



The Clover Express  
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**In case of bad weather:** Please listen to Canton WHBC for 4-H/Extension cancellations.

**4-H Motto:** *"To make the best better"*

**October 7-13 is National 4-H Week!**

**4-H Membership Information:** "Eligibility for 4-H membership begins when a child has reached age 5 and is enrolled in kindergarten as of January 1 of the current year (Cloverbuds); membership to the 4-H Club Program begins when a child is at least 8 and enrolled in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade as of January 1 of current year. Ohio 4-H Membership ends December 31 of the year in which an individual attains the age of 19. Membership begins when an eligible individual is enrolled in a club or group that is under the direction of a trained adult and within the scope of Ohio State University Extension." Youth must participate in their county of residence or make a request for cross county participation, which is not always granted.

**2007 Junior Fair-** Thanks goes to all 4-H Advisors, Junior Fair Committee Members, Junior Fair Board Members, Senior Fair Board Directors and Pam Baad, Junior Fair Coordinator for putting on the Stark County Fair- Great job by all!!!

**Milkshake Stand News:** thanks to everyone for all of their help with the milkshake stand.

**We had another record breaking year!!**

John P. Hunter Jr, Chairperson.

**Get Up to date 4-H Information by e-mail:**

send David an e-mail requesting being added to the 4-H Update list at [Crawford.228@osu.edu](mailto:Crawford.228@osu.edu) — newsletters, events, immediate updates when first available. Parents, advisors, youth and supporters are ALL welcome!! Send your request TODAY!

**NEW-Ohio 4-H Club Advisor Handbook** lots of great ideas and helpful information for 4-H Advisors, please link to:

<http://advisorshandbook.ohio4h.org/>

**You Are Invited to the 2007 Stark County 4H Volunteer Recognition Banquet-**

Wednesday, October 24, 2007, arrive at 6:45pm; dinner 7pm at Perry Grange. Cost: \$2.00 Volunteers, \$9.00 Guests. Menu: Baked Chicken & Salisbury Steak, Sponsored by the Stark County Agriculture Society, Stark County 4-H Advisory Committee & Stark County OSU Extension. All Stark County 4-H and Stark County Junior Fair Adult Volunteers are invited to share in the celebration! 4H Club Award Packets- year certificates and pins will be available for pickup. Send reservations & check by October 14, 2007 to: Jeanie Arnold, 7119 Baymere Ave. SW, Navarre, Ohio 44662. Call for further information (330) 767-4255. See enclosed registration flier.

**4-H Horse committee:** Our Fair show went very well, had 47 kids showing. Senior High Point went to Tori Swejk and Junior High Point went to Jen Johnson. Thanks to Fair Board for preparing the track and giving us extra time, and Pam Baad for making all of our horse activities run smoothly. Last open show on Sept 23, participation awards were given out to Sam Johnson, junior and Tori Swejk, senior. Points were accumulated during our 3 open shows. Beth Rucki and Audrey Snyder qualified for the Quarter Horse Congress scholarships. These are awarded by having top scores at Horse skillathon. **Horsebowl practice** is going to start in early November, any youth taking a horse project is welcome to join us. We have junior and senior teams forming. Competition is in early April in Columbus. Our next committee meeting will be January 2008. New ideas (and help) are always welcome!! Let's make this program great for our kids! Gail Phares- 330-488-1268 or [shiloh@neo.rr.com](mailto:shiloh@neo.rr.com)

**4-H Home Economics Committee:** meeting Wed., Oct. 3 at 6:30pm at the 25<sup>th</sup> Street Library in Canton. Watch for **4H Gingerbread Clinic** to be announced for November—pre-registration will be required.

**2007 Stark County Junior Fair Live-stock Auction Brings in Half a Million Dollars Plus:**

Our buyers answered the call this year and generously supported you and your projects. Now it's your turn. Be responsible and keep in touch with your buyers throughout the year. Send cards or e-mails, make phone calls, or stop by for a friendly visit. Your buyers were interested enough to come to the fair and spend their money. Let them know you appreciate the time and investment they made in you.

