E-blast July 24, 2015 – State Fair Entries are due August 1st!

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Looking ahead… to the WAYNE COUNTY FAIR! (It’s only 17 days away!) (psst… have you seen their new website? www.waynecountyfair.org)

Taking an animal off the farm does increase the risk of exposure to new germs and diseases that could make them sick; however, there are things we can do to minimize the risk of a negative outcome. Below is a list of some practical tips to reduce the risks of contracting and spreading disease.

• Do not bring a sick animal to the fair.
• Make sure the trailer used to haul your animal is clean, and if possible don’t stop at other farms once the trailer is loaded.
• Ensure access to clean water and feed in containers brought from your farm.
• Keep your grooming equipment and feed containers separate from those used on other animals. Make sure to disinfect all equipment when you return home from the fair.
• Limit your animal’s nose-to-nose contact with other animals.
• Wear rubber boots that can be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected during and after the show to avoid bringing germs back to the farm.
• Discourage fair visitors from feeding your animals and encourage them to use hand sanitizer between touching animals.
• When returning to the farm after the show, the animal(s) should be separated from the rest of the herd or flock for at least two weeks.
• Watch your animal closely during the quarantine time period for signs of disease. If something seems off, contact your veterinarian.

There are so many great things about showing your animal, and by following these few simple tips we can keep your animal healthy throughout the fair season and beyond.

*Pre and Post Fair Important Dates
Friday July 31st – Painting 9-4pm
Wednesday August 5th 9-1pm – Clean up day! Bring your broom and cleaning supplies!
Thursday August 6th 4-8pm – Judging of all items except horticulture.
Friday August 8th 6:30pm – Barn and tent set-up
Sunday August 10th 1-5pm – small animal check-in and health checks
  1-5pm – 4-H building will be open for clubs to set up their booths
  5:30pm – Barn meeting in show tent
*All animals expect horses must be in place by 10pm
Monday August 10th – Horses that are staying for the week can arrive after 6pm on Monday.
Monday August 10th 5-6:30pm – Horticulture items judged
Thursday August 13th – 11am – 4-H pet show! Bring your pet that doesn’t fit in another class.
Have questions? Contact the 4-H office Amy or Jess would be able to help you out!

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Fair Painting Days!
We are still giving the 4-H building a facelift and need painters to help! We will have the building open on Friday, July 31st from 9am-4pm – please come and paint for as much or as little of the day as you are available. Bring your brushes, rollers, and any other painting supplies
Cloverbud Day! Rescheduled!

The 4-H office will be offering a day just for 4-H members ages 5-7 – Cloverbuds! Mark your calendar for Tuesday July 28th from 9:30-noon. We will be cooking, doing a community service project and woodworking. Check out our flyer here!

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Calling All 4-H Alumni! – Alumni picnic Wednesday July 29th 5:30-8pm at Aldrich Change Park located on the Canal in Palmyra. Join us for food, laughs and friendship. It will be a great way to reconnect with old 4-H friends and leaders while sharing stories. We are inviting current 4-H members to come and meet alumni and to share their 4-H stories!

Attention Teens! ABC Trip Info! GREAT Opportunity!!

The 39th Annual New York State 4-H Agribusiness Career Conference will be held on October 1-2, 2015 at SUNY Cobleskill and local agri-businesses. The conference is co-sponsored by NYS 4-H, the NYS Farm Bureau, and the State University at Cobleskill. This career exploration conference is open to all youth ages 14 and over who wish to become more aware of opportunities with agriculture and also academic requirements for professional positions available in the various agri-business. It will feature mini-tours to farms and operations in the Cobleskill area as well as seminars, guest speakers and guided tours of the SUNY Cobleskill agriculture facilities. A participating fee of $95.00 per person (youth and adult) will include all overnight accommodations and meals. (If a participant wishes to come for just one day, that is acceptable, but the cost of the program is the same.)

The most recent edition of the World of Wayne can be found at

http://blogs.cornell.edu/waynecce/program-areas/4-h-youth-development/

Have you visited our Facebook page? It is the most up-to-date source of information!

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Calendar:

July 2015
July 20-24 – 4-H Camp Beechwood
July 28 – Cloverbud Day
July 29 – 4-H Alumni Picnic
July 31 – Painting Day at 4-H Building at Fairgrounds

August 2015
August 5 – Fair Set Up
August 6 – Pre-Fair Judging
August 10-15 – Wayne County Fair
August 27-September 7 – New York State Fair

**September 2015**
September 4-7 – Wayne County Exhibits Judged at the New York State Fair and Teens Work in Booth
September 15 – Teen Council
September 24 – 4-H Open House