



The Clover Express
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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"*

**2008 Stark County Junior Fair –Be Creative-
use your own theme this year!!**

**2008 Stark County 4-H Swiss Steak Dinner
Fundraiser was a Great Success:** Great job to all who helped at the Swiss Steak Dinner!! A great fundraiser event with over 500 dinners served. Couldn't happen without great volunteer leadership and youth helping! Nancy Biller, Carol Kralik, Jaen Agnes & Nancy Berg provided great leadership and coordination. Let us know if you would like to help with the organization of event for 09.

4-H Age: youth from ages 5 AND in kindergarten to eight years old may join as Cloverbud members; **4-H Project/Club age:** youth 9 years old (or 8 yrs in 3rd grade) to age 19 (last year of 4-H-year in which the youth attains the age of 19) .

Horse committee. meetings are the 1st Wednesday of the month at The Harmont McDonalds, 7:30pm. Everyone interested in the horse program is welcome. Gail Phares 330-488-1268 or shiloh@neo.rr.com

4-H Day at Cedar Point- Friday, June 29th-
Link to address below for pricing and other information.

<http://www.ohio4h.org/youth/EventsandOpport/documents/Cedar%20Point%20Flyer.pdf>

2008 State Fair Guide Book

Non-livestock State Fair Information by Project Area and Day. Calendar and rules available for your review. <http://www.ohio4h.org/statefair/guidebook.html>

Jr Fair/4-H Milkshake Stand Help needed:
please contact John Hunter at JHUNTOU812@aol.com to confirm your club's

time to host the milkshake stand, most are requesting "same times as last year". **4-H Club Seed Packets Available:** advisors may request vegetable and flower seeds for club projects, community service. Please let Phyllis x102 know how many packets are needed and you can pick up your order.

Ruth Ann Dickerhoof Scholarship for Stark Co. 4H Market lamb projects: Ruth's love of 4-H & sheep projects is to be carried on by offering this opportunity: Please write a request for consideration for the scholarship and answer the following- One hundred words each question- 1. Why did you join 4-H? 2. Tell us one goal you have for your life?

Due: Postmarked May 18th Send essays to: Dickerhoof Family Scholarship, 10944 Heltman Ave, Alliance 44601-\$100 scholarship for top four essays. Winners will be contacted by phone by May 31. Good Luck!!

Grow'em & Show'em 4-H Club is sponsoring a "**Pennies for Patients**" drive for the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society in memory of **Linda Rohr** our past 4-H Advisor who had lost a courageous battle with cancer this past October. It is our goal to each year do a charitable fund drive in her memory. Can you spare some loose change for this cause? If you have any questions concerning this drive, please call Pamela Bast (330) 833-4366 or Marybeth Flinger (330) 484-5895. Thank you for your support!!

Horse committee meeting is May 7th at the Harmont McDonalds, 7:30pm. The Tack swap is May 3rd, free to look around, always a lot of bargains. Horse packets are ready and contain the June 1 form, fair sign up, and Show bills for our May 18th Beginners show and August 10 Open show. The shows follow the 4-H Horse show rules. Please read the page with rules to make sure your things are sent to the correct place and on time.

The April 12 Pillow Talk gathering of Nimishillen Grange and 4-H members produced 40 pillowcases for the Con-Kerr organization. The pillowcases will be taken to Akron Children's Hospital. A hearty thanks to all!!

Horse Comm continued, We will be having a PAS show, this is to try out for state Fair, forms are available at the Extension Office and due back to the office by May 1. The show is June 22.

Stark will have Hippology teams going to Columbus June 16. I will need to know is interested by May 3 at the latest. It's fun, there are Junior and Senior teams. If you have any questions please call Gail at 330-488-1268 or e-mail at shiloh@neo.rr.com

The Kool Kats 4-H Club will be hosting an educational dog clinic followed by a fun show on May 3 in the Art Hall at the Fairgrounds. All youth interested in learning more about the dog program are invited to attend. The morning clinics will begin at 10am and all current 4-H dog program youth are invited to bring their project dogs. Registration for the dog show closes at 11:30 am and the show starts at 1:00pm. All dogs entering the building must have a current vaccination form and a copy of their dog license certificate. State Fair dog rules apply and the decision of the judges is final. State Fair rules and 4-H vaccination forms can be found online at

www.southcenters.osu.edu/4hdog. 2007 vaccination forms are acceptable as long as vaccinations are current through May 3, 2008. There will also be a cloverbud "Doggie" class (dress in a dog costume or bring your favorite stuffed canine.) The Kool Kats 4-H club is inviting everyone to join us for a day of fun and learning. Spread the word!!

