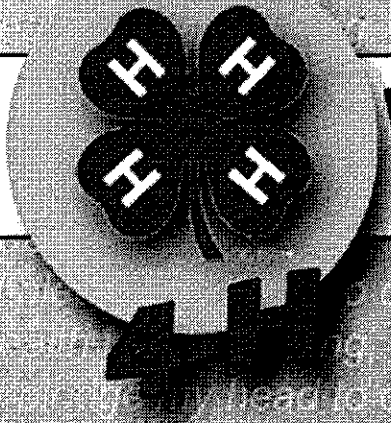


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# 4-H Family Newsletter

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## Message from the 4-H Educator

Can you believe it is February 2018 already! I have been so proud of all the hard work done this past year by all our county clubs, 4-H volunteers, parents, and especially our youth. I look forward to the new year ahead of us!

As we start off the new year, don't forget to look online at the 2018 Crawford County Family Handbook to review important project updates and see changes for 2018; [crawford.osu.edu](http://crawford.osu.edu). Hard copies can be picked up in the OSU Extension Office upon request.

Enclosed in this newsletter you will find information about upcoming opportunities, rule changes, and other important information as we start the year 2018.

Sincerely,

Allison Cooper  
Crawford County 4-H Youth Development Educator

## 2018 Older Youth Opportunities

**Congratulations to all of the youth that received award trips of 2018:**

### Citizenship Washington Focus

Alyssa Pine  
Brooklyn Gebhardt  
Zoltan Feldman

### Leadership Camp

Jodie Jennings  
Rachel Cox  
Zach Hiler

### Buckeye Leadership Workshop

Alana Burkhart  
Riley Lusk

### Sea Camp

Bella Walter  
Hannah Langmeyer

## 2018 4-H Camp Counselors

**Congratulations to all of the youth that were selected to be camp counselors:**

Nick Baxter	Blaine Bishop	Cameron Brlan
Abbie Brocwell	Alana Burkhart	Tristan Cross
Lydia Feik	Zoltan Feldman	Wilson Frankhouse
Alison Gebhardt	Brooklyn Gebhardt	Weston Guinther
Levi Hartschuh	Kearston Hulsmeyer	Jodie Jennings
Hannah Langmeyer	Steven Lepard	Alivia Lewis
Riley Lusk	Mason McKibben	Alyssa Pine
Maddy Rinehart	Emily Rudd	Matthew Schiefer
Sarah Scott	Zach Seiler	Courtney Stahl
Kendra Stahl	Kassidy Stanford	Victoria Thimmes
Bryce Tieben	Cassidy Vogt	Bella Walter

Due to high interests in certain award trips and the camp counselor role, several applicants did not get their requested trip or were turned away for the counselor role this year. We are truly sorry that we cannot give these opportunities to everyone that applies.

**If you were not selected for your preferred trip or were not selected as a 2018 counselor, please apply again next year.**



## **2018 Carlot Hog Information**

The Swine Committee has started preparations for the 2018 Carlot Market Hog project. This project was developed as an opportunity to bring affordability to the market hog project and allow more kids to participate. As in the past, there will be an Independent show and a Carlot market hog show. You may participate in both shows if you choose. Exhibitors are allowed to show a maximum of 2 carlots and 2 Independents; however, the exhibitor may only sell 2 hogs for premium while the other 2 hogs will sell for base bid.

A commitment letter will be mailed at a later date; however, if you have questions or are interested please contact Jeff Schiefer @ 419-569-2859 ( text or call)

### **Quality Assurance Program 2018**

- Members who are 12-14 years-old and 15-18 years-old and in 4-H and FFA may test out of their annual quality assurance (QA) program.
- Youth ages 12-14 who pass the QA test can test out of their annual QA program for up to 3 years. Youth ages 15-18 years who pass the QA test can test out of their annual QA program permanently. These ages are as of January 1, 2018
- A Crawford County 4-H or FFA Member CAN NOT attend a QA program from another county or workshop and earn credit. You must attend one session in Crawford Co. or pass QA test out.

