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Updates & Reminders

Next TLC Meeting (all members): February 24, 2018

Time: 9 AM – 4PM

Location: 4-H Center

Attire: Business Formal

We will be having an etiquette luncheon at the February meeting, so be sure to wear business formal to the meeting. Refer to the dress code section of the TLC Overview (in your folders/binders) for pointers on what constitutes as business formal.



Member Biographies: Officers & Advisors

Natalee B. – President

Natalee B. has been a 4-H member for 14 years from Ashland County. She is currently the President of the Ohio 4-H Teen Leadership Council and hopes to make TLC a well-known program with clear goals going into the future and to help grow leaders to take over TLC.

Outside of TLC, she is involved in National 4-H Shooting Sports, Camp Counseling, and Jr. Fair Board; moreover, she enjoys taking Leadership, Cooking, Clothing, Community Service, and Rabbit projects.

She got her start in 4-H because of her mom, who is her county's 4-H educator, but she stayed in 4-H because she was able to grow and learn every year. One of her favorite things about 4-H is people one meets: people from all different backgrounds with new views and ideas, but 4-H is always one thing they have in common.

*Her go-to random fact:
"I hate cheese, but I like
cheese pizza"*

Her favorite memory from 4-H: "My last year as a camp counselor, I sprained my ankle terribly on the third night. I was dean and didn't want to go home so the entire camp was so supportive and helped me get through the week. When I asked some of the counselors if they were tired helping yet, they said I always helped them even when I didn't have to, and they wanted to make sure I had that support. I was basically crying for days after that."

Natalee is currently a student at *the* Ohio State University and wants to go into Public Relations and Crisis Management. She hopes that "love is shown in the work I do for TLC and the 4-H program as a whole because they gave me everything I needed to be where I am."

Fun fact: her favorite TV show as a kid was Wizards of Waverly Place or Suite Life of Zack and Cody



Natalee B.

"Nothing is impossible. There are no limits because you have some of the best people you will ever know by your side and they will always be there for you."

Pictured: Natalee

Hannah Epley – Advisor

Hannah has been a 4-H Professional for 12 years and is an advisor to the Ohio 4-H Teen Leadership Council. Originally from Fairfield county, she was a 4-H member for 11 years. She is looking forward to working with the teens throughout the state and seeing their great ideas put into action; also observing how the members evolve as individuals and a group.



She has a 2.5 year old boy and a month old baby girl. She still shows dairy cattle with her family at the state and national levels. She enjoys playing sports such as softball and volleyball and watching OSU football.

4-H FACTS

The first National 4-H Congress was held in 1922.

President Richard Nixon helped 4-H celebrate its 50th National 4-H Congress in Chicago in 1971.

National 4-H Congress was November 24-28, 2017

From the Ohio 4-H Youth Development Facebook Page: *“Ohio is well-represented at the 2017 National 4-H Congress... in Atlanta! Twenty six youth attended based on their winning Achievement Award records and Health and Safety Speaking presentations...”*

Congratulations to the current TLC Members who attended National 4-H Congress!

- Emmy B.
- Molly B.
- Jason S.
- Trevor M.
- Carson F.

Warm & Fuzzies

Ambrosia H.

Wishing you a speedy recovery! You are in our thoughts.

With love,

The Ohio 4-H Teen Leadership Council

The Ohio 4-H Teen Leadership Council

You are all unique in your own ways. You are all leaders in your own right. Y'all know how to have fun but still get what needs to be done completed. I am looking forward to seeing all of you grow as leaders and grow as people. Never forget to be yourself because that is what has gotten you where you are right now. You have the power to change the world in ways you can never truly understand till you stop and look around. Everything motion has a reaction. That also includes every choice you make. If you change how one person feels, thinks, or does then you have changed the world. Leaders are not born, they are forged.

Yours truly,
Anonymous

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Warm & Fuzzies

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Trevor M.

