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## 4-H EVALUATION DAYS

Summer is going fast ...more 4-H activities and project evaluation days will be here soon. This letter contains some very important information about Evaluation Days. Please take time to read it thoroughly. Then if you have any questions don't hesitate to call our Extension Office.

Hope to see many of you at Evaluation Days and other upcoming 4-H events.

### EVALUATION DATES

#### Coshocton County Career Center (JVS)

July 14 & 21 - Home Economics and  
Special Interest

#### County Services Building

July 22 - Dairy Skillathon  
July 23 - Llama  
July 24 - Cat, Dog and Small Animals

#### Fairgrounds

July 28 - Goat Skillathon (Educ. Bldg.)  
August 2 - Rabbit Skillathon (Educ. Bldg.)  
August 14 - Beef and Sheep Skillathon  
(Educ. & Commercial Bldgs.)  
August 18 - Swine Skillathon (Educ. Bldg.)

#### Grace UMC

August 12 - Poultry Skillathon (Grace UMC)  
August 13 - Horse Skillathon (Grace UMC)  
See enclosed schedule.

## SIGN UP FOR EVALUATION DAYS

Now is the time to stop by the Extension Office to sign up for an interview time for Evaluation Days. No sign-ups by phone.

iiiNEW - A CLUB ADVISOR NEEDS TO SIGN THE FRONT OF EACH PROJECT BOOK THAT SHE/HE HAS SEEN THE COMPLETED/UP TO DATE PROJECT BOOK BEFORE THE MEMBER GOES TO EVALUATION/SKILLATHON.iii

## AGAIN IN 2008

Again in 2008, any **POST-JUDGED** evaluations will receive a **4-H participation ribbon** instead of a grade ribbon.

**All** projects (livestock and non-livestock projects) must be evaluated to be placed on the Junior Fair entry form due August 25<sup>th</sup>. **If projects have not been evaluated, DO NOT list them on the fair entry form.**

### PRE-JUDGING OR POST-JUDGING PROJECTS

If you know that you cannot attend on July 14 or July 21 due to family vacation or conflict with another activity, you can have your project judged prior to or after evaluation days.

Pre-judging or post-judging should be done by an advisor **of another 4-H club**, one of our county key leaders, or a knowledgeable person in the community.

The club advisor should contact this other person about interviewing the 4-H'er. Evaluation sheets (2/project) are available from the Extension Office. After the early evaluation, one sheet needs to be returned to the Extension Office for the club packet and one sheet given to the 4-H member. Those judged prior to or after evaluation days will not be eligible for state fair selection or county awards.

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**CLUB ADVISOR GRADES FOR ALL PROJECTS**

This system will allow advisors to have input into the project evaluation grade for all special interest, family life, and livestock projects depending upon the member's project work and involvement in club activities throughout the year, in addition to the judge's rating at Evaluation Days.

At Evaluation Days and skillathons the members receive a copy of their evaluation sheet from the judge with comments. Then later the judge's score will be added with the advisor's two scores and the overall project grade (Superior, Excellent, Very Good, Good, or Fair) marked on the evaluation sheet and put in a club packet with ribbons for the advisor to pick up from the Extension Office before the fair.

**PRE - AND POST EVALUATIONS FOR BEEF, SHEEP, & SWINE**

The following volunteers are recommended for youth who need pre-or post-evaluations in beef, sheep, and swine projects. Pre-and post-evaluations require youth to complete skillathon stations, have the project record book up-to-date, and an interview.

**Beef:** - Ron Seitz 622-3703  
- Sheila & Scott Graves 622-5018  
- Amy Porteus 622-0119 or 502-3343

**Sheep:** - Elaine Ashcraft 622-1573  
- Bambi Fitch 623-0540  
- Mary Thomas 294-9855

**Swine:** - Dave Hamric 622-6806  
- Rod Lindsey 622-7854  
- Kathy Howell 545-9067  
- Melody Lowe 623-8989  
- Shirley Fry 824-9987

Advisors or parents with a special needs child should contact Sarah Jane Lindsey for an evaluator who is experienced working with special needs youth.

