4-H Clover Chronicle

Belmont County Newsletter

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2023 Blanket Bash Success!

The Belmont County 4-H Teen Ambassadors held a successful Blanket Bash on Wednesday, November 22, 2023. Over 70 community members gathered at the Belmont County Fairgrounds to tie fleece blankets for children in need in Belmont County. Over 100 blankets were made and donated to the Harmony House of Belmont County. This great service event was made possible through many sponsors and two grants - the Joann's Mini Grant and the Nancy Vannest Community Service Grant. Gathering the day before Thanksgiving, Sarah Galavich - Belmont County 4-H Program Assistant - hoped to inspire the community to give not just thanks, but service to their community at the start of this holiday season. The Belmont County 4-H Program wants to thank each person who came out to volunteer their time with us in the midst of the busy holiday season. This event was a great

success and we are excited to offer it in years to come. If you're interested in donating to this event, or supporting the Belmont County 4-H Program this holiday season, please contact our office at 740-695-1455 to find out more about how you can get involved and offer your support. This program wouldn't be as great as it is without the help of this generous community and its support!

Yours in 4-H, Megan Watson





Celebrating Our Volunteers

2022-2023 4-H Adult Volunteers -- Years of Service

1 Year of Service (Bronze 1 Year Clover)	2 Years of Service	3 Years of Service	4 Years of Service	5 Years of Service (Silver Clover)
Halee Corbett Aaron Hammond	Faith Brandon Julie Larish	Kortney Temple	Emma Castello William Brocklehurst	Andrea Lude Cassie Coates
Bridget Rowson	Sheila Turner		Stacey Brown-Brocklehurst	Ricky Johnston
Eric Fijalkowski	Alyssa Betts		Jeffrey Merrill	Joseph Stephen
James Kowalczyk	Sierra Betts	1	Caitlyn Toohey	Erin Mayo
Nathan Yost	Michael Chambers			Charlene Springer
Freda Ritchie	Hannah Eikleberry			Lindsay Gust
Treda Nitchie	Whitney Kemp			Cindsay Gost
	Erin Castello			
	Renata Shearer		1	
6 Years of Service	7 Years of Service	8 Years of Service	9 Years of Service	10 Years of Service
			1	(Gold Clover)
Melissa Phillips	Kristen Young	Sherette Woods	Amber Cawthorne	Carly Smith
T.J. White	Madison Schafer	Austin Starr	Carly Stephen	Lacy Gallagher
Em Mowrer	lames Ellis		Jamie Andrews	Amy Grigaitis
Terresa Smith	Kimberly Mason		,	Richard Whiteley
Alice Brown	Trisha Crooks			Amy Grigaltis
	Lauren Koch			Ryan Schumacher
	Nichole Showalter			Tina Curtis
	Martha Clarke			Marissa Eikleberry
	Carla DiLoretta			lessica Crum
	Caria Dicoretta			Lacy Gallagher
				Crystal Phillips
				Ross Ogilbee
				Jennifer Theaker
11 Years of Service	12 Years of Service	13 Years of Service	14 Years of Service	15 Years of Service
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Doug Stephens	Corey Betts	Richard Johnston	Leanne Workman	Alexander Schafer
Lindsay Schafer	Chasity Hayes	Steve Moore	Becky Johnston	Michelle Toohey
Jennifer Schumacher			Marjorie Josefczyk	,
Lindsay Schafer			Becky Johnston	
Kimberly Starr			Ryan Ogilbee	
Andy Selmon			7	
Vanessa Berhalter				
16 Years of Service	17 Years of Service	18 Years of Service	19 Years of Service	20 Years of Service
				(Gold Clover w/ Small Diamond)
Doty Toohey	Kimberly Jarrett	Marcy Castello	Larry Morris	Brenda Saffell
21 Years of Service	22 Years of Service	Debi Erlenbach 23 Years of Service	24 Years of Service	25 Years of Service
				(Gold Clover w/ Small Emerald)
28	Elaine Schafer	98	Twila Fisher	Dawn Warrick
	Sherrie Temple	-		Marisa Duvall
	Doug Schafer			
	Corey Imhoff			
26 Years of Service	27 Years of Service	28 Years of Service	29 Years of Service	30 Years of Service
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Lisa Butler	Susan Ogilbee	Becky Betts	36	Mary Mowrer
Nancy Mayo 31 Years of Service	32 Years of Service	33 Years of Service	34 Years of Service	Ed Mowrer 35 Years of Service
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92	Bruce Vannest	90	Thomas Miller	Denise Johnson
Ø/B	Beth Stephens	9/0		Debra Ogilbee
	<u> </u>			Kathy Miller
36 Years of Service	37 Years of Service	38 Years of Service	39 Years of Service	40 Years of Service
 ; 				(Gold Clover w/ Diamond)
92	Becky Selmon	Ronda Imhoff	90	Patty Henderson
Ala		Sue West	Ala	
41 Years of Service	45 Years of Service	50 Years of Service	51 Years of Service	55 Years of Service
	(Gold Clover w/ Emerald)	(Gold Clover w/ Ruby)		(Gold Clover w/ Pearl)
Mark Barricklow	36	88	Mary Lou Barricklow	88
Ladonna Workman	2/2	A43		A60

