

The Geauga 4-H Report



May 2021

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May

20 Public Speaking & Demonstration Contest
31 Memorial Day – Office Closed

June

1 QA Completion Deadline
13-18 Geauga-Trumbull 4-H Camp

July

1-17th Virtual Project Judging
5 Offices Closed – 4th of July Observance
15 & 16 Cloverbud Camp
20 Clothing & Textiles Judging

Save the Dates!

Geauga-Trumbull 4-H Camp

June 13-18, Camp Whitewood

Cloverbud Camp

July 15 & 16, Camp Burton

2021 Project Judging Dates

Animal Project Judging: Virtual Completion
Judging Links will be open July 1-17th.
All judging must be completed by 11:59pm on July 17th.

General/Miscellaneous Project Judging:

Saturday, July 17th
10:00 am - 2:00 pm; School Building

Clothing Project Judging: Tuesday, July 20th
Kenston Gardiner Center

A word from Alisha...

We are kicking into high gear for the 2021 4-H year. On behalf of the Extension Office, we thank everyone for their continued support and understanding as we continue to modify 4-H programming under the current COVID guidelines.

The Geauga-Trumbull 4-H camp week is returning this summer. While camp will be at a reduced capacity and look a little different, our counselors are excited to be overnight camping again. Spots are limited to campers are encouraged to register early. Cloverbud Camp is also returning on July 15th and 16th at Camp Burton. Registration information is included in this newsletter.

Project judging will also be operating different this year. All livestock and horse projects will be virtual, same format as in 2020. Online links will be open July 1 – July 17th. Horse PAS participants will complete judging at the PAS show with 4-H Horse Committee's Education Group. Clothing and Textile projects and Miscellaneous projects judging will be conducted in person for those members who are interested. A project judging guide with complete details will be released shortly.

Yours in 4-H,
Alisha Faudie
4-H Extension Educator





Yard Display Contest

CONGRATULATIONS HARE RASIERIS 4-H CLUB!

You were selected as the winner of the 2021 Yard Display Contest.

Honorable Mentions:

Giggles & Stitches

Auburn Swine

Plantmasters/GEAR

All displays are posted on the Geauga 4-H Facebook page.

Advisor Area

Volunteers Needed: Real Money Real World Program

We are looking for volunteers to help facilitate the simulation (Part II) at Cardinal Middle School. 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 14 – Cardinal Middle School

7:30am – 10:30am

65 Students

4-H Club News

Geauga Hunger Task Force

Greener Fields 4-H Club, in partnership with all of Geauga County 4-H and Dr. Augustine Kellis, will again be running a food drive for the Geauga Hunger Task Force. Our drive this year is being led by our club secretary, Jayme O'Neill. The GHTF supports five local food pantries in Geauga County, as well as provides support to NextStep, to groups that deliver home based meals, to provide lunch meals to Seniors at Chagrin Falls Park Community Center, financial support to local churches providing community meals, financial support to Claridon Cares which provides summer lunches to students, and to the Veterans pantry.



All donations and money from 4-H clubs and businesses who give through the 4-H drive will be matched up to \$20,000. In 2020, the Geauga 4-H and business donations, plus the match from Dr. Kellis, totaled close to \$39,000! If any club wants to send a financial donation, please mail it to the Geauga Hunger Task Force (check payable to them), Attn: Claudia Toth, 209 Center St., Chardon, OH 44024. Please indicate in the memo line that it's for the 4-H food drive. If it's not a club check, please also include the club name so your club's participation can be noted. It would be helpful to also send a tally sheet noting the financial donation to Christine or Jayme. New this year is the option of shopping off of our Amazon wish list for donation items! The items will be shipped to an adviser and personally delivered to a local pantry. If a club donation of food items is made, please send a tally sheet so that club participation and the match can be recorded. Please note the food drive attachments. Thank you all for your past help and participation! Our help will be needed this year more than ever. Food assistance is the number one reason for calls for help to the United Way since the pandemic.

Blankets for Veterans
Community Service Opportunity
Sew Sew Sweet 4-H Club

Make No-Sew Blankets for our Veterans that will be distributed at the Great Geauga County Fair on Friday, September 3, 2021 at the Veteran's Tent.

These blankets should start with 2 fleece fabrics measuring at least 1 1/2 yard pieces.

Please have blankets turned into the Extension Office by August 20th in a bag labeled with your 4-H clubs name on it. Please remember this is a community service project that could count towards your Honor Club application.

If you should have any questions regarding this project, please contact Lisa Briggs at briggsl@ymail.com or at 440-313-2371. Thank you for your help in honoring our Veterans.

Thank you vets and their families



for your service and sacrifice!

Community Service Grants

ServeOhio - along with partners American Electric Power Foundation and AmeriCorps - is pleased to announce the availability of grants to support community service projects organized for **ServeOhio Day on June 19, 2021**. ServeOhio Day coincides with the summer solstice - the day with the longest period of daylight in the year – providing the most ample opportunity to volunteer annually. Grant awards will range between \$500 to \$2,000.

How can the funding be used?

The grants support projects that create or improve community assets or infrastructure such as parks, schools, senior centers, community gardens or low-income homes through volunteer engagement. Funds may be used for supplies, materials and volunteer support.

Who is eligible to apply?

Non-profit and public organizations in Ohio including, but not limited to, volunteer centers, school districts, community colleges, universities, and local governments are eligible to apply.

Ready to apply?

For the application and instructions, visit the ServeOhio [website](#). The application deadline is May 18, 2021 at 11:59 PM. We look forward to receiving your application.



