

# 4-H Clover Chronicle



## Belmont County Newsletter / 2023 Edition 1



Front Row: Dan Lima / Middle Row (Left to Right): Tracey Dickerson and Lorrissa Dunfee / Back Row (Left to Right): Madyson Little, Sarah Galavich and Jennie Ellis

## Happy New Year From Belmont County Extension Staff!

Welcome to another year of Belmont County 4-H! It is time to re-enroll youth and program volunteers into the 4-H Online system. Please note, the enrollment deadline has changed.

**The deadline to enroll for all youth and volunteers will be March 1st, 2023!**

All 4-H families and volunteers active in 2022 should have received an email from 4-H Online/Belmont County with instructions on how to retrieve your profile and complete the online enrollment process. If you did not get this email or are not sure how to re-enroll, please call the Extension office for help, otherwise you may accidentally create a new profile.

New families will need to start a new family profile to enroll. New families can visit the Belmont County OSU Extension website for documents to help get enrolled in the 2023 4-H year or they can call the Extension office with any questions at (740) 695-1455.

We are happy to help!



<https://v2.4honline.com>

## Mandatory Annual Volunteer Training

Mark your calendars! A mandatory Volunteer Training session has been scheduled for all 4-H volunteers on Saturday, February 25th at 9:30a.m. at the Wise building at the fairgrounds. Starting this year, the state is requiring an in-person training session for all program volunteers on an annual basis. We will have a county update, a discussion on a state-selected topic, and will offer the Youth Protection/Policy 1.50 training. Please make every effort to attend. If you have any concerns, please call the office to let us know.



## New Volunteer Application

New Volunteer Application deadline is January 31st. New volunteers need to attend one of two training sessions we are offering at the Extension office. Sessions are scheduled for Monday, February 6, at 10:00a.m. or Monday, February 13th at 6:00p.m.

## Belmont County 4-H Scholarship

Each year, 4-H Council sponsors up to five \$1,000 scholarships to current members of Belmont County 4-H who have received or are on target to receive a high school diploma. Deadline to apply is April 10th. The scholarship application is now available at the Extension office, on the county website, or from your school guidance counselor.

## Reduce, Reuse, Recycle!

Did you know there is an easy way to earn money for your club?



### **GO GREEN & RECYCLE!**

- Save all your paper and cardboard products.
- Take them over to the Belmont County Fairgrounds and dump them in the recycling container by the gate.
- Call the Extension office and let us know the name of your 4-H Club and about how many pounds you dropped off.
- We will send your club a check when we receive the reimbursement.

## Ohio 4-H Week

*March 5-11, 2023*

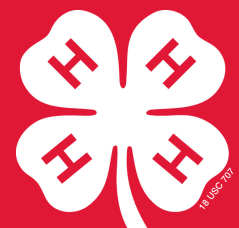
Help us celebrate Ohio 4-H Week in your community, school, or at your business!

Send in a story and photo to the newspaper about your club, create a 4-H display in your school, in a business window, on a business sign or in a community center! Spread the word on why "4-H Makes the Best Better!"

4-H Council will pay \$25 to each 4-H club for completing at least one window or other type of display that promotes 4-H during the week of March 5-11. Email a photo of your display, and information including club name and location of the display to the Extension office by March 11th and we will share it on our Facebook page.

If your club is doing something fun for 4-H week, let us know! We would love to feature it on our Facebook page also!

4-H Shirt Day is Friday, March 10th. Wear your favorite 4-H apparel to school and/or work to let everyone know you are a proud supporter of 4-H!





NEW

# CLUB CONNECTION

NEW in 2023 is Club Connection! This is a new way to share news about your club – highlights and photos of your activities! It can be a good outlet for news reporters! The column will highlight one club at a time and be posted on our Facebook page and website! It will also be printable, so news reporters can add it to their binders!