Enrollment is Now Open!

Enrollment for the 2023-2024 4-H Program Year is now open! All members and volunteers who wish to be a part of this great organization for another year MUST enroll by March 1st, 2024 - but we encourage you do to so now! Visit https://v2.4honline.com/ to enroll your family today! Need help deciding which project to take? The 2024 Ohio 4-H Family Guide should be in your mailbox! Didn't get one? Call our office!





New to 4-H or Belmont County? We'd be happy to chat with your family to get you started!

Belmont County has 20 clubs which offer quality programming among the office-offered programming to help youth ages 5-18 become healthy, involved citizens. For more information, please email Megan at watson.1147@osu.edu to learn more!

Need help enrolling? Have other questions you need answered?

Join the Belmont County 4-H Staff for Muffins with Meg - held monthly on the 1st or 2nd Friday from 10am-12pm at the Extension Office! This is an informal time for Belmont County 4-H to get the help they need to succeed! And yes... there WILL be muffins!

VOLUNTEER CORNER:

All volunteers MUST complete annual volunteer training to be approved for the 2023-2024 Program Year. Remaining dates to complete this include: December 21st, 6pm at the Wise Building, January 17th 5:30pm at the Extension Office, and January 20th, 9am at the Extension Office.

Any volunteer needing background check (notifications were sent via email/paper mail) should complete this important step ASAP. If you need information about how/where to get a fingerprint background check done, please call our office.

Looking to begin volunteering with us for the first time? Anyone 18 years of age or older is welcome to apply by turning in the forms available for pick up in our office - DUE 1/10/24.



Youth Opportunities

Belmont County 4-H offers a multitude of opportunities for members to participate in. Some upcoming opportunities are listed below for your information!

2024 4-H CAMPS:

Junior Camp

- June 2-5, 2024
- Elkhorn Valley Christian Service Camp
- Completed Grades 3-7
- Come on out to join us for 4 days and three nights of fun, learning, and growing at Belmont County 4-H Junior Camp! This camp has a long legacy here in Belmont County and we are excited to offer it again. Registration will open on April 8th, 2024.

Teen Camp

- June 15-18, 2024
- 4-H Camp Piedmont
- Completed Grades 8-12
- Renewed this year... Belmont County
 4-H Teen Camp! We are excited to offer a camp for teens to learn leadership and career readiness.

4-H COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP:

The Belmont County 4-H Council is proud to announce their scholarship will be available for Belmont County 4-H Members who are graduating seniors this year. Applications will be available online soon and are due April 8th.





OHIO 4-H ACHIEVEMENT RECORD:

The Ohio 4-H Achievement Record is the gateway to state and national 4-H opportunities, trips, and experiences! This is a comprehensive record of a 4-H member's career, accomplishments, and achievements. There are 27 project area categories in which to apply, such as individual animal projects, citizenship, community service, clothing, woodworking, leadership, and much more! Completing this record allows the member to be considered for a state award in that project area, and if chosen, presents an opportunity to participate in National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia! Beyond these state awards, members can be selected as county delegates to different state trips, camps, and other opportunities.