Member Information

Quality Assurance – Last Chance Option

Youth still needing to complete QA for the 2021 year are able to fulfil this requirement by completing the YQCA online course. All QA must be completed by June 1st. Youth must submit a copy (screenshot) of their completion certificate to the Extension Office by 4:30pm on June 1st. <https://geauga.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/quality-assurance-information>

Cloverbot (Cloverbud) Challenge: Mars Rover

With the news about camp fresh in everyone's minds, the Preadolescent Cloverbud Design Team is excited to share information about the 2021 Cloverbot Challenge. Information is posted on the Ohio 4-H website <https://ohio4h.org/families/cloverbuds/cloverbot-challenge> and via Facebook.

In honor of the Mars Rover, this year Cloverbuds will be going to space with the challenge happening on Mars. Cloverbuds will design a place to live on the Red Planet and create a model featuring their method of transportation. The Challenge will take place virtually on Monday, July 12 or Thursday, July 22 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. We will be utilizing breakout rooms in ZOOM so that teams will have the opportunity to share their projects. With help from the Ohio 4-H Foundation, teams can order a kit to get them started.

Public Speaking & Demonstration Contest

NEW GUIDELINES IN 2021. Cloverbuds and members can choose from several categories; 4-H Pledge & Creed Contest and/or a 4-H speech. Registrations due by May 14th.

Registration available at:

https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6ok1TuxPOGy78Gi

Complete contest details available at:

https://geauga.osu.edu/sites/geauga/files/imce/Program_Pages/4H/Events/Public%20Speaking%20Contest%202021.pdf

May 20th - 6:30pm @ Jr. Fair Pavilion



Tractor Supply Paper Clover Campaign

April 28th – May 9th

Tractor Supply Company is proud to support the 4-H program. From April 28 through May 9, 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.

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

All TSC funds raised in Geauga County are used to provide full camperships for Geauga Cloverbuds to attend Cloverbud Camp



Ohio Birds for 4-H Virtual Session

Saturday, May 22 ~ 10:00-11:00am

The Friends of Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge will be presenting Ohio Birds for 4-H Virtually Saturday May 22 from 10-11 a.m. This program will help those 4-H members who are completing project 621 Ohio Birds or be a beginning for any youth wanting to learn about the birds they may see in their back yard. They will cover attracting and feeding birds, ways to view birds and record sightings along spots to see new birds along the Lake Erie Birding Trail. This presentation will assist with a plan your own learning activity or the Leadership/Citizenship activity of inviting a speaker to a 4-H club.

More information may be found at

<https://www.friendsofottawanwr.org/seek-refuge-days.html> and pre-registration is required.

4-H Camping Opportunities

Geauga County's 4-H Camp Week

June 13-18 @ Camp Whitewood

Theme: Medieval Times at Camp Whitewood

Do you have any summer plans? What better way to think of warm weather than to think of 4-H Camp! This year's camp is held from June 13-18 at Camp Whitewood. Cost is \$305 and includes all meals, lodging, crafts, and much, much more. Camp is open to all youth ages 8 and in 3rd grade through 14 years old. 4-H memberships is not required to attend.

Registration closes the June 2nd. Due to COVID guidelines, we are operating at a reduced capacity so camper spots are limited. Please register early.

Unable to attend Geauga's week. Don't worry there's many other camps to choose from. Visit

<http://4hcampwhitewood.com> for all the details.



Geauga 4-H Cloverbud Camp

Join us for two full days of fun for Cloverbud Camp.

When: July 15 and 16

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 2020 campaign.

Cloverbud camp is limited to 20 campers. Registration is available at

https://geauga.osu.edu/sites/geauga/files/imce/Program_Pages/4H/Camp/Cloverbud%20Camp%202021.pdf

Scholarship Opportunities

4-H Advisory Committee Scholarship

The Geauga County 4-H Advisory Committee Scholarship may award up to two \$500 academic scholarships for the 2020 year. Deadline to apply is July 31st.

[Advisory Committee 4-H Scholarship](#)

4-H Horse Committee Scholarship

The Geauga County 4-H Horse Committee may award up to two \$500 academic scholarships. Deadline to apply is August 1st.

[Gauga 4-H Horse Committee Scholarship](#)

4-H Camp Whitewood Scholarships

https://geauga.osu.edu/sites/geauga/files/imce/Program_Pages/4H/Camp/2021%20%20CWW%20Scholarship.pdf

Jr. Fair Information

The Governor has opened up the state for fairs at this time. If COVID continues to come under control and numbers don't begin to rise, we will have a full fair in September. Our Senior Fair Board Secretary, Paul Harris, has worked very hard since our 2020 fair to make full fairs a reality, and we are grateful for all of his hard work.

We are planning on tagging and weighing sheep and goats in person this year as long as COVID numbers continue to come down. Tagging will take place on the fairgrounds at the swine scale on May 15th from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. Masks are required and social distancing should be observed. Swine tagging will be done at the farm and the information turned into Junior Fair by May 15th.

The King and Queen application is attached to the newsletter. This is open to all members of Junior Fair participating groups (4-H, Girl/Boy Scouts, Grange, GHPA, Farm Bureau). If you are interested in participating, please complete the attached application form and submit it to the Secretary's Office on the fairgrounds by June 1st.

We are looking for applicants for our Junior Fair Auxiliary. This year the program is being overseen by our Grange Adult Coordinator, Jennifer Lanstrum. This program is open to any members in good standing between the ages of 11 and 13. If you are interested, please complete the form and return it as directed.

Swine Tagging Information

Swine Coordinator: Kirk Walker 440-679-4207

Hog tag in must be completed and turned in to Kirk by Sat. May 15th at Noon.

Advisors, please contact Kirk with number of kids taking hogs and number of tags needed.

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