Important to note:

- The information we receive MUST come from a club advisor or club volunteer. That way, we know an adult has looked over it and it is approved for posting. The only exception to this would be if a volunteer is unable to email the information. In that circumstance, we must receive notice from the club volunteer letting us know a member will be emailing a report and photos to us and that it has been approved. We will not share any information without this prior approval.
- Information and photos need to be emailed to Tracey at: dickerson.300@osu.edu
- We will not highlight a club more than once a month. However, we can highlight a club on a monthly basis if information is sent.
- Submitting information is not a requirement, but it would be awesome if all clubs send something in at least once to be featured!

## Congratulations Kaylin!



2022 Belmont County Fair Queen, Kaylin Burress placed in the top 15 at Ohio Fairs' Queen Contest! Thank you for representing Belmont County! We are so proud of you!

## Belmont County 4-H Handbook

The Handbook is a great resource for projects, county rules, deadlines, judging, etc. After our enrollment deadline of March 1st, we will mail a paper copy out to each family enrolled in 4-H!

## 4-H Camp Information

4-H Junior Camp will take place June 7-10th at Camp Elkhorn Valley in Bergholz, Ohio. Make a note, camp is moving to a new site due to our recent experiences with various water and safety issues at Camp Piedmont. Check out their site at [elkhornvalley.com](http://elkhornvalley.com) to see all the exciting things they have to offer!

We will keep as many camp traditions as possible and will have the opportunity to try some new things! 4-H Junior Camp is for youth who have completed 3rd through 7th grade. Registration information for camp will be sent out in the coming months.

- 4-H Shooting Sports Camp is tentatively scheduled for June 2-4 at Camp Piedmont. More information to come as this camp is run by multiple counties and volunteers and is still in the planning stages.
- We are still working on dates for our Cloverbud Day Camp.



# LIVESTOCK PROJECT NEWS

## Junior Fair Update

The Jr. and Sr. Fair Board of Belmont County Fair will be implementing the following rules for the 2023 fair:

### New Rule for Market Goats and Market Lambs:

- Market goats and market lambs will NOT be required to be dehorned. The decision to dehorn will be made by the exhibitor.
- Market goats and market lambs MUST be born between JANUARY 1, 2023 - APRIL 30, 2023.



Sr. Fair Board will be changing release times of animals for the week of fair. There will be an update in the months ahead. Please note, all changes to Jr. Fair rules will be sent via email and will also be noted in newsletters and in registration packets.

## Livestock Supplement Books

Youth taking multiple projects that utilize the same species project and record book (beef, dairy, goat, rabbit, poultry) will only be required to complete one project record book per species, and then only the supplement (record-keeping pages) for the additional projects for that species. This eliminates repeating much of the same information in the front of the project book. If one of the projects is dropped, youth can not just turn in the supplement for project judging. A complete project book must be turned in. Each project will still be required to have a one-page report. The supplements are free of charge and must be supplied by the 4-H office.

## 2023 Livestock Quality Assurance

Livestock Quality Assurance (LQA) Certification is required for all youth exhibiting a market animal, lactating dairy cow or lactating dairy goat at the Belmont County Fair. Certification can be obtained in two ways: Youth can participate in an LQA program provided by OSU Extension or by participating in a test out option.

### LQA Program Dates

- Tuesday, April 11 at 6:00 p.m. at the Wise Building
- Saturday, April 15 at 9:30 a.m. at Union Local
- Tuesday, April 25 at 6:00 p.m. at the Wise Building

### LQA Test Out Option

All youth 12-14 years of age may take an LQA test designed for their age group. If they pass with a score of 70% or higher, the youth will be certified in LQA until they turn 15 years old. All youth 15-18 years of age may take an LQA test designed for their age group. If they pass the test with a score of 70% or higher, the youth will be certified in LQA for the remainder of their Junior Fair years. Important note, the test out option is only available to those who have participated in at least one Belmont County Livestock Quality Assurance program. If a youth fails the LQA test, they will be required to attend an LQA program to be eligible to show at the fair this year.

