

Geauga County 4-H



News & Notes

March | 2019

Geauga County 4-H members attended the County Commissioners meeting during Ohio 4-H week on March 5th. The youth shared stories of how 4-H has influenced their lives and thanked the Commissioners for their continued support of the Geauga 4-H Program.



Enrollment Form Reminders

- Clearly make changes. Please print. If it's illegible, it won't be updated.
- If a member is taking the project again in 2019, the "enroll" box for that project must be checked.
- Any new projects must be written in "NEW PROJECT" area.
- Volunteers should review each enrollment form. **Best practice is to initial the form, indicating it had been checked.**
- A member must complete project judging in order for their year in the project to count. For example, if a member signs up for Scrapbooking, completes activities in the project book but does not attend project judging, then that member never completed a Scrapbooking project and their year in that project would not count.

Projects

Enroll	Project	Club	Volunteer Title	Years In
<input type="checkbox"/> (Enroll)	756 Living History Project	County Coyotes Shooting Sports		3
<input type="checkbox"/> (Enroll)	150CE Chicken Exhibition (Fancy)	Geauga Caprine Kids		7
<input type="checkbox"/> (Enroll)	150CM Chicken Market	Geauga Caprine Kids		7
<input type="checkbox"/> (Enroll)	150DE Duck Exhibition	Geauga Caprine Kids		6
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Enroll)	150DM Duck Market	Geauga Caprine Kids		6
<input type="checkbox"/> (Enroll)	150TM Turkey Market	Geauga Caprine Kids		4
<input type="checkbox"/> (Enroll)	225 Breeding Rabbit Project	Geauga Caprine Kids		3
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Enroll)	227 Pet Rabbit Project	Geauga Caprine Kids		5
<input type="checkbox"/> (Enroll)	641 Beekeeping Project and Record book	Geauga Caprine Kids		4
(New Project)	244 From Airedales to Zebras, Level 1			
(New Project)	691 Grow Your Own Vegetables			
(New Project)				

Volunteer Signature

**Volunteers
should sign off
on 2019
Projects!**

The Example above indicates that the member will be enrolling in the following projects for 2019 4-H year:

150DM – Duck Market

227 – Pet Rabbit

244 – From Airedales to Zebras, Level 1

691 – Grow Your Own Vegetables

ADVISOR AREA

Club Information for Website

It's time to review and update your clubs information on the website. Please review what's currently online and complete the attached form titled **Club Information Form** and return it to the Extension Office at your earliest convenience with any changes. The information you provide will be used to update the club page on the OSU website geauga.osu.edu. If at any time a club would like to change the content on their club page, the club would just resubmit a new form and the information will be updated. [Club Information Form](#)

Volunteers Needed: Real Money Real World Program

We are looking for volunteers to help facilitate the simulation (Part II) at Geauga County schools. Volunteers would donate a few hours of their time to run a simulation booth. Geauga County 4-H Volunteers who assist will receive credit towards their annual requirements. Volunteers can assist with a simulation, or even part of a simulation. If interested, please contact the Extension Office. 4-H Volunteers will receive credit towards their annual requirements.

- May 10 – Cardinal Middle School TBA Approximately 120
- May 21 – Notre Dame Jr. High 12:00pm – 2:00pm 75 Students (two 60 min sessions)

2019 Potential 4-H Volunteers

Anyone interested in becoming a 4-H volunteer for the 2019 year must complete the entire screening process (application, references, BCI, and interview) by **March 31, 2019**. Volunteer applications are available at www.geauga.osu.edu

New Volunteer Orientation & New Volunteer Child Abuse Training - March 20th at 6:30pm at the Geauga Extension Office

Enhancing the Cloverbud Experience

March 14th - 6:30pm

Geauga County 4-H has received a grant from the Ohio 4-H Foundation to provide educational Cloverbud curriculum and materials to all of our 4-H clubs. Each club will receive a copy of the following: The Big Book of Cloverbud Activities, Choose & Tell Cards, Cloverbud Cubes, and the Cloverbud Volunteer Guidebook. Volunteers who attend this training will receive their club's materials and participate in hands on Cloverbud activities using the Cloverbud Activity Kits that are available to borrow from the Extension Office.

Recognition & Awards Application Training

March 14th - 7:30pm

Member awards have been updated and revised for 2019. At this training, one will learn how to complete the applications, learn what the Advisory Committee (selections committee) looks for when reviewing the applications, and the chance to provide feedback regarding the applications. Additional copies of the applications will be available at the training.

Volunteers must register by March 8th.

CLUB NEWS

Refer-A-Friend Contest – Updated Guidelines

Clubs are encouraged to recruit new members again for the 2019 4-H Year. This year's contest will award \$25 to the club who recruits the biggest percent of new members in relation to their 2019 returning members. Clubs still need to submit the refer-a-friend form for all new members.

TSC Paper Clover Campaign – Spring 2019

Tractor Supply Company is proud to support the 4-H program. From April 11th through April 22nd, TSC customers can donate \$1 at checkout to support the 4-H program. 90% of funds raised go back to the state and county 4-H programs to support camp and leadership opportunities 10% goes to National 4-H. Help us spread the word about the Clover Campaign. 4-H Clubs are encouraged to contact their local TSC Store to set up a club booth.

https://www.tractorsupply.com/landing-pages_4-h_4h-tsc

March 27 – April 7



4-H MEMBERS

Car Wash - May 4th 12pm-4pm

The Geauga/Trumbull County 4-H Counselors are holding their annual car wash fundraiser at **Tractor Supply in Middlefield** on May 4th from 12pm-4pm

All funds raised will be used to help pay for counselor materials and camp supplies



Geauga 4-H Cloverbud Camp

Join us for two full days of fun for Cloverbud Camp. While the details are still in the works, here's what we know:

When: July 11 and 12

Where: Camp Burton, 14282 Butternut Rd. Burton, OH

Times: 8:00am – 5:00pm (not an overnight camp)

Meals: Morning snack, lunch, and afternoon snack

Activities: Swimming, crafts, nature walks, games, and much more

Cost: Free. Thanks to the generous Tractor Supply Paper Clover donations from the 2018 campaigns.

