1000 and one for \$500; the Jr. Leadership Club sponsors two scholarships, one for \$750 and one for \$500; the 4-H Carateens sponsors two \$200 scholarships; the 4-H Horse Advisory sponsors two \$250 scholarships and the Ottawa County Agriculture CommUnity Breakfast Committee offers two \$500 scholarships.

Applications are located on our

website, www.ottawa.osu.edu. I encourage you to complete them. Be aware of the criteria and the deadline for applications is March 1!

If you have any questions, let me know. Good luck!

Shooting Sports Opportunities

Ottawa County Shooting Stars would like to extend a big THANK YOU and GOOD LUCK to Michelle Woods. Michelle, a long time 4-H advisor and founder of the Shooting Sports program in Ottawa County has handed over the lead advisor status. She will be enjoying some well deserved R&R and enjoying the hobby she has been sharing with the youth of Ottawa County for many years.

THANKS Michelle, we will miss you.

Ottawa County Shooting sports is looking for folks with an interest in archery, shotgun, pistol or muzzle loading. If you enjoy these sports and would like to become certified to coach a 4-H group, please call Fred Sutton 419-898-3866 for more information.

We would like to extend a welcome to other 4-H clubs looking for something to do

over the winter, come out and learn fire arms safety and target shooting skills. We practice at CMP's indoor air rifle and pistol range each Tuesday night 6-8pm. Call Fred Sutton 419-898-3866 for more information.



Junior Leadership Club & Ohio 4-H Teen Conference

Attention all 4-H Youth ages 13 and older! You have the opportunity to join the Ottawa County Jr. Leadership Club where you can make new friends, plan activities, and have fun monthly meetings. These meetings are generally held on the first Monday of each month. You may call Kathy or Becca at 419-898-3631 if you are interested in joining.

Attention Teens! The Ohio 4-H Teen Conference will be **Saturday, March 12 at the Columbus Convention Center.** We will be taking a bus leaving Friday afternoon.

We will stay overnight at the Ft. Rapids Water Park Hotel where you will enjoy water activities, games and meeting teens from other counties. On Saturday, we will attend the teen conference "Accept the Challenge".

If you are interested, please call the Extension Office for a registration packet. There is a cost of

\$60 to cover the bus and hotel. Please bring extra cash for lunch on Friday and dinner on Saturday. The registration deadline is February 11, 2011.



4-H Summer Camps

Even with the winter cold weather it is not too early to be thinking about all those camps that our children want to attend! Don't forget about our 4-H Camps!

As in the past, the 4-H Advisory Committee will be sponsoring the beef stick fundraiser for 4-H members interested raising money to pay for their camp fee. Scholarships are also available. Scholarship

applications will be posted to the website in April. We will also do payment plans for families if they choose. Please call Kathy at the Extension Office for more information.

Horse Camp—TBD but will have information to our 4-H horse members soon.

Cloverbud Camp will be July 6–7 at Camp Sabroske in Oak Harbor. This is a day

camp with hours being 7:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m. The fee for this camp will be \$35 for 2 days.

4-H Jr. Camp will be June 20–23 on Kelleys Island with a fee of \$145.

We will mail out the registration forms for these camps in April.

4-H Summer Time Camps!

Ohio 4-H Teen Council

The Ohio 4-H Teen Council is a statewide group of outstanding 4-H teens and young 4-H alumni, ages 15–21 as of 1/1/11, selected to provide a youth stakeholder perspective in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of Ohio 4-H programming.

Roles and Responsibilities of Ohio 4-H Teen Council

Members include:

- Provide leadership and service for strengthening and expanding Ohio 4-H teen programming
- Recommend policy and direction for Ohio 4-H teen programs and opportunities.
- Serve as a sounding board for Ohio 4-H program direction.
- Identify and accomplish at least one major Teen Council

goal/project per year to strengthen and expand Ohio 4-H Teen Programs. Other responsibilities as determined by the group with their advisors.

Deadline for applications to the Extension Office is January 24. Please call Kathy if you are interested in applying or visit: <http://www.ohio4h.org/youth/Ohio4HTeenCouncil.html>



Ohio State 4-H Ambassador Program



Ohio 4-H Ambassadors are the youth spokespersons for Ohio 4-H. Each year outstanding 4-H teens (freshman, sophomore, junior or senior) who demonstrate excellence in 4-H achievement, citizenship, and leadership earn invitations to become Ohio 4-H Ambassadors.

