

eClover: Darke County 4-H News**August 2, 2019**

Darke County 4-H has been well represented at the Ohio State Fair in non-livestock project events. Additional awards since last Friday: Clock Trophies to Jocelyn Tuenté and Tyler McKinniss. Outstanding of the Day: Alivia Addis, Mariah Kreuzsch, Gabby Spitzer, Elizabeth Brewer, Madisyn Nelson, and Caleb Wiant. Congratulations to all!

It's August and that means the Great Darke County Fair starts two weeks from today! Are you ready?

Here's what's happening:

1. **Hands Across the Darke:** next meeting is Tuesday, August 6, 7:00pm, Extension Office. Open to all youth in grades 5-12.
2. **School Supplies:** Hands Across the Darke is currently collecting school supplies to be distributed in Darke County. If you or your club would like to help, please bring your donations to the Extension Office.
3. **Feast on the Farm, hosted by the Darke County Farm Bureau** will be held Friday, August 9 at Winner Farms. Proceeds from the event will be donated to the Darke County 4-H Program. A limited number of tickets are on sale for \$50.00 and can be purchased at feastonthefarm2019@eventbrite.com. Thank you to the Farm Bureau for supporting our 4-H program!
4. **Rabbit Cages available:** Aaliya Briner has rabbit carrying cages and rabbit cages for sale. If you would like additional information contact her at 937-564-5151. Provided for informational purposes only. Darke County 4-H is not responsible for any interactions between seller and buyer.
5. **Use of fairgrounds contracts:** 4-H Volunteers: Requests for use of the fairgrounds for events and activities must be made at least 6 weeks in advance. Contracts for space use at the fairgrounds must be sent to OSU Legal for approval and they request a minimum two-week notice. In addition, we frequently have to wait a month for a fairboard meeting so they can approve contracts on their end. Failure to request space in advance may result in your club not being approved to use the fairgrounds. Plan ahead! You can actually make requests this fall for any space needed in 2020.

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6. **The Steak and Chop Tent** at the fair has openings for volunteers.
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e044fa4a82aa4fc1-2019>
7. **Jr. Fair related information:** <http://darkecountyjrfair.com/index.html>
8. If your club is having a **fundraiser, it must be preapproved**. Please complete the fundraising form and submit for approval, at least two weeks prior to your anticipated start date.
https://darke.osu.edu/sites/darke/files/imce/Program_Pages/4H/%287%29Fundraising%20Form.pdf
9. As you shop online, remember that you can shop and also donate to the Darke County 4-H Program via **Amazon Smiles**. Here's the info: When you shop online at smile.amazon.com/ch/31-1056844, Amazon donates to Darke County 4-H Committee (listed as The Ohio State University). Thank you for your support!

Have a great weekend!