



# Clover Communicator

Lorain County - Where 4-H is Great!

Oct 2021

## Dates & Deadlines

### October

- 1-31 North Coast Inland Trail 4-H Litter Pick-Up
- 2 Ohio 4-H Celebration of Youth
- 3-9 National 4-H Week
- 7 CARTEENS 5:30 p.m.
- 12 Sr. Fair Board (FG) 7:30 p.m.
- 15 Lorain Co. 4-H Grant Applications Due
- 20 Advisory Committee (FG) 6:00 p.m.
- 21 Volunteer Recognition Program (FG)
- 23 CARTEENS 9:00 a.m.
- 28 Jr. Fair Board (FG) 7:00 p.m.

### November

- 4 4-H CARTEENS 5:30 p.m.
- 9 Sr. Fair Board (FG) 7:30 p.m.
- 11 Holiday– Extension Office Closed**
- 15 Jr. Fair Board 2020 Application Due
- 17 Advisory Committee 6:00 p.m.
- 18 Endowment Board 7:00 p.m.
- 20 CARTEENS 9:00 a.m.
- 25-27 Holiday – Extension Office Closed**

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[The 2022 Lorain County 4-H Calendar](#)  
is coming soon!

**Thank you** to the following Lorain County 4-H supporters. It is the generosity from organizations such as yours that ensures **Lorain County 4-H is Great!**





# Notes from Jacki

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Many of you have been wondering what Lorain County 4-H will look like in 2022. The pause on Councils has had a great impact on those directly and indirectly involved with county councils and committees. Those project areas that did not have a “Council” often times wondered why. This next steps proposes a system to provide educational programming for all project areas.

This proposal includes utilizing our current 4-H Advisory and 4-H Endowment Boards and creating a new 4-H Educational Board to assist the 4-H Educator in providing overall leadership and management of the total county program. Through this system, 4-H Clubs are empowered to offer county-wide events; meeting the educational needs and interests of our youth. Please take a few minutes to read this proposal and the 4-H Event & Fundraiser Procedures. We want your feedback!! After reading through the proposal, please let us know youth thoughts, questions, and suggestions! You may access this survey here: [https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_6PcWPcxLF78napU](https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6PcWPcxLF78napU)

Below is our projected timeframe for potential implementation:

September- Share proposal with Lorain County 4-H Community

September- October 15- Collect input from Lorain County 4-H Community regarding the proposal

October 20 & 21- Share results with 4-H Advisory and 4-H Endowment to determine the following:

1. Support the proposal as is
2. Support the proposal with amendments
3. Do not support the proposal (at which time we would begin development on another proposal)

Thank you all for your patience, discourse, and honest feedback during this process. This proposal was also sent out through our 4-H Online broadcast system, is available on the 4-H Clover Communicator page of our website and is included in this newsletter.

Have a beautiful, safe and healthy week!

*Jacqueline L. Bacon*

# Lorain County 4-H –

## Next Steps



There have been a lot of questions regarding how our Lorain County 4-H program will move forward from the pause placed on Councils. The information below and in the attached links will provide additional information regarding the proposed next steps.

### Proposal Summary

Three volunteer boards will be utilized to assist the 4-H Educator in providing direction, funding, and educational learning opportunities for 4-H in Lorain County: our current 4-H Advisory Committee, our current 4-H Endowment Board, and a newly developed 4-H Educational Board. Councils will officially be disbanded. Power and responsibility of educational events, shows, and fundraising will be turned over to 4-H Clubs. The Educational Board will assist 4-H Clubs in providing county-wide events including but not limited to: project specific clinics and workshops, project related speakers and field trips, and shows (with additional state requirements). The Lorain County 4-H Staff will continue to offer and organize county-wide programs such as volunteer training, 4-H camps, livestock skillathon, and project judging.