Being a 4-H Ambassador is both an honor and a responsibility. Ambassadors serve as

speakers, emcees, program facilitators, hosts or hostesses, committee members, and in many other youth leadership roles for 4-H and Extension programs and events throughout the state. Ohio 4-H Ambassadors are also tremendous role models who maintain the highest standards of excellence as they fulfill their 4-H pledge commitments of clear thinking, great loyalty, large service, and better living to

make the best better in their clubs, communities, country, and world.

Completed applications are due to Ottawa County Extension by Jan. 24, 2011.

Applications are available at: www.ohio4h.org/youth/ambassadors

Ohio Volunteer Conference

The **State Volunteer Conference is March 12 in Columbus**. The conference will be held in conjunction with the Teen Conference. Session booklet and registration form are available for volunteers that are interested. The 4-H Advisory Committee will cover the registration fee if you are interested in attending!

Buckeye Leadership Workshop

The **2011 BLW** is a 5-day seminar that **will be held March 23-27**. The cost is \$335 (with the 4-H Advisory Committee paying 2/3's to first time attendees) if paid by Feb. 25 or \$360 after Feb. 26. You will learn exciting new leadership skills, participate in craft workshops, and build communication and social

skills. 4-H members who are 16 years or older (including adults!) are encouraged to attend.

Call the office for more information or visit www.buckeyeleadership.com

4-H is life skill development!

Healthy in 4-H 2011 Erie Basin 4-H Volunteer Retreat



February 5, 2011
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Extension professionals will teach break-out sessions about a variety of **'healthy'** topics to strengthen your club, volunteers and members. Sessions for youth will also be available. **Choose from 20 different sessions!**

Nurses will be available from 9-11 a.m. for free health screenings of blood pressure,

glucose and pulse. Please fast for 3 hours prior to arriving. If you would like a cholesterol screening, the cost will be \$10, to be paid the day of the retreat, and you must fast 9-12 hours prior to arriving. Health screenings are provided first come, first served and are optional.

Location: Richland County OSU Extension Office, 1496 W. Longview Ave., Mansfield, Ohio 44906

Cost: \$10 (Ottawa County 4-H Advisory Committee will pay registration fee)

Deadline to Register: January 27, 2011. Registration form is attached to the newsletter. Please complete and return to our office.

We plan to provide transportation for those who are attending. Cost of a seat on the charter bus will be \$10.



International Opportunities Available

4-H members, advisors, families and friends of 4-H in Ottawa County have many opportunities in various 4-H International programs. Families are needed to host a number of delegates from other countries. For example, this summer Ohio Families will be needed to host

over 100 Japanese youth in the 4-H/Japanese Exchange, as well as participants in the IFYE program from almost a dozen countries throughout the world.

Interested families should contact Becca Maenle, International County Coordinator, 898-3631 for more information.

Opportunities also exist for 4-H members and former members to travel to other countries through international 4-H programs. Let Becca know if you are interested!

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Vote for New Showbarn



The Country Crew 4-H Club submitted an idea to

the Pepsi Refresh Program. Their project idea was accepted and voting is now open. They need your help by voting for their project! If the project wins, it would help to build a new show barn at the fairgrounds!

For those of you who have been to the fair, you've seen that the show barn is a little small and is in need of re-

pair. Please pass along this information to your contacts as well to vote. You may vote three ways everyday—facebook application, text (105541 to 73774) and visit the website below. If you have any questions please call Jon Overmyer at 419-265-5711 or Peggie Avers at 419-862-2600.

The web address to vote is: <http://www.refresheverything.com/ottawacountyshowbar>

Jr. Fair News

Don't forget to read the Jr. Fair Newsletter! There is some helpful information for your livestock projects. Debi Heiks, Jr. Fair Coordinator, will be providing Jr. Fair news to be attached to the 4-H newsletter. So make sure you keep up-to-date with the latest information needed to participate in the Ottawa County Jr. Fair Program.

Nobody can do everything, but everyone can do something.

*Author
Unknown*

Cloverbud Volunteers

Attention Cloverbud Volunteers!

Our Cloverbud Camp has had huge success over the past few years and continues to grow! Last year we had approximately 65 campers at Camp Sabroske for 2 fun-filled days!