Trevor, you are an amazing officer and I'm so impressed by all you do. Your work on all of the grants and the way you are making the Treasurer position your own is awesome! -- Noor A.

Natalee's Family

Thanks for liking all the cat pictures in the GroupMe! I hope you all have a great holiday! – Natalee B.

Hannah Epley

Congratulations, Hannah! Wishing you, baby "Pat," and the rest of the family well.

Love,
The Ohio 4-H Teen
Leadership Council

National 4-H Congress

Delegates

I hope you had a wonderful time representing Ohio 4-H! I enjoyed seeing all of your pictures. You represented Ohio well.

Keep smiling,
Emma N.

Jodie J.

Jodie, love seeing the positive energy you bring to TLC! You're always smiling and you do a great job of promoting 4-H on social media. Keep being awesome!

Noor A.

Kayla K.

The definition of perfection
Carson F.

Emma N.

Thank you for all you have done for me this year! You inspire me everyday with your strength, your perseverance, and your dedication to the 4-H program. I treasure our friendship!

Molly H.

Kayla Oberstadt – Advisor

In my role as a TLC Co-Advisor, I provide leadership for the direction of the council, support the members, and assist with statewide events. I oversee the Ohio 4-H Conference Teen Luncheon Committee, organize 4-H youth volunteers who work Ohio State Fair events, advise select national travel opportunities for TLC members, and many other fun tasks!

Beyond my TLC duties, my job also allows me to work with Collegiate 4-H, older youth leader leadership activities, training camp counselors, and statewide camps such as 4-H Leadership Camp and Sea Camp. As Ohio Military Kids Program Manager, I work with military partnerships to support year-round youth educational activities. These events such as day camps, overnight programs, family camps, and a weeklong camp are offered to kids who have a parent in the military.

What do I hope to see this year in TLC? As an advisor to Ohio 4-H TLC, I look forward to watching our teen leaders build on their skills, such as communication, program planning, and teamwork. These teens are filled with enthusiasm to participate in statewide programs and their willingness to share their excitement is contagious! I support the council's goals to become a well-known organization in the country and expand the involvement of TLC across Ohio.

Fun facts about me: I enjoy spending time traveling with my family in Wisconsin and traveling to new places! Outdoor adventures like camping and kayaking are some of my favorite things to do. I am proud to be Zola's human (Zola is a mixed breed pup of adorable and energy!). Being from Wisconsin, my love for cheese and ice cream is something I am not ashamed of! 😊



Kayla Oberstadt with TLC President, Natalee, at September Meeting

Ambrosia H. – VP of Administration

Go to Random Fact About Herself: “I won second place in a cream puff eating contest at the Bucyrus Bratwurst Festival!”

Ambrosia H. is a 3rd year 4-H member from Pickaway County. At the county level she is on the Jr. Fair Board, she also takes Food and Nutrition, Sewing, Leadership, Science, and Health projects. She is apart of the TLC officer team as well as the conference luncheon. She has hopes to gain better work ethic as well as leadership skills as a TLC member.

She got her start in 4-H when she moved, and had gone to the annual Go Kart races. While at the races her family had gone to a booth that a 4-H club was running and started talking about 4-H. “Everyone was very kind, and made 4-H seem super fun (because it is), so we joined their club!

Ambrosia’s favorite 4-H memory is from her county 4-H communications contest when she was demonstrating how to level a cake. While she spoke she had a small cake to demonstrate on. “I was nervous, and I definitely did not cut the cake level! It was so diagonal, everyone snickered (including me),

because that is not what you want for a cake.” She shares the most important lesson she’s learned through 4-H being, “4-H is truly what you make of it. There are endless possibilities and opportunities, and it’s all up to you on what you do.” Her proudest 4-H accomplishment is winning the clock trophy in Teens on Board this past year at the state fair! Her favorite part of 4-H is meeting new people and making great friends from all over. She states that she is not entirely sure what her career will be, but 4-H has constantly let her gain skills that she will use to reach career goals, no matter what they may be.