Learning to be thankful and to show your appreciation are skills that will return rewards throughout your life. It was a great year! "Good job!" to all. The Stark County Junior Fair Marketing Committee

**Stark County Farm Tour, Sun, Oct 7,**

**11am-5pm.** Motts Greenhouse; Dickerhoof Farms-Paris; Kiko Meats-Minerva; Arrowhead Orchard-Paris; Pero Dairy farm-E canton. For further info:

Visit: [starkcountyfarmbureau.org](http://starkcountyfarmbureau.org)

**2007 Ohio 4-H State College Scholarships, Project, Camps, Activities-**

2007 Ohio 4-H Achievement Award Forms are DUE January 18, 2008 NO EXCEPTIONS!! Call David at 330-830-7700 x115 or [Crawford.228@osu.edu](mailto:Crawford.228@osu.edu) for further information or questions. These wonderful learning and fun activities usually go unclaimed, PLEASE share with all youth 14 years & up.

**2008 Ohio 4-H Volunteer Conference**

will be held on Saturday, March 8, 2008, at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. Mark your calendars-25 scholarships provided by your 4H Advisory Committee—first 25 registered.

**Ohio 4-H Teen Conference** Sat, Feb 16, 2008 at the Columbus Convention Center. 30 scholarships provided by your 4H Advisory Committee—first 30 registered.

**Program Cancellations:**

**Listen to WHBC 1480 AM for inclement weather or cancellations for all Extension Programs.**

### **Congratulations to the 2007 Stark County 4-H College Scholarship Selections**

**Sara Conrad** is the daughter of Victor & Jane Conrad of Alliance. She has been in 4-H for ten years, currently a member of both the Country Folks and the Country Barbwires 4-H clubs. Sara has successfully completed the following projects Broilers, Turkeys, goats, and Dairy Beef Feeders and has been active in these projects at the Stark County Fair. Sara stated, "I have learned a lot from 4-H over the past years like participating in Community service project bake sales, working with others, and how to be a great President that younger 4-H'ers will want to follow and learn from. "I have loved being in 4-H and I'm sad to think this is my last year." Sara plans on furthering her education in Nursing. She is currently attending Hanah E. Mullins School of Practical Nursing and then plans to go to Stark State for a Registered Nurse degree. Good luck Sara!!

**Austin Mehl** is the son of James & Trudy Mehl and a 2007 graduate of Marlinton High School. Austin has been an eight year member of the Beech Creek 4-H Club. His projects have included Market Hogs and Poultry. The last two years has provided Austin great experience for his future career. He was enrolled in an Auto Tech Program at Canton South High School, receiving National Technical Honor Society award. Austin graduated number 1 out of 1400 students in the CTE Auto Program. He plans to attend Stark State College of Technology in the fall, and hopes to attain an Associates Degree in Auto Technology.

**Catherine Rucki** is the daughter of David & Dr. Pam Rucki of Canal Fulton. Catherine has been riding horses for twelve years and been a 4-H member for eight years. During these years she has competed and placed in high standing in horsebowl, hippology, and skillathon as well as showing at county and state fair. Catherine plans on attending the University of Akron to major in mechanical engineering. Eventually she would like to work in the aerospace industry.

**Kellie Schmucker** is the daughter of Kevin & Debbie Schmucker. She is a 2007 Marlinton High School graduate, in the top ten percent of the class, with an honors diploma. Kellie was a 4-H member for ten years, nine of those years with the Mud lake Beavers 4-H Club. Kellie served as the club secretary for 5 years. She is currently a member of the Barnyard Bunch. Other 4-H activities have included: serving at the 4-H Swiss Steak Dinner, selected as the 2004 Stark County Dairy Princess. During her ten years in 4-H, she has exhibited dairy beef feeders, dairy heifers, dairy cows, and participated in the cheese project. Kellie has played traveling softball for eight years and was a volunteer coach in Canton Challenger Baseball, a program developed for mentally and physically handicapped kids aged 5-18 to participate in baseball. Kellie will be attending Mount Union College where she plans to major in accounting with a minor in Spanish, plus she will be playing softball for the Raiders!