We are looking for adult volunteers to help with our Cloverbud Camp. You can volun-

teer for either one day or all three days. Any assistance you can provide would be greatly appreciated. The **2011 Cloverbud Camp is scheduled for July 6 and 7 at Camp Sabroske.**

Our Cloverbud Counselors train February through May. As a Cloverbud Staff member you are encouraged to attend trainings, but not required.

For more information or if you are interested in helping with Cloverbud Camp, please contact Becca at the Extension Office at 419-898-3631.



January Calendar—County Events & Meetings

Date	Event	Time	Location
January 3:	Jr. Leadership Club	6:30 p.m.	Extension Office
January 4:	Shooting Sports—Rifle	6:00 p.m.	Camp Perry Indoor Rifle Range
January 11:	Shooting Sports—Rifle	6:00 p.m.	Camp Perry Indoor Rifle Range
January 17:	Martin Luther King Day—Office Closed		
January 18:	4-H Advisory Committee	6:30 p.m.	Extension Office
January 18:	Shooting Sports—Rifle	6:00 p.m.	Camp Perry Indoor Rifle Range
January 25:	Shooting Sports—Rifle	6:00 p.m.	Camp Perry Indoor Rifle Range
January 26:	Extension Advisory Co.	8:00 a.m.	Extension Office
January 26:	4-H Carteens	6:30 p.m.	Ottawa County Resource Center
January 29:	4-H Volunteer Breakfast	8 a.m.—11 a.m.	Schedel Gardens—Elmore



February Calendar—County Events & Meetings

Date	Event	Time	Location
February 1:	4-H Horse Advisory	6:30 p.m.	Extension Office
February 1:	Shooting Sports—Rifle	6:00 p.m.	Camp Perry Indoor Rifle Range
February 5:	EERA Volunteer Retreat	9 a.m.—3 p.m.	OSUE Richland County, Mansfield
February 8:	Jr. Leadership Club	6:30 p.m.	Extension Office
February 8:	Shooting Sports—Rifle	6:00 p.m.	Camp Perry Indoor Rifle Range
February 15-17:	4-H Awareness Team Visits all Ottawa County 3rd Grade Classrooms		
February 15:	4-H Advisory Committee	6:30 p.m.	Extension Office
February 15:	Shooting Sports—Rifle	6:00 p.m.	Camp Perry Indoor Rifle Range
February 21:	Camp Counselor Training	9:00 a.m.—3 p.m.	Extension Office
February 22:	Shooting Sports—Rifle	6:00 p.m.	Camp Perry Indoor Rifle Range

Other Events:

March 6-12—
Ohio 4-H Week

March 12—
Ohio 4-H Teen Confer-
ence/Ohio Volunteer Con-
ference at the Columbus
Convention Center

March 18-20—
Ohio Beef Expo

March Calendar—County Events & Meetings

Date	Event	Time	Location
March 1:	Shooting Sports—Rifle	6:00 p.m.	Camp Perry Indoor Rifle Range
March 1:	4-H Horse Advisory	6:30 p.m.	Extension Office
March 5-6:	Camp Counselor Retreat	5 p.m.	Camp Perry
March 7:	Jr. Leadership Club	6:30 p.m.	Extension Office
March 8:	Shooting Sports—Rifle	6:00 p.m.	Camp Perry Indoor Rifle Range
March 15:	4-H Advisory Committee	6:30 p.m.	Extension Office
March 15:	Shooting Sports—Rifle	6:00 p.m.	Camp Perry Indoor Rifle Range
March 22:	Shooting Sports—Rifle	6:00 p.m.	Camp Perry Indoor Rifle Range
March 29:	Shooting Sports—Rifle	6:00 p.m.	Camp Perry Indoor Rifle Range
March 30:	4-H Carteens	6:30 p.m.	Ottawa County Resource Center



Getting **Healthy** in 4-H

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Cost: \$10

Deadline to Register: January 27, 2011

How to Register: Contact and pay your local Extension Office

Some sessions will provide materials that you can take home.

In an effort to be green and environmentally healthy, please bring a tote bag to take these items with you.

