

Clover Communicator

The latest news and information for the Lorain County 4-H Community.

Fair Edition 2019

Welcome to the Clover Communicator! It is our goal to provide timely, accurate information regarding all things 4-H to you. This electronic newsletter platform will assist our office in achieving this goal. We are interested in your feedback! Please, let us know how we may improve the look and user friendliness of our newsletter. Simply click on the link below to send us a comment. Thank you for assisting us in creating a communication system that works for all!

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Dates & Deadlines

AUGUST

- 1 Jr Fair Board (FG) 7:00 p.m.
- 7 4-H Ag/Still-Life Project Judging (NRTL) 4:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.
- 8 Jr Fair Board (FG) 7:00 p.m.
- 13 Sr. Fair Board (FG) 7:30 p.m.
- 15 Jr Fair Board (FG) 7:00 p.m.
- 17 4-H Ag/Still Life Large item judging (FG) Noon-2:00 p.m.
- 17 4-H Cloverbud Show & Tell (FG) Noon- 2:00 p.m.
- 18 Animal Check-in/Weigh-in (FG) See Jr. Fairbook for species specific times
- 19-25 Lorain County Fair (FG) See Jr. Fairbook for complete schedule

Lorain County Jr. Fair



[Click here](#) to view the complete 2019 Lorain County Jr. Fairbook

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Fair is almost here! Here are a few reminders for fair-time and every day:

Work Hard- The amount of work you put into your projects has a direct link with

always have a positive attitude.

Have Fun- Make new friends, laugh, and share what you have learned with others.

Be Present- Enjoy the current moment rather than worrying about what has happened or what will be.



4-H members, parents and volunteers- we are all representing Lorain County 4-H. Please remember:

- to abide by the 4-H Code of Conduct
- to follow all dress codes for shows, auctions and judgings
- to exhibit good sportsmanship in your wins and losses
- educate others about 4-H and the learning experience you have had with your project



Fair Questions?

Please refer all Jr. Fair questions to our Junior Fair Coordinator, Sherry Nickles. She may be reached at the following numbers on the following dates:

Sr. Fair Office
July 1st - August 16th
440-647-2781

Jr. Fair Office
August 17th - 25th
440-647-3407

Pre-Fair Week Events

4-H Project Evaluation- aka Judging Time!

**August 7, 2019- Lorain County 4-H Ag/Still Life Judging
New Russia Township Lodge
4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.**

Walk-ins only, no appointments will be taken for this judging.

Please be sure to refer to the project exhibit guidelines for more information regarding your projects.

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This is for projects 365 Large Self-Determined i.e. tractor restoration, 541-543 Small Engines, 556-559 Woodworking, 573 Welding. No other projects will be judged.

August 17, 2019- 4-H Cloverbud Show & Tell

Fairgrounds- Show Ring #9

Noon-2:00 p.m.

Cloverbuds who turned in a Jr. Fair entry form and who wish to participate in the Show & Tell need to register and bring project exhibit to the Show Ring in Barn #9.

Registration opens at 10:30 a.m. \$1.00 premium and medals will be given to participants.

Exhibits can go in club booth or will be collected for exhibit in the Cloverbud booth in Barn #14. The Cloverbud Show & Tell is optional. See complete details on pages 66-67 of the Jr. Fairbook.

Fair Passes

Jr. Fair Exhibitor

Jr. Fair Exhibitors (4-H, FFA, FCCLA, Scouts, Camp Fire, Etc.)

- Any child age 8 and under is free at the gates.
- Jr. Fair Exhibitors (youth who have turned in a Jr. Fair entry form and registered at least one exhibit for fair) will receive a wristband pass for fair which allows free admission at the gates.

Wristband distribution times – the Jr. Fair exhibitor must go in person to get their wristband at the Jr. Fair Livestock Sale Office on the fairgrounds during these times:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17– 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18 – Noon – 4:00 p.m.

Exhibitors who cannot wear a wristband (due to sports, allergies, etc.) should request tickets during the wristband distribution times.

For those Jr. Fair exhibitors who do not pick up their wristband on Saturday or Sunday, wristbands will **ONLY** be issued on **MONDAY** and **TUESDAY** at the Jr. Fair Office in Bldg. #14. After **TUESDAY**, **NO** wristbands will be given out. An exhibitor without a wristband will have to pay to get in the gate Monday or Tuesday and then come to the Jr. Fair Office in person to get their wristband.

Replacement wristbands: At the Jr. Fair Office during fair week, we will replace a wristband **ONLY ONCE**. In order to receive a replacement band, an exhibitor must bring in their broken wristband. No replacements will be issued without a broken band being turned in. A lost band **CANNOT** be replaced.