4H Home Ec Committee: next meeting July 23 6:30pm at 25th St Library. Look at the judging information. **4H Skillathon Foods & Clothing Kits available for learning by reserving at Extension Office thru JULY 1st ONLY-No Late reservations.**

5th & 10th Year member Awards: please contact Millie Augenstein with 4-H member's names & club at 456-1011 to reserve your 4-H year awards for clothing and food projects by July 2nd. **4-H Foods & 4-H Clothing Information Packets** available to print or save at: www.star.osu.edu under 4-H link.

A New Website is coming!! A Stark County Junior Fair/4-H Web Team has been developed and is in the process of making a fun, educational web site for youth, parents & advisors !! Plans are to be up and available by June 1, 2008!! Watch for further information!!

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.

Extravaganza will be Saturday, July 19, 2007 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 14, 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 Demo Registration Form below. Judging criteria is listed on the Registration Form to help youth prepare. Please have youth complete the Demo form & return to our office by July 2, 2008. Good Luck!

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-will be mailed to all 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.

Hi everyone! Things are really starting to gear up for the 2008 Stark County Junior Fair! Due to a scheduling conflict, there is a change for the tag-in for the sheep, swine, goats, and dairy beef feeders.

TAG-IN FOR SHEEP, SWINE, MARKET GOATS, AND DAIRY BEEF FEEDERS – - MAY 31, 2008--

Sheep 8:00 am – 11:00 am Sheep Quonset
Swine 8:00 am – 11:00 am New Arena
Market Goats 9:00 am – 11:00 am Sheep & Swine Arena
Dairy Beef Feeders 10:00 am – Noon Behind Dairy Barn

This is for 2008 only! Please make sure everyone who is planning to bring one of these animals to the fair knows about the change!

Poultry: The poultry skillathon is on Thursday, May 15 at 7:00 p.m. in the Art Hall at the fairgrounds. Skillathon is MANDATORY. The \$15.00 project fee for the broiler project is due by this date. There will be no mail-ins for the deposit. Deposits can be delivered to my office during my office hours. The deposit must be paid by the end of the skillathon. A receipt will be issued and you must have that receipt to pick up your chicks. Any questions, contact my office or a member of the committee.

Beef: A showmanship clinic is scheduled for Sunday, June 22 at 2:00 p.m. in the new arena at the fairgrounds. All beef members should attend. **Beef Feed Rations & Finished project Workshop: Dr. Fluharty, OSU Professor,** sponsored by Stark County Cattleman's Association, May 22 7pm Fairgrounds Art Hall. Everyone is welcome.

Dairy Committee: Cheese Contest pre-registration forms are due May 25 to the Jr. Fair office. Dairy Beef Feeder tag-in is May 31 10:00 a.m.- 12:00 Noon. CALVES MUST BE HALTERED AND TIED. WE ARE TAKING PHOTOS AGAIN THIS YEAR. ALL CALVES ARE TO BE DEHORND AND CASTRATED BY TAG-IN. A clinic for Dairy Beef Feeder project members will be held on July 13, 1:00-3:00 p.m.. Members are encouraged to bring a calf if possible. Fitting, showmanship, and marketing will be discussed. More information on Dairy Beef Feeders is available at <http://4hansci.osu.edu/dairy.htm> Kenny Rummell

Advisors: The Rules Order Form has gone out. Please to return to me as soon as possible so that I can get your rules ready for you to pick up for your distribution to your club members. Remember, the deadline for a Booth Entry is July 1. No booth entries will be accepted after that date.

Quality Assurance: Please remember that June 30 is the deadline for quality assurance for your clubs. Please forward a list of all the members who participated in the quality assurance. If they are from a different club than yours, please make sure that is noted on the sheet. Any questions, please contact me.

2008 Junior Fair Theme: The theme for this year is "Jr. Fair – A Year Without A Theme"

For everyone that ever wanted to use your creativity for the Jr. Fair theme, this is the year! Guidelines for the theme:

Must be appropriate for the Junior Fair

No decorations that will interfere with the animals

Please use good taste and common sense

Jr. Fair Board advisors and Junior Fair Coordinator have the right to reject any decorations that are deemed inappropriate.