Agenda

9:00am - Registration

9:00am to 11:00am - Health Screenings

9:30am - Welcome

Keynote, Vicki Schwartz, Associate State 4-H Leader

10:30am - Session 1

11:30am - Session 2

12:30pm - Lunch Provided

1:15pm - Session 3

2:15pm - Session 4

3:00pm - Closing and Door Prizes



10:30am - Session 1

Body Scoring - Are you familiar with Equine Body Condition Scoring? Recently the Ohio State Fair Junior Horse Show has made use of this system to determine if a horse is in satisfactory condition to be shown in the ring, and many counties have adapted this guidance as well. This session will provide hands-on activities to demonstrate the body condition scoring system so that anyone, with practice, will be able to score his or her own horse. (Janice Hanna)

Teaching Parliamentary Procedure with Trail Mix - Teaching parliamentary procedure does not have to be boring, it can be fun! Participants will build a trail mix using proper parliamentary procedure. What will be in the trail mix? Will we get to sample the trail mix? Will session participants only get trail mix or will we share with all attendees? We won't know the answers to these questions until the motions are made and the votes are counted. (Bonnie Malone)

Unique and Different Service Projects - Are you looking for Service Projects that are a little out of the ordinary? Discover some unique Service Projects that you can do as a club or as individuals. Come and learn some new some innovative projects that will help make a difference in your clubs and communities. (Jenny Morlock and Becca Maenle)

Instant Team Building for Officers and Advisors - Learn several team building activities needing very few or no props that you can spring on a group in a moment's notice. How many times have you been asked to lead a game or activity and were unprepared? This session will add "stuff to your bag of tricks" you can teach back home. Join Jayne Roth and Kathy Booher, Extension Educators in Wood and Ottawa Counties for this unique experience.

Keeping Your Heart Healthy - A high fat diet can lead to heart disease, certain types of cancers, diabetes, and obesity. Fat, historically has gotten more attention from the public than other nutrients that we consume. First of all, fat is a necessary part of our diet. Too little fat can be just as unhealthy as too much. You will learn the different types of fats, how to identify fat on the food label, and how to make good food choices to reduce fat in your diet. Join us for a food demonstration with a tasty low fat food too! (Doris Herringshaw and Liz Smith)

11:30am - Session 2

What's New for Horses and Legal Bits - The Uniform Rules for 4-H Horse Shows booklet has been revised for 2011. Find out what has changed since the last revision and what is new for the horse program on a state-wide level. (Bonnie Malone and Janice Hanna)

Dealing with Difficult People - While there are many great people to work with in the 4-H program, there are those individuals, known as "difficult people", who present a challenge to volunteers and committee members. Volunteers need to be educated to identify sensitive situations to maintain their integrity and "cool". Through activities such as role-playing and small group discussion, participants will "practice" ways to deal with people offering a challenge to 4-H leadership. Join in the fun in this "learn-by-doing" session! (Judy Villard)

Idea Sharing - Looking for a new idea to use with your 4-H club? Do you have something that works well in your 4-H program you would be happy to share with others? Then this session is for you. Join us for idea share. You will get the chance to write down things you would like to know about or that you would like to share. The group will then get the opportunity to share about those topics. (Angie Holmes and Laura Wood)

Strengthening Your Club Meetings to Keep Members Coming - Having challenges with regular meeting attendance? This session will include discussion and sharing of ideas for holding members interest and encouraging regular attendance. (Ann Golden and Gwen Soule)

Adults helping Kids Understand Prescription Drug Abuse - Prescription drug abuse is a growing concern in Ohio as well as nationwide. Ohio State University Extension Educators have teamed up with the OSU School of Pharmacy to offer awareness education about this issue. The goal of this new initiative is to educate citizens of the problem and the proper ways to dispose or safely store these medications. This interactive presentation will allow you to see just how big this problem is and what role each of you can take by telling others and safely using and disposing of these prescriptions drugs. (Doris Herringshaw and Liz Smith)

12:30pm - Lunch Provided

1:15pm - Session 3

Cloverbuds in a Horse or Livestock Club!! - This session will focus on the Cloverbud Program and activities that can be done with Cloverbuds, especially those in horse or livestock clubs. Often times horse and livestock clubs don't offer Cloverbuds because "Cloverbuds can't work with animals." This session will look at the actual policies for working with youth in kindergarten - second grade as it relates to animals and share resources that can be used with this age group. (Angela Holmes)

Making Public Speaking a Part of Your 4-H Program - When public skills are learned and practiced at a young age, people have a better chance to master good communications skills and overcome the fear of public speaking. Through hands-on learning, participants will learn concrete and creative ideas in getting 4-H volunteers and members to have fun speaking in front of others. Participants will learn how to teach or implement public speaking learning experiences in local club and group situations, plus learn "tips" for developing great health & safety talks and demonstrations. Don't miss learning how to make public speaking "fun", educational and worthwhile for all. (Judy Villard)

Get Your 4-H Web Resources On - Do you know the web is full of resources that can help 4-H Volunteers with trainings, meetings and state resources? Join Rebecca Maenle and Jennifer Morlock and learn a few new 4-H web resources that you will want to bookmark!