**DEADLINE FOR POST-EVALUATIONS**

All post-evaluation for 4-H projects need to be complete by Friday, August 22nd since fair entries are due by Monday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. Projects are not to be listed on the fair entry form unless the advisor is sure the project has been evaluated.

**9:00 PM DEADLINE FOR NON-LIVESTOCK PROJECTS**

The deadline for having all non-livestock on display at the fair is **9 p.m. on THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25**. This time applies to all projects in the Youth Building. The gates will be put in front of the 4-H booths on Thursday night.

**2008 COSHOCTON 4-H TRIP DELEGATES****Citizenship Washington Focus**

Blaine Cox Jenna Horn  
Joel Hamric Lyndsey Youngen

**Leadership Camp**

Ethan Helmick  
Jordain Latham  
Amanda Yoder

**State Forestry Camp**

Brandon Stewart

**KING & QUEEN NOMINATIONS**

The Coshocton County Agricultural Society has decided that again this year senior girls and boys can nominate themselves to run for the 2008 County Fair King and Queen. Nominees must be a high school senior during the school year (2008-2009) in which the fair occurs. They must also be a member of 4-H, FFA, Junior Grange, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts or Farm Bureau Youth.

Application forms will be available at the Senior Fair Board office beginning August 1<sup>st</sup> through August 13<sup>th</sup> and are to be taken to the interview which will be held on Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at the Senior Fair Board office.

**BE AN IFYE IN 2009**

Apply now to be an IFYE (International 4-H Youth Exchange) delegate next year to a foreign country. This is an outstanding 3-5 month experience.

Applicants must be 19-25 years old and have at least a high school education. Ohio's IFYE's are expected to write newsletters while they are gone and give presentations for Ohio. Program fees are paid by the IFYE Support Fund.

Applications are available from our office and due in Columbus by October 31st.

**DAIRY SKILLATHON & INTERVIEW EVALUATIONS**

The 4-H skillathon and interviews for dairy cattle members will be held on Tuesday, July 22nd at the Dairy Skillathon. Dairy members need to sign up for a time at the Extension office. All dairy cattle members will need to complete the interview and skillathon to be eligible to exhibit their animal(s) in the Junior Fair.

If a Junior Fair Dairy exhibitor has a conflict with this Dairy Skillathon, then the member needs to be pre-evaluated.

**CANAL FESTIVAL PARADE**

The Coshocton Canal Festival Parade Committee would like to extend an invitation to all 4-H Clubs to participate in the 2008 Canal Festival Parade. The Parade will be held on Saturday, August 16, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. We encourage the clubs to take part in the float division or mounted horse division. Entry forms and parade guidelines and regulations are available at the Chamber of Commerce office (622-5411). The deadline for entries is August 1, 2008.

**2008 COUNTY FAIR BOOKS**

All Jr. Fair rules, shows, awards, premiums, etc. are listed in this fair book. Advisors will need a 2008 Fair Book to make fair entries. Copies will be available from our Extension office or the Senior Fair Board office.

**CLUB PRESIDENTS - RATE YOUR CLUB MEETINGS**

How's it going? Most of you have now had several months experience as president of your club. Use the 10 point checklist below to see how your meetings are going. Answer Yes or No to each question, and then with your other officers and advisors, set one goal to work on to improve club meetings.

- \_\_\_1. Do officers and advisor make an agenda before the meeting?
- \_\_\_2. Does the meeting start and end on time?
- \_\_\_3. Do officers and members use correct parliamentary procedure?
- \_\_\_4. Do all or most of the members take part in the meeting?
- \_\_\_5. Do officers avoid doing all the talking?
- \_\_\_6. Do advisors avoid doing all the talking?
- \_\_\_7. Is there a special program in addition to the business meeting and recreation?
- \_\_\_8. Is the business part of the meeting short and does it move along quickly from one item of business to the next?
- \_\_\_9. Are there fun, learning and fellowship at the meeting?
- \_\_\_10. Are relevant dates and information from the County 4-H newsletter shared with members at each meeting?

