

eClover: Darke County 4-H News

August 11, 2017

Dear Friend in 4-H,

One week from today marks the beginning of the 161st annual Great Darke County Fair. Remember that whether you are relaxing at your animal's pen, in the show ring, in the Bake A Rama, in a Revue etc., you are on exhibition, along with your project. Many fair-goers base the image that they have of the 4-H program not only on your projects, but also the behavior that they see exhibited by 4-H members and volunteers. Please conduct yourselves accordingly so that the image they form is a positive one. Have fun and enjoy the fair!

Here's what's happening:

1. **Cooper Farms Turkey Hatch Papers:** If a 4-H member needs a copy of the turkey hatch papers for turkeys purchased from our group Cooper Farms order, have them send an email to williams.418@osu.edu and I will send it via email.
2. **Ohio 4-H Night at the Cincinnati Reds:** The game will be on Saturday, Sept. 16th vs. the Pittsburgh Pirates. This year tickets can be purchased online at reds.com/4h.
3. **4-H Forestry and Wildlife Camp** – September 15-17: Are you interested in natural resources and want a camping experience totally dedicated to exploring the outdoors through forestry and wildlife education? Then 4-H Forestry and Wildlife Camp at Canters Cave in Jackson from September 15-17 is just for you. Campers will explore tree identification, wildlife habitat study, animal identification, orienteering, map reading, outdoor cooking and shooting sports disciplines during camp. <https://vinton.osu.edu/sites/vinton/files/imce/Forestry%20and%20Wildlife%20Camp%202017.pdf>
4. **Ohio Cheviot Breeders Association Starter Flock Award:** seeking applicants for the Jim Cluff Memorial Starter Flock Award. The contest winner will receive the following: 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 application deadline is September 30th. For an application and contest rules please contact Bob Hunter at (614)483-3202 or at rpkjhunter@msn.com.
5. **4-H Sunday at Subway:** Visit the local Subway this summer and share a photo for a chance to win \$15,000 for Ohio 4-H and a \$5.00 Subway gift card for you. See the website for details: <https://4h.ourcontest.io/8nmmz9>
6. **Jr. Fair Information:** <http://darkecountyjrfair.com/index.html>
7. **Darke County Fair Steak and Chop Tent:** sign up to help: go.osu.edu/steakandchop
8. **Early Bird Reporter News:** Please remind your reporters to send your club's reports to the Early Bird by the last business day of each month. Reports should be 150 words or less and emailed to Ryan Berry: editor@earlybirdpaper.com Our 4-H news page will be published the second Sunday of the month.



9. For those of you who shop on Amazon, the Darke County 4-H Committee is now part of the AmazonSmile charitable donation list. Here is our unique identifier: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-1056844> Even though it comes up as The Ohio State University, you will be supporting the Darke County 4-H Committee. Feel free to share this with family and friends who shop on Amazon.

See YOU at the fair!

Best Wishes,

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