

Geauga County 4-H



News & Notes

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GEAUGA-TRUMBULL 4-H CAMP



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Addy Mager
Mason Mager
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Liberty Mosher
Monte Myer
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Emily Skytta
Sarah Skytta
Jordan Smith

Geauga-Trumbull 4-H Camp Counselors consist of both 4-H members and non-members. Counselors are selected through an interview process and complete over 50 hours of training before attending camp. All camp programming and activities are developed and facilitated by the counselors each year.

2020 Counselor applications are due December 31, 2019.



“Head” Award – Drake Berschig

This award goes to a camper who uses their head for the power to think, plan, and reason. This individual makes good choices, follows the rules, thinks before acting, and demonstrates clear thinking.

“Heart” Award – Colin Cole

The Heart Award is for a camper who is kind, sympathetic, and friendly to all. They are true to themselves and to others. This camper is the prime example of “Greater Loyalty”

“Hand” Award – Noah Morris

This is an award for a camper who is continually helpful, skillful, and useful. They have demonstrated the ability to guide their peers in the right directions and always lend a helping hand.

“Health” Award – Noah Gersin

The Health Award goes to a camper who has the strength to enjoy life at every moment, resist temptation, and work efficiently. They make healthy choices which better their lives and better those around them.

The “Spirit of Camp” Award – Jillian Gingrich

The award combines the four H’s” HEAD, HEART, HANDS, and HEALTH. This goes to an outstanding camper who is willing to dedicate their efforts to the fullest. The Spirit of Camp is someone who looks out for others first. Is pure and has high ideals, represents life at its highest, and stretches their own abilities to reach greater achievement. They Make the Best Better!



“Counselor for the Day”
Renee Kuzma & Jeremy Boshier

“Counselor for the Day” is given to two last-year campers who demonstrate the skills and qualities of a camp counselor. They are then honorary counselors for the last day of camp.

7th Annual 4-H Advisory Committee Sponsored Field Trip

Did you ever wonder where the banks keep all their reserves? Twenty-two kids and six adults found out when they attended the annual Geauga 4-H Advisory Field trip to the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, the Wade Oval, and the Greater Cleveland Food Bank on June 27th. Michelle May and Lisa Briggs did a great job organizing! The tour included the Federal Reserve Law Enforcement training center with its indoor shooting range and mat room, and let us explore the old vault which had a ten foot, 100 ton door that was four feet thick, yet opened with just two people! The impenetrable walls of the reserve are made out of rebar, ball bearings, and concrete.

My favorite part of the trip was the money museum because the food bank made my hands tired. I enjoyed the movie on the meaning of money in the Stone Island Theater. The most popular game was "Planning Your Future" where you hope to make enough money for your car or retirement goals. The kids also enjoyed printing million dollar bills with their own faces on them!

After lunch at the Wade Oval, we volunteered at the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, the largest hunger relief organization in Northeast Ohio, serving Cuyahoga, Ashland, Geauga, Lake, Richland, and Ashtabula counties where one in six people are food insecure! Our group filled the monthly food boxes with 13 items for senior citizens. We filled up almost 360 boxes in two hours! Did you know that a donation of only one dollar can provide meals for four hungry people in your community? Last year 18,000 volunteers saved the food bank more than two million dollars in salaries. I urge you to consider volunteering or donating to the food bank. You can make a difference in your community!

Granny's Kids 4-H Club News Article
by Lina Ferg, Club Reporter



ADVISOR AREA

Advisor nametags have arrived and are available for pick up at the Extension Office at your convenience. Nametags will be distributed by club.

CLUB NEWS

4-H Club Insurance

All clubs are strongly encouraged to purchase 4-H Club Insurance. A yearly policy is only \$1 per person (\$2 for horse and shooting sports). For more information visit <http://www.americanincomelife.com/who-we-serve/4-h-insurance>

Fighting Hunger in Geauga County – Community Service Opportunity

Greener Fields 4-H Club is partnering with all of 4-H, Dr. Augustine Kellis, and the Geauga Hunger Task Force to help increase donations to the 7 local food pantries throughout the county. From now until July 31, all donations and money raised by 4-H clubs and businesses in Geauga County will be again be generously matched by Dr. Kellis up to \$25,000. In 2018, the Geauga 4-H and business donations, plus the match from Dr. Kellis, to the Geauga Hunger Task Force totaled over \$25,000! Please contact Christine Belliveau at 440-313-2864 for specific questions or if you would like our food drive committee members to come speak at your club about the drive.

Blankets for Veterans Community Service Opportunity

Sew Sew Sweet 4-H Club is looking for other 4-H Clubs to help us give every Geauga County Vietnam Veteran that attends the fair on Friday, Sept 1st a new sew blanket to thank them for their service. We have been told that there are approximately 650 Vietnam Veterans in the county, please help us give every Veteran a blanket. These blankets must be turned in to the Extension Office by August 15th so that we can get them ready for the fair. Please remember if your club participates in this project it can be used on your Honor Club application. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Briggs at 440-834-1762. Thanks to all the clubs helping Sew Sew Sweet 4-H Club reach our goal.

Family-A-Fair

Family-A-Fair is a community service opportunity for clubs to participate in. When a club provides a sponsorship award, the funds are used to provide a Geauga County family the opportunity to experience the Great Geauga County Fair. Club sponsorships will provide selected families with admission tickets, ride tickets, concession vouchers, and milk shake tokens. See flyer for more information.