How Safe Are Your Club Meetings and Activities? - Your club meets at the local Grange Hall. Members bring homemade cookies for refreshments. Demonstrations include live pigs, rabbits and chickens. And the parents of one of your members are going through a nasty divorce. 4-H advisors need to keep the members safe. With everything that could go wrong, are you prepared to manage all the risks? Participants will learn policies and find useful tools help them keep their club members safe. (Brenda Young and Vicki Schwartz)

Keeping 4-H Positive Advisors - Learn what some 4-H volunteers are doing to keep the morale up during difficult times. (to be determined)

2:15pm - Session 4

It Just Makes Horse Sense! Do you have some suggestions/ideas you would like to share concerning potential opportunities for 4-H horse members and volunteers - not only for your local horse program but maybe statewide? Do you want to hear what positive programming is happening in the 4-H Horse World? Why not trot on over, rest your withers and hear what is shared! You will be glad you saddled up! - (Kathy Booher)

4-H Older Youth Opportunities ~ More Than You Ever Imagined - In this session we'll discuss the many opportunities available to older 4-H youth, and we'll talk about how YOU as a 4-H volunteer can help your older members get the most out of their 4-H experience. (Mary Beth Albright)

FUN with your 4-H Club - Looking for easy activities and treats to do with your 4-H club without spending a lot of money or time in preparation? At this session you will learn many simple, inexpensive and fun activities to do with your group. They are great when you need a "filler" at a meeting because the speaker is late or another activity didn't take as long as planned. They

can also be done at any meeting where you want to increase learning and fun. Every participant will go home with a packet of materials that can be put to use immediately. Come prepared to have some fun and sample yummy treats! (Kathy Tackett)

Behavior Management - General Disabilities - Handling inappropriate behavior at club meetings can be frustrating at times. In this session you will learn ways of dealing with inappropriate behavior at club meetings. (Ann Golden)

The Health “H” in 4-H - Does your 4-H club program support one of the most important components of 4-H -- the health H? Participants in this session will learn ways to help 4-H'ers to live a healthy lifestyle and reinforce positive habits. Practice tips, fun puzzles and activities, and health program suggestions will be shared to help clubs work together to develop a monthly or yearly health theme. (Judy Villard and Brenda Young)

Closing Statements and Door Prizes

If you have questions concerning access, wish to request a sign language interpreter or accommodations for a disability please contact Angie Holmes at 419-627-7632.
Early requests are encouraged, for seamless access.



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“Go Green with Ottawa County 4-H” 4-H Volunteer Breakfast

Time: 8—11 a.m.

Date: January 29



Mark your calendars now to join us for the 4-H volunteer breakfast. We will have the latest updates for the new 4-H year plus other valuable information including club management tools, new 4-H Opportunities plus new volunteer training. Please RSVP to the Extension Office, 898-3631, by Wednesday, January 26.

**Location: Schedel Gardens—
19255 W. Portage River S. Road
Elmore, OH 43416**



January 2011 Newsletter

Horse Dept.



Now that winter is here remember to keep fresh water in their stalls. Make sure you empty their water out and clean the ice out of their buckets daily. If you have the heated buckets you still need to clean and change their water daily. When it's nice out get your horse out let them run on the nice sunny days.

I am glad to be back with the Jr. Fair program this year as your Horse Superintendent. There will be a Horse Advisory meeting in January. If you have any concerns about the program, be there so we can talk about these concerns. Kathy Booher will be sending out information on this.

Roger W. Lewis
2011 Horse Superintendent



Please remember that animals can dehydrate even in cold weather. Make sure you keep clean, fresh water available all the time.