**Diana Biller** is the daughter of Dan & Nancy Biller of Louisville. She has been an active member of the Louisville Livestock Leaders 4-H Club for 10 years. Over those 10 years Diana has held the offices of Safety and Recreation Leader, Vice President, and President. She has shown market steers at the fair every year that she has been in 4-H, and she also has taken beef breeding and feeder calf projects. She graduated from Louisville High School this past May, where she played both basketball and volleyball. Diana was also involved in numerous other extra curricular activities including: Student Council, Spanish Club, Key Club, and National Honor Society. She is also an active member of Youth Ministry at St. Joseph's Church in Maximo. Diana would like to thank the Stark County 4-H Advisory Committee & Charity School of Kendal for this scholarship and for giving her and others the opportunity to continue their education at the next level.

**Brandon Eicher** is the son of John and Beth Eicher of Canal Fulton. He is a 2007 graduate of Northwest High School. Brandon is a 10 year 4H member, belonging to the Tuslaw 4H Club. He has successfully participated in swine, beef, poultry and other 4H projects. His interests are construction, farming and tractors. Brandon is currently serving as a junior member of the Stark County Jr. Fair Swine Committee. Brandon plans to attend OSU/ATI in Wooster, studying Landscape Design and Construction.

**Stark County 4-H Dog Committee**- everyone is welcome to join the county wide committee. New members and ideas are needed to help the Stark County 4-H Dog Program grow and organize learning/judging events throughout the year. A great way to learn about the 4-H Dog program & rules too. Please contact David Crawford at the Extension Office.

**2008 4-H Club Re-enrollment Packets will be mailed out to Organizational Advisors in early January.** A 4-H Club financial form will be enclosed for your year end club or 4-H committee financial reporting which needs completed and returned to the Extension Office by March 15. All 4-H Club registration material will be included.

**4-H Essay Contest**- The Emerald / Echo Arbor of the Gleaner Life Insurance Society is holding a 4-H Essay Contest. Tell us how 4-H has helped you and tell us about your 4-H project. Essays are due April 30, 2008. Cash Prizes will be awarded July 20, 2008. For more information contact Rachel Gadaw at (330) 875-0800. Mail essays to Rachel Gadaw, Emerald/Echo Arbor #742, 5065 California Ave, Louisville, Ohio 44641. We are members of the Gleaner Life Insurance Society joining together to complete worthwhile projects that benefit our community. Our Arbor is dedicated to serving the family as a unit, the foundation of the American way of life. Thanks to Bill Hummell, 4-H Advisor for sharing this great opportunity!!

**Dairy Com.**- It's been another record-setting year. Let's do it again in 2008! Watch for more info after the first of the year. Kenny Rummell.

**Market Beef weigh-in and tag-in on Saturday, December 1, 2007 from 8:00 am - Noon at the fairgrounds. Bad weather date will be December 8, 2007.**

**CLOVER READING PROGRAM** would like to thank everyone who donated books at Extravaganza. We collected over 350 books! So far, about 75 books were distributed at a North East Community Center activity. 4-H youth who completed the CLOVER reading program received tickets to Fox Creek Outdoor Experience. An awards ceremony will be held at Fox Creek on Saturday, October 13 at 2:00 pm in the Peddler's Pavilion. Ribbons will be distributed and the top three readers will win gift certificates to Borders. CLOVER is open all registered 4-H youth. Registration deadline is May 31, 2008. Sponsored by your Stark County 4-H Advisory Committee.

**Office Closings for upcoming holidays:** Oct. 8, Nov. 12 Veteran's Day, Nov. 22 & 23 Thanksgiving Day, Dec 24 & 25 Christmas Day, Jan 1 New Years.