If any decorations are deemed inappropriate, you may be asked to remove your display.

Remember – you are representing the best of the best – 4H and Junior Fair!

Have fun with your decorations! **Club advisors make sure to reserve your 4-H Club Booth spot by contacting Pam!!**

Trash Cans: Cans will be available for pick up after May 7. They will be in the Old Coliseum (behind my office). You can stop and pick them up any time.

The Canton Farmers' Market, a grower/producer only market in downtown Canton is gearing up to make the 2008 Market season the best ever. Hitting our 5th year, we are looking forward to a strong season, and hoping growers and producers might join us. The market boasts a multitude of offerings that vary by month including sweet corn in July, ripe heirloom variety tomatoes in August, crisp juicy apples in September and bright orange pumpkins in October. Other items available include herbs, fresh-cut flowers, baked good, eggs, meats, jams, honey, and potted plants. This year we will continue to offer fun and entertainment, too! Located on Cleveland Avenue between 4th and 5th Streets NW and Court Avenue, the market runs Saturday mornings from June 14th to October 18th from 8:00 – 11:30am, rain or shine. People come from all over Stark County to be part of our Market. If you or your group would like to get involved, or would like further information, please contact Kelly Blandford, Market Manager at (330) 458-2063 or visit www.CantonFarmersMarket.com

2008 Stark County 4-H Cake Decorating Clinics



Dates: Saturdays, June 28 and Aug 16, 2008
(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: 9-12:30

Cost: \$2.00 per youth for EACH Clinic Date
(Make checks payable to: Dee Meredith)

Learn beginning, intermediate and advanced cake decorating skills and techniques.
Please register early so you can be notified of what to bring, etc.

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Stark County 4-H Cake Decorating Clinic Registration

Send to: Dee Meredith, 2727 McDowell St Canton, OH 44721 (330-491-1001)

Include \$2 per individual for each clinic date; checks payable to: Dee Meredith
Select (X) dates you will attend Saturdays, I-June 28 , II-August 16, 2008

Name: _____ Age: _____ Phone #: _____ Dates: __I__II
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

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4-H Club: _____ Advisor: _____ Total Enclosed:\$ _____

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**Stark County 4-H
Cloverbud Day Camp
Thursday, June 19, 2008
Your Country USA & Our Flag
Registration Form**

Cloverbud Presentation to Parents: 2:45 pm-3:15 pm



Camp will be Thursday, June 19, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. The camp will be held at the Stark County Junior Fair Office area, Stark County Fairgrounds, Canton. There will be a \$10.00 camp fee. Please fill out the registration and health forms. Return both forms and a check payable to OSU Extension and mail To OSU Extension, 2650 Richville Drive S.E., Suite 100, Massillon, Ohio 44646. Deadline is June 2, 2008. You do not have to be current 4H Cloverbuds members. Bring a Friend!! Please register one youth per form.

Pizza lunch and drink included. You may

bring own lunch.

Cloverbud's Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number _____ Age _____ Grade _____

Club _____ (New to 4-H {X}) _____

Parent/Guardian(s) Name _____

Parent/Guardian(s) Signatures _____

Emergency Contact _____ Telephone Number _____

Cell Number _____

Please list allergies (some activities may include nuts/peanuts):

Please make sure to dress for fun, have suntan lotion.

4-H Club/Member/Advisor Registration Deadline:

Stark County– March 15, 2008

Stark County 4-H Swiss Steak Dinner:

Saturday, April 19, 2008

Stark County Junior Fair Entries Due:

July 25, 2008 to Jr Fair Office

Stark County Fair Dates:

August 26– September 1, 2008

Quality Assurance Program Completion deadline:

June 30, 2008

Ohio State Fair:

July 30 - August 10, 2008

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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.**

Thanks to 4-H Volunteers

2008 Stark County 4-H Judging Events

Thurs., July 17, 2008: Clothing Project Judging-9:30am The Chapel in Marlboro; Style Revue-July 12 7:30pm at The Chapel in Marlboro

Sat., July 19, 2008: Food/Nutrition-Extravaganza-Cloverbud Sharing-9am-; 4-H Dog Project Judging/Activity -at Fairgrounds Art Hall.

Tues., July 15, 2008 Demonstrations at Extension Office, Richville Drive SE, 9am-noon.

**Thank you Stark County Commissioners for your
continued support!!**

Todd Bosley, Tom Harmon, 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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