### Recap of the last three years

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| Fall 2018  | Initial Needs Assessment   |
| 2019       | Based on the needs assessment, 4-H Advisory indicated communication, inclusion, and diversity as the priorities for the 4-H Educator. A new advisory subcommittee was created to focus on inclusion and diversity.   |
| 2019-2020  | <u>Phase I</u> - Implementation of Council Liaison Officers and term limits. This was proposed by the inclusion and diversity subcommittee to improve communication and identify areas inclusion and diversity may be improved. Phase I was approved by Advisory committee and Endowment board.  |
| 2020-21    | <u>Phase II</u> - Implementation of consistent business calendars for county committees & councils and adoption of the Executive Committee Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) Manual. This was proposed by the inclusion and diversity subcommittee to create consistency and clarify roles and responsibilities. Phase II was approved by Advisory committee and Endowment board. Both the calendar and SOP manual were introduced at the officer training conducted in December 2020 for all county board, committee, and council officers. |
| April 2021 | All Councils were placed on pause. Deadlines and processes explained at the December training were not followed. Disrespect, undermining of authority, bullying, speculation and triangulation, and inappropriate management and use of funds continued.   |

## September 2021 - Next Steps Proposal

To continue improvements to the Lorain County 4-H program, we are proposing the following action steps to meet the needs of the community. These include continuing with the current 4-H Advisory Committee and 4-H Endowment Board systems and create a new 4-H Educational Board. These three entities will be utilized to assist the 4-H Educator in providing direction, funding, and educational learning opportunities for 4-H in Lorain County. The same volunteer may not be on more than one board at the same time. Responsibilities of each group are outlined below.

Advisory Committee- Provides guidance regarding program priorities, management, processes, and procedures. Membership is based on a nomination and election process. Three-year term positions are nominated and elected by Lorain County 4-H volunteers. One-year term membership positions include: at large, key leader, community leader, and youth representatives. These positions are also nominated by Lorain County 4-H volunteers and voted in by 4-H Advisory members. Members may serve consecutive terms up to a total of seven years.

Endowment Board- Focus on fundraising and disbursement of funds. Interest earned from the principal are utilized for local 4-H camp scholarships, academic scholarships, and 4-H project grants. Individuals interested in board membership submit a letter of interest to the current board for consideration. Board members serve a two-year term and may serve a total of three consecutive terms (6 years).

New Educational Board- Will provide oversight and assistance with county-level educational programming proposed by local 4-H Clubs and volunteers. Membership is based on an application process, selected by a review committee, and will have term limits as outlined below.

### Educational Board Details

- Nine members will be selected to serve a three-year term
- The first year there will be three members with a one-year term, three members with a two-year term, and three members with a three-year term to ensure consistent rotation of board members.
- There will be 4-6 official board meetings per year
- Club/4-H activity requests will be reviewed at official board meetings
  - [4-H Event/Fundraiser Procedures and Forms](#)- draft

Educational Board selection process:

- Interested individuals will apply through an [application](#) and reference process
- The Application Review Committee will consist of:
  - Representative from the Endowment Board
  - Representative from the Advisory Committee
  - Community Representative
  - 4-H Educator

### Request for Input

We are interested in your opinion regarding the proposed process of the 4-H Educational Board. Your feedback is requested no later than October 15, 2021. You may submit your feedback at:

[https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_6PcWPcxLF78napU](https://osu.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6PcWPcxLF78napU)

# Lorain County 4-H Club Event/Fundraisers



## Planning

To be an official 4-H club event or fundraiser the following must be met:

- The club membership has discussed to host/sponsor/engage in said event and the majority vote is reflected in the club minutes as maintained by the club secretary and club leader.

Clubs are encouraged, not required, to utilize the attached forms for planning and reporting.

To be considered for a 4-H County-wide event:

- The above must be met and the
- Event/Fundraiser Planning forms are to be submitted to the Lorain County 4-H Educational Board for consideration a minimum of 30 days prior to the date of the requested event.
- If approved, the Event follow-up form must be submitted within 30 days of the approved event. 4-H entities that do not complete and submit follow-up reports will be ineligible to submit requests for at least one year.

## Insurance

Lorain County 4-H offers the following 4-H event insurance for approved events:

- OSU liability insurance
- Lorain County 4-H secondary medical insurance

You may need to purchase additional insurance if:

- the event is in addition to regularly scheduled 4-H Club meetings
- involves animals,
- the public,
- or shooting sports

Lorain County 4-H insurance policy is through American Income Life (AIL). Clubs are eligible to purchase event insurance through AIL's Special Risk Division for \$.30 per person per day. You will submit an *Activity Report* online at:

<https://www.aillife.com/specialriskdivision>

The report will ask for event dates and an estimated number of participants. ALL will send you an invoice after the event date has passed. There is a section on the form included with your invoice to indicate the actual number of participants. This determines the final payment you will send in to ALL.

### **Visiting Private Property**

If your event will be occurring on private property, please contact the 4-H Educator to provide a letter regarding liability insurance for the property owner.