Allen Miller
Goat Superintendent

Fair Booths

We would like all 4-H clubs and other youth organizations to display booths at the fair this coming year. This is an excellent opportunity to:

Display members' projects or pictures of members with their projects; Showcase your club; Promote 4-H, FFA, Scouts, etc.; Promote the Ottawa County Fair; Encourage good citizenship

As you begin your club year, please start discussing ideas for your booth, gathering materials, and taking pictures of members, projects, and club activities. Let's make the 2011 Booth Barn the best that it can be!

Beverly Rust
Booth Superintendent

Annual Toy & Train Show

March 5, 2011 (10:00am-4:00pm)



Admission \$1.00 Adult

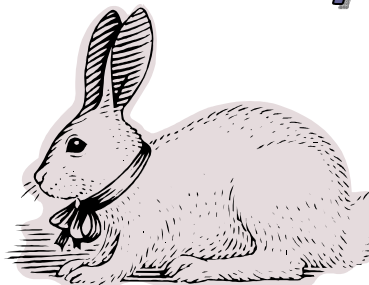
Children 12 and under Free

Please note the date has been changed to coincide with the Annual Oak Harbor Young Farmers Consignment Auction.



Rabbit Dept.

Exhibitors should start looking in month of February to reserve a pen of rabbits if they are taking market projects. If you wait until they are born, the rabbits will most likely be reserved for other kids. Exhibitors, you will need to tell the breeder that the rabbits for commercial pens can not be over 69 days old for the Fair. The rabbit show will be on July 18, 2011.



You can go online and look for breeders in Ohio to look for breeding projects and market projects. If you have the time and want to take a trip to see a breeder to see what he has, it can be a fun day. This is a plus because you can add it in your 4-H project book that you got a rabbit and visited a breeder at the same time. Remember to take these projects seriously.



Premium Book Ads

The sample ads on the side of this page show examples of what can be placed in this year's Premium Book. You may submit a photo and up to 30 words of text. Please fill out the form below and return it to the Jr. Fair office by **March 1, 2011**.

A few ideas include:

- Congratulating someone
- Thanking someone
- Wishing someone good luck
- Placing a business card ad
- Placing a photo ad
- A Memoriam ad with photo

Prices:

3"x3.5" = \$30.00

3"x7" = \$60.00

1/2 Page = \$90.00

Full Page = \$180.00

Good Luck Clover Crew!

Tate, Jonny, Jim, Greg, Thomas, Jared, Nate, Tim, Matt, Brittany, Josh, Kelsey, Libby, and Sara

Good luck Exhibitors at the 2010 Fair!

GATEWAY

A Design, Build and Manage Company
15720 Smith Road, Elmore, Ohio 43416
Office: (419)862-2137 Fax (419)862-3066
L.J. Overmyer (419)656-1932 Mobile

Good Luck

Tyler Heiks

Have fun with Dixie in your last year of the Fair! We are so proud of you and love you.
Mom & Dad

Good Luck Blazing Saddles!

Cory Sandwech
2009 Ottawa County Jr. Fair King

Cory,
You have made us very proud during your reign as King this past year.
You have served your county well.
Love,
Mom and Dad

Deminique Heiks
2009 Ottawa County Jr. Fair Queen

Demi,
You are so beautiful, inside and out.
You've been a wonderful Queen. We could not be more proud of you.
Love,
Mom & Dad

Contact's Name:		
Contact's Address:		
Contact's Phone #:		
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Paper Plate Snowmen

A fun and easy craft that can be made with supplies you might have lying around the house! It makes a nice decoration to put on a door or hang in a window.

Supplies needed:

- 2 white paper plates
- Construction paper (black, red) or wrapping paper
- A short length of yarn or ribbon
- Hole punch
- Marker or crayons
- Scissors
- Glue
- Optional: googly eyes, large buttons, orange pipe cleaner (for the nose)

On one of the paper plates, cut off the outer rim, making a smaller plate (for the head).

Punch one hole near the edge on both plates.

Tie the two plates together, using the yarn (or ribbon).

On black construction paper, draw and then cut out a top hat and two boots. On colored construction paper (or gift wrap paper), draw and then cut out two mittens.

Glue the hat, boots and mittens on the snowman.

Either glue on googly eyes or draw eyes. Draw a mouth. For the nose, cut a short length from an orange pipe cleaner. Stick the pipe cleaner through the plate to secure it. If you don't have a pipe cleaner, you can always just draw a nose!

For the buttons, you can cut out shapes from construction paper, use round stickers, glue on real buttons, or simply draw them!

You now have a cute snowman decoration!

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