



Wood County 4-H

ALUMNI & FRIENDS

Newsletter

WELCOME!

Greetings from Wood County 4-H! We are thrilled to share our newest publication dedicated to informing YOU, some of our best 4-H friends about current happenings with the local program!

The development of the Wood County 4-H Alumni & Friends group has been a long-time goal of many of our volunteers and staff and we are excited to see it come to fruition.

We are a NETWORK of individuals, all seeking to help today's youth "Make the Best Better" (4-H motto.)



There are a multitude of opportunities for you to continue connecting or even re-connect with us from near and afar... volunteering your time, sharing your talents on a committee or with youth as a club advisor or project expert, contributing to the organization by way of in-kind and/or monetary donations, and more. Each edition of this newsletter will highlight ways in which YOU can get involved!

VOLUNTEERS

The volunteers that comprise this Alumni & Friends committee live in AND out of Wood County. This dedicated group of volunteers aims to...

- Recruit Wood County 4-H Alumni from across the U.S.
- Provide current program updates
- Share opportunities for scholarship, mentoring, building community partnerships and connecting socially

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEMBERS -

Donna Arnold
Sara Caris
Sara Foos
David Krukemyer
Carol Lenox
Seth Miller
Jesicca Sautter
Holliday Thomas

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

The first alumni spotlight is our Wood County 4-H Extension Educator, Liz Avers!! Liz is a graduate of Eastwood High School and the University of Kentucky with a degree in Agricultural Economics. After college, she began her career with the Ohio State University Extension as a 4-H Educator, first with neighboring Ottawa County for three years and then back to her home county in September 2021. Liz is eager to make an impact in Wood County and is leaning on other 4-H Alumni and Friends for support! Join us in welcoming Liz! If you would like to reach out to Liz call 419-354-9050 or avers.16@osu.edu.

Liz shared a video about herself below.



“Wood County 4-H is truly unlike anything else
-Liz Avers”

DID YOU KNOW?

2022 Wood County 4-H BY THE NUMBERS

- 173 volunteers
- 828 club members age 9-19
- 168 cloverbuds age 5-8
- 1,546 total registered 4-H projects taken
- 47 volunteer project judges interviewed nearly all of the registered projects in just 2 days
- 21,000 milkshakes were spun this summer during the Wood County Fair and National Tractor Pulls
- 4,226 tater tots consumed at Wood County 4-H Camp this summer



4-Hers make milkshakes at the 149th Wood County Fair

Wood County 4-H Clubs & Teen Groups

- 46 traditional clubs
- Wood County Livestock Judging Team
- Wood County Shooting Sports
- Camp Counselors
- Leadership Board
- CarTeens
- Honor Court

Needs, Wants & Wishes

Each newsletter, we will outline our Needs, Wants and Wishes for the upcoming quarter and/or year. If you can help in any way (or know of someone who can,) get in touch with us! We are seeking:

- New adult 4-H club advisors
- Two-Way Radio sponsors for 4-H Camp Counselors \$40 per radio (60 total radios)
- 4-H Holiday Craft Workshop sponsors
 - Holiday Star Level \$100; Holiday Tree Level \$50; Holiday Gift Level \$20

THANK YOU!

Contact Jenny at morlock.3@osu.edu for more details



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