### **Events involving non- 4-H youth**

If your event will involve non-4-H youth as participants, you will need to request they complete an Informed Consent/Assumption of Risk Agreement. Contact your 4-H Educator for this form.

### **Required Trainings**

#### **Food**

If the event or fundraiser you are planning involves food and food preparation, you MUST have at least one approved adult volunteer certified through the Occasional Quantity Cooks program. More information on this is available: <https://ohio4h.org/volunteers/volunteers/club-leaders/club-management-resources-policies-and-procedures>

This individual is responsible for abiding by all OH Environment Department Food Safety regulations AND applying for a Temporary Food Permit.

#### **Livestock, horse, or dog shows**

If the event or fundraiser you are planning involves any type of animal show, you MUST have at least one approved adult volunteer that has completed the 4-H Show Standard Operating Procedures training.

#### **Final Report**

The final report should be completed and shared at the club meeting immediately following the event and sent to the Educational Board within one month following the event. Be sure to attach copies any additionally required paperwork such as proof of insurance, certificates of required trainings, or temporary food permits.



## Club/County Event Planning Form

To be submitted a minimum of 30 days prior to the event

Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Club Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Proposed Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Proposed Event: \_\_\_\_\_

### Please Check All that apply:

- Club Event with Animals
- Club Event with the Public
- Club Event with Shooting Sports (an official certified 4-H shooting sports instructor MUST be involved)
- 4-H Animal Show

Describe the purpose/goal of the event:

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Describe the location of the event:

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Describe who will attend the event:

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## Club/County Event Planning Form



Indicate the specific person's name who will take the lead on each of the following:

- Securing Location \_\_\_\_\_
- Securing Extra Insurance (if needed) \_\_\_\_\_
- Promoting/Advertising \_\_\_\_\_
- Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Who will secure required certifications/permits:
  - Occasional Quantity Cooks Certification: \_\_\_\_\_
  - Temporary Food Permit: \_\_\_\_\_
  - 4-H Show SOP training: \_\_\_\_\_
- Who will manage the event:
  - Registration \_\_\_\_\_
  - Welcome and Introduce Guest Speakers/Instructors  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - Closing- Thank guest speakers/instructors and participants  
\_\_\_\_\_
- After the Event
  - Complete the Final Report to be shared at Club meeting & Sent to the Educational Board no later than 30 days following the event  
\_\_\_\_\_
  - Send out thank you notes to presenters, sponsors, or collaborators  
\_\_\_\_\_

# Fundraiser/Sponsorship Planning Form



Club Name \_\_\_\_\_

Club Leader \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Proposed Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Proposed Event: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Check All that apply:

- Fundraiser
- Solicit Sponsorship or Donation

Describe the fund raising/ sponsorship activity purpose:

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Total amount needed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the fund-raising activity or the manner in which you will solicit sponsorships or donations. If soliciting sponsorships/donations, list all individuals that will be approached:

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**Club/County Event/Fundraiser Final Report**  
To be submitted within 30 days following the event



**Club Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Club Leader** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Event:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Name of Event:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Check One:**

- Club Event
- Club Fundraiser

Number of Participants: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Expenses: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Income: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Net Profit: \_\_\_\_\_

List of Sponsors/Collaborators:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Narrative of Event/Fundraiser:

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Attach all required documentation (i.e., proof of insurance, temporary food permit, etc.)

