REMEMBER OHIO 4-H PLANNING GUIDE UPDATED

As we move into fall 4-H club meetings and activities, the Ohio 4-H Planning Guide for In-Person Meetings & Events has been updated (effective September 1) to reflect current guidance from Ohio State University and health officials. Please remember:

- Hosting virtual meetings and events is preferred.
- If activities are critical/essential and are in-person, they must be education-focused.
- Groups cannot be larger than 50 people, including adults, youth, presenters, etc.
  - This directive is dependent on local health department guidelines.
  - The group size may need to be reduced to 10 (or another amount), based on the directives of your local health department.
- Face masks are required.
  - This includes inside AND outside at all times.
  - Program participants (ages five and older) and parent/guardians must wear a mask.
  - The exception is shooting sports where safety is a concern when on the line. (Refer to the section in the Planning Guide on additional shooting sports guidance.)
  - Medical conditions or disability exceptions are also permitted.
- Potlucks and buffets are not permitted.

Find details and updated guidelines at Ohio 4-H Planning Guide for In-Person Meetings & Events effective September 1, 2020.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank the Miami County Agricultural Society, staff, Jr. Fair Board, and volunteers for a wonderful 2020 fair! Please don’t forget to send a thank you note to sponsors, donors, and those who helped you achieve your goals along the way.

VIRTUAL FARM SCIENCE REVIEW

If the possibility of seeing a robot milking cows, watching baby chicks hatch, or exploring farming in Hawaii intrigues you, watch and listen to Farm Science Review’s virtual 4-H talks Sept. 22–24. Experiments online will allow you to discover the science behind making ice cream or the qualities of healthy soil. You can create tools to test water quality and explore career options in farming. Check out this flyer for the Ohio 4-H STEM in Ag tent schedule and registration information. For a full schedule of all Farm Science Review talks and demonstrations, visit https://fsr.osu.edu.

2020 MADLINGER SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

The Madlinger Scholarship is available to any Miami County 4-H member who is a graduating high school senior. The member may be currently in the 4-H program or have finished the program due to age limitations. The member must complete an application packet and be in good standing according to 4-H program guidelines. The recipient of the 2020 Madlinger Scholarship is Mary Ludwick. Congratulations, Mary!
MARS BASE CAMP 4-H STEM CHALLENGE

We’re launching a trip to Mars Base Camp and want to help you get there! The 2020 4-H STEM Challenge explores sending a mission to Mars and what it takes to sustain life in space. The Mars Base Camp kit includes activities that use STEM skills like mechanical engineering, physics, computer science, and agriculture.

We want Ohio 4-H families to join in and thanks to the Ohio 4-H Foundation and Google, you can receive an $8 discount on the Mars Base Camp family kit. The family kit is available at shop4-h.org for $15.95, plus shipping, but with the Ohio 4-H discount and the $5 discount available on their website, your final cost is just $7.80 + tax. For further details, click here.

MIAMİ COUNTY 4-H PROJECT SHOWCASE

Inspired by the Ohio 4-H Project Showcase, we would like to have a Miami County 4-H Project Showcase. All 4-Hers (which includes Cloverbuds) are welcome to participate! You will be asked to share what you liked about the project and one new thing you learned. Only first names will be used for the virtual displays.

Here’s what you do:
- Select your favorite project – one per person.
- Complete the survey, which includes a photo upload option, by October 2 at https://go.osu.edu/MCshowcase.
- The Miami County 4-H Project Showcase will be displayed after October 16 at https://miami.osu.edu.

Questions? Please contact Demetria at woods.372@osu.edu.

OHIØ CATTLEMEN’S FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Several scholarships are available through the Ohio Cattlemen’s Foundation for youth involved in the beef industry. Applications are due October 31. Click here for more information.

OHIO NATIONAL POULTRY SHOW

This year’s Ohio National Poultry Show, the largest poultry show in the nation, has gone virtual! This gives open and junior exhibitors a new way to compete and still be a part of the Ohio National. Information, including the catalog, can be found on their website at www.ohionational.org and on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/TheOhioNational.

The entry deadline is Saturday, October 17, with Class Champions announced Saturday, November 14 and the Show Champion announced Sunday, November 15. Show awards will be mailed the week after announcing the champions. There is no cost to enter.

For Open Show questions contact Tim Johnson at tejpoultry@gmail.com or Newt Long at wnewtlong@gmail.com. For Junior Show questions contact Tim & Mary Neviska at blackstumpfarm@aol.com or Clell Agler at cagler@columbus.rr.com.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Did you miss show results or 4-H member milestones? Please check the links below for a list of winners and award recipients.

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Take care, stay safe, and just breathe.