As we wrap up another 4-H year, I just wanted to take a moment and say Thank You to everyone for all the help we receive throughout the year. It truly does take a “village” to raise a “4-H’er” and Carroll County does an amazing job of making that happen.

Thank you to all the wonderful people that work behind the scenes to make our program a success. Thank you for taking time to be an Advisor, for being a judge for Still Projects and Skillathon, helping with Cloverbud Camp, 4-H Camp, the Benefit Auction, Kick-Off Night, and the long hours at fair….and the list goes on and on. Thank you to the community & local businesses for your support. For being the auction buyers and bidders & believing in our youth!

My Sincere Thanks,

Michelle
Carroll County News and Notes

Honor Member Applications Due

Honor Forms are due at the Extension Office by the end of the Day on Monday, August 26th.

What is an Honor Member?
The status of Honor Member is awarded to those 4-H members who meet certain criteria every year. It is a cumulative process which means that each year you have to add additional points in order to meet the goal set for each year. You will be surprised at how many points you have obtained just by being an active 4-H member. Points are earned by doing things like: completing your projects, going to your 4-H meetings, participating in Community Service and going to 4-H Camp!

Why should you become an Honor Member?
Becoming an Honor Member will help you as you move forward in your 4-H Career. Having the status of Honor member for a minimum of 3 years is required to be on Outstanding Court. It is taken into account when you apply for scholarships, fair royalty and can even be put on a resume.

Applications are available from:
- The Extension office
- Your Advisor
- Online at http://go.osu.edu/CC4HForms

If you are applying for your 5th year or greater – you will need to fill out a 4-H County Award form in addition to the Honor Application. (If you have filled out the County Award form already this year for Outstanding Court and/or college Scholarship, you do not need to fill one out again. Just let us know at the office.)

County Award Form Now Available in Digital Format

We have some AWESOME news about the County Award Form! Rebecca Gromley just finished turning this into a digital version for us! You can now go online at the following link and fill out the form rather than print it out. Be sure to check it out. http://go.osu.edu/CC4HAwardForm

We have also updated the paper version of the County Award form. If you have already started working on yours or if you have already turned it in for this year - you do NOT have to fill it out again. I repeat... you do NOT have to fill it out again. We will take both the old and new version this year!

Secretary and Treasurer Books Are Due

Secretary and Treasurer Books are due to the Extension office on Monday, August 26th. We will as always; have the best secretary and treasurer book awards at our Best of 4-H Night.

However, it is important for you to know that at the end of each 4-H year, clubs are REQUIRED to turn in completed secretary and treasurer books. The books are due no later than Monday, August 26th. The State 4-H Office requires that Treasurer’s yearly Summary be turned in. This shows that clubs are in compliance with their EIN Status. Secretary books are due also as your minutes will confirm monthly documentation of your bank statement amounts.

http://go.osu.edu/TreasSummary
Algonquin Mill Festival Parking

The Carroll County 4-H Advisory Committee is going to be once again parking cars during the festival. This is a wonderful fundraising opportunity for the 4-H program and has allowed us to develop a partnership with the Historical Society. The Mill Festival will be held **Friday, October 11 thru Sunday, October 13th.**

In order for this to be successful – we are in need of many volunteers. We are asking that each club take a shift. Shifts are from 7:30-10:30am, 10:30am-1:30pm and 1:30 – 4:30pm. **You do not have to work with your club – you can work at any time!** We would be more than happy to add you to the schedule now if you like. Just call the office at 330-627-4310. Brittany Rohr will be sending a letter to all Organizational Advisors containing more details. Please begin making plans now to help sometime during this awesome event!

4-H Benefit Auction and Dinner to be Held November 16th.

Make your plans now to attend the 2019 Carroll County 4-H Advisory Benefit Auction. The Benefit will be held **Saturday, November 16th** at the Atwood Yacht Club. There will be a wonderful dinner and of course our always competitive but friendly Silent and Live Auctions. Tickets will be available pre-sale in September. This is the event that provides the Carroll County 4-H Program with the funds need to offer assistance to those in need for activities like 4-H Camp, Leadership Camp and 4-H Conference. The college scholarships are also a result of this night of fundraising. Honors such as Outstanding Court and Best of 4-H Night are funded through this benefit. The 4-H Committee is always looking for new ideas for games and activities as well as local businesses who would like to donate to this worthwhile cause. Please call the office if you would like to assist!