### **Quality Assurance Program 2018 Dates**

#### **Monday, March 5, 2018**

6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Youth Building, Fairgrounds

Test Out Offered at End of Program

#### **Thursday, March 8, 2018**

6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Lower Level Conference Room

**NO** Test Out Offered at End of Program

*\*Geared toward younger members; Must pre-register with OSU Extension Office 419-562-8731 by February 26, 2018. Limited to 25 participants.*

#### **Thursday, April 5, 2018**

6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Youth Building, Fairgrounds

Test Out Offered at End of Program

#### **Sunday, April 8, 2018**

2:30 pm to 4:30 pm

Youth Building, Fairgrounds

Test Out Offered at End of Program



## Upcoming Livestock Dates

### Swine

- March 31<sup>st</sup> last day to sign up for a carlot hog
- Market Barrows & Gilts must be in exhibitors possession by May 4<sup>th</sup>
- Ear notch forms due to OSU Extension by May 4<sup>th</sup>

### Dairy Feeders

- Tag day, March 3<sup>rd</sup>; If you didn't receive a postcard, call the extension office 419-562-8731 by March 1<sup>st</sup>
- April 15<sup>th</sup> - May 15<sup>th</sup> to be castrated, dehorned, vaccinated, and obtain health forms.

### Beef Feeders

- All Beef Feeders must have health papers of recorded vaccines; must be within 30 days of fair
- Must be castrated and dehorned by May 1<sup>st</sup>
- Beef feeder possession form due to OSU Extension office by June 1<sup>st</sup>
- June 9<sup>th</sup> Beef Feeder possession and tag day; committee will go to exhibitors home

### Poultry

- Week of March 12<sup>th</sup> -Hatch week for Turkeys
- Week of May 14<sup>th</sup> -Hatch week for Roasters
- Week of May 28<sup>th</sup> -Hatch week for Broilers

### Rabbits

- May 1-15 market rabbit suggested birth dates to be eligible for Crawford County Jr. Fair competition
- Possession date for rabbits is June 1<sup>st</sup>

### Sheep

- May 12<sup>th</sup> Goat and Lamb tag day at fairgrounds 8:00-9:30 a.m.

### Goats

- May 1<sup>st</sup> Goats must be in possession of exhibitor; must be born on January 1<sup>st</sup> or later
- May 12<sup>th</sup> Goat and Lamb tag day at fairgrounds 8:00-9:30 a.m.

### Alpacas

- The 4-H animals and/or lease agreements must be in the exhibitor's hands by April 15<sup>th</sup>

**JUNE 20<sup>th</sup> LIVESTOCK ENTRY FORMS DUE DATE TO OSU EXTENSION: All livestock animals that did not get tagged by specie committee**

**July 7<sup>th</sup> Livestock Skillathon- Arena 8:30-11:00 a.m.** This is required for ALL 4-H LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS. Make-up Skillathon arrangements are to be made with the specie Department PRIOR to Skillathon and must be completed PRIOR to the show.

Please contact a member of the livestock committee if you have specific specie questions. Questions about Quality Assurance and 4-H requirements can be answered by the OSU Extension office 419-562-8731.



## **Adult Volunteer Opportunities**

Don't have time to be a club advisor? Try one of these other volunteer positions instead...

- **Representative on Crawford County 4-H Advisory Committee**
- **Crawford County 4-H Scholarship Committee member**
- **Cloverbud Funday Planning Committee**
- **Ohio Shooting Sports Certified Instructor**
- **County Event Volunteer**
- **Ohio 4-H Conference Attendee**
- **Crawford County 4-H Camp Adult Staff (No positions available at this time)**
- **Older Youth Opportunity Award Trip Chaperone**
- **International Exchange Program Host**

\*\*\*\*ALL OPPORTUNITIES SUBJECT TO CHANGE FROM YEAR TO YEAR\*\*\*\*

## **Information for current 4-H Volunteers**

A county volunteer can participate in a variety of activities through the county and on the state level. Volunteers are not required to participate in every activity in the county, they should be as active as their schedules allow.

**Volunteers can be advisors in a county club or can chose only to participate in out of club activities.** Please contact Allison with any questions about all of the adult volunteer opportunities.