Volunteers

REMINDER! 4-H volunteers who wish to purchase up to seven \$3.00 admission tickets to fair must purchase them from August 1st to August 16th. Tickets must be purchased at the fair office by Friday, August 16th. Sr. Fair Board Office Hours: 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Club Booth Set-Up

We are excited to see all of the wonderful things your club has to share! Booth set-up times are:

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17th, from 10:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18th from 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Booths may not be removed before Noon on Sunday, August 25th and must be completely removed by 4:00 p.m. on Sunday night. Nails, tacks, tape, etc. must be cleaned from walls.

The name of the club and the city or town from which the club originates must be clearly visible in the booth. No food in booths! Be sure that each project is displayed in some manner. Make sure that the 4-H'ers exhibit card is in the booth. Exhibit cards can be

For those clubs that have only a small number of family & consumer science projects, we will set up a general booth. Just fill out an exhibit card and leave the item and card at the WEST end of Building #11 (Ag Products) where State Fair Projects are checked in on Saturday, August 17th from 12:00-2:00 p.m.

Club booth information can be found in the Jr. Fair Advisor Reference Packet and starting on page 70 in the Jr. Fair book.

Barn Meetings

There is quite a lot going on leading up to fair week and of course during fair week. It is VERY important to attend your barn meetings once you get your animals checked-in and settled into their pens on Sunday afternoon. At these meetings you will meet your Jr. Fairboard Department team, listen to important announcements, and learn more about the required barn duty schedules.

Fowl- 6:00 p.m.- Show Ring Barn #15

Goat- 6:30 p.m.- Show Ring #9

Horse- 7:00 p.m.- Barn #15

Swine- 7:00 p.m.- Show Ring #9

Sheep- 7:30 p.m.- Show Ring #9

Rabbit- 8:00 p.m.- Rabbit Barn

Dairy- 8:00 p.m.- Dairy Barn #2

Ohio Department of Agriculture Requirements

Drug Use Notification Forms (DUNF)

These are available from the Extension Office and will be available at fair animal check-in. Please DO NOT USE FORMS FROM PREVIOUS YEARS.

Testing of Champions

Grand and reserve champion market steers, hogs, and sheep will undergo urine and tissue testing in accordance with O.D.A. directives,

Fair Week Events

4-H Advisory

Milk Barn

Thank you to all clubs that have signed up to work the milk barn. Each shift will need to be manned by a 4-H advisor or parent and 1-4 children age 8 and above (No Cloverbuds) It is preferred that the children are 4-H members but, family members of the appropriate age group will also be allowed to participate. Working in the booth will be counted as a Banner Club activity under "Building Watch." For each 2 hour shift worked, the club will receive one entry into the drawing for a cash prize of \$75.00, \$50.00 or \$25.00. Cash prize drawing to take place at the Volunteer Recognition Dinner.

Please [click here](#) for the complete Club schedule.

Penny Wars

Start saving your pennies and loose change! 4-H Clubs throughout the county compete with each other through-out fair week, turning in coins based on daily challenges, to earn prizes, awards and the title of Penny Wars Champion! This fun and friendly competition is to raise funds towards our 4-H Advisory Committee. All clubs are encouraged to join in the fun. Visit with your 4-H Club Advisors and look in future Clover Communicators for more information.

Click here for the [entry form](#) and [official rules](#) of this year's Penny Wars!

What is this you ask?
Fundraiser for Lorain County 4-H Advisory Committee

What is the money used for?
Money is used for Lorain County 4-H Advisory Committee projects

When does this happen?
The booth only opens on at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, August 19 and runs through Saturday, August 24th.
Booth hours are listed on the back of this flyer.

Where does this happen?
At the Lorain County Fairgrounds in the Junior Fair Home (C Barn)

Days & Hours of Operation, and Daily Rules:

Monday	1:00-7:30 pm	Free Day! Anything goes! Learning Positive!
Tuesday	1:00-7:30 pm	Polled jerseys & loose pens (positive only) Paper and other negative.
Wednesday	1:00-7:30 pm	Paper Positive & rolled cans Positive. Loose cans negative!
Thursday	12:00-4pm	Free Day! Anything goes! Everything is Good!
Friday	1:00-7:30 pm	Polled jerseys Double positive: blue and paper negative.
Saturday	12:00-5:00 pm	Paper Double Negative! All are positive rolled or loose.

