Message from the Extension Office

We are excited to announce an addition to the OSU Crawford County Extension Office family. On December 18, 2018, Allison and her husband Clay were blessed with the arrival of Henry Landis Cooper. He weighed 8 lbs. 8 oz. and was 21 ½ inches long. We are happy to report everyone is doing fine.

Allison will be returning to the office in March. If you have any questions, please contact Jason Hartschuh at hartschuh.11@osu.edu or Barb Lewis at lewis.780@osu.edu or call the office 419-562-8731 and we will assist you.

As we start off the 4-H new year, don’t forget to look online at the 2019 Crawford County 4-H Calendar, enrollment forms, and other items to start planning for your upcoming club meetings. We have also included a flyer with agricultural programs you might be interested in for 2019.

Sincerely,

Jason Hartschuh, ANR Extension Educator
2019 Older Youth Opportunities

Congratulations to all of the youth that received award trips of 2019:

**Citizenship Washington Focus**
Haley Easterday  
Jodie Jennings  
Bella Walter

**Leadership Camp**
Miya Kinn  
Emily Rudd

**Buckeye Leadership Workshop**
Alison Gebhardt  
Levi Hartschuh

**Forestry Camp**
Zach Hiler

2019 4-H Camp Counselors

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

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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 2019 counselor, please apply again next year.
Updates to Quality Assurance Program 2019

- Crawford County 4-H or FFA Members CAN NOW attend a QA program from another county or Ohio 4-H Approved workshop to earn credit.
- ALL JR. FAIR LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS must annually attend one session or pass QA test out.
- Regardless of age, junior fair exhibitors shall successfully complete the educational program not less than 45 days prior to the opening date of the exhibition in which they will participate. Thus, QA training and certification must be completed not less than 45 days prior to the opening day of the Crawford County fair; May 30, 2019.
- 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.

Quality Assurance Program 2019 Dates

**Thursday, March 14, 2019**
6:30 pm to 8:30 pm  
Youth Building, Fairgrounds  
Test Out Offered at End of Program

**Sunday, March 20, 2019**
2:30 pm to 4:30 pm  
Youth Building, Fairgrounds  
Test Out Offered at End of Program

**Wednesday, April 3, 2019**
6:30 pm to 8:30 pm  
Lower Level Conference Room, Courthouse  
NO Test Out Offered at End of Program

*Designed for 5th grade and younger; Must pre-register with OSU Extension Office 419-562-8731 by March 27, 2019. Limited to 25 participants.*

**Monday, April 15, 2019**
6:30 pm to 8:30 pm  
Youth Building, Fairgrounds  
Test Out Offered at End of Program
Upcoming Livestock Dates

Swine
- April 1st last day to sign up for a carlot hog
- Market Barrows & Gilts must be in exhibitors possession by May 6th
- Ear notch forms due to OSU Extension by May 6th

Dairy Feeders
- Tag day, March 2nd; If you didn't receive a postcard, call the extension office 419-562-8731 by February 27th
- April 15th- May 15th to be castrated, dehorned, vaccinated, and Dairy Feeders Vaccination 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 1st
- Beef feeder possession form due to OSU Extension office by May 31st
- June 8th Beef Feeder possession and tag day; committee will go to exhibitors home

Poultry
- Week of March 10th -Hatch week for Turkeys
- Week of May 12th -Hatch week for Roasters
- Week of May 26th -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 1st

Sheep
- May 11th Goat and Lamb tag day at fairgrounds 8:00-9:30 a.m.

Goats
- May 1st Goats must be in possession of exhibitor; must be born on January 1st or later
- May 11th 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 15th

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

July 6th 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.

Senior Project – 1/12/19
Show Clinic (Sheep, Goats, Swine & Cattle)
Contact: emily.rudd1718@gmail.com
2019 Carlot Hog Information
The Swine Committee has started preparations for the 2019 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)

Ohio 4-H Week March 3-9, 2019

Club Window Decorating Contest
Call the Extension Office by March 1st to be entered into the club window decorating contest! Displays must be in place by 12:00 p.m. March 4th and will be judged through March 10th.

Awards for 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th 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 9, 2019 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. Must register with OSU Extension Office by February 8, 2019.

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

Please contact Allison with any questions about all of the adult volunteer opportunities.

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.

Annual 4-H Volunteer Training Dates

All 4-H Volunteers are required to attend one mandatory training each year. Training dates for 2019 4-H year are as follows:

- **Sunday, March 17, 2019**
  5:30 p.m. - Youth Building, Fairgrounds

- **Wednesday, March 20, 2019**
  11:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room, Courthouse

- **Wednesday, March 27, 2019 (During Officer Training)**
  Approx. 7:00 p.m. at Colonel Crawford Cafetorium

- **Thursday, April 4, 2019**
  12:30 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room, Courthouse

- **Monday, April 8, 2019**
  8:00 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room, Courthouse

If you are unable to attend any of these trainings, please contact OSUE Office after March 4th to discuss other arrangements.

