

Ohio 4-H News and Notes

Week of September 29, 2013

Ohio 4-H Records Retention

Like OSU, Ohio 4-H collects a great deal of information and data about those involved in the youth program. The professionals giving leadership to the 4-H Youth Development program therefore want to manage that information in such a way that it complies with university policy, state and federal laws; maintains the information needed to manage the program daily; and preserves information of historical value to either the 4-H Extension program or the community.

This document identifies records managed by the 4-H Youth Development program and provides a retention record that is aligned as closely as possible with the record management of the university.

<http://library.osu.edu/projects-initiatives/osu-records-management/>. To maintain its accuracy, it is recommended that it be reviewed annually for possible revision.

[CLICK HERE](#) for full 4-H retention document.

4-H Science Saturdays

4-H Science Saturdays begin again on October 12 when we take on the 2013 4-H National Youth Science Day experiment, Maps & Apps. We'll learn the lingo, then head outside to map the area around the 4-H Center and Chadwick Lake. **[CLICK HERE FOR FLYER](#)**

Ohio 4-H Night with the Columbus Crew

Ohio 4-H Night with the Columbus Crew is set for October 27 at Crew Stadium in Columbus. 4-H families can enjoy a behind-the-scenes stadium tour before kick-off, then watch the final game of the season. The Crew is in the hunt for the final playoff spot for the MLS tournament, too! Tickets are just \$15 each. **[CLICK HERE FOR FLYER](#)**

Changes in Ohio State Fair Companion Animal Day Judging for 2014

Companion Animal Day at the Ohio State Fair will follow similar guidelines to other non-livestock state fair entries. Instead of 4-H members entering one or more companion animal projects by a given deadline and paying an entry fee, counties can enter and send their companion animal project winners the same way as other non-livestock projects. For example, the first place junior and senior winner in each of the following companion animal projects will be eligible to bring their animal to the OSF Companion Animal Day Judging: *Cat 1 – Purrrr-fect Pals*, Project No. 216; *Cat 2 – Climbing Up*, Project No. 217; *Cat 3 – Leaping Forward*, Project No. 218; *Cavies (Guinea Pigs)*, Project No. 215; *Pet Rabbits*, Project No. 227; *Pocket Pets*, Project No. 220; *Reptiles & Amphibians*, Idea Starter No. 365.13; *4-H PetPALS*, Project No. 230, and *Self-Determined*, Project No. 365 (which could include pets like hedgehogs, chinchillas, ferrets, birds, etc.).

Therefore, if counties want to send 4-H members taking these companion animal projects to the Ohio State Fair, they will need to be selected at the county level prior to them exhibiting at the State Fair. Companion Animal Day Judging will be Friday, July 25, 2014.

The actual rules and judging requirements will be available prior to the November 5th 4-H Professionals In-Service. Please contact Lucinda Miller, miller.78@osu.edu, if there are any questions.

Nancy Hudson Bull Named to National 4-H Hall of Fame

Please see this news release that is planned to be in the paper this next week. It would be wonderful if Nancy was able to receive a lot of congratulation notes from Ohio since this is where she got started! Nancy will be in Ohio next weekend (first weekend in Oct). If you want to send a note to her, please send it to Rebecca Olinsky and she will hand deliver them! Thank you and let's bombard her with notes of support from OSU Extension!

Nancy Harriett (Hudson) Bull, Ph.D. recently was selected for a prestigious honor - as an inductee into the National 4-H Hall of Fame. Nancy worked in the Greene County Extension office from 1975-1990 as the County Extension Agent, Home Economics. Nancy was also Assistant Leader for Small Business and Associate Professor with OSU Extension from 1990-1992.

After leaving OSU Extension in Greene County, Nancy served as the Associate Director for Extension at the University of Connecticut. Nancy now is Vice – Provost and Chief Information Officer for the University of Connecticut.

The National 4-H Hall of Fame was established in 2002. It is a partnership with the 4-H Centennial Project, National Association of Extension 4-H Agents, and the National 4-H Council, 4-H Youth Development Program, and the United States Department of Agriculture. States are encouraged to nominate individuals based on their outstanding leadership at the local, state, national, and international levels.

Nancy will be inducted into the National 4-H Hall of Fame on October 11, 2013 at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Maryland. This year's inductees include only 16 individuals from across the country representing Extension land grant organizations.

Nancy's hard work in the Greene County community continues to impact the work of OSU Extension, Greene County. Greene County was lucky to have such a dynamic leader at the Extension Office for many years.

Congratulation messages can be sent to the Extension Office:

OSU Extension, Greene County, Attn: Rebecca Olinsky

100 Fairground Road

Xenia, OH 45385

Messages can also be emailed to olinsky.4@osu.edu

Vessel in 4-H Catalog 2014

The 2014 National 4-H Catalog has been published and a picture of Andrea Vessel is included. Andrea is from Butler County, Ohio was active in 4-H in Ohio, was a 2010 trip winner to the National 4-H Club Congress in the area of leadership. She is a student at American University and is one of four youth on the National 4-H Council. <http://www.4-hmall.org>

Announcing the Next North Central Regional Volunteer 4-H E-Forum

Save these dates:

11/18/2013 – 8:00 0- 9:30 p.m. (ET) - OMG! You've Got 4-H Parents! Now What?