Ambrosia H. – Vice President of Administration

Diana Maier – Advisor

I was a 4-Her from Delaware County for almost 11 years and served as a State 4-H Ambassador at that time. 4-H gave me once in a lifetime opportunities and was instrumental in shaping me into the person I am today. I earned my Bachelor of Arts in Youth Ministries and Recreation from Bluffton University, graduated from Vineyard Leadership Institute, a two-year seminary-level program, and am currently pursuing my Master's in Social Work at OSU. I love college football, OSU, women's basketball. I enjoy helping people, writing, and playing acoustic guitar. I have three pets: 2 cats (Twinkie and Maggie) and 1 dog, Bruty. My husband and I like to travel and our favorite vacation spot is Anna Maria Island, Florida.



Noor A. – VP of Outreach

Noor has been a Franklin County 4-Her for the past 12 years. She is currently the Vice President of Outreach and serves on the Ohio 4-H Conference Sessions Ad Hoc Committee.

At the county level, Noor is involved in Camp Counseling, CARTEENS, Jr. Fair Board, Junior Leaders, Fashion Board, and Fair Royalty. She has taken many types of projects, including Leadership; Food and Nutrition; Clothing and Textiles; Health; Public Speaking; Child Development; Genealogy; and Home Decorating. Kathy, Noor's preschool teacher, was the one who started Noor on her amazing 4-H journey, and Noor still thanks Kathy for giving Noor the best gift of her life.

If you ask Noor about her favorite 4-H memory, she'll tell you a very heartwarming story:

"Years ago, I was competing in clothing judging at the state fair and I was in the midst of changing for the style revue when I heard a little girl begin to cry... I walked up to this girl who was nine at the time and asked if she was okay. She was in tears when she said that a button on her dress had just popped off and she didn't know how to fix it... I sat and helped her fix the button even though I knew it would make me late to style revue. She was beyond grateful that day and I remember her smile, but with the hustle of life, I quickly forgot the event. Just one year ago I ran into this same girl and she thanked me... She told me that she was thinking about quitting 4-H that year because she thought people cared more about winning than making friends and told me that I changed her mind..."

Noor's proudest 4-H accomplishment is getting to serve a three-year term on the National 4-H Council's Youth Advisory Committee in the alumni acquisition cohort, where she gets to represent Ohio 4-H as she meets with alumni, members of the National 4-H Council, Board of Trustees Members, USDA NIFA, and Extension Personnel.

Noor is currently studying International Affairs at the Ohio State University with a double minor in Public Health and History. She wants to eventually go to law school and work for the United Nations or UNICEF, where she will be impacting people's lives in a positive way. Thanks to 4-H, Noor realized that she loves public speaking and citizenship, which led her to her education and career paths.

According to Noor, she owes so much of who she is to the 4-H program:

"4-H has taught me so much, but more than anything it taught me to be myself... I didn't always feel comfortable and confident and 4-H gave me a place to grow and find who I am. That is why I try to give that same experience to everyone I meet and it's how I convince people to join 4-H. I was a city kid who was the daughter of immigrants so, on the surface, it seemed like 4-H wouldn't be for me, but it turned out to be the opposite. I found my values, learned my leadership style, and now know what I want to do with the rest of my life and I owe it all to this organization which is why I advocate for it every day and live my life by the four H's."

Noor's go-to random fact about herself:

"I can speak three languages!"

Noor's Goals for TLC:

"I hope to make Ohio 4-H the best it possibly can be. I want to make new connections and strengthen the ones I already have and truly make this a trailblazer year. I also hope to contribute the legacy of TLC by serving as a role model while also learning from the other amazing individuals around me."



Emmy B. – Secretary

Emmy has been in 4-H for 13 years and is from Athens County. She currently serves as the Secretary of TLC and is on the Ad Hoc committee for the Ohio 4-H Conference Teen Luncheon. She was an Ohio 4-H Ambassador for two years and served as the Communications Committee Chair on TLC last year.