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

- **ALL NEW VOLUNTEERS MUST BEGIN THE 4-H VOLUNTEER PROCESS BY APRIL 15**
  Any adult interested after April 15th will need to wait until after the fair to start the process and will NOT be permitted to act in the capacity of a 4-H Volunteer until the entire 4-H Volunteer process is complete.

  - Complete the 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.
  - Please contact OSUE Office with questions about how to apply to be a 4-H volunteer, 419-562-8731,
Crawford County 4-H camp will be held Friday, June 7-Monday, June 10 2019 on Kelleys Island!

Who can go?
4-H camp is fun for any youth, even non 4-H members, completing grades 3-8 in 2019.

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- late April. This packet will need to be completed and sent to the OSU Extension office, along with the camp fee, by May 22nd. Registration will be accepted up until May 29th with additional late fee. Cabin assignments and sessions fill up fast so get your registration turned in as soon as possible.

Partial Scholarships Available
Partial scholarships are available through the Crawford County 4-H Advisory Committee to those most deserving financial assistance (In the past scholarships have been approximately a quarter of the camp fee).
Scholarship recipients will be kept confidential. More information will be included in the camp registration packet.

Thinking about camp but just not sure? Talk to other members of your club and see how they liked camp or talk with a counselor to find out all the fun things we will be doing! You can also check out the photo page on our website crawford.osu.edu or our Facebook page Crawford County 4-H to see all the fun you could be missing out on.
2019 Project Book Sponsors

Sunrise Cooperative, Central Ohio Farmers Co-Op, CHS Inc., 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

CHS INC.

c/o: Stewardship Team
5500 Cenex Drive
Inver Grove Heights, MN 55077

Land O’Lakes

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

Help Support Your Local 4-H Program!

Through several different fundraisers throughout the year, the 4-H Advisory Committee strives to give back to our local 4-H community.

Did you know that the 4-H Advisory Committee raises funds for: 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.

Ways that you can help support 4-H:

- New Patron Sponsor Information: Patron Sponsor letters have been mailed; please contact cc4hforever@gmail.com if you do not receive your letter and wish to contribute. In return for being a Patron Sponsor, any business, family, or individual will be recognized at the 2019 Crawford County Fair in the Advisory Committee Booth and in the Youth Building during judging and 4-H events, and on the “4-H Forever in Crawford County” Facebook page throughout 2019. Additionally, any sponsorship will be tax deductible, to the limit allowed by law, as the Crawford County 4-H Advisory Committee is a 501c3 organization. Any questions can be directed to cc4hforever@gmail.com.
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 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.

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.

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.

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

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:

January 2019
- 4-H International Exchange Program Applications Due ASAP in Late 2018/Early 2019
- Fair Manager’s Conference – Columbus - Youth Day January 6th
- Camp Counselor Training 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- Holiday - OSU Extension Closed
- Camp Counselor Training 9:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- Jr. Fair Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- Livestock Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. – Lower Level Conference Room
- CARTEENS Program at 7:00 p.m. – Teen helpers arrive at 6:30 p.m.
- Officer Training 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Colonel Crawford Cafetorium

February 2019
- Sr. Fair Board Fundraiser- Youth Building- Contact SFB for details 419-562-7936
- Camp Counselor Training 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- 4-H Advisory Committee 7:00 p.m. – Lower Level Conference Room
- Registration due to OSU Extension Office for Ohio 4-H Conference on March 9, 2019
- Jr. Fair Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. – Lower Level Conference Room
- State 4-H Scholarships Due- Crawford County ONLY Scholarship Available through OSU
  [https://students.cfaes.ohio-state.edu/money-matters/scholarships/4-h-scholarships](https://students.cfaes.ohio-state.edu/money-matters/scholarships/4-h-scholarships)

February Continued 2019
- CARTEENS Program at 7:00 p.m. – Teen helpers arrive at 6:30 p.m.
- Camp Counselor Training 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- Livestock Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. – Lower Level Conference Room
- Jr. Fair Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- Senior Fair Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. – Fairgrounds

March 2019
- Ohio 4-H Week- Check out local club artwork on countywide business windows
- 4-H Advisory Committee 7:00 p.m. – Lower Level Conference Room
- Ohio 4-H Conference (Teens/adults), Greater Columbus Convention Center Register by Feb. 8th
- Colligate 4-H Plowboy Prom
- Camp Counselor Training 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- Quality Assurance 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Youth Building, Fairgrounds
- Quality Assurance 2:30-4:30 p.m. – Youth Building, Fairgrounds
- 4-H Volunteer Training at 5:30 p.m.- Youth Building, Fairgrounds
- CARTEENS Program at 7:00 p.m. – Teen helpers arrive at 6:30 p.m.
- Jr. Fair Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- 4-H Volunteer Training at 11:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. - Lower Level Conference Room
- Cloverbud Funday Planning Committee Meeting- Contact Allison to get information on this group
- Camp Counselor Training- Work Weekend TBA
- Officer Training 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Colonel Crawford Cafetorium

Be sure to check out the calendar on our website for continuous updates.