## FAMILY LIVING

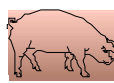
### FAIR BOOTH ASSIGNMENTS

If a club has five or fewer projects to display, the club has the option of creating its own booth or displaying with another club. On the enclosed form, please indicate the number of projects to be displayed (judged projects only) and the desired footage and send/fax form to the Extension Office. Or, call in your information.

## LIVESTOCK NEWS



### 2008 OHIO STATE FAIR SKILLATHON INFORMATION



Live animals or three-dimensional models may be a part of the 2008 Ohio State Fair.

Go to the Animal Science Website at <http://4hansci.osu.edu> for schedules of specific skillathons dates, a listing of general topics for skillathons (posted 3-4 weeks before the skillathons), and other state fair activities. Questions on state fair skillathons should be directed to Dr. Paul Kuber (614-247-8305 or [kuber.2@osu.edu](mailto:kuber.2@osu.edu)) or Masa Doig (614-292-7453 or [doig.8@osu.edu](mailto:doig.8@osu.edu)).

- **Tie breakers may be on information not listed in the handbooks such as current issues in the livestock industry.**

- **All state fair skillathons are open any Ohio 4-H or FFA member.** Youth do not need to exhibit at the Ohio State Fair to participate and receive awards.

- **Age divisions are again being used for some stations.** The beef, sheep, swine, poultry, and horse skillathons will have some stations divided into age groups.

- **Record books are included in the beef, sheep, swine, poultry, and dairy skillathons.** Youth must bring a current record book to be eligible for points. Copies of the record book or county record book will NOT be accepted. See state fair guidelines for acceptable record books.

- **The resource list in the handbook was revised.**

### STATE FAIR LIVESTOCK EXHIBITOR RECORD BOOKS

Coshocton County 4-H members who are exhibiting livestock at the Ohio State Fair may use the same livestock record book for the Coshocton County livestock interview, however each member needs to staple the records for his/her Coshocton County Junior Fair animal(s) on the following pages: project pictures, treatments record, project animal inventory, and feed expense record.

### LIVESTOCK SKILLATHONS

Livestock project members are encouraged to use the new skillathon CD's when the Skillathon Kits or livestock notebooks are not available.

A packet was given out at Quality Assurance sessions or mailed to livestock families listing knowledge to be learned for the skillathon.

Advisors, key leaders, and other adults in our community pre-or-post evaluating beef, sheep, or swine members need to use the skillathon kits as a reference during the evaluation.

### 4-H ADVISORS

#### PLEASE REVIEW LIVESTOCK BOOKS

4-H advisors are being asked to review livestock record books BEFORE members attend their skillathons or pre/post judging evaluations. Books should be "current and up-to-date" in all areas. Quality Assurance pages need to be completed regardless of the age of the member.

Advisors are being encouraged to help younger members understand Quality Assurance questions and answers. Feed expense records and medical treatment records are to be up-to-date. The club advisor needs to sign the front of each project record book verifying that he/she has seen the completed/up-to-date project book before the member goes to evaluation or skillathon.

### DOG ENTRIES FOR STATE FAIR

4-H dog members who wish to exhibit at the Ohio State Fair need to complete the Ohio State Fair entry form mailed to them. Entries need postmarked by July 11<sup>th</sup>. The Dog Show at the Ohio State Fair will be Aug. 1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup>.

### 4-H PET PALS

Classes for 4-H Pet Pals will be held July 12<sup>th</sup> and July 26<sup>th</sup>, both 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Grace United Methodist Church, 422 Walnut Street, Coshocton.

Pets do not come to these classes. Bring you Pet Pals book that can be purchased at the Extension office. Snacks will be provided.

