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## THE 4-H PULSE

MARCH 3, 2020, 2020

### **Social Media**

If you are a user of Facebook, hopefully you have connected to the Fayette County Facebook page. It is a quick way to get current information about the county, state and national 4-H program. Sometimes articles about camp or livestock are shared on these sites.

The NEW Facebook page:

Fayette County 4-H, Ohio <a href="https://www.facebook.com/FayetteCounty4HOHIO">https://www.facebook.com/FayetteCounty4HOHIO</a>

### **Multi-County Training**

March 5 – 6:30 pm Lebanon Career Center

Networking opportunities and engagement in club leadership opportunities.

### **Quality Assurance**

All quality assurance will run from 6~7:30 pm at the Mahan Building.

March 9, March 23, April 7, April 21

All market animal exhibitors must complete one QA for 2020. FFA members should be completing their requirement through class. ALL QA MUST BE COMPLETE BY JUNE 4, 2020.

### **Community Service Opportunity**

Help the American Red Cross by making cookies for the Blood Drive held at the Grace United Methodist Church. Please Contact Miriam Engle at 740-335-4522 if you would like to bake cookies for one of these days. Each drive needs 12-15 dozen cookies. Some dates might be filled or will fill up quickly!

February 11 August 18
April 7 October 13
June 2 December 15

Help the 2020 Paws for Cause 5K.

On May 9th one of our 4-Her's, Laine Holstein, will be hosting the 2020 Paws for Cause 5K to benefit the Fayette County Humane Society at Christman Park in WCH, Ohio. There are many ways that you can be involved!!! Volunteers are needed for this event and there are activities for all ages to assist with. They would need help starting at 7:30 am the day of the race. If you or your clubs are interested, please contact Melissa at 614-783-8092.

More information can be found at the FB page below. https://www.facebook.com/groups/561797324671522/

### Stop the Bleed: Bleeding Control for the Injured

March 19th – 6 pm @ the Extension Office

This campaign was created to build national resilience by better preparing the public to save lives by raising awareness of basic actions to stop life threatening bleeding following everyday emergencies and man-made and natural disasters. All are welcome!

https://www.stopthebleed.org/

### NO Pullorum Testing on Poultry for 2020 Fair Season

Ohio Poultry Association that there is NOT enough antigen to test exhibition poultry for this year's fair season. We've talked with Dr. Forshey at ODA, who asked us to get the word out to everyone. At the time of the announcement at OFMA we were told there would be enough antigen. However, antigen will not be available until this fall or early winter, so testing is suspended again this year. There will not be any





testing for turkeys required either. – Lizz Share and Lucinda Miller Extension Specialist's, 4-H Youth Development

### Kentucky Kingdom & Hurricane Bay

Kentucky Kingdom and Hurricane Bay is bigger, better and wetter than ever! With more than 70 thrilling rides- including six world-class roller coasters, two wave pools, water sliders, and lots of children's riders-plus food, games and shows, we've got something to delight every member of the family! Come visit us during our 2020 Summer Season and enjoy our 60-80% off admission opportunities! You must purchase your tickers using www.kentuckykingdom.com/summerfunpartners to receive the 60-80% discounts.

### OSU Jr. Swine Day - March 28th

OSU Columbus Animal Sciences and OSU ATI Wooster. Pork Quality Assurance will be offered at both sites. Registration is \$15.00 per person and must be made online by March 20th. There is no onsite registration. Please contact Dale for questions. <a href="http://www.cvent.com/events/2020-osu-junior-swine-day/event-summary-0ca62ac25dd14cd5a3496908b077c5ba.aspx">http://www.cvent.com/events/2020-osu-junior-swine-day/event-summary-0ca62ac25dd14cd5a3496908b077c5ba.aspx</a>