## **Know someone who may be interested in becoming a 4-H Volunteer?**

Please contact Allison to apply to be a 4-H volunteer, 419-562-8731, [cooper.2360@osu.edu](mailto:cooper.2360@osu.edu)

**Adults interested in becoming a NEW volunteer with the Crawford County 4-H program must complete several steps.**

- Volunteer Application with references
  - After we have received references back, we will schedule a meeting/ interview/ training.
- An Ohio BCI / Background check will need to be completed prior to becoming a volunteer.

## **4-H Club Advisor Information for 2018**

- 4-H Enrollment Forms, Ohio 4-H Family Guides & the Crawford County 2018 Family Handbook are available at the OSU Extension Office.
- **Don't forget, Officer Training will now only be hosted every other year.** Videos of 4-H teens are available at [ohio4h.org](http://ohio4h.org) to help guide officers in the off year. They can also contact Allison at the OSU Extension office for help or questions.



## **Ohio 4-H Week March 4-10, 2018**

### **Club Window Decorating Contest**

**Call the Extension Office by March 2<sup>nd</sup> to be entered into the club window decorating contest!** Displays must be in place by 12:00 p.m. March 5<sup>th</sup> and will be judged through March 11<sup>th</sup>.

Awards for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> will be provided from the 4-H Advisory Committee and each club will receive \$5.00 for participating. All club windows will also be featured on the Crawford County 4-H Facebook page and Instagram.

### **Inspiring Instagram & Fantastic Facebook Following**

Check out the Crawford County Facebook page and the Crawford County 4-H Instagram account every day during Ohio 4-H week to see the daily posts.

**#crawfordcounty4h @Crawford County 4-H**

## **Ohio 4-H Conference**

The Ohio 4-H Conference is scheduled for Saturday, March 10, 2018 at the Columbus Convention Center. This event is designed to bring together volunteers and teens from across the State of Ohio. At this event, people learn together and from each other in order to improve our abilities to deliver the Ohio 4-H program to its members.

We truly believe that these educational workshops/ sessions offer something for everyone. The conference registration fee is \$35.00. The 4-H Advisory Committee has graciously paid for the first 10 adult or teens who register through the OSU Extension office. Look online for the complete conference handbook or stop by the office to view the handbook.

For more information call our office (419) 562-8731 or go online:  
<http://www.ohio4h.org/events/ohio-4-h-conference>

## **4-H Changes for 2018**

Enrollment date, April 1<sup>st</sup>, will be extended to April 2<sup>nd</sup> due to weekend.

Style Review, Demonstration, Favorite Foods, and Speech contest entries will **AGAIN** be due by JULY 12<sup>TH</sup> at Family Consumer Science Project Judging. **Entries may also be turned in ahead of time to the OSU Extension office as done in the past.**

Eligibility for participation in 4-H projects and competitive events begins when a child is age 8 and in third grade. Any youth age 9 or above is eligible for project membership, regardless of grade level.



***Shoot for the Stars*** Crawford County 4-H camp will be held  
June 15<sup>th</sup> - June 18<sup>th</sup> 2018 on Kelleys Island!

**Who can go?**

This outer space theme camp is fun for any youth, even non 4-H members, completing grades 3-8 in 2018.

**What does 4-H camp have to offer?**

4-H Camp offers youth the opportunity to develop independence, leadership skills, citizenship awareness, responsibility, and self-esteem in a group living situation away from home.

4-H Camp offers a variety of activities for each camper such as: swimming, nature, water activities, crafts, and much more. We have great programs and special events to keep you busy from morning 'til night!

**How do I sign up?**

Registration packets will become available mid-April/ early May. This packet will need to be completed and sent to the OSU Extension office, along with the camp fee, by May 25<sup>th</sup>. Will be accepted up until June 6<sup>th</sup> with additional late fee.

**Remember cabin assignments and sessions fill up fast so get your registration turned in as soon as possible.**

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Be sure to visit the fair and help the Jr. Fair Board Members explore the world  
*"A Continent a day the Crawford County Way"*

Youth and Adults of all ages can sign up for the following fun filled events at the Crawford County Jr. Fair Board Office during the Fair to participate.

