

The Greene Clover

GREENE COUNTY / 4-H

December/2023

The best way to reach us is by phone/email. In this newsletter, you will find information on important dates for 2024 and more. Note: Times and Dates are subject to change.

End of Year Giving

As 2023 comes to an end, please consider including Greene County 4-H youth development in your giving plans.

You are part of a special 4-H community. As volunteers, alumni, and supporters, you have the power to change the lives of youth across Ohio by providing them with opportunities to inspire curiosity, fuel adventure, develop lifelong skills, and grow into true leaders. People like you, who believe in 4-H, equip young Ohioans with the tools they need to be successful long after they age out of the program. During this giving season, reflect on what 4-H has done for you and others you know. Would you consider donating to help ensure this program continues to grow and thrive for future generations? Gifts to Greene County 4-H will qualify for a tax deduction in this calendar year, meaning that any donation made before Dec. 31 is deductible for 2023. A gift to Ohio 4-H is an investment in our youth and in our community's future. Please consider giving to our county's 4-H fund at ohio4h.org/countydonation. Thank you for helping to make the best better!

Camp Fees Opportunity

Enroll in 4-H by Thursday, December 14 at noon to be eligible for your camp fees to be reduced. We will pick 2 project age members who will each get \$175 off the full camp price of \$275. We will pick 2 Cloverbud age youth who will get \$40 off the full \$50 Cloverbud Day Camp price. Counselors are eligible too for this opportunity.

To be eligible youth must be enrolled in 4-H Online and approved by noon, next Thursday, December 14. If your profile is incomplete in 4-H Online, you are not eligible. Winners will be announced that afternoon.

Winners will need to be registered when camp registration opens in the spring and pay the remaining fees.



Camperships will **NOT** be available again for the Greene County 4-H 2024 camps. The 4-H Advisory committee is looking to add more fund-raising opportunities due to this recent development. Look for more information in the coming months.

2024 4-H Enrollment OPENED on November 1!

If you have changed your email, phone, address, please log in and update it. Please visit <http://v2.4honline.com/> to do so.



General 4-H Page

2024 Volunteer Training Dates

January 9 – Volunteer Training, 6:00 PM
February 1 – Volunteer Training, 6:00 PM
February 15 – Volunteer Training, 6:00 PM
February 27 – Cloverbud Training, 10:00 AM

All trainings will be held at the Greene County Extension Office.

Currently, there is no online option. If State 4-H opens it up, we will share the information. *Deadline for mandatory volunteer trainings is April 1, 2024.*

2024 Volunteer Application is now open. The link is www.go.osu.edu/gcvolunteerapplication

Did you know that there is a 4-H member record book? Our office encourages all members to download the book during their first year. This book is where you keep all your projects, awards and extras you do in 4-H. Then when you are applying for county and state trips and awards, it is very easy to copy and paste. www.go.osu.edu/gcrecordbook

Save the Date: 4-H Sew Ohio

All members that are taking a clothing and textile project are encouraged to attend a statewide workshop. There will be sessions for beginner, intermediate, and advanced level 4-H clothing projects. More information to come. Save **Saturday, April 27, 2024**, and it will take place at the 4-H Center.

Greene County 4-H Advisory Committee General Purpose:

Support and advise 4-H professionals about the current and future needs of county youth, volunteers and families in order to promote and foster involvement in 4-H Youth Development Programs.

Achievement Award Applications

DUE: January 31, 2024

If you are applying for an Achievement Award, or State Trips (CWF, Sea Camp, State Leadership Camp) to Represent Greene County 4-H. If you are applying for any of our High School Scholarships that we offer in the county.

You will need to fill out an Achievement Form. Forms can be found on our website at www.go.osu.edu/gcteens

Ohio 4-H has the rule that youth must purchase and complete 4-H project books yearly. These books are to be purchased each year. For example, it is expected that a youth exhibitor showing livestock purchases a new book yearly. If you need books ordered, please let us know.

The Dog Resource book has been updated and must be purchased for 2024 for all dog exhibitors. The Horse Rule book will be updated and available end of January for purchase. All Horse Exhibitors will need to purchase one.

Deadline to purchase books for the 2024 4-H year is May 1.

