



The Clover Express
Stark County Newsletter for 4-H/Youth Development
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NEW Stark County Jr Fair & 4-H Web Site at: <http://www.starkcountyjrfair4h.com>

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In case of bad weather: Please listen to Canton WHBC for 4-H/Extension cancellations.

4-H Motto: "To make the best better"

4-H Home Ec Comm: 4-H youth members who have participated in a 4-H home economics project annually for 5 & 10 years must contact Millie Augenstein (330-456-1011) to register for their 5 or ten year Home Economics Committee Award by July 1st. 4H Home Economics Committee meeting Wed, July 23 6:30pm at 25th St Library. **Calling for 4-H and Jr Fair History News Articles and Pictures to Display at 08 Fair:** please drop off or send copies of 4-H/Jr fair history to the Extension Office. This corner of the booth building is reviewed and enjoyed by fairgoers and 4-Hers alike. Make sure to give copies. Material will not be returned. Thanks.

4-H Club Seed Packets Available: 4-H Club advisors may request vegetable and flower seeds for club projects, community service. Please let Phyllis (x102) know how many packets are needed and you may pick up your order.

Jennifer Smith, 4-H Advisor, is an Ohio Certified Naturalist who is available for 4-H Clubs to help with programs or ideas for community service or educational projects. Contact Jennifer for help at (330) 756-2579 or Smith_JENL@yahoo.com

4-H Horse Committee- next meeting is July 11 (date change due to holiday) at 7:30 at Harmont McDonalds. We have one junior Hippology team to compete in Columbus on June 16th. Our first PAS show (state qualifier) will be June 22 at Massillion Saddle Club show grounds. The next Open Show is August 10th. Skillathon is August 24, 12-4 in the new arena. Bring your completed project book and any related project material.

Stark County 4-H Horse Skillathon

Update:First Year members taking **174 Beginning Horse Management Project** will be interviewed on Chapters 1, 2, 3 and 4 at the county 4-H Horse skillathon. Skillathon stations will NOT be required participation. Participation in skillathon stations for first year, 174 Beginning Horse Management project members will be voluntary for educational and fun purposes. Second year members and beyond are required to complete a total skillathon activity.

4-H Horseless Horse Project Members will be interviewed on the project book only at the county 4-H Horse skillathon. Skillathon stations will NOT be required participation. Participation in skillathon stations will be voluntary for educational and fun purposes as in the past. We hope this helps to provide a positive experience for new 4-H Horse members with limited experience. The 174 Beginning Horse Management Project is designed for use up to three years. **Take a look at the Stark County Junior Fair Web site for Horse Project study activities. Click on the horse face. Thanks to Dr. Tamara A. Daily, Stark County 4-H Parent & Professor for designing the educational power points and study guides for the Stark County 4-H Horse Program. The web site is still in the designing mode, so be patient as we develop this great educational tool for all species and projects!! Enter through the barn at the horse: www.starkcountyjrfair4h.com** **Congrats to Josephine Koltek, Louisville Clovers 4H member, who was awarded a 2008 Sam Walton Community Scholarship!**

There will be a Stark County 4-H Dog Committee Meeting on Monday, June 23, 2008 at the The Wendy's on Market Ave by Walsh University at 7:30pm.

Help needed: Please contact soon !! Milkshake Stand contact John Hunter at 488-2471 JHUNTOU812@aol.com
Club Booth Building Hosts-contact David Crawford x115 or Crawford.228@osu.edu

CLOVER Reading Program Poster

Challenge- Posters are judged by how well the youth incorporates reading into the Stark County Jr. Fair theme. Posters must be turned in to the 4-H office, Laura Miller or Bridget Coffman by 5pm August 15, 2008. Posters will be displayed in the CLOVER reading booth during the Stark County Fair. CLOVER Reads final report forms were due June 20th.

