

4-H FOCUS

HANCOCK COUNTY

October 2, 2023

Happy Fall 4-H Families

Fall is a time for spooky pumpkins, falling leaves, crisp air and tasty treats. We hope you are enjoying the beginning of fall season and are staying safe as we begin to prepare for this holiday season. We look forward to seeing you around at our various 4-H events this month and have a Happy Halloween.

So Long Summer, Hello Fall!

-Your OSU Extension Office Staff

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Dates To Remember:

October 5	Cloverbud Meeting, 6:15pm
October 5	Combined Sr and Jr Goat Council, (HCEO), 7pm
October 11	Horse Council Meeting, (HCEO), 7pm
October 17	Celebration of 4-H, The Old Mill Stream Centre, (HCF), 7-8:30pm
October 18	Camp Counselor Applications Due
November 5	Dairy Beef Booster Meeting, (HCEO), 6:30pm
November 8	4-H Volunteer Recognition Banquet
November 10	Office Closed in recognition of Veterans Day



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Trunk or Treat

Interested in getting together with your club, dressing up, and having a cool trunk to show off? Why not participate in the 2023 Trunk or Treat right here in Findlay. Trunk or Treat will take place at the *Marathon Center for Performing Arts* on October 14 from 11:00am to 12:30pm.

If interested in participating, please reach out to our office either by phone (419-422-3851) or email burner-kitzler.1@osu.edu no later than October 10. The program planners are asking if you are participating to please provide candy, swag, and any information about the services your organization provides and of course a fun decorated trunk!

Don't have a fun trunk or enough people to participate that day... come help 4-H at the Extension Office trunk that day. Call or email with interest.

For more information, contact Claire McCumber at the Hancock County Educational Service Center. 419-422-7525 Ext 105

Celebration of 4-H

When: Tuesday, October 17

Where: Old Mill Stream Centre

Time: 7:00pm with Awards Presentation at 8:00pm



Check out a variety of booths with awards, information, and nomination opportunities. This year, you will be able to pick up your Livestock Sale Checks during this event.

Note: *this is the correct date. If you received a postcard stating you are receiving an award, the date is incorrect on the card. Please come Tuesday, October 17. Sorry for the error.*



Cloverbud Meeting

Cloverbuds... what goes moo, quack, and oink on the farm? Join us on October 5 at 6:15pm for our "Life on the Farm" meeting at the Chris Allen Farm to find out. Please RSVP by October 3 to the extension office by calling 419-422-3851.

Calling All Teens

Are you a fun, energetic, inspiring 4-H member who has interest in helping plan, run and develop a great 4-H camp for campers aged 8-13 years old? If so, we want you! Applicants must be 14 years old at the start of camp, complete 24 hours of training and ready to plan a fun and exciting camp! Applications can be found on our website or in the office!

Applications are due October 18 by 4pm to the Extension Office. Please call if you have any questions!

Camp is June 25-29, 2024.



Hancock County Volunteer Awards

Parents, Advisors and 4-H Members new and old, do you have someone that has made an impact on your time in 4-H? Then we want to hear from you! We are currently accepting Award nominations for Outstanding Service to 4-H Alumni Award, Outstanding Service to 4-H non-Alumni Award and the Hancock County 4-H Hall of Fame. If you have someone you think is deserving of one of these awards, please fill out an application found on our website or call the office at 419-422-3851 by October 20.

What are these awards?

- Hancock County 4-H Hall of Fame – This award is presented to an individual, group of individuals, or business that has made a lasting impact on the Hancock County 4-H program. This person or group must have previously won either the Non -Alumni or Alumni Outstanding Service Award

- Outstanding Service to 4-H Alumni Award – This award is presented to an individual, or individuals, who was a 4-H member and has made significant contributions to the 4-H program in Hancock County.



• Outstanding Service to 4-H Non-Alumni Award – This award is presented to an individual, group of individuals, or business – which was not a 4-H member but has made significant contributions to the 4-H program in Hancock County.

Previous winners include:

Hancock County 4-H Hall of Fame

2021 – John Livingston, Kay Livingston
2019 – Gary Wilson, Mary Wilson
2018 – William & Nancy Recker, Beverly Welty
2017 – Jacki Johnson, Joyce Schroeder
2016 – Joan Biery, Betty Flinn
2015 – Linda James, Dave Thomas
2014 – Evelyn Graham, Jan Layne
2013 – Blanchard Valley Farmers Cooperative, Imelda Ream

Outstanding 4-H Alumni Winners

2021 – Beth James, Dodi Newcomer
2019 – Brooke Anspach, Dawn Feller
2018 – James (Bruce) & Patricia (Tish) Sampson
2017 – Bruce Depinet, Steve Rider
2016 – Brad Breece, Robert Christy
2015 – Tom Warren, Beth White
2014 – Kathy McGrain
2013 – Julie Horton, Emily Spaeth
2012 – Laura Breece, Denise Tebbe
2011 – Shari Burkmier
2010 – Diane Harmon
2009 – Carmen Brown, Nancy George
2008 – Kathy Biery, Beth Marshall
2007 – Vicki Bame-Lininger
2006 – Joyce Schroeder, Nicki vonStein

Outstanding 4-H Alumni Winners - cont

2005 – Larry Beagle
2004 – April Holland, Heather Welty
2003 – Barb Gabriel, Mary Nannette Daugherty
2002 – Kay Sidle, Anne Riker-Sweigart
2001 – Monica vonStein, Jill Woodward
2000 – Steve Oman, Mitch Welty

Outstanding Service to 4-H Winners

2021 – Donene Simmons
2019 – Buffalo Trading Company
2018 – Allan Campbell
2016 – Jeff Ewing, Phillip Riegler
2015 – Rose Ann Campbell, Hancock County Farm Bureau
2014 – Martha Boyd
2013 – Dale Huston, Russell Boyles
2012 – Emil Layne, Debbie Siebeneck
2011 – Dean Biery, Jamie Siferd
2010 – Bob Drake, Amy Schroeder
2009 – Dave Braun – Mennel Milling
2008 – Jerry Payne – Nationwide Insurance
2007 – Joe Bell, Allen Price, Don Stine
2006 – Blanchard Valley Famers Cooperative
2005 – Barb Stamper
2001 – Dave & Linda Siferd, Cooper Tire & Rubber Company,
Hancock County Agricultural Society
2000 – Linda Smith, Wilson's Sandwich Shop

Wanted: 4-H Advisory Council Members

4-H Advisory Council is looking for Advisors who are interested in serving as a member of their council. The 4-H Advisory Council supports & directs the Hancock 4-H program throughout the county, advises on events, and helps guide the 4-H program. These members are elected annually during 4-H Volunteer Recognition Banquet. If you are interested in being placed on the ballot, please call the office at 419-422-3851 or email Edy at gierke.11@osu.edu.



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4-H Volunteer Banquet

There has been a change to the 4-H Volunteer Banquet!

The banquet will now be held Wednesday, November 8, 2023, at the Old Mill Stream Centre! Mark your calendars and be on the lookout for an invitation in the mail about RSVP information!

Dairy Beef Booster Meeting

The next Dairy Beef Booster meeting will be held November 5 at 6:30pm in the conference room of the Hancock County Agriculture Service Center, 7868 CR 140, Findlay. Dr. Amanda Wagner will speak about warts and ringworm. She will also answer any questions you may have.