



HARDIN CO. 4-H



August 2023 Newsletter



Bonnie was a cheerful giver, who worked hard for the youth of Hardin County in many capacities. This award is given annually in her honor.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Nominations are now open for the Bonnie McBride 4-H Volunteer of the Year Award. This award is given each year to an outstanding 4-H volunteer.

Nominate your amazing 4-H Volunteer today online at <http://go.osu.edu/mcbrideaward>.

Nominations can be made by 4-H members, parents, or other volunteers.

Deadline to submit your nomination is **August 18, 2023.**

LATE JUDGING

In order to exhibit at the fair, all projects must be judged by August 18.

Late judging for ALL project, including livestock will be held at the OSU Extension office on August 10 and 11. Appointments are from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

If you are unable to be judged during this time, you must make an appointment with Amanda prior to August 11.



FAIR ENTRIES

Hardin County Jr. Fair entries were due July 31.

4-H Advisors will receive a copy of their club's entries on August 1. Corrections to club entries must be made **IN WRITING** by August 9th.

Corrections and additions can be submitted to raines.74@osu.edu and jack@hardincountyfair.org.

No corrections will be accepted after August 9.

OPEN CLASS entries will be open August 1 through August 25. There are classes for all ages and interests. Check out the Hardin County Fair book for a full list of open class opportunities.



Fair Book

The Hardin County Fair book is available online at Hardincountyfair.org and in the Hardin 4-H app.

FAIR BOOTHS

All Hardin County 4-H Clubs have the opportunity to display projects and club work in the 4-H Booths in the Jr. Fair Building.

Clubs should vote on if they want to have a fair booth for 2023 and **an Advisor must contact Amanda by August 1st to reserve your space.**



EMAIL AMANDA ASAP IF YOU WANT A CLUB BOOTH

OFFICER BOOKS

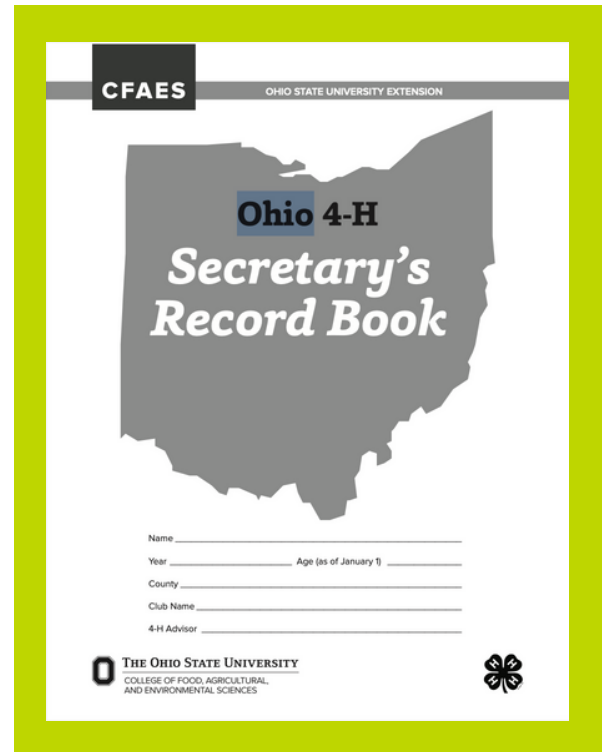
ALL SECRETARIES AND TREASURER BOOKS ARE DUE AUGUST 11 TO THE OSU EXTENSION OFFICE. This is a requirement for all clubs.

The following items should be included:

- Minutes of all meetings
- All treasurer's reports
- Most recent bank statement (if you have an account)

2023 is an audit year for all clubs. We will use these officer records as part of the club's audit.

All other officers can turn in their books to be judged in the officer book competition. Books will be evaluated on record keeping, neatness, and organization.



STATE AWARD PHOTOS

All state award winners are asked to submit a photo for the state award display at the Hardin County Fair. Please submit a photo of yourself for this display by August 14, 2023.

Additionally, state award winners are asked to write a short newspaper article about their project, which will be printed in the 4-H Tabloid to kick off the 2024 year. I am asking that you complete this article now, when your project work is fresh on your mind. Articles should be at least 2 paragraphs long and tell about your project: what you did, what you made, what you learned.

Photos and articles can be submitted at <http://go.osu.edu/23stateawards>.



SHOW CLOSET

This year we are opening a Show Clothes Closet at the Hardin County Fair. This closet will have gently used show clothing for youth to use if needed.

DONATIONS NEEDED. If you have show clothes that you no longer use or are too small, drop them off at the OSU Extension office!

Suggested Items:

Button down shirts

Jeans

Boots

Belts

White shirts/pants

The closet will be located in the Jr. Fair building the week before and during fair.

STOCK THE TRAILER

The Hardin County Jr. Fairboard is holding a STOCK THE TRAILER food drive during this year's Hardin County Fair. Donations of water and non-perishable food items will be collected all week. All donations will be divided between Hardin County's food pantries to help families in need.

I challenge your club to put together a donation for this event. The club that donates the most food items will get a special prize.

Clubs can turn in donated food on Sunday, September 4 or Monday, September 5. Just find Amanda in the Jr. Fair building!

