

eClover: Darke County 4-H News

October 26, 2018

As you most likely know by now, the Swine Barn on the Fairgrounds was consumed by fire on Thursday night. Luckily no one was injured and no other structures on the grounds caught fire. It will take some time for the cause of the fire to be determined. Be patient as the fairboard decides what happens next.

1. **Volunteer Fingerprint Rescreening:** Letters have gone out to volunteers who are scheduled to be fingerprinted for 2019. You have until December 31, 2018 to complete the process. Thank you to those who have already complied!
2. **County Medal Forms** are now available. Completed applications are due to the Extension Office by 4:30pm on Friday, January 18, 2019. See the website for details. <https://darke.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/darke-county-4-h-county-medal-application-0>
3. **Dog Committee Silent Auction:** Visit the web site to view silent auction items. Currently up for bid is a week in Myrtle Beach, a week in Kissimmee, FL, a beautiful Christmas Wreath and several gift baskets. All proceeds go towards the construction of a new dog barn on the fairgrounds. <https://www.32auctions.com/raisethewoof2019>
4. **Ohio Poultry Industry Day** will be held on Saturday, November 17, 9am-3pm, at the OSU Animal Sciences Building, Columbus. This event is for high school juniors and seniors, as well as college freshmen interested in learning more about the poultry industry. The day will feature prominent poultry companies in Ohio, as well as speakers from the Ohio Poultry Association and The Ohio State University. The program will also have a hands-on necropsy. Lunch will be provided. Registration is \$20.00 payable the day of the event. This program is sponsored by the Ohio Poultry Association and The Ohio State University. <https://ohio4h.org/events/ohio-poultry-industry-learning-day>
5. **Darke County 4-H Volunteer Application packet:** can be obtained in hard copy from our office or via the website: <https://darke.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/2019-darke-county-4-h-volunteer-application-information> Completed applications are due to the Extension Office by February 15, 2019.
6. **4-H Camp Counselor Applications are available:** 4-H youth who will be at least 14 years old and in high school by the start of camp (June 17-20, 2019) are invited to apply to serve as a 4-H Camp Counselor. Deadline to apply is Friday, November 16, 2018. <https://darke.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/2019-4-h-camp-counselor-application>



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7. **Shooting Sports:** As you plan for 2019, please remember that any 4-Her interested in taking one of the shooting sports projects in the 750 series, must work with a volunteer certified in the disciplines. Bill Wantz, wwantz@woh.rr.com is a certified Shooting Sports volunteer and is willing to answer your questions.
8. **Ohio 4-H Achievement Record:** This document is used to apply for state recognition for outstanding project work, as well as state camps and trips. Completed forms are due to our office by Friday, January 18, 2019. <https://ohio4h.org/awardsandscholarships>
9. An **Ohio Achievement Form Workshop** will be held in Columbus on November 10. See the flyer for details.
<https://ohio4h.org/sites/ohio4h/files/imce/Families/TLC/2018%20Achievement%20Form%20Workshop%20Promo%20Flyer.pdf>
10. **Send your thank you notes:** don't forget to send a thank you note to those who sponsored awards and trophies. A simple hand written thank you goes a long way in helping to secure donors for future events. Each year we lose sponsors because they did not receive a thank you. It only takes a minute to show your appreciation.

Coming Soon:

Hands Across the Darke: Tuesday, November 6, 7pm, Extension Office