# County News



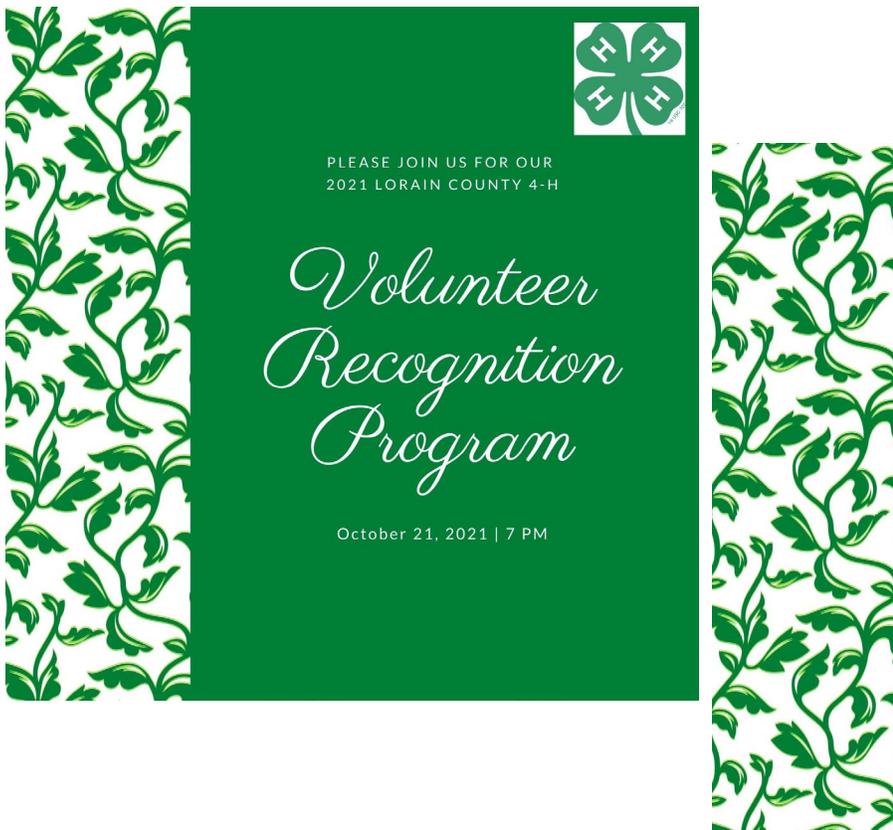
## 4-H Advisory Committee

### Voting will open next week!

All Lorain County 4-H volunteers will receive an electronic ballot next week. Do not forget to cast your vote for this year's new 4-H Advisory members. This is your opportunity to choose individuals you feel would do the best job at providing guidance and leadership to our county 4-H program.

### Volunteer Recognition Program

Mark your calendars for October 21, 2021, and plan on joining us at the fairgrounds to celebrate this year's accomplishments! Service awards, specialty awards, and results of the election will all be announced and celebrated this evening.



October 21, 2021 | 7 PM  
Lorain County Fair Hall  
23000 Fairgrounds Rd  
Wellington, OH 44090

Doors will open at 6:30 PM  
Dinner will begin at 7:00 PM  
Followed by our awards  
presentation

RSVP FORM DUE 10/8/21



# County News

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## 4-H Endowment Board

### Membership Drive

Are you interested in organizing fund raising efforts and assisting with the management of our 4-H Endowment funds? The Endowment board will have several two-year term positions open for 2022! If you are interested in becoming a part of this important and active group of individuals, please e-mail a letter of intent including your qualifications and interest in serving on this board and brief bio to [baca.30@osu.edu](mailto:baca.30@osu.edu). These letters of intent and bios will be shared with the nominating and membership committee. This committee will present a slate of officers from the current board and a slate of new board candidates to replace members with expiring terms. Nominations will occur at the October meeting and elections will be held at the November meeting.

For additional information on our 4-H Endowment Board please connect with a current board member.

### October Grant Cycle

Any Lorain County 4-H entity may apply for project grants and 4-H members or volunteers apply for workshop/seminar grant to assist with funding new learning opportunities for our youth! Deadline for submission is October 15. Click [here](#) to access our Lorain County 4-H Endowment web page and scroll down to the grant applications.

### Annual 4-H Dinner & Auction

Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 2, 2022!! More information will be coming soon!

4-H Clubs, please start thinking about what “theme” basket your club may want to put together and donate!

# County News

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## OSU Extension Office Update

As much as we would like for things to be back to normal, they are not quite there. Many offices remain closed to the public, have adjusted business hours, and/or encourage and support telework.

The AG Center houses three agencies: USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA), Lorain County Soil & Water Conservation District, and OSU Extension- Lorain County Office.

We are abiding by the stricter COVID guidelines set by these three agencies. FSA is required to keep the doors of the building locked and to only see clientele by appointment. Therefore, the Ag Center doors are locked, and all clientele are encouraged to schedule an appointment when needing to conduct business with one of these three agencies.

Currently, the best ways to connect with our office staff includes:

### E-mail

Directly e-mail the individual you need to connect with.

