Our thanks to Jason Blackburn and the Friends of 4-H for their generous donation to our 4-H program. As a result of last week's event, our 4-H Committee received a donation of over $700! Thank you to everyone who supported this event.

Today is the deadline for early bird camp registration. We will take registrations until May 31 but the cost is now $175.00. See #1 below for information.

Interested in learning more about the Bake-a-Rama held during the fair? Check out #4 below for information about an upcoming workshop.

The deadline for our Communications Contest is Friday, May 27. New this year: a category for Cloverbud participation! See #5 below for details.

News You Can Use:

1. **Darke County 4-H Camp** information is now available! Join us June 13-16 at Indian Hills for Winter Wonderland! See the website for information and forms.
   
   go.osu.edu/22darke4hcamp  Share this link with your 4-H families who may have youth interested in attending camp.

2. **Darke County 4-H Committee Scholarship Application** is available on the website. Open to 4-H members who are graduating from high school with the Class of ‘22. Completed applications are due by 4:30pm on June 15.
   
   go.osu.edu/22darke4hscholarship

3. **4-H Capital Day** will be held Wednesday, June 15 from 9am-5pm in Columbus. This event is open to 4-H members currently in grades 9-12. Registration is due by June 6:
   
   go.osu.edu/4Hcapital

4. **Quality Assurance**: all in-person meetings have been held. The only virtual session that still has openings is Tuesday, May 31 at 7pm. No make-up sessions will be held. If you cannot attend any of the remaining virtual sessions, you can complete the YQCA online course. QA should be completed by June 1 as no QA sessions will be held in Darke County after May 31.

5. **So, You’re in the Bake-a-Rama?** This workshop will be held Tuesday, June 21 and is open to anyone who would like to know more about preparing to participate in the Bake-a-Rama at the fair. To register: go.osu.edu/bakearama

6. **Darke County 4-H Communications Contest**: guidelines and entry information are now available. The contest will be held Monday, June 6, 7pm, Extension Office. NEW this year: Cloverbuds may participate by coming and saying the 4-H Pledge. Cloverbuds will receive a 4-H prize for participating. All other contest divisions have cash awards. Deadline to enter is May 27. For details, visit website: https://darke.osu.edu/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/2022-darke-county-4-h-communications-contest
   
   To register, go to: go.osu.edu/22communicationscontest

7. Download your **officer books** from this website: https://ohio4h.org/officerresources Be sure that you are using current and up-to-date officer books for your club records.
8. **Hands Across the Darke** is a community service club open to youth in grades 5-8. They meet the first Tuesday of each month at the Extension Office at 7:00pm. Their next meeting is June 7. Join us!

9. **Amazon Smile**: As you complete your online shopping, don’t forget to designate the 4-H program to receive a donation through Amazon Smile. Shop at smile.amazon.com/ch/31-1056844 and Amazon donates to the Darke County 4-H Committee. (It comes up as The Ohio State University, but donations go to our 4-H program!)

10. **Darke County United Way**: Did you know that you can designate your United Way pledge to be given to the Darke County 4-H program? Simply write “Darke County 4-H” on the designation line. Thank you to everyone who designates their pledges to us. It means a lot to our program!

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