For additional information and to register please call Bobbie Warren at 740-623-8234 (leave a message if there is no answer).



### OPEN HORSE SHOW

Consider coming to the horse show on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> beginning at 12:30 p.m. in Hunter Arena on the Coshocton County Fairgrounds. Several adult, 4-H, youth, and fun classes are included in the show bill. Money raised will be used to pay judges, special awards, and other local 4-H horse activities conducted in 2008 - 2009.

### \*\*\* HORSE SKILLATHON PRACTICE\*\*\*

D Woodward-Wells will be conducting a Horse Skillathon Practice August 6<sup>th</sup> at Grace United Methodist Church, 4<sup>th</sup> & Walnut Street, Coshocton. The practice begins at 6 p.m. Please remember, the Horse Skillathon rewards members for learning more than what is required by giving bonus tokens to be redeemed at the Bonus Store on Skillathon night.



### MARKET CHICKENS & DUCKS

Remember all market ducks must be ordered through the Extension office this year. Each market duck exhibitor had to order at least five ducks.

Members who ordered market chickens or market ducks from the Extension office will be notified of pick-up day. Please pick them up that day as soon as possible. They will be stressed and may need some special care.

### 4-H & FFA GOAT CLINIC & PREVIEW SHOW

Who: 4-H or FFA Members with Dairy, Angora, or Pygmy Goats

What: Preview Goat Show

When: Saturday, August 23rd, 1:00 p.m.

Where: Junior Fair Arena

How: No pre-registration required. Bring your goat(s) to get showing experience before the fair. The fair judge will be giving a clinic and suggestions at the Preview Goat Show.

### PREVIEW SHEEP & BEEF SHOWS AUGUST 23, 2008

For the 23rd year, there will be a PREVIEW SHEEP SHOW beginning at 9:00 a.m. August 23rd in the Jr. Fair Arena.

9 a.m. - Demonstration on Fitting and Showing

10 a.m. - Sheep Fitting & Showmanship Classes

The PREVIEW BEEF SHOW will be held August 23rd beginning at 11 a.m. in Hunter Arena.

11 a.m. - Hoof Trimming

12:30 - Demonstration of Fitting & Showing

1:30 - Beef Fitting and Showmanship Classes

This will be a great opportunity to get some fitting and showing experience before county fair.

### DRUG USE NOTIFICATION FORM

The Ohio Dept. of Agriculture is requiring each exhibitor of a market animal to turn into the Senior Fair Board a Drug Use Notification Form.

Club advisors need to pick up from the Senior Fair Board office (707 Kenilworth Ave.) after August 15<sup>th</sup>, a Drug Use Notification Form for each market animal to be exhibited at the fair. This includes rabbit fryers, market chickens, wether

goats, turkeys, market ducks, market lambs, feeder calves, market steers, market hogs, lactating dairy cows, and lactating doe goats.

This form needs to be turned in on each animal at weigh-in complete with signatures from the exhibitor and parent/guardian. A form is needed if the animal is to show (regardless if the animal is selling or not selling). Since market hogs weigh at the time of unloading, each market hog will need to have the form with it at unloading. (Make sure haulers have this form for each hog.)

### UNITED PRODUCERS LIVESTOCK OWNER'S CERTIFICATE

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) banned the feeding of ruminant-derived feeds to ruminants (cattle, sheep, and goats). Due to this ban, United Producers, Inc. (formerly Producers Livestock Association) is asking that exhibitors at the Coshocton County Fair show their compliance through completing the Livestock Owner's Certificate. The exhibitor and the parent of each market steer, feeder calf, market lamb, and wether goat must sign this document and turn it in at weigh-in at the fair. One certificate must be completed for each market steer, feeder calf, market lamb, or wether goat. (This form is not required for market hogs, turkeys, ducks, market fryers, dairy cattle, llamas, or market chickens.) These United Producers Livestock Owners Certificates will be available at the Senior Fair Board office for you to pick up with the Drug Notification Forms after August 15<sup>th</sup>. The forms at the Senior Fair Board office have a space for parent signature.