Jacki Baca, 4-H Educator [baca.30@osu.edu](mailto:baca.30@osu.edu)

Julie Mackey, 4-H Program Assistant, [mackey.181@osu.edu](mailto:mackey.181@osu.edu)

Sally Hennessy, 4-H STEM Program Assistant, [Hennessy.83@osu.edu](mailto:Hennessy.83@osu.edu)

Ann Chanon, Ag & Natural Resources Educator, [chanon.1@osu.edu](mailto:chanon.1@osu.edu)

Kyle White, Community Development Educator & Area 4 Leader, [white.2811@osu.edu](mailto:white.2811@osu.edu)

Michelle Czarnecki, Office Associate, [Czarnecki.1@osu.edu](mailto:Czarnecki.1@osu.edu)

### Phone

Call to connect with the individual you would like to speak with. You may be asked to leave a message.

### Drop Box

We are using a drop box system for 4-H Advisors to leave items for us as well as pick-up items we have prepared for you. We are looking into a more secure lock-box system after receiving several suggestions from 4-H families.

### Office Hours

Several of us are on rotating telework schedules, not to mention attending to fall programming. We do our best to ensure that there is always 1-2 staff members in the office during normal business hours. Monday- Friday, 8:00 am – Noon, 1:00 – 4:30 p.m.

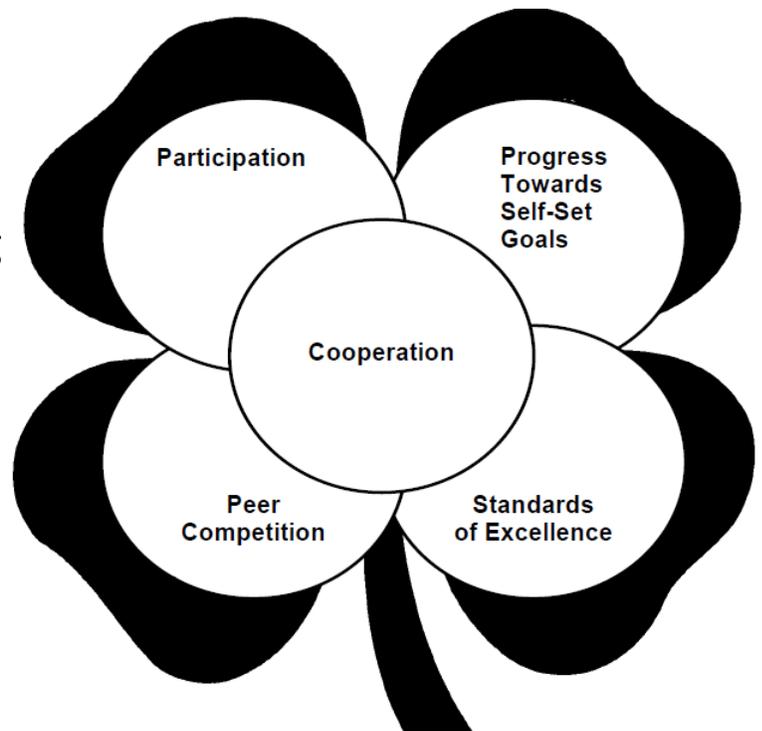


# Club News

## Club Fall Recognition Order Form

Order your club end-of-year awards for your 4-H'ers! 4-H Club Advisors, please complete and return the [order form](#) to Michelle Czarnecki, [Czarnecki.1@osu.edu](mailto:Czarnecki.1@osu.edu) .

The purpose of recognition in 4-H is to encourage and support the efforts of our members in learning to improve their knowledge and develop life skills. It is important to recognize 4-Hers in five areas: **participation** in educational experiences, **progress towards personal goals**, recognized **standards of excellence**, **peer competition**, and **cooperation**.



National 4-H Recognition Model

## End of Year Reports

It is that time of year to begin preparing your 2021 required reports. The following are due no later than January 31, 2022:

[2022 Financial Summary](#)

[Club inventory List](#)

[4-H Club Information Survey](#)

[Projected 2022 Club Activities](#)

We encourage you to submit the end-of-year reports before the deadline.

# Lorain County Junior Fair



## Jr. Fair Board is recruiting!!

Think you have what it takes to be a Junior Fair Board Member? We're always looking for hard-working young people to join our team! Applications are due November 15, 2021.

You must be 15-18 years old as of January 1 to be a full-fledged member of JFB. Assistants must be at least 13 as of January 1.

Visit: <https://lorain.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/lorain-county-junior-fair> to access all applications.

Updated applications will be posted soon!



Lorain County Fair Dates for 2022!!

