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4-H SWIM NIGHT - JULY 25

Calling all 4-H members and 4-H volunteers to “4-H Swim Night” at Lake Park Aquatic Center, 7:00-9:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 25.

4-H members and leaders may bring family and friends. Each person pays \$1.00 at the gate. There must be a 4-H member or leader in your group to enter the gate. This swim is sponsored by the 4-H Advisory Committee. Consider this a fun club meeting or family outing!

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 13 & 20 - Home Economics and
Special Interest

County Services Building

July 21 - Dairy Skillathon
July 22 - Llama
July 23 - Cat, Dog and Small Animals

Fairgrounds

July 27 - Goat Skillathon (Educ. Bldg.)
August 1 - Rabbit Skillathon (Educ. Bldg.)
August 13 - Beef and Sheep Skillathon
(Educ. & Commercial Bldgs.)
August 18 - Swine Skillathon (Educ. Bldg.)

Hunter Arena

August 12 - Horse Skillathon

Senior Center - Brown's Lane

August 17 - Poultry Skillathon

See Enclosed Schedule

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

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.**

AGAIN IN 2009

Again in 2009, 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 24th. **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 13 or July 20 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, the copy needs to be returned to the Extension Office for the club packet and the original 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 623-3703
 - Sheila & Scott Graves 622-5018
 - Amy Porteus 622-0119
- 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 Thursday, August 20th since fair entries are due by Monday, August 24th. 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, OCTOBER 1**. 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.

2009 COSHOCTON 4-H TRIP DELEGATES**Citizenship Washington Focus**

Drew Courtright
 Cristy Gilmore

Brianna Moran
 Michael Ondayko

Leadership Camp

Michaela Elson
 Justine Moran
 Anisha Seitz

State Forestry Camp

Evan Ehman
 Joel Hamric

**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 2009 County Fair King and Queen. Nominees must be a high school senior during the school year (2009-2010) 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 3rd through August 12th or on-line at www.coshoctoncountyfair.org. Applications are to be taken to the interview which will be held on Wednesday, August 12th at the Senior Fair Board office.

BE AN IFYE IN 2010

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 21st 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 2009 Canal Festival Parade. The Parade will be held on Saturday, August 22, 2009 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, 2009.

2009 COUNTY FAIR BOOKS

All Jr. Fair rules, shows, awards, premiums, etc. are listed in this fair book. Advisors will need a 2009 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

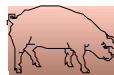
FAIR BOOTH ASSIGNMENTS

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



2009 OHIO STATE FAIR SKILLATHON INFORMATION



Live animals or three-dimensional models may be a part of the 2009 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).

- **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.** Although this list contains the majority of the information

and concepts used for the skillathons, we are no longer limited to these sources for materials for the skillathons.

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 11th. The Dog Show at the Ohio State Fair will be Aug. 1st - 6th.

OPEN HORSE SHOW



Consider coming to the horse show on Sunday, September 6th 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 2009 - 2010.

***** HORSE SKILLATHON PRACTICE *****

Linda Ondayko will be conducting a Horse Skillathon Practice August 6th at Hunter Arena. 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 1st, 12:00 noon

Where: Junior Fair Arena

How: No pre-registration required. Bring your goat(s) to get showing experience before the fair.

PREVIEW BEEF SHOW**AUGUST 22, 2009**

For the 24th year, there will be a PREVIEW BEEF SHOW beginning at 11:00 a.m. August 22nd 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 15th, 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 15th. 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.

$\frac{\text{pounds of feed consumed}}{\text{finish weight} - \text{start weight}}$

Average Daily Gain: average pounds gained daily

$\frac{\text{present weight} - \text{previous weight}}{\text{number days between weights}}$

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 - Monday, July 27th, 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.

4-H DAIRY CAMP

Have you heard the news? Well all the cows at the OSU Dairy are talking about it.

It's Ohio's 2009 4-H Dairy Camp held July 17th, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the OSU Dairy and Animal Science Building. It's planned for 10-14 year olds and anyone who is in their first year of a 4-H dairy project.

Youth will rotate between sessions on: Clipping and Fitting, Showmanship and Packing the Show Box, Cow Recipes (learn to identify and smell feedstuffs), Dairy Product Tasting, and How to Talk "Cow" with the public at fairs. Of course, lunch will include pizza with real cheese. An added treat will be making ice cream while learning about cool, scientific stuff like liquid nitrogen.

Register by July 10. Registration fee is \$25. Registration forms available at the OSU Extension office or contact Bonnie Ayars at 614-688-3143 or ayars.5@osu.edu.

DATES TO REMEMBER

JULY

- 13 4-H Evaluation Days, Career Center
- 13-17 State 4-H Leadership Camp, 4-H Camp Ohio
- 17 4-H Dairy Camp, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., OSU Dairy & Animal Science Buildings
- 20 4-H Evaluation Day, Career Center
- 20 4-H Style Review, 6:30 p.m., Career Center
- 21 Dairy Skillathon, County Services Building, 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- 22 Llamas Interviews 6-9 p.m., CSB
- 23 Cat, Dog & Small Animals, Evaluations 6-9 p.m., County Services Building
- 25 4-H Swim Party, Lake Park Aquatic Center, 7-9 p.m.
- 27 Goat Skillathon & Int. Evaluations, Fairgrounds, 6-9 p.m.
- 27 Beef, Sheep & Swine Project Book & Skillathon Practice, 6-9 p.m., Senior Center
- July 29 - Aug. 9 - Ohio State Fair

AUGUST

- 1 Rabbit Skillathon, 10:00a.m - 2:30 p.m., Educational Building, Fairgrounds
- 1 Goat Clinic & Preview Show (Dairy, Angora, Meat & Pygmy), 12 noon, Jr. Fair Arena
- 3 Fair King & Queen Nomination Forms available at Senior Fair Board Office
- 4 Coshocton County's Clothing Day, at Ohio State Fair
- 4 Coshocton County's Demonstration Day at Ohio State Fair
- 6 Horse Skillathon Practice, 6 p.m., **Hunter Arena**
- 12 King & Queen Interviews at Senior Fair Board Office
- 13 Horse Skillathon & Interview Evaluations, **Hunter Arena**, 6-9 p.m.
- 13 Beef and Sheep Skillathon & Interview Evaluations, Fairgrounds, 5:30-9:00 p.m.
- 17 Poultry Skillathon & Interview Evaluation, **Sr. Center**, 6-9 p.m.
- 18 Swine Skillathon & Interview Evaluations, Fairgrounds, 5:30-9:00 p.m.
- 22 Preview Beef Show, Fairgrounds, Hunter Arena
- 24 Jr Fair Board Mtg, 7 p.m., Jr. Fair Arena
- 24 Jr. Fair Entries Due in Extension Office
- 26 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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