Cloverbud camp is limited to 20 campers. Registration will open April 1st.

Older Youth Opportunities

Looking for 4-H related opportunities at a State and/or National level? The link below contains information which will be helpful to 4-H members, parents, and volunteer leaders. The forms must be signed by the 4-H Extension Educator, before they are submitted. Please contact our Extension Office for deadlines. <https://ohio4h.org/awardsandscholarships>

2019 4-H Camp Scholarships

1. Geauga County 4-H Camp Whitewood Scholarship

DUE: April 30th

For any Geauga County resident or 4-H member to attend the Geauga County 4-H Camp at Camp Whitewood from June 16-21, 2019. Camper Scholarships are available courtesy of the Geauga County 4-H Advisory Committee. Partial scholarships, of up to \$75, may be awarded based on available funds. Only Geauga County residents or Geauga County 4-H members are eligible to apply and must be registered for camp before submitting a scholarship application. First priority will be given to Geauga County 4-H members. Scholarship recipients will be notified by May 17, 2019. Scholarship forms are available online or at the Extension Office. Contact the Extension Office at (440) 834-4656 with questions. Scholarship Applications are due to the Geauga County Extension Office, not Camp Whitewood.

2. Ohio 4-H Camp Scholarship

DUE: 30 days before the start of camp

For any Geauga County 4-H member who wishes to attend a 4-H Camp (Any camp other than Geauga's 4-H Camp at Camp Whitewood June 16-21, 2019). Camper Scholarships are available courtesy of the Geauga County 4-H Advisory Committee. Partial scholarships, of up to \$75, may be awarded based on available funds. Only Geauga County residents or Geauga County 4-H members are eligible to apply and must be registered for camp before submitting a scholarship application. First priority will be given to Geauga County 4-H members. Scholarship forms are available online or at the Extension Office. Contact the Extension Office at (440) 834-4656 with questions. Scholarship Applications are due to the Geauga County Extension Office.

Scholarship applications are available at <http://geauga.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/geauga-county-4-h-camp>

LIVESTOCK/HORSE

Equine Safety & Ethics Training

April 27, 9am-11:30am – Extension Office

The Ohio 4-H Program requires all first year horse project members, regardless of age and their legal parents/guardians to attend the 4-H Equine Safety & Ethics Program before they are eligible to participate in the 4-H horse program. This includes new Cross-County members as well. Those that have attended as Cloverbuds and will be riding for the first time in 4-H activities must attend. All youth and their legal parent/guardian must complete this resource before riding in any 4-H activities involving horses to help ensure the safety of the children as they work with horses. This training is immediately following the mandatory Equine Meeting and will last approximately 2 hours. Late arrivals or early departures will not be allowed. Members must pre-register for the S&E program by April 19th by calling the Extension Office.

2019 Quality Assurance Program - See QA Packet for complete information.

Gauga County Junior Fair market animal project exhibitors ages 12-14 and 15-18 and have previously attended a QA program, may elect to take a Quality Assurance test in their primary project area. Those who pass the test will be exempt from annual quality assurance re-certification until they move into the next age bracket or are no longer a Geauga County Junior Fair feed exhibitor.

Test Out is offered the week of April 15-19 during normal business hours or April 18th at 7:00pm. Members must pre-register at least 24 hours in advance. QA Study Session will be held April 18th at 6:00pm before the test out option. Must preregister by calling the Extension Office at 440.834.4656.

Geauga QA Program: May 4th, 10am-12pm, Registration open from 9:30-9:50am. No admittance allowed after 9:55am. Geauga Fairgrounds. Out of county QA opportunities are available.

NEW DATE: Ohio State Fair Junior Horse Show: July 13 – 19th

Horse members attending State Fair ONLY – Project Judging will be held June 22 (PAS Show Day) at the Extension Office. Please talk to your club advisor for more information.

Livestock & Miscellaneous Project Judging – July 20th

EERA VOLUNTEER TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers and 4-H youth are invited to attend the multi-county trainings. Participants can fulfill their OSU Child Abuse Training and choose from various workshops or complete their new volunteer orientation requirement (No new volunteer orientation at the April 11th training). This event is free to all 4-H volunteers and members. More information coming soon!

March 20 – Medina County Career Center

April 11 – Kent State Geauga Campus

DATES TO REMEMBER

March

3 – 9 Ohio 4-H Week
9 Ohio 4-H Conference – Columbus, OH
4 Window Display entries due by 8:00am
15 **NEW Cross County Deadline**
20 **New Volunteer Orientation**
EERA Volunteer Training – Medina County
22-23 Counselor Camp
31 **New Volunteer Screening Deadline**

April

1 Early Enrollment Deadline
11 **EERA Volunteer Training – Kent State Geauga**
18 Quality Assurance Study Session & Evening Test Out Option
27 **Equine Safety & Ethics Training**
30 Camp Scholarship Applications Due

May

4 **Quality Assurance**
Camp Counselor Car Wash Fundraiser
23 Public Speaking Contest

Additional Important Dates - 2019

June 16-21 Geauga-Trumbull 4-H Camp
June 30 – July 3 STEM Camp
July 11 & 12 Cloverbud Camp
July 16 Style Revue (Clothing Project Judging)
July 20 **Project Judging**

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