**August 21-28, 2022**

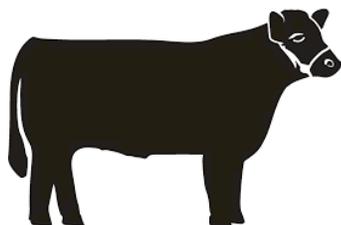
### Attention 2022 Steer Project Members

All market beef animals (this includes finished market beef, steers and heifers) must be weighed and tagged by the Jr. Fair Board at the fall/winter weigh-in

#### **Lottery Weigh-in**

October 20, 2021

Fairgrounds



#### **Modern Beef Weigh-in**

December 4, 2021, 8 am-11 am

Fairgrounds

# Upcoming SERVICE Opportunities

## North Coast Inland Trail Litter Pick-up

There is still time for your 4-H Club to volunteer!!

Available sections are listed below!!

### Section

Industrial Parkway to Murray Ridge Rd.  
Murray Ridge Rd. to Russia Rd.  
Russia Rd. to Butternut Ridge Rd.  
Butternut Ridge Rd. to East Lorain St.  
East Lorain St. to South Pleasant St.  
South Pleasant to Pyle South Amherst Rd.  
Pyle South Amherst Rd. to Quarry Rd.  
Quarry Rd. to Gifford Rd.  
Gifford Rd. to Baird Rd.

### Club

Barnyard Buddies  
  
Saddle-Lites  
Amherst Critters & Such

You may access the Trail Map here:

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/59ef5b028c56a84a63338fb7/t/5c86768e9140b78afbe95fbc/1552316046754/ncit.pdf>

Lorain County 4-H has committed to litter pick-up twice a year on the portion of the North Coast Inland Trail (NCIT) that runs through our County. This 13-mile long stretch winds between Elyria and Kipton. We encourage our clubs to take advantage of this fun community service opportunity and sign-up for one section clean-up in **October**. Sign up your club for a trail section through [Sign up Genius](#). For specific requirements and trail locations review our [Adopt the Trail with 4-H handout](#). To learn more about the NCIT, visit the [Lorain County Metro Parks website](#).



NCIT in Autumn, picture courtesy of Lorain County Metro Parks

# Upcoming SERVICE Opportunities

## **Salvation Army Red Kettle Campaign**

Is your 4-H Club interested in learning more about becoming involved with the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Campaign? Connect with Martin Leibas, Human Services Worker at the Salvation Army-Oberlin Service Unit, (440) 774-3434, or e-mail at [Martin.Leibas@use.salvationarmy.org](mailto:Martin.Leibas@use.salvationarmy.org)



## **Calling all 4-H Camp Counselors!!**

We are putting out the second call to all returning and new 4-H camp counselors for our 2022 4-H Camp program year!

[Application](#) deadline is December 1<sup>st</sup>  
Interviews will be conducted in December  
Counselor trainings begin in January!

Be sure to visit our [website](#) for more information!

## **2022 Camp Dates**

Cloverbud Day Camp – TBD



Jr. Camp – Kelleys Island - Tuesday July 5 – Friday, July 8

# Upcoming Opportunities



## IT'S PAPER CLOVER TIME!

### OCTOBER 6-17<sup>TH</sup> 2021

Funds support 4-H camp and leadership activities.



## Monster Mash at Carving New Ideas

**When:** October 29-31, 2021

**Where:** 4-H Camp Ohio, 11461 Camp Ohio Rd, St. Louisville, OH 43071

**Camp Fee:** \$75 (includes lodging, meals, & t-shirt)

**Registration Deadline:** October 6, 2021

**Register at:** [go.osu.edu/CNI](http://go.osu.edu/CNI)



**Arrive:** Friday, 6:30-8:00pm

**Depart:** Sunday, 10:00am

An overnight camping opportunity for youth in grades 8-12 featuring educational workshops, recreational sessions, and leadership development

[collegiate4hohiostate@buckeyemail.osu.edu](mailto:collegiate4hohiostate@buckeyemail.osu.edu)



## COPS & COMMUNITY OCTOBER 29<sup>th</sup> 5-8pm



TRUNK  
OR  
TREAT



THIN BLUE LINE / USA



**LOCATION:**  
CHURCH OF THE OPEN DOOR  
43275 TELEGRAPH RD. ELYRIA, OHIO 44035

Bring your best dressed kids in their favorite costume to Trunk or Treat with Northern Ohio law enforcement officers. Candy will be passed out.

Refreshments will be provided.