4H Dog Committee- Advisors -please share dog project info with your Dog Project Youth. Dog project interviews will take place at Extravaganza on July 19th 9am-must register by 10:30am. Exhibition Hall on Stark Co Fairgrounds. Bring your project book, activities and a poster or notebook to share with judge. Do not bring your dog.

4H College Scholarships Available

Christopher Seifert Memorial Scholarship- Due to Tom and Vickie Seifert and children by August 11, 2008 application posted on web on new site-www.starkcountyjrfair4h.com at 4H Information and scholarships button. **Stark County 4-H/Charity School of Kendal and Stark Co Agriculture Society-** college scholarship applications also available at same web location-both due July 1st!

4-H Advisor Recognition Banquet- mark your calendars for **Wed, Oct. 29, 2008,** 6:30pm. At The Perry Grange. Please plan to attend and celebrate Stark County 4-H and your accomplishments!!

2008 Stark County 4-H Cake Decorating

Clinics- Learn basic, intermediate and advanced cake decorating skills and techniques. Please register early so you can be notified of what to bring, etc. Must pre-register contact Dee for further information-Hurry!! Date: Sat, August 16, 2008; 9am-12:30pm (bring 9x13 white iced double layer cake; bring extra icing and tips; All sessions bring 4H Cake Project Book.) Location: Diamond Soccer Facility, Plain Township; Time: 9am-1pm; Cost:\$2.00 per youth for (Make checks payable to: Dee Meredith (330-491-1001 for information). All 4-Hers interested in cake decorating may attend and bring a friend!!

From the office of Pam Baad, Junior Fair Coordinator

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<http://www.starkcountyjrfair4h.com>

The 2008 Stark County Fair will be here before you know it! I hope everyone is ready and excited! This should be a great year!

Poultry: July 9 Chick pick-up 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. at the fairgrounds
YOU MUST HAVE YOUR RECEIPT TO PICK UP CHICKS!!!!

July 9 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. Skill-a-thon Make-up
Skillathon is MANDATORY

Rabbit & Cavy: July 12 Pre-Registration Clinic 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Rabbit Barn, Fairgrounds

Please bring all animals that will be exhibited at the fair. This will be that only day to get your animals pre-registered. This will be the last chance to have your animals tattooed for free. Exceptions: Meat Rabbits

August 16 9:00 a.m. – Noon Skillathon & Showmanship
New Arena, Fairgrounds

Pygmy Goats: July 19 Noon – 2:00 p.m. Showmanship Clinic Sheep & Swine Arena, Fairgrounds

Please bring your animals on a lead

August 9 Noon- 2:00 p.m. Interviews

Swine: Skill-A-Thon August 9 & 10 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Sheep & Swine Arena, Fairgrounds

Please bring completed project books. This skill-a-thon is mandatory

Make-Up date is August 24 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Carcass: Weigh-In August 19 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Don's Custom Meats, Waynesburg

Cooler Evaluation: August 21 2:00 p.m. Don's Custom Meats, Waynesburg

Beef: County wide meeting 6:00 p.m. New Arena, Fairgrounds

All members, parents, advisors are encouraged to attend

Carcass: Weigh-In August 17 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. New Arena, Fairgrounds

Cooler Evaluation: August 21 6:00 p.m. Kiko Meats, Minerva

Dairy Com.- Cheese Contest: Test papers are due to Jr. Fair office by August 15. Dairy beef feeders: Clinic on July 13 at 1:00-3:00 p.m. in the new arena at the Fairgrounds. Fitting, showmanship, and marketing will be discussed. You may bring a calf for the showmanship demonstration if possible. VACCINATIONS ARE MANDATORY AND TO BE DONE BY AUGUST 1, 2008. SEE RULES FOR REQUIREMENTS. Skill-a-thon: August 16, 2008 10:00 a.m. - 12 noon. There is Skill-a-thon for both Dairy projects and Dairy beef feeder projects. Bring completed project books to be graded

The 2008 Stark County Junior Fair Theme is "THE YEAR WITHOUT A THEME".