**Test Out dates will be by appointment by calling the Extension office.**



# 2022 RECOGNITION BRUNCH HIGHLIGHTS



**2022 Friend of 4-H Award Recipient**  
Bostic Concrete (photoed), D&J Sales & Service,  
John & Rita Dutton



**2022 Honorary 4-H Member Award Recipient**  
Dany Wildes & Sherrie Temple



**Blue Ribbon Officer Award Recipients**  
Secretary- Jenna Duvall, BPHH  
Treasurer- Brooke Watson, BPHH  
News Reporter- Lydia Fuchs, BPHH



**2022 I Dare You Award Recipients**  
Heidi Hull & Carson Phillips



**50 Years of Service Award**  
Mary Lou Barricklow



**40 Years of Service Award**  
Ladonna Workman & Mark Barricklow



**Clubs of Distinction**  
Bethesda Buckeyes, BPHH,  
High Meadows, Stallions



Belmont County Reverse Raffle Committee  
members presenting a check from the fundraiser  
to Belmont County 4-H Council.



Teen Ambassadors Token Of Appreciation



Attendees of the recognition brunch.



Sr. Fair Board President, Ed Campbell enjoying  
brunch and desserts.



Teen Ambassadors welcoming guests.



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# BELMONT COUNTY 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS 2022-2023 SCHEDULE

1. Nov. 16	<b>Safety Meeting (Mandatory) @ Wise Building</b>	6:00 pm
2.	<b>Book Meeting @ Carnes Center</b>	9:00am - 10:30am
Feb. 4	<b>SHIRT ORDERS DUE</b>	
3. Mar. 25	<b>Community Service TBA - GUN TICKETS DUE</b>	10:00 am - 12:00 pm
4. April 15	<b>Shoot @ Wharton's Sportsman's Club</b> <b>PISTOL, RIFLE, &amp; MUZZLELOADING</b>	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
5. April 22	<b>Shoot @ Bethesda Sportsman's Club</b> <b>SHOTGUN, ARCHERY, CROSSBOW, &amp; LIVING HISTORY</b>	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
6. May 13	<b>Shoot @ Wharton's Sportsman's Club</b> <b>PISTOL, RIFLE, &amp; MUZZLELOADING</b>	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
7. May 20	<b>Shoot @ Bethesda Sportsman's Club</b> <b>SHOTGUN, ARCHERY, CROSSBOW, &amp; LIVING HISTORY</b>	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
8. June ???	<b>Shooting Sports Camp @ Piedmont</b>	TBA
9. June 17	<b>Shoot @ Bethesda Sportsman's Club</b> <b>ALL DISCIPLINES</b> <b>Shoot/Competition and Covered Dish OPEN TO ANYONE</b>	9:00 am - 12:00 pm
10. July 1	<b>COUNTY JUDGING &amp; FUN SHOOT</b>	9:00 am - ???
11. Nov. 15	<b>Safety Meeting for 2023-2024 @ Carnes Center</b>	6:00 pm

\* Jan OR Feb - One meeting depending on weather.  
If we have the Jan meeting, the Feb one will be cancelled - If Jan is cancelled, we will meet in Feb. We will post on Facebook.

**SHIRT ORDERS ARE DUE AT THIS MEETING.**



Please check our Facebook page  
**BELMONT COUNTY 4-H SHOOTING SPORTS CLUB**  
for Schedule, Time Changes, Cancellations, or Updates!

FOR INFO ON ADULT TRAININGS GO TO: OHIO4H.ORG

4-H Camp Piedmont Shooting Sports Camp - June TBA

Ohio State JR Shooting Ed Camp - July 15 - 17

Ohio State SR Shooting Ed Camp - July 24 - 29

For more info call:

Belmont County 4-H Shooting Sports Coordinator Doug Schafer

740.391.7145 or Elaine Schafer 740.391.0302

## Older Youth Opportunities

Ohio 4-H offers a wide variety of opportunities for teens to develop knowledge, skills, attitudes, and aspirations needed for success. Opportunities for teens begin at the local 4-H club level and expand to the county, state, national, and international levels through various awards, boards, travel experiences, and camping opportunities.

We have attached a trifold brochure provided by the state of all of the opportunities offered. Please contact the Extension Office if you are interested in any of the opportunities or if you have any questions!