### BEEF, SHEEP & SWINE OLDER MEMBERS- AVERAGE DAILY GAINS

Older beef, sheep and swine members who will be figuring feed efficiency (conversion) and average daily gain scenarios as part of their skillathon will need to know these formulas:

Feed Efficiency: pounds of feed required by animal to gain one pound of body weight.

pounds of feed consumed  
finish weight - start weight

Average Daily Gain: average pounds gained daily  
present weight - previous weight  
number days between weights

### BEEF, SHEEP, & SWINE PROJECT BOOK & SKILLATHON PRACTICE

Who - Members, Parent, 4-H Leaders with Beef, Sheep, or Swine Projects

What - Project Book and Skillathon Clinic

When - Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 6-9 p.m.

Where - Senior Center, Brown's Lane, Coshocton

Here's your opportunity to get some extra help with your beef, sheep, or swine project books! Also this is a time to study the skillathons and get answers to your questions!

Members and advisors of the 4-H Beef, Sheep, & Swine Teen Board will be there to help explain and give useful tips.

**DATES TO REMEMBER****JULY**

- 6-10 4-H Jr. Camp, Camp Ohio  
 14 4-H Evaluation Days, Career Center  
 21 4-H Evaluation Day, Career Center  
 21 4-H Style Review, 6:30 p.m., Career Center  
 22-26 State 4-H Leadership Camp, 4-H Camp Ohio  
 22 Dairy Skillathon, County Services Building,  
 7:00-8:30 p.m.  
 23 Llamas Interviews 6-9 p.m., CSB  
 24 Cat, Dog & Small Animals, Evaluations 6-9 p.m.,  
 County Services Building  
 28 Goat Skillathon & Int. Evaluations, Fairgrounds,  
 6-9 p.m.  
 29 Beef, Sheep & Swine Project Book & Skillathon  
 Practice  
 July 30 - Aug. 10 - Ohio State Fair

**AUGUST**

- 1 Fair King & Queen Nomination Forms available at  
 Senior Fair Board Office  
 2 Rabbit Skillathon, 10:00a.m - 2:30 p.m., Educational  
 Building, Fairgrounds  
 5 Coshocton County's Clothing Day, at Ohio State Fair  
 5 Coshocton County's Demonstration Day at Ohio  
 State Fair  
 6 Horse Skillathon Practice, 6 p.m., **Grace UMC**  
 12 Poultry Skillathon & Interview Evaluation, **Grace UMC**,  
 6-9 p.m.  
 13 Horse Skillathon & Interview Evaluations, **Grace**  
**UMC**, 6-9 p.m.  
 13 King & Queen Interviews at Senior Fair Board Office  
 14 Beef and Sheep Skillathon & Interview Evaluations,  
 Fairgrounds, 5:30-9:00 p.m.  
 18 Swine Skillathon & Interview Evaluations,  
 Fairgrounds, 5:30-9:00 p.m.  
 23 Goat Clinic & Preview Show (Dairy, Angora, Meat &  
 Pygmy), 1:00 p.m.  
 23 Preview Beef & Sheep Shows, Fairgrounds  
 25 Jr Fair Board Mtg, 7 p.m., Jr. Fair Arena  
 25 Jr. Fair Entries Due in Extension Office  
 27 Jr. Fair Auction Committee Mtg., 7:00 p.m., Ext. Office

**EVALUATION DAY RIBBONS**

**All ribbons will be put in club packets  
 and picked up by advisors prior to the  
 county fair.**

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# 4-H Pet Pals

Classes will be on the following dates:

July 12, 2008 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

July 26, 2008 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Grace United Methodist Church  
422 Walnut Street Coshocton, Ohio

“Snacks will be provided.”

**Pets do not come to these classes.  
Bring your pet pals book, these can be  
purchased at the Extension office.**

For additional information and to register please call  
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