Achievement records can be found at https://ohio4h.org/awardsandscholarships and should be turned into the Belmont County Extension Office by *January 8, 2024*. Flyer attached for more information.

BELMONT 4-H BOOTCAMP:

Join Belmont County 4-H for their revival of "Under Construction" - now known as Belmont 4-H Bootcamp! This day will be an information-packed day for members to learn parliamentary procedure, participate in officer and project workshops, get interview judging tips, and meet other members in our county! Registration is available will be available after January 1st.



What You Need to Know...



Belmont County 4-H Week

Belmont County 4-H will be celebrating February 25th-March 1st, 2024! Join us in lots of fun activities and social media drives to gain interest from new families before the enrollment deadline!

New Member Packets

All families that are new to 4-H this year will be receiving a new member packet... PACKED will all kinds of information to help them be successful. If you know a family who is interested in joining Belmont County 4-H, please have them call our office at 740-695-1455!

Belmont County 4-H Member Handbook

Again this year, our office will be providing all members with a Belmont County 4-H Member Handbook. This handbook will contain plenty of important information regarding project completion requirements, interview tips, and much more!

Join 4-H Council

The Belmont County 4-H Council is a group of adult volunteers who work with the County Extension Office to promote the success of the 4-H program. This council works hard year round to provide guidance and volunteer for different events for 4-H Members. Council meets every other month on Thursdays at 6:00pm. If you are interested in joining and would like to learn more, please call our office!

2023 4-H Awards

Friend of 4-H:Belmont Mills
Joel Braido

Honorary 4-H Member:

Tracey Dickerson Marisa Duvall Kristina Duskey

THANK YOU to these wonderful individuals and businesses that give so much to support this program. We are excited to honor them and their support with these awards!



Website



https://belmont.osu.edu

Facebook

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CONTACT US For Your Fridge

December

- 7 4-H Council Potluck, 6pm @ Extension Office
 14 Horse Committee, 6pm @ Extension Office
 19 Staff Holiday Party OFFICE CLOSED
 21 Make-up Volunteer Training, 6pm @ Wise Building
 21 Senior Fair Board, 8pm @ Extension Office
 25 Christmas OFFICE CLOSED
 26 President's Day (obs'd) OFFICE CLOSED

January

- 1 New Year's Day OFFICE CLOSED
- Muffins with Meg, 10am-12pm @ Extension Office
- 8 Achievement Records due, 4:30pm @ Extension Office 10 NEW Volunteer Applications due, 4:30pm @ Extension

- 15 MLK Day OFFICE CLOSED
 17 New Volunteer Training, 5:30pm @ Extension Office
 20 New Volunteer Training, 9am @ Extension Office
 25 Junior Fair Board, 6pm @ Extension Office
 25 Senior Fair Board, 8pm @ Extension Office
 31 Club Financial Summary Due, 4:30pm @Extension Office

February

- 1 4-H Council, 6pm @ Extension Office 2 Muffins with Meg, 10am-12pm @ Extension Office 22 Junior Fair Board, 6pm @ Extension Office 22 Senior Fair Board, 8pm @ Extension Office 25-1 Belmont County 4-H Week

- 26 Livestock Quality Assurance, 6pm @ Wise Building



Mooey Christmas and HAPPY HOLIDAYS

from Megan, Sarah, and the rest of **Belmont County OSU Extension!**





What projects can you take in 4-H? We're glad you asked!

Whether you are new to 4-H or just want a handy list of project opportunities, we're here to help. These two pages are a complete list of available projects. For a peek inside each book and to see how they are rated, go to **projectcentral.ohio4h.org**.