4-H MEMBERS

4-H Photography Contest – NEW GUIDELINES FOR 2019

Here's a chance to show off your photography skills. All pictures must be taken between Fair 2018 and August 1, 2019. Members are not required to take a 4-H Photography Project to enter contest. Entry deadline is 4:30pm on August 1st. All eligible entries and winners will be displayed in the Jr. Fair Building during fair.

Safety Poster Contest

This year's Safety Poster Contest theme is: **Farm Safety**. All Safety Posters are due at the Extension Office by August 1st at 4:30pm. Please see attached flyer for complete details and poster requirements. Posters that do not meet the requirements will not be judged or displayed.

LIVESTOCK/HORSE

Project Judging/Skill-a-thon July 20th

Project judging will be held Saturday July 20th for all livestock and horse projects. Species stations will open at 9:00am and last until 11:00am. Members need to bring their completed project book(s) to judging. Members must complete project judging to be eligible for Jr. Fair and to fulfill their 4-H project requirements.

Each species station should make sure they have enough tables and volunteers.

JR. FAIR INFORMATION

Important information from Jr. Fair Coordinator Jan Jackam:

There will be an informational meeting for any advisors who would like help with the Junior Fair on-line entry form.

The meeting will be **Monday, July 15, 2019 at the Secretary's Office on the fairgrounds at 7:00 p.m.** explain the entry process and answer your questions. There will be computers available for your use during the meeting so you can see the actual form. We will be going over the entry process and answering any questions you might have.

On July 20th, during Skillathon, the Secretary's Office will be open to help you or a parent with the entry form from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. You can also purchase pre-fair tickets at this time.

If you have any questions, please email me at jjackam@gmail.com, or call me at 440.479.4354.

There are a few things that are changing with the on-line entry. All Departments must be signed up for on-line. In past years, horses, sewing, and the Anyone Can Bake entries did not require pre-fair registration, only a liability form. This year ALL Departments, from 101 to 114 must enter on-line. Have your members sign up for all the classes they think they want to enter, knowing they can scratch from that class the day of the show. There will be no paper Junior Fair entries, all entries will be on-line.

Review the Junior Fair general rules and your specific species rules in the fair book with your members. These can be found in the Junior Fair section on page 53, after all the Senior Fair departments.

Assessments: Assessments are **due** on **Saturday, July 20th, from 9am - 1pm.**

I will be collecting them in the Jr. Fair Office during Skillathon.

- Assessment fee is \$5.⁰⁰ per animal project.
- Please make sure you have a complete list of your members, their project(s), their animal tag number (if available) and the amount paid.
- Please make checks payable to G.C.A.S. (Geauga County Agricultural Society)

Buyer's Packets: The buyer's packets will be done by the 4-H clubs again. The materials for the packets, "We Support" boards, member information labels (for the back of the boards) and gallon zip lock bags will be provided and available for pick up at Skillathon on **Saturday, July 20th from 9am to 1pm** in the Jr. Fair Board office.

- The finished boards (6x4 landscape pictures and information labels attached) in alphabetical order are **due** the Saturday (August 24th) before Fair.
- We will be collecting them in the Livestock Sales Office from 9am to 1pm.
- Packet must be in the gallon zip lock bag, with any recipes or items that will fit in the bag.
- **Please note:** If the buyer packets are not turned in, the buyer will receive a blank board.

DUNFs: Cheryl Carr will be passing them out on July 20th during Skillathon. Each club must send an advisor to the Jr Fair office that morning to pick up their forms. Please remember each project is to be listed on its own form. i.e. Each hog and steer must be listed on its own form. If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl - Ccarr62@hotmail.com

- Care for your animal projects throughout fair week. Keep stalls and animals clean, fed, watered, and presentable to the public at all times.
- Show good sportsmanship before, during, and after the Fair.

Jr. Fair Booth Reservations

Booth reservations are due July 20th. Please use the attached registration form to submit your club's request. Forms should be submitted via email to geaugajrfair@gmail.com

Jr. Fair T-Shirt Orders

Member order form and adult order forms are attached. Deadline to order 2018 fair shirts is July 20th. Order forms should be submitted via email to geaugajrfair@gmail.com

Milkshake Booth Sign Up's

If your club is interested in working in the milkshake booth this year please sign up by sending your top 4 preferred shifts, a contact name, and phone number to Leah Fellenstein via e-mail at leahfellenstein@yahoo.com. Leah will send back a conformation e-mail with your club's assigned shift. Leah will process requests in the order they are received, please only send in shift requests via e-mail.

Clubs need to have 10-12 members and at least 2 adults for the entire three hour shift. If your club has a lot of younger members (majority under 12) please have 3 adults available to assist. Clubs are required to come 15 minutes prior to the start of their shift and should allot about 10 minutes at the end of their shift to be replaced by the next club.

Shifts available are Thursday-Monday at the following times:

10am-1pm
1pm-4pm
4pm-7pm
7pm-10pm.

DATES TO REMEMBER

July

11 & 12 Cloverbud Camp – Camp Burton

16 **Clothing & Textile Judging and Style Revue**

20 **Project Judging**

August

1 Safety Poster & Photography Contest entries due by 4:30pm

5 Camp Counselor Wrap Up Meeting

September

Aug 29 – Sept 2 Great Geauga County Fair

3 Labor Day – Extension Office Closed

October

1 **Club Secretary & Treasurer Books Due**

Member & Volunteer Award Nomination Applications Due

All Volunteer Training Requirements must be completed and submitted to the Extension Office

31 Geauga 4-H Advisory Committee Member Applications Due

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