# Upcoming Opportunities

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## National 4-H Week is October 3-9: *Find Your Spark!*

Take advantage of this important week to highlight the remarkable 4-H youth in your communities and showcase the incredible experiences that 4-H offers young people.



## ACHIEVEMENT FORM WORKSHOP

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021, 6:00-8:00 P.M.**

**Location:** hosted virtually on Zoom!

**Cost:** FREE

**Who:** 4-H members completing the achievement form, 4-H professionals, parents and advisors

**RSVP by October 3, 2021** at [go.osu.edu/AchForm2021](https://go.osu.edu/AchForm2021)

**Questions?** Contact: Sarah Longo, [longo.79@osu.edu](mailto:longo.79@osu.edu), 614-688-2533

**Future Workshop: November 7, 2021, 5:00-7:00 p.m., Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center**

*A more in-depth session will be offered for those who have completed the form in past years or already made significant progress on a new form. It will offer workstations and coaches to help attendees with their achievement records. RSVP for this option by November 4 at [go.osu.edu/AchForm2021](https://go.osu.edu/AchForm2021)*

Parents/guardians are responsible for maintaining care, custody, and control of their minor(s) and are responsible for the activities their child is participating in. If you have a disability and have questions about accessibility or wish to request accommodations, please contact Sarah Longo ([longo.79@osu.edu](mailto:longo.79@osu.edu)).

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# Upcoming STATE Opportunities



## Bidding is open now!

Since 1998, 4-H Celebration of Youth has been the annual statewide fundraiser supporting Ohio 4-H youth development in each of Ohio's counties.

Did you know that you can participate in the Ohio 4-H Celebration of Youth auction, even if you're not going to the event? The auction is now open and can be found at [4HCOY.givesmart.com](https://4HCOY.givesmart.com). Items include everything from homemade jewelry to beach vacations.

Please register to bid at [4HCOY.givesmart.com](https://4HCOY.givesmart.com). If you need any assistance, you can find directions at [go.osu.edu/COY](https://go.osu.edu/COY) or call the Ohio 4-H Foundation at 614-292-6943.

The auction will close on Saturday evening, Oct. 2, at 8 p.m. Bid early and bid often to support Ohio 4-H!

Thank you in advance for your support!

Crystal Ott MS '17

4-H Foundation Manager

# COVID-19 Resources

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During this pandemic, we want to make sure ALL of our families have access to the local resources needed. Resource Links:

## **Ohio State Resources**

A new website with science-based information and research on COVID-19 from The Ohio State University College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences launched April 7th. The KX COVID-19 Hub is a collaboration between The Knowledge Exchange, Ohio State University Extension, and the CFAES statewide network of researchers and faculty. Visit [kx.osu.edu/covid-19](http://kx.osu.edu/covid-19) for a collection of resources, tools, and links to help Ohio communities' weather the crisis.

Founded in 2019, The Knowledge Exchange (KX) is a support platform in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences bringing research to the public in an unbiased and interactive way.

## **Local Resources**

Looking for resources? [2-1-1](http://2-1-1.org) has the latest up-to-date information on what local agencies are on the ground right now, providing food and resources to people facing challenges during the COVID-19 crisis. Call 2-1-1, text "covid19" to 211-211, or visit [211lorain.org](http://211lorain.org)

**United Way of Greater Lorain County:** Call 2-1-1 <http://www.211lorain.org/>

**Lorain County Community Action Agency:** [https://www.lcaa.net/resources/resource\\_directory](https://www.lcaa.net/resources/resource_directory)

**Lorain County Office on Aging:** Call (440) 326-4800 <https://lcoa.org/>

**Ohio Department of Health:** <https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/home>

**CDC:** <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/prevention.html>

**Local Mental Health Resources:** <https://u.osu.edu/cphp/ohio-mental-health-resource-guides/>

**Substance Abuse Addiction Resources:**

<https://www.help.org/drug-and-alcohol-rehab-centers-in-Ohio>

<https://www.help.org/drug-abuse-hotline/>

**Online Therapy:**

<https://www.onlinetherapy.com/free/>

<https://www.onlinetherapy.com/free-online-therapy-chat/>

<https://www.onlinetherapy.com/addiction-counseling/>

*[Help.org](http://www.help.org) is a community organization dedicated to empowering people suffering from substance abuse addiction with tools and resources to start their personal journey toward recovery. We create and publish comprehensive, unbiased, free web-based resources that have been featured and are cited by many governmental agencies and organizations across the web.*