**4-H Publications for Family Guide 2008; Here is a list of 4-H publications that we are planning to replace or discontinue on October 1, 2007.**

**To Be Replaced 10/1/07**

130 Angora Goats  
131 Goat Manual  
13 1-IR Goat Manual Record Book  
200 Dog Care  
204 Grooming and Handling Dogs  
206 Dog Obedience Training - Beginning  
207 Dog Obedience Training - Advanced  
579 Adventures with Your Camera - A  
580 Adventures with Your Camera - B  
583 Adventures with Adjustable Cameras  
752 Shotgun Record Book (to be revised)

**To Be Discontinued 10/1/07**

90 Discovering 4-H Series Advisor's Guide (web only)  
91 Discovering 4-H 1  
92 Discovering 4-H 2  
93 Discovering 4-H 3  
94 Exploring Animals  
95 Exploring Energy  
96 Exploring Me and My Home  
97 Exploring Planets  
660 Corn  
661 Small Grains  
662 Soybeans

Six (!) new animal-related publications are offered in the 2008 *Family Guide* : *Dog Resource Handbook* and *Dog Project and Record Book* , *Goat Resource Handbook* and *Goat Project and Record Book* , and *Llama and Alpaca Resource Handbook* and *Llama and Alpaca Project and Record Book* . They all have undergone extensive research and writing (and rewriting) and are expected to be available for sale in November 2007. Other new titles and revisions (and these are available as soon as the *Family Guide* is released) include *Real Money*, *Real World* ; a three-level photography series; the *Shotgun Member Record Book* , and *National Safe Tractor and Machinery Operation Program*, *Student Manual*.

**Essential Elements of 4-H Program**

Belonging

Positive relationship with a caring adult  
An inclusive environment  
A safe environment

Independence

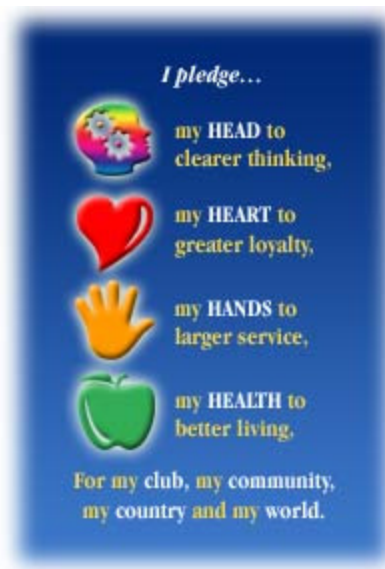
Opportunity to see oneself as an active participant in the future  
Opportunity for self-determination

Mastery

Engagement in learning  
Opportunity for mastery

Generosity

Opportunity to value and practice service to others



**This I Believe about 4-H Youth...**

It's not only what we know, but what we believe, that determines what we do.

1. The 4-H members are more important than the project.
2. 4-H is not trying to replace the home, the church, or the school - only supplement them.
3. 4-H'ers should be their own best exhibits.
4. No 4-H award is worth sacrificing the reputation of the 4-H member or volunteer.
5. Competition is a natural human trait and should be recognized as such in 4-H club work. It should be given no more emphasis than other fundamentals in 4-H.
6. Learning how to do the project is more important than the project itself.
7. Many things are caught rather than taught.
8. A blue ribbon 4-H member with a red ribbon pig is more desirable than a red ribbon member with a blue ribbon pig.
9. That "learning by doing" is fundamental in any sound educational program and characteristic of the 4-H program.
10. Generally speaking, there is more than one good way of doing most things.
11. Every 4-H member needs to be noticed, to be important, to achieve and to be praised.
12. Our job is to teach 4-H members how to think, not what to think.

Source: Ohio 4-H Shooting Sports Conference Brochure-2005

## Guidelines for Ethical Decision Making

1. "Know all the facts.

Make sure you have all the facts and information!

2. Is the action legal? If the answer is 'No,' go no further.

3. Does it comply with company policy? If the answer is 'No,' there is probably a good reason not to take the action. If you still feel the action is right, ask for advice.

4. Are you (or the other party) expecting something inappropriate or inconsistent with company policy, practice, etc. because of this action?

- If you are taking this action for material gain, it is probably not ethical. Make sure the action you are taking is to build a relationship with no strings attached and not for personal gain.

5. Who will be impacted by the decision? Will people be positively or negatively impacted by your decision?

6. How will it look if the decision is made public? If you would be ashamed to see a written account of this action in the newspaper, don't do it.

7. Could the action be interpreted as improper? If this action could be perceived as unethical and you may have to explain your actions, either don't do it or ask for advice.

8. Ask.

- If you get this far and still are concerned or unsure, ask for help.