## WHAT OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE TO YOU?

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## COUNTY LEVEL

- 4-H Camp Counselor
- County Junior Fair Board Member
- CARTEENS
- Food and Fashion Board
- Junior Leaders

*Contact your county 4-H professional for more information about county level opportunities!*

## WHERE DO I START?

With many opportunities available for teens, it's important to know where to start. Your first step should be to **contact your county 4-H professional.**

For more detailed information about each of these opportunities check out the Ohio 4-H Teen Opportunities Table at [www.ohio4h.org/families/just-teens](http://www.ohio4h.org/families/just-teens)



### Ohio 4-H Youth Development

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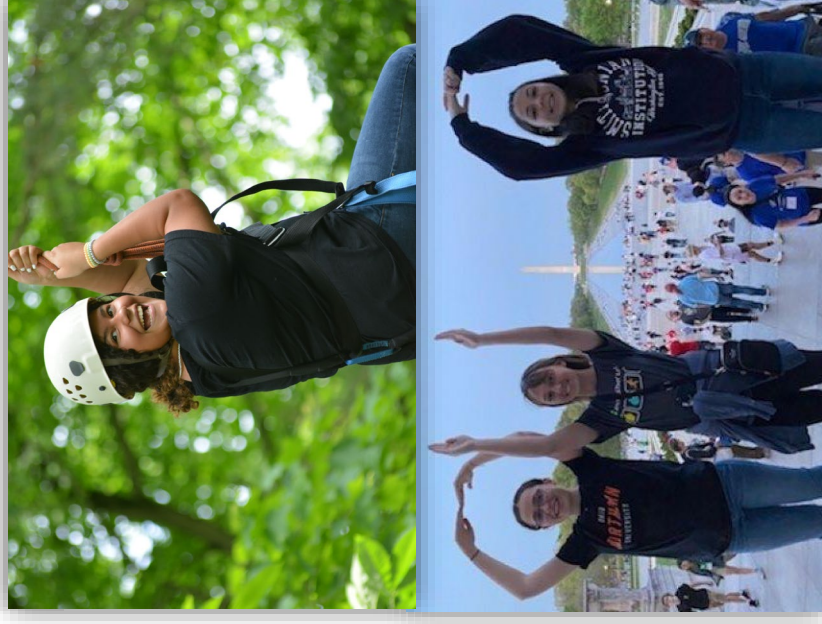
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# Ohio 4-H Opportunities for Teens



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## OHIO ACHIEVEMENT RECORD

By annually completing and submitting your Ohio 4-H Achievement Record, you are eligible to be selected for these opportunities. For more information visit: [go.osu.edu/4-hachievement](http://go.osu.edu/4-hachievement)

- **State 4-H Achievement Awards & National 4-H Congress**
  - 27 Award recipients receive a trip to National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia held in November each year
- **National Dairy Conference**
  - Two winners are selected annually to attend this conference in fall in Madison, Wisconsin
- **Ohio State Fair Junior Fair Board**
  - Represent Ohio 4-H during the action-packed 12 days of the Ohio State Fair (2-year term)
- **Ohio Township Association 4-H Local Government Award**
  - For seniors who have participated in local government activities

## STATE CAMP OPPORTUNITIES

- **Leadership Camp**
  - Held each year in June; 4-H Camp Ohio; ages 14-18
  - [go.osu.edu/leadershipcamp](http://go.osu.edu/leadershipcamp)
- **Sea Camp**
  - Held each year in July; Kelleys Island 4-H Camp; ages 15-17
  - [go.osu.edu/seacamp](http://go.osu.edu/seacamp)
- **Ohio Military Kids Camp Counselor**
  - Held each year in August; Kelley Island 4-H Camp; ages 15+
  - [go.osu.edu/OMK](http://go.osu.edu/OMK)
- **Shooting Sports Education Camp**
  - Junior and Senior Camp held each summer; Canter's Cave 4-H Camp
  - [go.osu.edu/ssedcamp](http://go.osu.edu/ssedcamp)
- **Carving New Ideas**
  - Hosted by Collegiate 4-H and held each fall; 4-H Camp Ohio; grades 8-12
  - [go.osu.edu/4-HCNI](http://go.osu.edu/4-HCNI)