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

Meet your **Carroll County Outstanding Court** for 2019! Spencer Varney, Carter Zeedyk, Carly Ferren, Mallory Fox, Megan Poorman, Devan Ulman and Eliza Finn
Tess Kiko is your Showman of Showmen for 2019!
Allison Davis – Beef
Hillari Baker – Dog
Emmy Days – Swine
Michael Schaar – Goat
Tess Kiko – Dairy
Carter Zeedyk – Poultry
Carson Dolvin – Horse
Hannah Petersen – Sheep
Lillian McNutt – Rabbit
Congratulations to everyone!

Congratulations to our 4-H College Scholarship recipients.
Each 4-H youth received a $500 scholarship to be used at any college or secondary school. 2 scholarships are donated by the Carroll County 4-H Advisory Committee and 1 is donated by Wendy’s of Carrollton.

From left to right: Cheryl Jones (4-H Advisory Vice-Chair), Megan Poorman, Mallory Fox, Olivia Romeo and Michelle Moon (4-H Program Assistant)

5th Annual Sleeping Beauty Contest
And the winner of the 2019 Annual Sleeping Beauty Contest goes to Kim Poorman! We love Megan’s smiling face – but the “sleeping beauty” is Kim!

Thanks everyone for being such good sports and participating in our contest every year. It is just one of the many ways we can “celebrate” the FUN we have at the Carroll County Fair!
Would You Like to Become a 4-H Volunteer?

The face of 4-H is changing! Clubs are evolving and we are seeing new and innovative programs on the horizon. If you are an adult that has a special interest in an area that you would like to see our 4-H Program expand in – please contact me! For example; we now have the Carroll County Coders (Computer Coding and Tech) and Native Ground Outdoors Club (Natural Resources/Gardening). Both of these clubs are meeting the interests of youth in our county and showing them a side of 4-H that they didn’t know existed.

Becoming an Advisor is a rewarding way to give back to our youth in 4-H!

If you are interested in becoming a 4-H Advisor/Volunteer, now is the time to get your application filled out and turned in. The process is simple.

1) Fill out an application.
   Click on the following link, fill out the form and send it to the office or you can stop in and pick one up. [http://go.osu.edu/CCVolunteer](http://go.osu.edu/CCVolunteer)

2) Come in for the required interview.
   We will work with your schedule!

3) Get the required BCI fingerprint check
   We will reimburse you the cost of this!

4) Take part in the New Advisor training the first year and then take part in the yearly update each year.

5) You must be 21 to be a 4-H Advisor. If you are not 21- you are encouraged to become a Junior Advisor and work with an established club.

ADVISOR CORNER!  ADVISOR CORNER!  ADVISOR CORNER!

✈️ Watch for your letter in the mail regarding Algonquin Mill Parking
✈️ Honor Club forms are also due Monday, August 26th. [http://go.osu.edu/CC4HForms](http://go.osu.edu/CC4HForms)
✈️ Start thinking about a creative donation for the 4-H Benefit Auction
✈️ The Yearly Advisor Training will be held in January – dates to be announced next newsletter
✈️ If you are on the list to have your BCI check done – you will be receiving a letter in October.

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Go Forth and Set the World On Fire!

With summer wrapping up, it is time to say “See you again soon” to two absolutely AMAZING summer interns that I had the privilege of supervising this summer. They are both so talented and ready to take on the world! The Carroll County 4-H Program was incredibly lucky to have them this summer. They are hard-working, innovative and took on whatever task was thrown at them. They came up with solutions, saved the day more than once and had us laughing daily. They are the leaders of tomorrow, the future of Extension – and I am proud to have been able to share my summer with them!

Great Leaders Don’t Set Out to be a Leader . . . They set out to make a difference!

Rebecca Gromley

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