At the county level, Emmy is involved in Camp Counseling, Jr. Fair Board, and Junior Leaders. She shows dogs and rabbits, and takes other projects including food & nutrition, self-determined, and filmmaking projects. She got her start in 4-H when her mother, the advisor of her club, and her sisters encouraged Emmy to join 4-H.

4-H has provided her with wonderful opportunities and learning experiences, such as attending National 4-H Conference last spring, earning the 2017 Companion Animals Achievement Award, and attending the 2017 National 4-H Congress in November. 4-H has taught her the importance of communication and how effective communication is critical to being a successful leader.

Her favorite part about 4-H is coming together at the fair and various 4-H events to see old and new friends and compete in shows/project judgments.

Emmy's career goals have also been shaped by 4-H: "After college, I hope to obtain a career in film editing. 4-H, specifically the National 4-H Film Festival, has enabled me to pursue filmmaking and learn more about the industry."

Fun fact: Emmy's favorite TV show as a kid was Good Luck Charlie



Emmy's go-to random fact about herself:

"When I was 8, I rode a camel on the Great Wall of China."

Emmy's Goals for herself this year as a TLC member:

"I hope to gain leadership and communication skills and new friends. I hope that, as TLC, we can encourage more Ohio 4-Hers to get involved at the state level."

Congratulations to TLC's National 4-H Conference Delegates!

Molly B.
Kira M.
Kayla K.

Ambrosia H.
Cate F.
Cecilia M.

Molly H.
Rachel H.
Samantha M.

Trevor M. – Treasurer

Trevor, from Fayette county, has been in 4-H for 10 years and is currently serving as the treasurer of the Ohio 4-H Teen Leadership Council. He is also on the ad hoc committee that is planning the TLC booth at the Ohio State Fair.

At the county level, he is involved with camp counseling, Jr. Fair Board, Junior Leaders, and Family Consumer Sciences Board; moreover, he takes food & nutrition, health, and photography projects. With his commitments to both county and state 4-H, it is no surprise that his favorite part about 4-H is the community aspect.

Trevor has been involved in 4-H since he was a cloverbud -- ever since a family friend (who was a 4-H advisor) got Trevor and his older brother involved. Since then, Trevor has become very involved in 4-H after his extension educator encouraged him to become a 4-H ambassador. He had such a good time meeting so many good friends that he decided to pursue every opportunity 4-H brought his way.

Check out his favorite 4-H memory!

"As cheesy as it may sound, my favorite 4-H memory is from camp closing my second year as a counselor. I had not been to 4-H camp since my first year as a Cloverbud camper, but decided to go as a Cloverbud counselor in preparation for being a camp counselor. The next year, I was a camp counselor. This previous year, camp closing was particularly meaningful. Our camp director announced that this could be her last year, and I had become close to a large number of the seniors who were leaving. At the candlelight ceremony, it hit me just how big of an impact our camp director and the leaving seniors had on both the camp as a whole and me personally. It was at this ceremony that it truly hit me that they were leaving."

Be sure to ask Trevor about his proudest 4-H achievement! (Hint: it has to do with him winning a state 4-H Achievement Award this year in the Health & Safety Category.)

Trevor would like to be either a neurologist or a lawyer practicing business law.

Fun fact: his favorite TV show as a kid was Star Trek: The Next Generation.



Trevor's go-to random fact about himself:

"My favorite color is blue"

What Trevor hopes to achieve this year:

"By being on TLC this year, I hope that I will be able to form new relationships with members from around the state and to get others involved in 4H and state 4-H."

"The most important lesson I have learned through 4-H is accountability. In school, one is held accountable by grades. In 4-H, one is held accountable only by themselves. For me, I learned to manage my time and to not volunteer myself for more things than I can get done."