Club Report Corner

Wonder what other clubs are doing for community service? New to the website for the 2024 4-H year. We will be having a club report corner. All clubs that send our office or upload a club report can find them on the website.

www.go.osu.edu/gclubcorner

Birth Rabbit Dates for 2024 Fair

- Meat Pen and Single Fryer = 5/19/2024
- Roasters= 01/29/24- 04/28/24 with a maximum weight of 9 pounds, Must be at least 3 months old.
- Seniors = 11/28/2023 and earlier
- 6/8 = 11/29/23 – 01/28/24
- Juniors = 01/29/24 - 04/28/24
- Pre-Juniors = 04/05/24 – 06/01/24
- Fancy D&L = 05/19/24 - 06/01/24
- Commercial D&L = 05/19/23 - 06/01/24
- Matching Breeding Pair = 01/29/24 and earlier

Recommended Breeding Dates for Meat Pens and Single Fryers

- 4/19/2024: This is 100 days prior to the show day. Remember that each individual rabbit must weigh between 3.5 and 5.5 pounds. Any under or overweight rabbits will be ineligible for placing in the show.

Livestock Page

Homegrown Paperwork will be collected on the day of weigh-in. Failure to turn it in, the exhibitor will not be able to show in that class at the 2024 Greene County Fair. Forms can be found at

www.go.osu.edu/gchomegrown



4-H Scholarship for Project #641

- Seeking motivated, mature youth in 4-H to apply for GCBA scholarship
- Scholarship is a 4 body hive kit, mentoring, and more!
- Full information and requirements found at: <https://gcbeekkeepers.org/gcba-4-h-project>
- For more information call 4-H Beekeeping Coordinator, Cynthia Olsen, 937-477-7471
- Visits to clubs are available



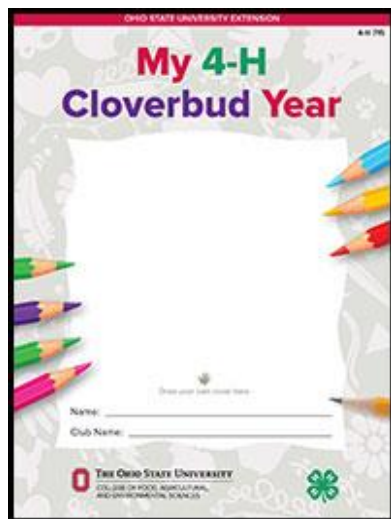
Bees LOVE Clover! and Beekeepers Love 4-H



Cloverbud Corner



My 4-H Cloverbud Year is a great resource for Cloverbuds to start keeping track of their 4-H career.



Cloverbud Resources – Check out this website to see all the resources available for Cloverbud Advisors.

<https://u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections/ohio-4-h-cloverbud-resources/>

Cloverbud Reading Adventures – These adventures highlight a book. They have crafts and snacks that go along with the book. <https://u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections/reading/>

NEW Cloverbud Connections Blog Post

Don't miss out on reading the new Cloverbud Connections blog post. STEM Days for Cloverbuds

<https://u.osu.edu/cloverbudconnections/2023/06/20/stem-days-for-cloverbuds/>

Also, consider signing up to receive these emails directly.



December 2023

December 2 – 2024 Market Beef – Weigh-In, 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM – Barn #1
December 19 – CARTEENS, 6:00 PM Virtual
December 25 and 26 – OSU Extension – CLOSED DUE to Holiday
December 29 – Deadline for NEW Clubs to be Formed

2024 YEAR!

January 2024

January 1 – OSU Extension – CLOSED DUE to Holiday
January 2 – Greene Clover will be posted on the county website or can found in the 4-H Now App.
January 9 – Volunteer Training at OSUE, 6:00 PM
January 11 – Camp Counselor Training., OSUE, 5:00 PM
January 15 – OSU Extension – CLOSED DUE to Holiday
January 23 – CARTEENS, Virtual, 6:00 PM
January 25 – Camp Counselor Training, OSUE, 5:00 PM
January 26 – New Volunteer Applications, DUE Online
January 31 – ALL Clubs and Committees Contacted by OSUE Audit Paperwork, DUE
January 31 – ALL Clubs and Committees Financial Summary, DUE
January 31 – Scholarship and Trip Applications, DUE

HOLD THE DATE!