- If it's wrong, don't do it.

- If the action clearly breaks company policy and society's values, don't do it.

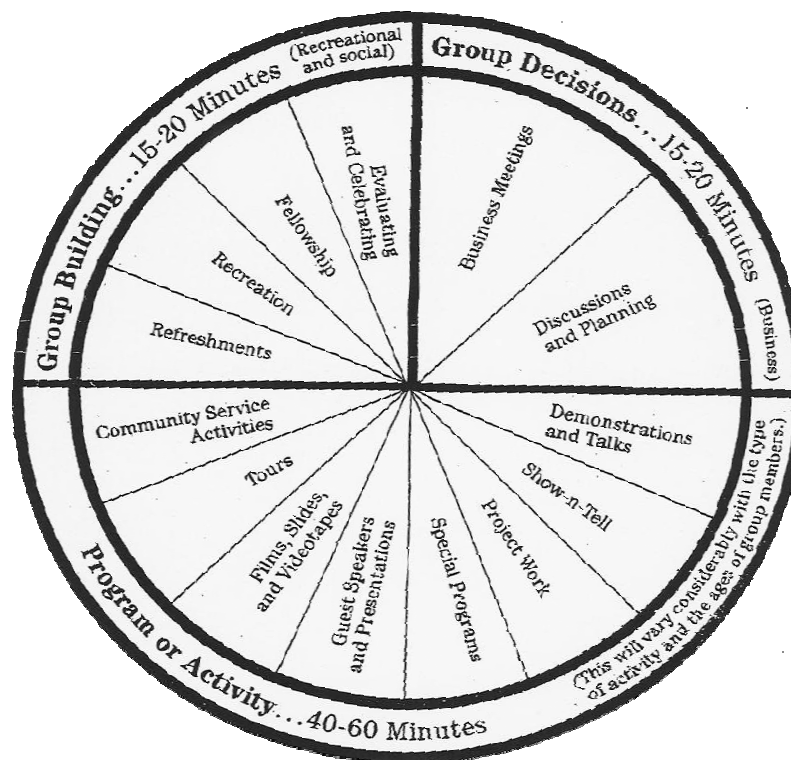
- If you don't know, ask.

If you have an ethical issue, ask your manager or other leadership for advice until you get an answer (Chapman, 2003, p. 51-53)."

Reference: Chapman, K. (2003). The leader's code: a people-sense guide to leadership. New York: Universe. Inc.

### 4-H Club Meeting Wheel

**A great guide to planning your club meeting time!!**



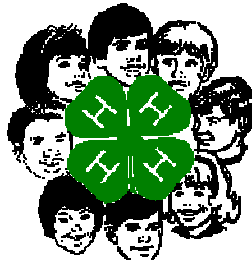
**Cloverbud Connections Newsletter:** for great Cloverbud information and activities. You can also review past issues and find resources and activities. <http://www.ohio4h.org/youth/cloverbud/index.html>

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celebration!**

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**"Volunteers- Thanks for all you do to... "Make the Best Better!"**

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**Make checks payable to: Stark County 4-H Advisory Committee**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Guest Names:** \_\_\_\_\_

**#Volunteers** \_\_\_\_\_ **X \$2.00** **+** **#Guests** \_\_\_\_\_ **X \$9.00** **= Total \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Send reservations & checks by October 15, 2007 to:**

**Jeanie Arnold**  
**7119 Baymere Ave. SW**  
**Navarre, Ohio 44662**

**Call for further information (330) 767-4255**



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**4-H Club/Member Registration Deadline:**

**Stark County– March 15, 2008**

**Stark County 4-H Swiss Steak Dinner:**

**Saturday, April TBA, 2008**

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**Thank you volunteers!!  
You are greatly appreciated!**

**“Tell me & I forget; Teach me & I remember;  
Involve me & I Learn!” Ben Franklin.**

**To Make The Best Better!**

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**See registration material inside....**



**Thank you Stark County Commissioners  
for your continued support!!  
Todd Bosley, Tom Harmon, Jane Vignos**



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**Check out 4-H Volunteer fact sheets at:** <http://ohioline.osu.edu/lines/kids.html#4HS>

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