

# The Geauga 4-H Report



October 2021

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## IMPORTANT 4-H DATES

### October

22 Spooktacular Whitewood

### November

24 Recognition Registrations Due  
25-26 Thanksgiving Holiday – Office Closed

### December

1 Member Recognition Ceremony  
24 Happy Holidays – Office Closed  
31 **Camp Counselor Applications Due**  
Video Commercial Entries Due

## *A word from Alisha...*

Thank you to all the volunteers, members, parents, mentors, friends, and family for a wonderful 4-H year.

I hope everyone takes some "time off" from 4-H to reflect, regroup, and recharge for the upcoming year. During the next few months, we will be planning and organizing what our 2022 4-H year will look like. We are working on new volunteer events, more options for youth participation outside their club, and ways to increase the 4-H recruitment for both members and volunteers. This newsletter contains a brief survey that we are asking our volunteers, members, and parents to complete regarding opportunities and programs for next year. The results of this survey will help the Extension Office and the 4-H Advisory Committee in planning for 2022.

## Awards & Recognition Update

Due to COVID restrictions and space limitations, the decision was made to host two separate recognition events this year. A member recognition ceremony will be held on December 1<sup>st</sup>. Full details are included in this newsletter.

Volunteer Recognition & Appreciation Ceremony will be added to the annual conference in January (Saturday). Details are still being worked out, but the event will include 2022 packet pick up, volunteer training opportunities, an appreciation lunch for all volunteers, and the annual volunteer recognition program.

Yours in 4-H,

*Alisha Faudie*

4-H Extension Educator



# Volunteer Information



## 4-H Advisory Committee Open Recruitment

The Geauga County 4-H Advisory Committee is comprised of a representative group of Ohio State University Extension Screened Geauga County 4-H Volunteers. The committee offers insight, review, and input for the operation and management of the Geauga County 4-H Program and helps guide the 4-H program direction in concert with state and national 4-H policy. The committee meets face-to-face on a monthly basis from October to April and may utilize email to conduct committee business. Open recruitment for committee membership takes place every fall. Interested individuals are invited to apply. Applications are due by **October 31st**

Selected individuals will be notified in writing. Click on the link below to access the application or contact the Extension Office for more information.

[https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_5iny3iN1QM15YvY](https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5iny3iN1QM15YvY)

## 2022 Potential 4-H Volunteers

Anyone interested in becoming a 4-H volunteer for the 2022 year must complete the entire screening process (application, references, BCI, and interview) by **March 31, 2022**. Volunteer applications can be submitted at [New 4-H Volunteer Application](https://www.geauga.osu.edu) or printed at [www.geauga.osu.edu](http://www.geauga.osu.edu).

Volunteer interviews will be conducted on Monday, December 20<sup>th</sup> and Monday, February 21<sup>st</sup>.



# Member Information



## Virtual 4-H Promotion Challenge

Virtual 4-H Club promotion. We are looking for a short video submission (30 second commercial, 1 minute max) giving a brief overview of your club: what projects, how often you meet and where, any community service/education events, and anything else that makes your club unique or a general "Join 4-H" video. Videos can include members, volunteers, project samples, etc. and will be posted on the 4-H Facebook site, OSUE website, and linked to a digital flyer to be distributed throughout the county. Limit one video submission per member. Email videos to Alisha at [Faudie.2@osu.edu](mailto:Faudie.2@osu.edu). Deadline to submit videos is December 31<sup>st</sup>.

### **Camp Counselor Applications**

Camp Counselor Applications will be due December 31<sup>st</sup>. Applications are available in “click and print”, online, and can be mailed upon request. Youth (4-H or not), age 15 or older by June 1, 2022, are eligible to apply. The 2022 Geauga- Trumbull Camp is scheduled for June 12-17, 2022 at Camp Whitewood.

Online Camp Counselor Application: [https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_bfNIZGiryIDdcqO](https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bfNIZGiryIDdcqO)

### **2021 Member Recognition Ceremony**

**Wednesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>**

Claridon Woodlands. Doors open at 6:30pm. Awards at 7:00pm.

4-H award winners and a guest are invited to attend this year’s Geauga 4-H Recognition Ceremony. Light refreshments will be available.

Due to ongoing Covid regulations, we ask that only one guest accompany each award winner. Seating is limited and reservations will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Please contact the Extension Office prior to registering if you have any questions.



*All award winners will be notified via email by October 19<sup>th</sup>. Registration information is included in the email.*



### **Ohio State Fair – Market Beef**

Youth planning on exhibiting market beef at the 2022 Ohio State Fair should contact the Extension Office to request their beef DNA/EID tags.

The Ohio State Fair requires all market beef entered in the 2022 Ohio State Fair to have individual DNA samples taken from each animal that may potentially be entered. These DNA samples must be in the possession of the Ohio State Fair by January 15.

Also note that youth showing at any of the BEST sanctioned shows must have EID tags in their calves prior to the first show in which they exhibit. BEST shows prior to the January 15 deadline to submit samples to OSF include: AGR Holiday Classic (December 10-12, Columbus) and Scarlet & Gray Midwest Showdown (January 7-9, Columbus).

## **4-H Club News**

### **2022 4-H Program Survey**

Please take a moment to complete this brief survey regarding the county program and the opportunities provided. The survey is open to all Geauga 4-H Volunteers, members, and parents of members. The survey will close November 30<sup>th</sup>.

[https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_5gQ6q7717mDVECq](https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_5gQ6q7717mDVECq)

## Geauga Hunger Task Force

We had wonderful participation by Geauga County 4-H Clubs this year for the Greener Fields Geauga Hunger Task Force food drive. We did reach the match amount of \$20,000! A tremendous thank you to Dr. Augustine Kellis! You all truly did help the food insecure in our county and made a difference. We are very thankful for the very generous food and financial donations from the following clubs:

Auburn Swine  
Breeders and Feeders  
Buckeye Bunnies  
Bunny Bunch  
Gaugua Beef and Swine  
Gaugua Caprine Kids  
Gaugua Dairywomen  
Gaugua Jr. Genealogists & Memory Keepers

Gaugua Livestock  
Gaugua Prime Time  
Granny's Kids  
Greener Fields  
Hare Raisers  
Junior Leaders  
Sew Sew Sweet  
Swingin' Hams



4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL  
**SPOOKTACULAR  
WHITEWOOD**  
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2021  
6:00pm – 8:00pm  
FREE TO ALL AGES!

Activities Include:  
Costume Contest\*    Tours of Camp  
Trick-or-Treating    Arts & Crafts  
Lantern Hikes (6:30pm & 7:30pm)

Food available for purchase.  
\*Must be present to enter costume contest. Top prize is \$150 camp credit towards a 2022 Camp Session.

Join us at Camp Whitewood, 7883 S. Wiswell Rd, Windsor, OH 44099

  

## **Spooktacular Whitewood**

**Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**6:00pm-8:00pm**

**4-H Camp Whitewood is hosting a family Halloween outing. Costume contests (top prize is \$150 camp credit for any week at Camp Whitewood), arts & crafts, crafts, lantern walk, trick-or-treating, s'mores, and much more. Food will be available.**

**This event is free and open to everyone!**

We gratefully acknowledge the continued help and financial support of our Geauga County Commissioners Jim Dvorak, Tim Lennon, and Ralph Spidalieri.