- Use your imagination!
- Keep the theme appropriate with Junior Fair.
- Make sure the decorations do not interfere with the animals.
- Any club using a theme deemed inappropriate by the Jr. Fairboard advisors, Jr. Fair Coordinator, Sr. Fairboard, may be asked to remove their decorations.
- Remember- You are representing Junior Fair.

4-H Club Booth Set-up:

1. Exhibits may be placed in booths from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 23, 2008; 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, August 24, 2008; and 9:00 a.m. to Noon on Monday, August 25, 2008. All displays and booths must be in place by 1:00 p.m. on Monday, August 25, 2008.
2. No exhibits may be removed before 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 2, 2008. Removal times are 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2, 2008.
3. 2008 Booth Exhibit Theme: "The Year Without A Theme"
4. Club name and members' names should be clearly displayed in the booth.
5. No Food, vegetables or fresh flowers are to be exhibited in the booth. No electricity is available to the booths and no mechanical, audio or lighting displays are permitted. All materials used in the booths should be flame retardant. No hay or straw bales.
6. DO NOT DISPLAY ANY ITEM THAT CANNOT BE REPLACED!
7. Booths are meant primarily for the exhibit of non-livestock (home economics, still exhibits) projects. Livestock projects may have representative displays (space permitting), but members may not collect a booth premium for a livestock project if they are also exhibiting their animal at the fair.
8. No staples, tacks, screws or nails may be used to fasten material to the pegboard. Fasteners may be attached to the top and sides of the 2 x 4 frame only.

Trash Can Contest

Judging is Monday, August 25, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. in the Old Coliseum. Turn your cans into the Junior Fairboard Eat Stand on Monday, August 25 before 5:00 p.m. Make sure you fill out the ID tag that is issued by the Junior Fairboard representative. Cans are available at the Junior Fair office for pick up. I do not have to be here to pick up a can! The cans are in the Old Coliseum behind my office.

- **Tickets and Books will be available for advisors to pick up about the first week in August.**

Our New Website is HERE!! The Stark County Junior Fair/4-H Web Team has been collecting, designing and is in the process of making a fun, educational web site for youth, parents & advisors !!

Visit the site at: <http://www.starkcountyjrfair4h.com>

2008 Stark County 4-H Project Judging Updates:

Clothing Judging will be Thursday, July 17, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. Judging (9:30am) & Style Revue (7:30pm) will take place at the Chapel in Marlboro, located on State Route 619, 1/2 mile east of State Route 44, 6 miles NW of Alliance, and 6 miles E of Hartville. Participants need to arrive for Style Revue at 7:00 p.m. Narration Form for Style Revue due by July 1st to Extension Office.

2008 Ohio State Fair 4H Non-livestock Project Guidelines & dates: <http://www.ohio4h.org/statefair/guidebook.html>

Bathrooms will be under construction during Extravaganza & Foods judging– we will have a portapottie, hand washing station and Jr Fair Office/Grandstand bathrooms will be open, but a little distance to walk.

Extravaganza will be Saturday, July 19, 2008 at the Stark Co. Fairgrounds in the Exhibit Building. Registration will be from 8:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Judging will begin at 9:00 a.m. Please make sure your members bring completed project books and display board for each project. **No animals permitted, bring poster, pictures, etc. to judging.**

Food and Nutrition Judging will be **Saturday, July 19, 2008** at the Stark Co. Fairgrounds in the Commercial Building. Registration will be from 8:45 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Judging will begin at 9:00 a.m. Please make sure your members bring project books and materials listed in county project guidelines. **Please remember no food should be brought to judging this year.**

Cloverbud Sharing will be Saturday, July 19, 2008 at the Stark Co. Fairgrounds in the Commercial Building. Sharing will begin at 9:30 a.m. Cloverbuds can sign in between 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Cloverbuds need to bring a poster they created.