## STATE BOARDS AND COUNCILS

Each of the opportunities below require separate applications and vary in their time commitment and requirements:

- **State 4-H Fashion Board**
  - Promote Ohio 4-H clothing program and assist at the Ohio State Fair Fashion Revue
  - One year term; preference to teens ages 14+
  - [go.osu.edu/statefashionboard](http://go.osu.edu/statefashionboard)
- **4-H Event Youth Assistants**
  - Assist and represent Ohio 4-H at Ohio State Fair events; ages 13-18
  - [go.osu.edu/4HEYA](http://go.osu.edu/4HEYA)
- **Teen Leadership Council**
  - Statewide group of 4-H teens that provide a youth stakeholder perspective for Ohio 4-H while developing skills for future success
  - One year term (may renew for additional years); ages 14-18
  - [go.osu.edu/TLC](http://go.osu.edu/TLC)



## EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

- **Ohio 4-H Conference**
  - Day-long conference designed to engage teens in educational sessions pertaining to leadership, 4-H opportunities, and current events
  - Held annually in Columbus, ages 13+
  - [go.osu.edu/O4HC](http://go.osu.edu/O4HC)
- **National 4-H Conference**
  - Week-long civic engagement conference designed to engage teens with their peers and a federal agency to answer a question related to a social issue of interest.
  - Held annually in Washington, D.C., ages 15-18
  - [go.osu.edu/N4HC](http://go.osu.edu/N4HC)
- **Ohio 4-H Spark EXPO**
  - Spend 4 days on Ohio State's campus engaging in college and career readiness
  - Hosted each summer; must have completed 8<sup>th</sup> grade in the previous school year (2022-23)
- **Buckeye Leadership Workshop**
  - This 5 day event focuses on experiential learning through recreation to learn, share, and grow
  - Held annually in March in central Ohio; ages 14+
  - [buckeyeleadership.com](http://buckeyeleadership.com)
- **Citizenship Washington Focus**
  - Held in Washington, D.C, this one-week experience develops students communication, leadership, and citizenship skills.
  - Ohio sends two delegations in June/July each year; ages 14-19
  - [go.osu.edu/CWF](http://go.osu.edu/CWF)
- **Cultural / Urban Immersion Projects**
  - An initiative that combines cross-cultural learning, teamwork and service learning in urban and international environments
  - Hosted each fall, location dependent upon year
  - Contact 4-H professional for more information.





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## FOR YOUR FRIDGE

### January

- 25 – New Camp Counselor Interviews, EO
- 26 – Teen Ambassadors, 5:00, Wise Building
- 26 – Jr./Sr. Fair Board, 6:00 & 8:00 Fairgrounds
- 31 – Deadline for Ohio Achievement Record, New Vol App, Club Financial Summary

### March

- 1 – Enrollment Deadline
- 8 – Camp Counselor Training 6:00, Wise Building
- 9 – Horse Committee, 6:00, EO
- 11 – Ohio 4-H Conference, Columbus
- 16 – Car teens, 6:00, EO
- 22 – Camp Counselor Training, 6:00, Wise Building
- 23 – Teen Ambassadors, 5:00, Wise Building
- 23 – Jr./Sr. Fairboard, 6:00 & 8:00 Fairgrounds

### February

- 1 – Car teens, 6:00, EO
- 2 – 4-H Council, 6:00, EO
- 6 – New Volunteer Training, 10:00, EO
- 9 – Horse Committee, 6:00
- 13 – New Volunteer Training, 6:00, EO
- 16 – Car teens, 6:00, EO
- 20 – Camp Counselor Training – on-site
- 23 – Teen Ambassadors, 5:00, Wise Building
- 23 – Jr./Sr. Fair Board, 6:00 & 8:00, Fairgrounds
- 25 – All Volunteer Annual Training, 9:30, Wise Building

### April

- 4 – Car teens, 6:00, EO
- 6 – 4-H Council, 6:00, EO
- 7 – Camp Counselor Training, TBD
- 10 – 4-H Scholarship Apps Due, EO
- 11 – Livestock Quality Assurance, 6:00, Wise Building
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