About 4-H

- · Discovering 4-H
- · 4-H Around the Globe

Animal Sciences

Beef

- Beef Breeding
- · Beef Feeder
- · Dairy Beef Feeder
- Market Beef

Companion Animals and Rabbits

- · All About Dogs
- · You and Your Dog
- Obedience
- Showmanship
- Performance
- · Working Dogs
- Dog Achievement Program
- Assistance Animals in Action
- Cavy (Guinea Pig)
- Cat, Levels 1, 2, and 3
- · Pocket Pets
- · Breeding Rabbit
- Market Rabbit
- · Pet Rabbit

Dairy Cattle

 Dairy Calf, Heifer, or Cow

Goats

- Breeding—Dairy Goats
- Breeding—Meat Goats
- · Fiber Goats
- · Harness Goats
- Market—Dairy, Meat, or Cross

- · Pack Goats
- · Pygmy Goats
- Companion—Pet Goats

Horses

- Horseless Horse
- Beginning Horse Management
- Light Horse Selection
- Horse Training: How to Talk to Your Horse
- · Learning to Jump
- Draft Horse
- · Small Equine
- Standardbred Horses
- Gymkhana
- Roping
- Trail Riding
- Dressage
- Horse Nutrition

Llamas and Alpacas

Llama and Alpaca

Poultry

- · Chicken, Exhibition
- · Chicken, Market
- Chicken, Egg Production: Hens and Pullets
- Duck, Exhibition
- · Duck, Market
- · Goose, Exhibition
- · Goose, Market
- Turkey, Exhibition
- Turkey, Market

 Helmeted Guinea Fowl

Sheep

- Market Lamb
- Sheep Breeding

Swine

- Market Hog
- · Swine Breeding

Veterinary Science

- From Airedales to Zebras, Level 1
- All Systems Go! Level 2
- On the Cutting Edge, Level 3

Career Exploration

- Am I Ready for Work?
- Here, There, Ag Careers Are Everywhere
- · You're Hired!

Clothing and Textile Science

- Clothes for High School and College
- Accessories for Teens
- · Creative Costumes
- · Sew Fun
- Designed by Me
- em•bel•lish: A 4-H Guide to Wearable Art
- Sew for Others

- Sundresses and Jumpers
- Ready, Set, Sew Active
- Dress-Up Outfit
- Loungewear
- Terrific Tops
- Outerwear for Anywhere
- Clothing for Middle School
- · Look Great for Less
- Clothing for Your Career
- Shopping Savvy

Communication

 Finding Your Voice: Public Speaking Made Easy

Creative and Leisure Arts

Cake Decorating

 Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced

Collecting

My Favorite Things

Fine Arts

- Quilting the Best Better
- · You Can Quilt!
- · Get Started in Art
- Seeing Through Graphic Design

Genealogy

 Family History Treasure Hunt

Specific projects offered in your county may vary from those listed here.





Photography

- Photography, Books 1, 2, and 3
- Photography Master

Scrapbooking

 Scrapbooking: A 4-H Guide to Preserving Memories

Writing

The Writer in You

Food and Nutrition

- Let's Start Cooking
- Let's Bake Quick Breads
- Yeast Breads on the Rise
- Sports Nutrition: Ready, Set, Go!
- You're the Chef
- · Global Gourmet
- · Grill Master
- · Beyond the Grill
- Star Spangled Foods
- · Kitchen Boss
- Party Planner: A 4-H Guide to Quantity Cooking
- Everyday Food and Fitness
- · Snack Attack!
- Racing the Clock to Awesome Meals
- Take a Break for Breakfast

Healthy Living

- You're the Athlete
- · Staying Healthy
- First Aid in Action
- Medicine Science and Safety
- Tracking Your Health and Fitness
- Relationships 101
- Alcohol and Drug Abuse

- The Truth About Tobacco
- Your Thoughts Matter
- Your Feelings Matter
- Superhero You

Home Living

- The Laundry Project
- · It's My Home
- Makeover My Space
- Your First Home Away from Home

Leadership and Citizenship

- Mentoring: Leadership in Action
- Club Leadership 1 and 2
- Diversity: The Source of Our Strength
- My Hands to Larger Service: Teen Leaders Building Our Communities
- Teens on Board
- Leadership Road Trip: Where Are You Going?
- Leadership Road Trip iBook
- Pantry Panic

