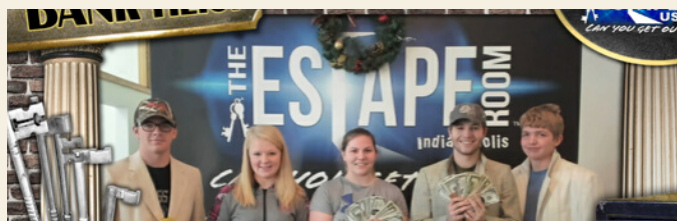


CATCHING UP WITH CUMBERLAND 4-H

Your quarterly report on all things 4-H



**OCTOBER,
NOVEMBER,
DECEMBER 2019**

Lots of memories made!

During these three months, we had two workshops, two community service events, a volunteer training, an end-of-year celebration trip, and wrapped up the 2018-19 year with the Achievement Program! We did all of this plus celebrated numerous holidays and attending school. Our 4-H members, volunteers, leaders, and parents are amazing! It is exciting to see what 2020 holds for Cumberland County 4-H.

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OCTOBER 2019

Fall Bash at Lillyville

We went to Lillyville Church Hall for some family fun and food during the Fall Bash. The office provided hot dogs and pulled pork/chicken. Our fabulous cooks (parents) brought lots of goodies to go along with the food. Members had a mummy decorating contest, played all sorts of outside games, and were able to do many activities inside - including a kool-aid pumpkin and pumpkin toss. Thank you to all that made food, helped clean-up, or helped in other ways. There was a large turnout of younger members!

Horse Clinic at Destiny's Horse Boarding

On Saturday, October 19, members from across multiple counties met for a horse clinic on showmanship, horsemanship, and speed classes led by Sarah Simpson of Twisted S Equine. During the three hour training, members learned about multiple ways to improve their techniques while exhibiting. Each member received one-on-one attention as Sarah worked with each member to give them something to improve on individually. The training finished up with some barrel-racing tips and tricks.

Shooting Sports Volunteer Training in Monticello

Saturday, October 19 was busy! As Cumberland County was hosting a horse clinic, seven of our leaders were attending the shooting sports volunteer training at 4-H Memorial Camp in Monticello. After this one-day training, the Cumberland County Arrows and Ammo 4-H shooting sports group now has two coordinators, two pistol instructors, three rifle instructors, three archery instructors, and two shotgun instructors. The club will begin meeting again on January 18. See the scheduled dates below:

*Shoots will begin at 9:30 AM

February 15 & 29

March 14 & 28

April 11 & 25



The pessimist complains about the wind. The optimist expects it to change. The leader adjusts the sails. ~John Maxwell



Logan Dow presenting Emma Walk her Outstanding 4-H Member Award

Jaylynn Schober presenting Emma Walk the Cindy Moses Youth Scholarship



Ross & Kaitlyn Hemmen with their personalized animal brushes for winning the Outstanding Livestock Record.

2019 ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM

Sunday, November 10
"Old School 4-H"



Members and guests gathered for the end-of-year celebration for the 2018-19 4-H year. This year Muddy Creek 4-H Club hosted the event at the Cumberland Grade School Cafeteria. Because we were celebrating "Old School 4-H," we invited back former Extension Staff to join us! For the program we had Lori Bouslog and Rose Meyers-Bradley join us. They talked a little about their time here and some of their memories. Niemerg's catered the meal courtesy of Extension. Many awards were given out, officers were installed, completion members were wished farewell, and memories were created. Congratulations to all of our award winners. You should be proud of all that you have accomplished so far in your 4-H journey. For those who were unable to attend, you can pick up your records and prizes (if applicable) from your leaders. Thank you to the Muddy Creek Decorating Committee Co-Chairs, Alysa Dittamore, Emma Light, and Kindyl Ingle, and decorating committee members Gracie & Paige Dittamore, Gweyn Ingle, Madison Reeder, Braydon Cox, & Lila Light for helping create such a great night! Thank you to all who helped clean-up afterwards. To see the rest of the results, click [here](#).



Two of six completion members - Jerik Bishop and Elise Hemmen - with their tool totes containing their "tools for success."



Kathy Deters, Trevor Grissom, and Nate Brown present their former 4-H leader, Max Woolever, with the Lifetime 4-H Supporter Award.