RULES OF ENGAGEMENT:

- Shells will be turned out to 4-H Clubs, FFA, FCLA or Farm Bureau Clubs.
- All shells will be 3 hours in length. Clubs are not to leave booth until they are released by the host club of a member of 4-H Advisory Committee.
- Upon making signed application by an advisor to enter the Roving Wre a club will be furnished a job bearing their name by 4-H ADVISORY COMMITTEE.
- Any club that participates in the Roving Wre MUST man the booth for at least one two-hour shift. A club who is unable to personally man a shift may have a proxy (another club) man the booth for the mandatory 2 hour shift. No club can have a club proxy for them more than one time. A club can only be high/low for a 2 hour shift. It is not necessary that the proxy club be a participant in the Roving Wre.

A. A club MUST have at least one adult in the booth at all times.
B. No more than 3 or 4 youth members are to be in the booth at any given time.
C. The jars are to remain on the booth table. They are not to be picked up and walked around the barn or held at the door.
D. Clubs are encouraged to promote their club and encourage people to deposit funds into their jar. They CANNOT discourage people from putting funds into the jar of OTHER clubs.
E. Jars will be taped shut. The seal will be checked by the 4-H Committee member who is checking on the shift change. Any broken seals at the beginning of the shift will mean that the departing club will forfeit their entry into the drawing for that shift.

Return this completed form to: CSDZ Exhibitors, 421 W. Russell St., Elyria, OH 44025

Before Wednesday, August 14, 2019

CLUB: _____

ADVISOR: _____ PHONE #: _____

4-H Endowment

Thank you Booth

Showing your appreciation to those that have supported our youth and our program is always encouraged! Our 4-H Endowment Board recognizes the importance of saying thank you and will be providing all youth with an opportunity to write thank you cards to any person or group that has assisted in supporting 4-H in any way. Thank you cards, envelopes and volunteer assistance will be available at this booth on the following dates and times:

Thursday, August 22 2:00-5:00 p.m.
 Friday, August 23 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
 Saturday, August 24 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
 Sunday, August 25 9:00 a.m.-Noon

Please be sure to stop by the Thank you booth at the county fair to show your appreciation!

FCS Committee

Fourth Annual Cake Decorating Contest

August 23, 2019, 6:00 pm (After Cup Cake Decorating Contest)
 Lorain County Fairgrounds - Barn #14
 Sponsored by: 4-H Family & Consumer Science Committee
 Entry Fee \$5.00 Per Team (Checks payable to FCS Committee)

Limit of Five (5) Teams Per Division

Awards: First, Second and Third place Rosettes in each division.

Divisions: Senior Division – Age 14 - 18
 Junior Division – Age 8 to 13

Team Eligibility: Teams to consist of 2-4 members. Maximum of 2 teams per club or organization (one per division.)

Click [here](#) for more information and the entry form.

County Fair Premium Distribution

Premiums will be issued to exhibitors in cash only at the fair:

Jr. Fair premium distribution will be in the Rabbit Show Arena in Barn 15:
 Saturday, August 24th from 11:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
 Sunday, August 25th from 1:00— 4:00 p.m.

Cloverbud exhibitors will receive a \$1.00 premium for exhibiting a Cloverbud item.
 Saturday, August 17th from 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Cloverbud premium distribution.
 Cloverbuds members do not have to participate in the Show & Tell in order to receive the premium, but they MUST have an item on exhibit at the fair.

The Lorain County Agricultural Society will issue Jr. Fair exhibitor premiums in cash only during posted times and location on Saturday and Sunday of county fair. Cash premiums will be distributed at Sr. Fair office from Monday, August 26 from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Society. The Board of Directors will determine the proper use of these donations.

No premium or award adjustments will be made after August 26th unless prior written requests were made. All adjustment requests should be filed with the Jr. Fair Coordinator, 23000 Fairgrounds Rd., Wellington, OH 44090. Adjustment requests must be made through the advisor. Lost premiums and outdated checks will not be reissued by the Sr. Fair Board.

*** Meet My Project ***

Thank you to all that have signed up for this fun new opportunity to share more about agriculture and what each of you have learned through your 4-H projects!

[Click here](#) for the Meet My Project schedule.

For those that have signed up- please be sure to check in at the Jr. fairboard office to pick up your t-shirt and tip sheet 30-60 minutes prior to your scheduled time.

There are still a few time slots available. If you are interested in participating in this opportunity please call the Extension office to sign up. T-shirts may not be available for those that have signed up past the deadline.



MEET MY PROJECT
AT THE LORAIN COUNTY FAIR

Sign up for this fun opportunity to share your project with the public!