### **Important Dates**

Turkey Hatch Date – 3/4/2020
Market Rabbit Breed Date – 3/25/2020
Ownership of Market Animals – 5/1/2020
Feeder Calf/Goat/Lamb Tag-in – 5/9/2020
6 wk. Rabbit Doe & Litter Breed Date – 5/11/2020
4 wk. Rabbit Doe & Litter Breed Date – 5/26/2020
Market Chicken Hatch Date – 6/3/2020
Rabbit Tattooing – 6/5/2020
Entries Due – 6/12/2020 – fairentry.com
Late Entries – 6/19/2020 (\$25 fee)

### 4-H Camp

Registration opens March 6th (4honline.com)

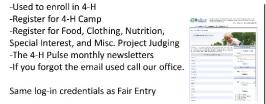
Camp Dates: May 31- June 4

Base Fee: \$210

Registration Closes: April 17th

Cloverbud Camp Registration will be mailed.

# 4honline.com Websites to know! fairentry.com



-Used to enter your projects for Fair
(Example: Market/breeding classes, 2015 Fayret Courty Fair showmanship)

It is used to tell the specific number of items/animals you are bringing to the fair. It is different than 4-H Online
Same log-in credentials as 4-H
Online

### favette.osu.edu

- -Extensions Website
  -4-H Calendar
- -Forms
- -General 4-H Information
- -Book Requirements
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- -4-H Policies
- And More!

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- -Fayette County Fair Website -Any fair related information
- -Fair book updates
  -Calendar of fairground
- events





2020 Fayette County Fair- Junior Fair. Hog Show

Feb. 19, 2020

During the February Senior Fair Board meeting, the Board unanimously made the decision to not guarantee a Terminal buyer for market Hogs at the 2020 fair in light of the current ractopamine controversy in the pork industry. The following options were considered:

- Banning the use of ractopamine in hogs that are exhibited at the Fayette County Fair
- 2. Not banning the use of ractopamine and taking a significantly lower price
- 3. Not banning the use of ractopamine and not offering a market outlet

This was discussed and researched at length. Part of our decision to not ban ractopamine is that if the rule is made, we need to be able to enforce it. While testing options are growing there is concern that labs will be overloaded, and production of results would be delayed too long to be proof for enforcement. While some fairs are banning ractopamine and requiring exhibitors to sign an affidavit stating that the animal has never been fed ractopamine in the entirety of its life. We felt that it was not possible for most exhibitors to truthfully state this with 100% accuracy as they have not had the animal in their possession during its entire life. This is a 1-year decision. It will be re-evaluated in the future.

As a result of our decision exhibitors will be responsible for removal of the hog following the completion of the Jr. Fair sale that takes place Wednesday evening. Exhibitors are encouraged to make arrangements for slaughter of, or sale to a slaughter channel of their project. Market Hogs will not be released from the swine barn until after 10:00 p.m. on Wednesday July 22, 2020 and must be removed by 9:30 am Thursday July 23, 2020. Exhibitors will still be eligible to participate in the Jr. Fair livestock sale for premium bid and add-ons. All hogs will remain the property of the exhibitor except for the Grand and Reserve Champions which are still terminal by state mandate.

The Fayette County Senior Fair Board is actively seeking a buyer/packer that will purchase hogs to help the youth who are unable to remove projects from the fair. March 2, 2020 is the last day for 4-H Enrollments and the last chance youth can add or change a project.

It should be noted that the pork industry is moving to a ractopamine free industry. Exhibitors are encouraged to start adapting to ractopamine free feed diets. There may be no option in the future.

Please contact The Senior Fair Office at 740.335.5856 with concerns or questions.

Fayette County Senior Fair Board Robert Schwartz, President, Doug Marine V President, Directors Wayne Arnold, Troy Cockerill, Jenny Coe, Dennis Garringer, Max Geer, Travis Kelley, Mike Lower, Don Melvin, Tony Penwell, Bryan Sheets, Jeff Smithson, Stacey Lewis, Faith Cottrill-Marine

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