Stark County 4-H Demonstration Contest will take place Tues., July 15, 2008 from 10a.m. at the Extension USDA Office. In order to better prepare our judge and make sure youth have the best judging experience possible, we need you to share the information with your club members. The youth must complete & return a Demonstration Registration Form below. Judging criteria is listed below Form to help youth prepare. Please have youth complete the Demo form & return to our office by July 1, 2008.

NEW-4-H Dog Grading: Saturday, July 19, at Extravaganza judging table. **Do NOT bring your dog. Bring your 4H Dog project books and a notebook or display board of your accomplishments and learning activities.** There will NOT be State Fair 4-H Dog Selection Show due to new entry process for 4-H Dog State Fair participation. All Dog Project youth are eligible to register and participate at the Ohio State Fair-registration entry forms MUST be signed by advisor and 4-H Educator by July 6th and returned to OSF by July 13 in order to participate. <http://southcenters.osu.edu/4h/dog/>

Stark County 4-H Demonstration Evaluation Rules

All Stark 4-H youth may enter, excluding past state fair demonstration clock trophy winners. **No animals for county event.** You can use photos, models and posters. Judges will evaluate each demonstration as indicated on registration form.

All pre-registrations for demonstrations MUST be submitted/post marked to 4-H Office by July 1, 2008. July 1st is a Sunday, please mail by Saturday. There is not a local mail box at our office to drop off.

Demonstrations, individual or group, must be between 6-12 minutes, or 10 points deducted. A "team" will consist of two people sharing speaking and teaching roles, same age groups. Ages: Junior-13 or under; Senior-14 or over; age as of January 1.

All demonstration topics, materials and posters must be selected and prepared by youth. No materials may be shared. A different topic by the individual from previous year must be used. Horse and photography topics are permitted in this competition but will be judged separately. A microphone will not be used-speak loudly! A table and an easel will be provided.

No firearms, bows or arrows are permitted on fairgrounds and may NOT be used in demonstration. Plastic replicas are NOT permitted. Posters, pictures, etc. are acceptable. **Demonstration & Self determined projects** registrations due July 1 (please complete Demo/Self-Determined registration form at end of this newsletter and return to Extension Office by July 1. *Clothing -Style Revue-narration form* due July 1 to Extension Office-has been mailed to all 4H clothing youth registered.

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Stark County 4-H Demonstration & Self-Determined Project Pre-registration

Due to OSUE/4-H Office July 1, 2008 (postmark of July 1st is fine)

Mail to: OSU Extension, Stark County, Demo/ Self-determined projects, 2650 Richville Dr. SE Suite 100, Mass., Oh 44646 **FAX 330-830-7720**

Name: _____ Age: _____ Telephone #: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip _____

4-H Club: _____

TOPIC of Demonstration: _____ demos to be held at Ext Of-

fice– Tuesday, July 15th. Please circle demonstration class: Individual or Team

(Team member name: _____ Age: _____) must be of same age

Please list TOPIC of Self-determined project: _____

to be judged at Extravaganza –July 19th.

Ohio 4-H Club Advisor Handbook lots of great ideas and helpful information for 4-H Advisors, please link to: <http://advisorshandbook.ohio4h.org/>

2008 Ohio State Fair Guide Book-4H non-livestock
<http://www.ohio4h.org/statefair/guidebook.html>

2008 4-H Family Guide:<http://www.ohio4h.org/familyguide>

Ohio State Fair-www.ohiostatefair.org/

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Thank you volunteers!!
You are greatly appreciated!

“Tell me & I forget; Teach me & I remember;
Involve me & I Learn!” Ben Franklin.

Office Closings for upcoming holidays: July 4, 2008



**Thank you Stark County Commissioners
for your continued support!!
Tom Harmon, Todd Bosley, Jane Vignos**

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Check out 4-H Volunteer fact sheets at: <http://ohioline.osu.edu/lines/kids.html#4HS>

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