It's the end of July which means the Great Darke County Fair is just three short weeks away! The fair is a wonderful opportunity to highlight what our 4-H members have accomplished in 2021. Fairgoers do not always know about our 4-H program and what our members do each year. They form their impression of 4-H and what it teaches based on what they witness first-hand during the fair. Let’s put our best foot forward and show them that 4-H develops true leaders who care about their community. Let’s show them that 4-H members are kind, patient, compassionate, knowledgeable, and good sportsmen. Thank your judges, your fellow competitors, your advisors, and your families for giving you the opportunity to showcase your abilities. Set your goals and work hard to achieve your dreams!

News You Can Use:

1. **Scholarship Opportunity: Ben Overholser Memorial Foundation:** two, $5,000.00 scholarships will be awarded. [http://darkecountyjrfair.com/scholarship-information--leadership-awards.html](http://darkecountyjrfair.com/scholarship-information--leadership-awards.html)


3. **Rabbit Tattooing:** Meat pens and breed rabbits: July 31, 9:00am-1:00pm, Jr. Fair Office, fairgrounds.


5. **Ohio Cheviot Breeders Jim Cluff Memorial Starter Flock Award:** The winner receives a one-year membership in the OCBA, one bred ewe the first year, one ram the second year and in the third year the youth will donate a lamb to continue the award. The deadline is Sept. 30. For an application and contest rules please contact the Ohio Cheviot Breeders Association Starter Flock Committee Chairperson, Tabitha Weisend, at 740-459-9751 or tabithasregcheviots@yahoo.com


7. **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.

8. **Amazon Smile:** Shop at [smile.amazon.com/ch/31-1056844](http://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!)

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