Avery Veatch, Alternate Outstanding First year Member and Cody Hemmen, Outstanding First Year Member, pictured with award sponsor Vivian Hallett, In Memory of her mother Thelma Bishop

Success doesn't come to you, you've got to go to it.

- Marva Collins



Federation members after completing their bank heist escape room.



Federation members Taylor Huddlestun, Madison Reeder, and Kate Shirley while shopping for their Angel Tree youth.

NOVEMBER 2019

Angel Tree Shopping - Federation Club

Often times we take for granted what we have or receive during the holiday season. That is why this year, the Federation group decided to provide gifts for four Angel Tree kids from the Toledo Christian Church. They bought some clothes and toys for two boys and two girls. While shopping at Walmart, the girls shopped for the girls while the boys shopped for the boys. It is so heart-warming to see teens making a difference in the lives of youth in their county.

Federation End-of-Year Trip

Each year, Federation tries to take an end-of-year celebration trip. This year members decided to go to Indianapolis. On Saturday, November 16 we set out for Indy with five Federation members. We started by doing an escape room, The Bank Heist. While members were unable to completely steal all of the "gold bars" from the bank safe, they did work together as a team to get very close. Educational opportunities don't have to be boring! During this activity, members had to discover clues, work together to solve the hints, and develop leadership qualities as they led members through various parts they had strength in. Watching these teens develop as a team was what makes leading a 4-H group so rewarding! Following the Escape Room, we went to play some laser tag. While laser tag is fun, there was some strategy involved. Members were able to hold their own against opposing teams as they worked together to defend each other and their area. After a day of team-building, members finished with a meal then set off for home. Many memories were made and many laughs were had that day. Do you want to be part of this group? Become a leader in your county? Call Jaylynn at the office (217) 849-3931 to find out how you can be involved!



Federation members Cash Hurst, Jarin Maxey, Austen Scott, Logan Dow, and Ross Hemmen while shopping for their Angel Tree youth.



2019-20 Federation Officer Team

You don't inspire your teammates by showing them how amazing you are. You inspire them by showing them how amazing they are.

- Robyn Benincasa



Sophia & Audrey Jansen with the cookies they decorated at the Hometown Holiday Celebration

Right: Ashley Jansen helped Molli & Cole Dasenbrock and Audrey Jansen create their marshmallow snowmen ornaments.
Bottom: Sarah Brown helps members as they work on making their countdown to Christmas boards.



Lila Light and Austin Dittamore making their finger-painting.

DECEMBER 2019

Hometown Holiday Community Service Celebration

This year the Cumberland Extension paired up with the Toledo Development Corporation to bring the 1st Annual Hometown Holiday Celebration. Extension's role was to provide cookies and ornaments for the community to decorate. 4-H members helped each youth as they came to the Village Hall by leading them through their options and helping them get their supplies. We even had the Toledo Spring Fest Royalty stop by to decorate an ornament and a cookie. While this was a community celebration, Kathy and I were able to educate members of the community about 4-H and Extension in hopes we can make a larger impact on our community! Thank you to everyone who helped make that day successful. The cookies were completely gone and the ornaments were hung on the tree that evening at the tree lighting ceremony. It is exciting to see our community come together to celebrate during the holidays!

Annual Holiday Candy/Craft Workshop

The following Saturday, members met again for the annual Holiday Candy & Craft Workshop. The older members created a countdown to Christmas board and their own ornament. The Cloverbud age members created their own holiday finger-painting and two different ornaments. One with a ribbon for how tall they are in 2019 and one as a snowman with mini marshmallows. Then everyone created five different holiday treats to take home and share. The recipes they created were Rudolph Noses, Peppermint Rice Krispies, Snowman Oreo Balls, Grinch kabobs, and Oreo ornaments. Thank you to all the parents who helped the members, helped me, and cleaned up! It was a successful day!

Muddy Creek Community Service for Life Center

During the holiday season, the Muddy Creek 4-H Club made homemade Christmas Cards to give to the clients at the Life Center. They also donated candy for BINGO prizes. Thank you for giving back to our community!



Taylor Huddleston decorating an ornament at the Hometown Holiday Celebration

How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world.

- Anne Frank