

# TLC Clover Communication

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### Upcoming Events

**March 11:** Ohio 4-H Conference State Registration Deadline

**February 25:** Mandatory TLC Face-to-Face Meeting for ALL TLC Members

**March 11:** Ohio 4-H Conference



One of our spotlight members, Levi Hyme, talking with Foundation Board members at the Ohio 4-H Foundation Board lunch.

## Spotlight Members

### Josh Flickinger

One of our spotlight members this month is Josh Flickinger. Josh is from Perry County and is on the Green level. He is serving on the community service committee. He is looking forward to helping counties be more involved in their communities. He has been in 4-H for four years, starting with still projects and explored areas before taking any livestock projects.

He has many favorite 4-H memories, and they involve the many friends that he has made through 4-H. He is very active in 4-H; he is a camp counselor, junior leader, and Junior Fair Board member, and has attended leadership camp. He has taken bookkeeping, shooting sports, livestock and other projects as well. His greatest 4-H achievement is participating in a community service project with Junior Leaders, in which he put backpacks together for the homeless.

If he could tell anyone who is not in 4-H, he would say after a while in 4-H becomes a family, a family that you'll never forget.

### Emma Newell

One of our spotlight members for this month is Emma Newell. Emma is from Fairfield County and is a Gold Level member. She serves as the Secretary of the Teen Leadership Council.

*Congratulations to Emma Newell on being selected as the Ohio 4-H Foundation Board Youth Representative!*

Emma has been a 4-H member for 10 years. When Emma was younger, a group of 4-H teens hosted a 4-H Awareness Assembly at her school. Emma knew then that she wanted to be just like them. That's how Emma got she start in 4-H.

Emma's favorite 4-H memory is from attending the National 4-H Conference. She had the opportunity to talk with many individuals from across the nation, and present to a federal agency.

Emma has taken a wide variety of projects over her 4-H career. Some of her main areas are Dogs, Swine, Poultry, Community Service, and Leadership. Emma states that her greatest 4-H accomplishment was being highlighted by National 4-H for her personal story. Emma states that 4-H has allowed her to overcome many obstacles in her life.

Emma has had the opportunity to do many things outside the state for 4-H. She has attended National 4-H Conference, National 4-H Congress, the Centennial Celebration of Extension, and has also met with 4-H members from Sweden. If she could tell something to anyone not in 4-H, she would tell them that 4-H is much more than animals on a farm. 4-H is friends, ideas, sewing, cooking, photography, STEAM, learning about yourself and others, and much more!



## 4-H Fun Fact

**National 4-H Conference** began in 1927 to recognize 4-H'ers from each state who had shown outstanding ability and fitness for leadership.

# Spotlight Members (Cont.)

## Levi Hyme

One of our spotlight members is Levi Hyme. Levi is from Fairfield County and is a green level member. He is a part of the community service committee. He is looking forward to making the world a better place. He has been in 4-H 10 years. He got his start in 4-H from his older brothers.

He is a Junior Fairboard Member for his county, as well as a Junior Leader. He showed sheep, chickens, goats, rabbits, and many different still projects. His greatest 4-H achievement is going to Washington, D.C. He has travel to D.C., as just mentioned, but has not traveled anywhere else currently.

If he could tell someone about 4-H, he would tell them that 4-H has a way of becoming your family. After many years in the organization, the friends you make become your family. A family in which you create many unforgettable memories.

## Tori Evans

One of our spotlight members is Tori Evans. Tori is from Fayette County and is a white level member. She is interested in the Social Media/Publicity Committee. She has been in 4-H for nine years, including two years of Cloverbuds. She got her start in 4-H by being a very active Cloverbud by attending many events, including Cloverbud Camp. She also looked up to her brother, who was very active in 4-H as well. Her favorite 4-H memory is dressing up like Taylor Swift and singing "We Are Never Getting Back Together" at her 4-H Camp Talent Show. She remembers the little girls beside her screaming and yelling the lyrics of the song. Her campers thought she was the coolest counselor ever!! She showed market and breeding hogs and also showed her dog.

Her greatest 4-H achievement was working very hard with her dog project and seeing her hard work pay off; when she won High in Trial Off Lead at her county fair. She also believes her a great achievement was winning her Senior Swine Showmanship Class and going to win 5<sup>th</sup> overall in swine showmanship. She has not traveled for 4-H previously, but would love to in the near future.

If she could talk to someone about 4-H, she would tell them to get involved in 4-H as soon as they can. Joining 4-H was one of the best decisions of her life! The 4-H organization has done so much for her. This organization has taught her many, many things, including responsibility and leadership skills. As well as how to have fun and make new friends! In short, EVERYONE should join 4-H!!

## Call to Service!

**Here's a message from  
Community Service  
Chairman, Jacob Shuman:**

I would like to encourage our members and other 4-Hers to participate in the National Crest Healthier Smiles Project.

So, I would like all of you to just take a picture of your smile, and upload it to Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, with the hashtag healthier smiles project.

And for every photo uploaded by October 31st, Crest is going to donate five tubes of toothpaste to Feeding America's school pantry program.

Second, I would like members to try to collect hotel-sized toiletries like bar soaps, shampoos, conditioners, and toothpaste. Let's see how much we can collect! We will donate all of the toiletries to MidOhio Foodbank. Please bring these items to the February 25<sup>th</sup> Face to Face Meeting.

*Interested in running for a club officer position?*

*Check out this website!*

**5 Tips for Students  
Running for a 4-H  
Officer Position:**

<http://kentjulia.com/5-tips-for-students-running-for-a-ctso-office/>



Some TLC members were among the group of Ohio 4-H Delegates who attended the Citizenship Washington Focus: Presidential Inauguration program in Washington DC in mid-January.

# Committee Reports

## Teen Leadership Council Standing Committees

Our **Community Service Committee** is in the process of two projects. Please see page 2 for more details. There were a total of 265 hats and socks donated in the Hat and Glove drive! Our **Fundraising Committee** sent out a survey for an Ohio 4-H fundraiser. The next thing they will be doing is selling flash drives, lanyards, and pens in bulk. Our **Social Media Committee** has been making their weekly post and working on a Kahoot game for our next meeting.

Our **Advocacy Committee** held a successful meeting with the State FFA Officers in December. They will be inviting legislators to attend the Ohio 4-H Conference. Our **Morale Committee** is continuing to work to make sure that our meetings are upbeat and inclusive toward all members.

Our **Communications Committee** is continuing to produce monthly publications of Clover Communication. They have also recently published a promotional video for the Ohio 4-H Conference. Our **Outreach Committee** has contacted several states about attending the Ohio 4-H Conference. Michigan is bringing ten delegates, with delegates from Tennessee and Maryland are also interested in attending the conference.

**Great job to all committees on your continued hard work!**



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