Meet My Project stations will be set up throughout out Jr. Fair including:

- Beef
- Dairy
- Goats
- Fowl
- Rabbits
- Sheep
- Swine
- Ag Products/Still Life
- Family & Consumer Sciences

Meet My Project Stations (listed above) will be manned Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Participant expectations:

- sign up for a two-hour shift (4-6 or 6-8) in the project area/station (see above)
- arrive to assigned station with your animal or project exhibit and any additional project informational items you would like to bring (informational signage for your project may be available- check with the 4-H Office when you sign-up)
- be prepared to share more about your project, interact with, and educate the public
- wear the Ask Me About My Project t-shirt



Contact the Lorain County 4-H Office for more details and to sign-up!

Meet My Project is a collaborative effort between Sr. Fair, Jr. Fair and 4-H

BUILDING WATCH FOR FAIR

4-H clubs having members enrolled in family & consumer science and still-life projects and that have signed up for a 2 hour building watch shifts in the Ag Products and Home Ec. Buildings. There are still a few openings for clubs to sign up. Call the Extension Office at 440-326-5851 if you your club needs a shift.

- Try to have at least two advisors, parents or members on duty during your shift.
- Check in at the Jr. Fair Office (Bldg. 14) at the start of your shift. You'll sign in, and receive "Barn Watch" buttons to wear during your shift.
- You can also sign out brooms specifically for use in the building. There is a \$5.00 deposit required for each broom, rake, shovel, etc. which is borrowed from the Jr. Fair Office. The deposit is refunded when the item is returned.
- During your shift, circulate through the buildings to watch that exhibit items are not being stolen.
- Pick up litter both inside and around the building.
- Sweep the floor if needed.
- Be available to talk to fair goers about 4-H or explain exhibits in the building.

[Click here](#) for the Building Watch schedule

2019 Lorain County Fair
August 19-25, 2019
From Wagon Wheels to Ferris Wheels



Jr. Fair Premium Books are available!!

Contact your 4-H Club leader to receive your copy of the Jr. Fair Premium Book and Jr. Fair Entry Forms.

You may view and download the 2019 book and entry forms on the Jr. Fair website by clicking [here](#).

or on our 4-H website by clicking [here](#).

4-H Community Happenings

Join us for our annual
Ice Cream Social



Where: OSU Extension Office - 42110 Russia Rd, Elyria, OH 44035
 When: Friday, August 9. Doors open at 6:00pm. Concert at 7:00pm
 Featuring: Silent Auction, Entertainment, Music and Cold Ice Cream!

Donations will be accepted at this event for the Lorain County 4-H Endowment Fred C. Eppley Memorial Scholarship.

Questions? Contact Lorain4HBand@gmail.com



See you there!

COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Sponsored by the Barnyard Buddies 4-H Club

Is your club looking for a community service opportunity? The Barnyard Buddies 4-H Group is holding a toy, clothing and no sew blanket drive to help the Nationwide Children's Hospital. The items collected will be donated to the different units throughout the hospital.

shorts with elastic, flip-flops, board or handheld games, infant boy or girl toys, and no sew blankets. All items have to be new in packages no used items can be accepted.

The hospital services children of all ages. The items donated can be for children infant to 18 years of age.

There will be a box located at the Jr. Fair Board Office that your club can drop off your new items during the week of fair. You can also contact Tim or Amy Smith to drop your items off at their campsite or they can pick up your donations. Any club that donates will receive a letter thanking them for their donations.



If you have any questions please contact:

Amy Smith – (440) – 864-4923

Timothy Smith – (440) – 864-4921

We will be accepting donations starting:

Aug 1, 2019 – Aug 29, 2019

ATTENTION!!!



Do you have used show equipment you are ready to sell?

Are you looking to purchase used show equipment for next year's livestock projects?

FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER AT THE FAIR YOU WILL HAVE THE CHANCE TO SELL YOUR GENTLY USED SHOW EQUIPMENT AND GEAR! BREEDERS FROM LORAIN COUNTY ARE ALSO WELCOME TO ADVERTISE!

- Headgates
- Blowers
- Show boots

How can you participate? A community bulletin board will be located outside the Junior Fair Board Office. You may post pictures and descriptions of your used equipment on the bulletin board. Please note- ONLY adult contact information is to only be used. Child contact information is not permitted for safety reasons. If you are interested in purchasing gently used equipment, stop by the bulletin board to view what has been posted.

****This board is only available to Lorain County 4-H participants.****

For more information email Emily Amato at hpolen0508@gmail.com or (440)281-6451

Special note- Emily Amato is a five year 4-Her in The Next Generations 4-H Club. She is providing the leadership and management of this service project towards a Girl Scout Award. What a wonderful collaborative effort to support the needs of our youth- great job Emily!



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