Money Management

- Becoming Money Wise
- Teens on the Road to Financial Success

Natural Resources

Gardening and Plant Science

- Canning and Freezing
- How Does Your Garden Grow?
- Edible Landscapes
- Grow Your Own Vegetables

 Growing with the Seasons

The Natural World

- Explore the Outdoors
- Geology: Can You Dig It?
- Explore the Poles
- Exploring Ponds
- Why Trees Matter
- · Ohio Birds
- Trapping Muskrats in Ohio
- Beginning and Intermediate Fishing
- · Beekeeping
- Insect
 Adventures 1, 2,
 and 3

Shooting Sports

- Safe Use of Guns
- Basic Archery

Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math

Aerospace Science

- Rockets Away (2-liter Bottle Rockets)
- Science Fun with Flight
- Rockets Away (Solid- Fuel Model Rockets)
- Solid-Fuel Rocketry Master

All-Terrain Vehicle

ATV Safety

Bicycle

- Bicycling for Fun, Level 1
- Wheels in Motion, Level 2

Chemistry

 Science Fun with Kitchen Chemistry

Electricity

- Electricity Levels 1 and 2
- Science Fun with Electricity

Energy

Young
 Engineers in
 Solar Energy

Food Science

 Science Fun with Dairy Foods

Knots

Not Just Knots

Physics

 Science Fun with Physics

Robotics

 Robotics Essentials

Small Engines

• Small Engines Level 1, 2, and 3

Self-Determined

Explore a topic of your choosing! Need some ideas? 3D printing • amateur radio • American Sign Language •arrowheads • astronomy •babysitting • bats • camp counseling . chinchillas • climate change • clowning • composting • computer science • crop production • digital media • disability advocacy • ferrets • fitness devices • flower gardening • genetics • hedgehogs · local foods • miniature gardens • model railroading • music • paddle water sports • paper craft • pigeons • plant diseases • reptiles and amphibians • shale • sustainability · gas extraction • skateboarding • string art • water quality • water supply •

Learn more at ohio4h.org/ selfdetermined

weather

Ready, Set, . . . Mow!

Tractor and Machinery Operation

- Tractor Level A, B, C, and D
 - National Safe Tractor and Machinery Operation Program

Welding

 Arcs and Sparks— Shielded Metal Arc Welding

Woodworking

- Woodworking Levels 1, 2, 3, and 4
- Woodworking Master

Group Projects

These projects are offered through a variety of group programs that may or may not be offered in your area.

Animal Sciences

Companion Animals and Rabbits

4-H PetPALS

Natural Resources Junior Master

GardenerJunior MasterGardener

Shooting Sports

- Rifle
- Archery
- Shotgun
- Pistol
- Hunting and Wildlife
- Muzzleloader
- Living History
- CrossbowWesternHeritage

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Ohio 4-H Achievement Record



The gateway to state and national 4-H opportunities, trips, and experiences!

The Ohio 4-H Achievement Record is a comprehensive record of a 4-H member's career, accomplishments, and achievements. It is a great way to capture all the experiences they have had in 4-H, practice for filling out future job or college applications, and get a head start on applying for scholarships.

There are 27 project area categories in which to apply, such as individual animal projects, citizenship, community service, clothing, creative arts, woodworking, shooting sports, leadership, and more! 4-H members can submit multiple achievement records in different categories based on their 4-H involvement. State winners in each category win a trip to events such as National 4-H Congress, National Dairy Conference and the Shooting Sports Teen Leadership Institute. These events encourage members to expand their skills, engage with other 4-H members, and inspire them to make an impact in their communities!

How do I get started?

Start by filling out the Achievement Record. The Ohio 4-H Achievement record can be found at ohio4h.org/awardsandscholarships. Sections include 4-H project work, 4-H participation, major 4-H honors, 4-H community service and citizenship activities, 4-H educational leadership, office and committee leadership, and non-4-H experiences, in addition to a written 4-H story and photo page reflecting on the member's 4-H experiences and impact.