Sunday, July 15, 2018- Blood Drive Pre-Register or Walk-In, if available \*Adults Only

Monday, July 16, 2018- Posey for Your Pretty Jr. Fair Board Fundraiser

Monday, July 16, 2018- Calf Scramble- Ages 15 and Up, Chicken and Sheep Scramble- Ages 14 and Under- Hosted by the Sr. Fair Board- Sign up in the Sr. Fair Board Office

Wednesday, July 18, 2018- Barnyard Boogie in the Park

Thursday, July 19, 2018- Egg Toss Contest

Friday, July 20, 2018- Nerf Battle in the Youth Building

Look for more events and information as we get closer to the 2018 Crawford County Fair.



## **Help Support Your Local 4-H Program!**

Through several different fundraisers throughout the year, 4-H Advisory Committee strives to give back to the 4-H community. In collaboration with 4-H Scholarship committee, the annual dinner and auction raises money and awareness for the local scholarship available for high school seniors and college freshman who were previous 4-H members.

4-H Advisory Committee also raises their own funds for many different opportunities for both youth and adults including: EVERY 4-H member and advisor insurance policy, part of all county dues, 4-H camp discounts, 4-H camp scholarships, statewide camp fees, leadership trainings, older youth trips, and more.

### **Upcoming events that you can help support:**

- **4-H Apparel will be on sale at each of the county QA dates**
- **Katering Kountry Style Spring Baked Goods Fundraiser; get an order to any Advisory Committee member or contact [cc4hforever@gmail.com](mailto:cc4hforever@gmail.com) by March 20<sup>th</sup>**
- **During the fair, be sure to visit and help work the 4-H food stand!**

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## **2017 Project Book Sponsors**

**Sunrise Cooperative, Central Ohio Farmers Co-Op, Land O'Lakes and Carter Electric have each made sizable contributions toward the cost of last year's 4-H project books. If you have not already, be sure to expression thanks to these businesses for their generous donations.**

### **Sunrise Cooperative**

c/o: George Secor  
P.O. Box 870  
Fremont, Ohio 43420

### **Central Ohio Farmers Co-Op**

c/o: Robert Lovett  
1477 State Route 294  
Marion, OH 43302

### **Carter Electric**

c/o: John Carter  
P.O. Box 711  
Galion, Ohio 44833

### **Land O'Lakes**

c/o: Lydia Botham  
Executive Director, Land O'Lakes Foundation  
PO Box 64150  
St. Paul, MN 55164-01500



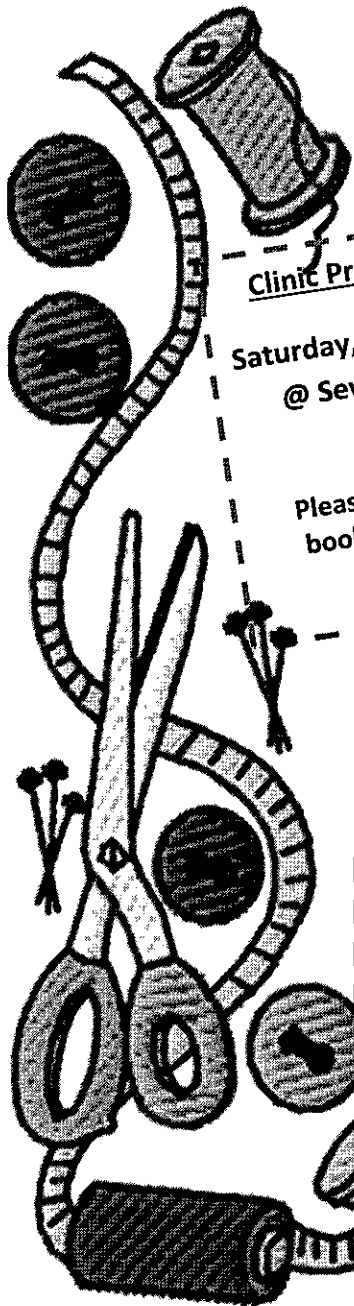


Learn how to sew from the ladies at

# SEW NICE

in Upper Sandusky!