12/2/2013 – 8:00 0- 9:30 p.m. (ET) - Engaging Teens & Older Youth

1/14/2014 – 8:00 0- 9:30 p.m. (ET) - Using Technology to Enhance Your 4-H Experience

2/3/2014 – 8:00 0- 9:30 p.m. (ET) - Exploring the Science of 4-H Projects

More details are coming about the sessions of the next e-Forum. Sponsored by funds from Monsanto and the Extension Services of the North Central Region. Information available at <http://4h.uwex.edu/ncrvd/eForum2013.cfm>

Ohio State Beekeepers Fall Conference

The Ohio State beekeepers would like to cordially invite the area 4H members to their Fall conference. For complete details about the conference please click on this link:

<http://www.ohiostatebeekeepers.org/event/osba-fall-conference-2013/>

Apply Now to Serve on the State Farm Youth Advisory Board Application Deadline: October 4

If you are between the ages of 17-20 and passionate about service-learning, apply to serve on the State Farm Youth Advisory Board (YAB). The YAB is one of the nation's most exciting opportunities for youth empowerment and development. Thirty students, ages 17-20, from across the United States and Canada comprise the State Farm Youth Advisory Board. They are charged with helping State Farm design and implement a \$5 million-a-year signature service-learning initiative to address issues important to State Farm and communities across the United States and Canada. Learn more at: www.statefarmyab.com/apply/the-board/

Looking for Applicants to be Future Program Assistants!

Do you know a 4-H'er who has a passion for government, history, political science, working with youth, public speaking, or leadership? If so, encourage them to apply for the position of Program Assistant (PA) at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center!

Application deadlines are approaching soon and we want to give 4-H alumni and collegiate 4-Hers an opportunity to make a difference during their spring or summer semester. Our PAs will be touching the lives of

thousands of middle and high school-aged students from all over the United States while working for our Wonders of Washington (WOW) or Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) program in Washington, D.C.

The **Wonders of Washington program** gives young people the chance to explore, develop, and refine the skills necessary to become outstanding citizens and leaders in their home communities. Using the living classroom of Washington, D.C., Program Assistants teach about the history of our nation, its various leaders, and how youth can put their skills of leadership and citizenship into use when they return home.

Citizenship Washington Focus gives 4-H'ers the opportunity to strengthen their communication, leadership, and citizenship skills on a national level. Program Assistants will lead 1,500+ 4-H'ers at Citizenship Washington Focus. By facilitating hands-on activities, simulations, and tours of various monuments and memorials, 4-H participants discover what citizenship means to them and develop action plans to make a difference in their communities. CWF Program Assistants help create, develop, and facilitate curriculum to be used during the 2014 program.

View the job descriptions for more information and application materials. If you have any questions, please contact JaQuan Bryant, Youth Program Specialist at JBryant@4HCenter.org.

2013 Excellence in 4-H Award Nomination, Due October 18

Once again it is time to make nominations for the Excellence in 4-H Award. This award honors superior accomplishments by an Extension Educator in developing dynamic, innovative, broad-based 4-H educational programs. The award, funded through the Charles W. Lifer Excellence in 4-H Fund, is dedicated to the recognition of outstanding professionals who serve as examples in setting standards of excellence in ten major areas of the County 4-H program.

A peer may nominate any Ohio State University Extension Educator who provides leadership to 4-H programs. Nomination forms are due to Lisa Jinks by October 18, 2013. jinks.2@osu.edu . Please nominate one or more individuals, whom you think are deserving of this recognition.

[2013 Excellence Nomination Form](#)
[Excellence List of Award Winners](#)

Hold These Dates! – Mark Your Calendar!

Assuring Quality Care for Animals Signature Program In-Service

Monday, November 4, 2013

Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center

4-H Professionals' Fall Update

Tuesday, November 5, 2013

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2014 OVC/OTC RFP

On Saturday, March 8, 2014 the Ohio 4-H Volunteer Conference and Ohio 4-H Teen Conference will again be held simultaneously at the Greater Columbus Convention Center. We invite all Extension Professionals to consider sharing their expertise, and submit proposals as they see appropriate. This is definitely a multi-disciplinary opportunity. Additionally, we encourage Extension Professionals to share this information with highly qualified volunteers and teen leaders and encourage them to submit proposals.

Please know that proposals must be submitted by September 30th online at

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/5FV72NX>. This link and the learning tracks can be found at:

<http://www.ohio4h.org/4-h-parents-volunteers/forms/ohio-4-h-volunteer-conference>. Learning tracks with suggested topics have been identified for guidance and planning. It is only a guide, so do not hesitate to propose an idea that may not be on this list.

A separate survey will be launched for poster session proposals. Watch for this link to be available soon at the Ohio 4-H Volunteer Conference website.

For questions please contact Vicki Schwartz, schwartz.4@osu.edu or Amanda Forquer, forquer.13@osu.edu.

Don't delay! Submit your proposal today!