

Ohio 4-H News and Notes

Week of January 5, 2014

Mahoning County 4-H Featured

Here's a nice story featuring one of our urban 4-H club advisors:

<http://www.wkbn.com/news/local/santa-makes-surprise-visit>

2014 4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest

The 2014 essay topic is "Beekeeping in Colonial Times". Individual essays should be forwarded electronically to the State 4-H Office, Lisa Jinks, jinks.2@osu.edu. An Ohio winner will be selected and the winning essay will be submitted to The Foundation for The Preservation of Honey Bees, Inc. for the national contest. Deadline to submit an essay to the State 4-H office is February 26, 2014, 5:00 p.m.

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE DETAILS](#)

Ohio 4-H Cloverbud Connections Newsletter

The January-March newsletter is now posted at www.go.osu.edu/cbc highlighting several topics about Cloverbuds Building Relationships:

- Cloverbuds and Their Grandparents: Bringing Generations Together by James Bates
- Cloverbuds and Community Service by Rhonda Williams
- Military Kids – They're in Our Backyard by Katie Feldhues, Christy Malys & Theresa Ferrari
- Dads Count by Kirk Bloir
- Campus Connections by Dr. Scott Scheer
- Hot Chocolate Cones by Cindy Shuster
- Click it, Print it, Do it! – Clover Cubes by Bruce Zimmer

Don't forget about our Click it, Print it, Do it! Webpage where you can find over 30 different activities that are ready to go for your next Cloverbud meeting: www.go.osu.edu/click

Making eXtreme Counselors (MXC) Workshop Registration is OPEN!

This national award winning camp counselor development workshop, held at the Ohio 4-H Center, will take place February 22-23, 2014. Registration will be from 1-1:45 PM on February 22nd and dismissal will be at 3:30 PM on the 23th. Full time participation is expected. While the county professionals are the ones who can determine how many training hours the counselors will get credited for, it is an opportunity for counselors to attain up to 14 training hours. Please note, County Extension Professionals and Camp Directors are NOT required to attend with their counselors (but are, of course, welcome to do so if they like!).

WE NEED PRESENTERS!! Please take a look at the draft program (<http://www.ohio4h.org/mxc>) to see the schedule and where we need assistance (highlighted). If you are able to help, or have an idea of what would be a good session, let Nadine Fogt (fogt.12@osu.edu) know! It's a great opportunity to teach at a state level to youth from multiple campsites!

Important things to note about the workshop:

You will want to include your county deadline on the form (found on the website). The registrations are due (online submission) to the state by January 31st, so you will want to have the deadline due prior to that, giving you enough time to enter the registration information prior to this. (Suggested date is January 29 or January 30, to assist in ease of time for online registration). Registration space is available on a first come, first served basis, so don't delay!! Counties may send up to 10 participants. If your county wants to send additional participants, please contact Katie Feldhues (feldhues.2@osu.edu) and she will contact you if more spaces become available.

The cost to the state is \$50/person, but you may have county sponsorships or other payments for the counselors to attend the workshop.

You will also want to include your participant's cost on the registration form. The cost to the state is \$50/person, but you may have county sponsorships or other payments and would want to adjust the price. If your county does not have additional sponsorships, you would just list \$50/person for payment. Please note! Counties are responsible for sending payment (either via chart field or checks payable to The Ohio State University (Memo: MXC 2014 [County Name]) before February 7th!!

More information about MXC 2014, including registration details for counties, can be found on the MXC 2014 Web page at <http://www.ohio4h.org/mxc>. In the coming weeks, you will be able to find information including teaching topics, health forms, behavior forms, and other required information the MXC participants will need to have in order to attend camp.

If you have questions or need more information, please contact Nadine Fogt (fogt.12@osu.edu or 740.335.1150). Thank you for your promotion of this great event!

Poultry Clinic

The 2014 Youth Poultry Clinic will be held on March 22 at Fisher Auditorium on the OARDC Campus in Wooster. For more information contact John Anderson, email Anderson.37@osu.edu

Registration forms will be posted at 4hpoultry.osu.edu in Jan 2014.

Growing Ohio Magazine

For a good article about how 4-H contributes to Ohio Agriculture, see the article on page 67 of the Growing Ohio magazine, a publication of the Ohio Department of Agriculture. The URL for the magazine portion of the web site is: <http://farmflavor.com/magazine/growing-ohio-2014/>

The Growing Ohio web site is: www.Growing-Ohio.com

Buckeye Leadership Workshop Partial Scholarships

Scholarship applicants can download, complete and submit the registration form and scholarship form, along with two letters of recommendation and \$100.00 as a deposit.

Applications must be postmarked by January 11. All information is available at: <http://www.buckeyeleadership.org/>

2014 Ohio Camping Conference

The 2014 Ohio Camping Conference is going to be a "Really Big Show" and you will not want to miss it. We are looking forward to seeing you at the Ohio Camping Conference on Thursday, January 23, 2014 at The Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center.

For more information please contact the ACA Ohio office at 1-800-428-2267x538. Early Bird registration and payment are due January 10, 2014.

Registration

link <https://webportal.acacamps.org/Conference/RegistrationProcessOverview.aspx?id=388>

Paper registration [download it here.](#)

Session descriptions and presenters [download it here.](#)

Vera Institute Releases Brief on Impact of Zero Tolerance Policies

The [Center on Youth Justice](#) at the [Vera Institute of Justice](#) has released "[A Generation Later: What We've Learned about Zero Tolerance in Schools](#)." This policy brief examines research revealing that zero tolerance discipline policies do not make schools more orderly or safe and might have the opposite effect. Policies that push students out of school might increase their involvement in the juvenile justice system and have negative life-long effects. The brief describes alternatives to zero tolerance policies that keep young people safer and in school.

Resources: [View and download](#) the brief.