1. Contact your county office

Contact your county 4-H professional for information about county deadlines, review process, and what local opportunities may be available through completing the achievement record!



2. Complete the Achievement Record

Complete all sections of the achievement record form. Be sure to follow the guidelines and show a cumulative record of your 4-H career! Applications can be tailored to the project area you are applying for.



3. Submit to your county office

Submit to your county 4-H professional by the deadline. State selections are made in February and state winners are notified in the spring.







The achievement record application, instructions for completing the achievement record, and details about the trips and opportunities available can be found at ohio4h.org/awardsandscholarships.

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2023 OHIO 4-H ACHIEVEMENT RE

NAME

AGE (1/1/23)

AGE (1/1/23)

Take a sneak peak at the cover page for the achievement record!

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CLUB/GROUP NAME YEARS IN 4-H GRADE IN SCHOOL

STATE OPPORTUNITIES: Check your choices. See State Achievement Record Instructions for further deta

State Junior Fair Board National 4-H Dairy Conference Ohio 4-H Scholarships&
Ohio 4-H Teen Leadership OTA Local Government Award Shooting Sports Ambassador
Council&

📤 - Requires completion of separate, specialized application form. Ohio 4-H Achievement Record not required for eligibility.)

State Achievement Award:

CARTEENS Citizenship & Community Service Clothing & Textiles Communications Companion Animals Dairy Creative Arts **Environmental Sciences** Family Life & Child Development Foods & Nutrition Gardening & Horticulture Gnats Health & Safety Horse Leadership Hama Mechanical & Engineering Science Personal Development Photography Poultry Rabbits Shooting Sports Sheep Veterinary Science Woodworking

COUNTY OPPORTUNITIES: Please rank your interests (1, 2, etc.). See County instructions for additional details.

Ohio 4-H Conference
Ohio 4-H Sea Camp
4-H Citizenship Washington Focus
County Junior Fair Board
County 4-H Ambassador

4-H Leadership Camp Camp Canopy County 4-H Scholarships Teen Leadership 4-H Club Carving New Ideas Workshop Buckeye Leadership Workshop 4-H Fashion Board 4-H Nutrition Board What goes in the Ohio 4-H Achievement Record?

4-H Project Work

All completed projects

4-H Participation

Activities participated in such as camps, events, conferences

Major 4-H Honors

County awards, project placings, scholarships

Community Service

Service activities and projects within 4-H

4-H Educational Leadership

Educational and promotional leadership

4-H Office & Committee Leadership

4-H club offices held and committee memberships

Non-4-H Experiences

School clubs, sports, FFA, extra curriculars

Photo Page

Photos to showcase 4-H experiences

4-H Story

One page story about the impact of 4-H









Belmont County 2024 Enrollment

This document is intended to assist Belmont County 4-H families to enroll correctly for the 2023-2024 year.

CLOVERBUDS:

 All Cloverbuds should enroll in the 710 Cloverbud Activities project – AND NOTHING ELSE

PROJECT MEMBERS:

 Project members should ensure they are enrolling in the correct club and select at least one project to enroll in. See flyer for handy list of available projects!

VOLUNTEERS:

- Volunteers should ensure they are enrolling in their club(s) and updating their contact information as needed.
- Volunteers ALSO need to ensure they are selecting the correct volunteer type. See below for information.
 - ✓ <u>Camp Volunteer</u> If your ONLY role is to be adult camp staff... choose this one!
 - ✓ <u>Project Volunteer</u> NO ONE should choose this type. We mean it!
 - ✓ <u>Program Volunteer</u> Volunteers that assist our county outside
 of a club setting should choose this option
 - ✓ <u>Club Volunteer</u> ALL volunteers for ANY club should choose this option
 - Cloverbud Leader Cloverbud helpers
 - Club Project Leader Advisors specific to a project
 - Organizational Club Leader ONLY head advisors. Choose who this is ahead of enrollments ©
 - Resource Volunteer All assisting advisors