Pancake Breakfast Camp Counselor Fund Raiser

When: Saturday, February 24

Time: 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Where: Extension Office

Cost: \$8.00 per person
Pancakes, Sausage and Drink

Carryout Available, upon request

Tickets can be purchased from a Camp Counselor or in the 4-H office.

WE GOT AN APP FOR THAT

1. Download "4-H Now" from your app store
2. Load "Greene County 4-H" app
3. Poke around!



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Facebook: Ohio State- Greene County Extension Office:
<https://www.facebook.com/OSUEGreeneCounty>
Instagram: [osu_greenecounty](https://www.instagram.com/osu_greenecounty)

Important Go Links

All of these helpful links in one spot. Continue to check as we make more.
They all start with <https://go.osu.edu/>

Form	Link	Deadline
Greene Clover News	gcclover	N/A
Animal Rules	gcanimals	N/A
4-H Career Record Book	gcrecordbook	N/A
Project Requirements	gcrequirements	N/A
Livestock Quick Reference Guide	gclqrg	N/A
Rules	gc4hrules	N/A
Volunteer Application	gcvolunteerapplication	1/26/2024
Financial Summary	gcfinancialsum	1/31/2024
Teens (opportunities, trip applications, scholarships, and more)	gcteens	Scholarship, Achievement Record, and trip applications due 1/31/2024

Important Websites

There are so many groups and organizations that we partner with. In order to stay up to speed on everything, we recommend you visit the following sites. Bookmark and like them so you don't miss anything!

Site	Link
OSU Extension Greene County	www.greene.osu.edu
OSU Extension Greene County- Facebook	https://www.facebook.com/OSUEGreeneCounty
Greene County 4-H Poultry Committee	https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100064876532679
Greene County 4-H/FFA Sheep Committee	https://www.facebook.com/groups/1050898409102447
Greene County 4-H/FFA Beef Committee	https://www.facebook.com/groups/676393659558013
Greene County OH Goat Committee	https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100063792411093
Greene County Ohio 4-H Swine Committee	https://www.facebook.com/groups/8838412242867409
Greene County Ohio 4-H Rabbit Committee	https://www.facebook.com/GC4HRabbits
Greene County 4-H Dog Program	https://www.facebook.com/groups/259509954208216
Greene County Sales Committee	https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100094153291112
Greene County Fairgrounds & Expo Center	https://www.facebook.com/GreeneFairFun

Club Reports

Creek Crafters and Creators 4-H Club

October 27, 2023

We met at Caesar Ford Park for Pumpkin Glow. All members except Jacoby were in attendance. We talked about the community service project Feed The Creek Thanksgiving boxes and voted to purchase the items for a box. We then enjoyed the walk along the Pumpkin trail. Our next meeting will be on December 1st at 6:30pm.

By: Z. Gunsett

If your 4-H Club is working on their Honor Club application for this year. One of the requirements is that you have three club reports in the monthly Greene Clover 4-H Newsletter. Club reporters can send the reports to Brenda at sandman-stover.1@osu.edu

Backyard Poultry Certification Course

Interest in keeping backyard poultry has been increasing steadily as more and more people want to provide for their family and personal food security. We have also seen an increase in youth keeping backyard chickens or turkeys for 4H livestock projects.

Whatever your reason for raising poultry, this course is designed to provide you with the knowledge and resources you will need to get your backyard flock off to a great start.



This self-paced course is expected to take 2-3 hours to complete and includes these 6 modules:

- Getting Started
- Brooding, Basic Husbandry & Nutrition
- Housing
- Egg Production
- Maximizing Health
- Biosecurity

Course cost = \$25



Click on the QR code
or head to:
go.osu.edu/chicken

After completing this course, learners will be able to:

- Identify rules and regulations relevant to raising backyard poultry.
- Source healthy birds to raise in their backyard
- Apply concepts of basic husbandry, nutrition, and housing of poultry.
- Explain how eggs are produced
- Practice safe handling of birds and eggs
- Recognize common health-related abnormalities of poultry
- Describe the roles of veterinary care and biosecurity in poultry health

There are NO refunds issued for this course.

If you have questions about the course, contact

Tim McDermott at mcdermott.15@osu.edu for assistance. .