The Wyandot County Textile Science Advisory Group is inviting all Crawford and Wyandot County 4-H youth to attend a two day clinic that will focus on helping youth, who are very new to sewing, finish their 4-H Exploring Sewing: Pillowcases project. *This clinic will complete ALL requirements of the project for anyone who participates and judging will be conducted at the end of the clinic.*



**Clinic Project Day 2: Let's get started sewing**

Saturday, April 21, 2018 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon  
@ Sew Nice, 200 W Wyandot Ave, Upper Sandusky

Please bring your 4-H beginner sewing project book with you as a reference for the helpers.

**Clinic Project Day 1: Machine and fabric basics**

Saturday, April 14, 2018 10 a.m. - 12:00 noon  
@ Sew Nice, 200 W Wyandot Ave, Upper Sandusky

Please bring your 4-H beginner sewing project book with you as a reference for the helpers.

**Youth MUST register with their county 4-H Office for the April 14 & 21 workdays by Friday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**

**Cost of the clinic is \$20.00 per youth.**

This cost includes EVERYTHING you will need to complete your project and a light snack each day.

There will be several sewing machines available for youth to use. However, if you have your own machine, please bring it so you can get familiar with your own machine.

**Ask the Experts:  
All 4-H'ers welcome!**

Ever have any questions? Feel free to call or stop in at Sew Nice any time to get help: 419-294-2200



## Upcoming 4-H Dates:

### February 2018

- 13 Jr. Fair Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- 15 State 4-H Scholarships Due- Crawford County ONLY Scholarship Available through OSU  
<https://students.cfaes.ohio-state.edu/money-matters/scholarships/4-h-scholarships>
- 19 Camp Counselor Training 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- 21 Livestock Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. Lower Level Conference Room
- 27 Jr. Fair Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- 28 Senior Fair Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. - Sec. Office, Fairgrounds

### March 2018

- 4-10 Ohio 4-H Week- Check out local club artwork on countywide business windows
- 5 Quality Assurance 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Youth Building, Fairgrounds (Test Out option at end)
- 6 4-H Advisory Committee 7:00 p.m. – Lower Level Conference Room
- 8 Quality Assurance for younger members 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Lower Level Conference Room  
(Must pre-register by February 26<sup>th</sup>)
- 10 Ohio 4-H Conference (Teens/adults), Greater Columbus Convention Center- Register by Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>
- 13 Jr. Fair Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- 16-17 Camp Counselor Training- Work Weekend TBA
- 27 Jr. Fair Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- 28 Senior Fair Board Meeting 8:00 p.m. - Sec. Office, Fairgrounds
- 30 Cloverbud Funday Planning Committee Meeting- Contact Allison to get information on this group

### April 2018

- 1 CRAWFORD COUNTY 4-H ENROLLMENT DUE @OSU Extension \*April 2<sup>nd</sup> due to weekend\*
- 3 4-H Advisory Committee 7:00 p.m. – Lower Level Conference Room
- 4-8 Buckeye Leadership Workshop- Youth selected in January 2018
- 5 Quality Assurance 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Youth Building, Fairgrounds (Test Out option at end)
- 8 LAST Quality Assurance 2:30-4:30 p.m. – Youth Building, Fairgrounds (Test Out option at end)
- 11-22 TSC Spring Paper Clover Campaign- Call Bucyrus TSC and speak to Frank about opportunities for your club to get involved or host a fundraiser
- 15 4-H Enrollment Project Changes will be accepted until April 15<sup>th</sup>  
\*Moved from April 15<sup>th</sup> to April 16<sup>th</sup> due to weekend
- 17 Jr. Fair Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- 18 Livestock Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- 19 Camp Counselor Training 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. - Lower Level Conf. Room
- 25 Senior Fair Board Meeting 8:00 p.m. - Sec. Office, Fairgrounds
- 27&28 Ohio 4-H LGBTQ+ Summit at the Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center. Details and to sign-up for updates at  
<https://ohio4h.org/lgbtqsummit>

**Be sure to check out the calendar on our website for continuous updates and cancellations**

**[crawford.osu.edu](https://crawford.osu.edu)**

