Paige Cords Showman Program

The Paige Cords Memorial Fund was created after 4-H and FFA member Paige Cords was tragically killed in an automobile accident on September 2, 2014. Paige showed beef steers and heifers for nine years at the Eaton County Fair. She showed market hogs for six years and showed lambs her last three years. Paige was successful in the show ring because of her commitment and work ethic and she enjoyed sharing her enthusiasm for showing livestock by helping younger members with showmanship, feeding advice, helping to clip their project or other pre-fair preparation.

Our family created the Paige Cords Showman Program to assist Eaton County Fair livestock exhibitors with their projects. Although she isn’t physically with us to help, her spirit and memory can live on through this group of showman. The funds can be used to purchase livestock, feed or necessary supplies. A selection committee will review applications and select at least one showman per specie (Beef, Hogs or Sheep). Selected beef recipients will be awarded $500.00, and $300.00 will be awarded to hog and sheep market livestock recipients. In order to keep the program going for multiple years, the selected members will be asked to pay it forward to help other members. After the Eaton County Fair Junior Livestock Association Auction, beef recipients will have $250.00 deducted from their checks and hog and sheep recipients will have $150.00 deducted from their checks. (Sick/dead animals or animals that don’t make weight will be handled on a case-by-case basis) The deduction from each recipient will be handled by the Eaton County Junior Livestock Association during settlement of the sale to be deposited back into the Paige Cords Memorial Fund.

New for 2017 – members involved with breeding projects are encouraged to apply, members will be awarded $250 for beef breeding project and $150 will be awarded for swine or sheep breeding projects.

This program is for all 4-H or FFA members going to show livestock at the 2017 Eaton County Fair. Youth are encouraged to apply multiple times, however a member can be selected to receive this award one time.

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Please drop off or mail applications to:

(Applications and letters of recommendation will need to be postmarked on or before posted deadline)

The Paige Cords Showman Program
Seth & Jill Cords
4721 Bracey Hwy
Charlotte, MI 48813

Questions: Please contact The Cords Family

Seth Cords – 517-202-0600

Jill Cords – 517-819-5138 or jillraterinkcords@gmail.com
Application for the Paige Cords Showman Program

Members, please neatly hand write your application

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Date of Birth: __________________________ Age as of Jan 1:_____________________

Address:_________________________________________________________________

City:_______________________ State: MI Zip:________________

Phone Number:___________________________________________________________

Email Address:____________________________________________________________

Parent or Guardian:________________________________________________________

Years enrolled in 4-H and / or FFA:_________________________________________

Years showing livestock at the Eaton County Fair:______________________________

Please include a letter of recommendation from your 4-H Leader or FFA Adviser – letter should be one page in length - (please mail or email letter separately from member application or in sealed envelope included with application)

For Breeding Project Awards: ____________

I understand that if selected, I will be awarded a one-time award to assist with my livestock breeding project

For Market Livestock Awards: ____________

I understand that if selected, I will re-pay either $250 Beef or $150 Hogs/Sheep to the Paige Cords Memorial Fund, so it can be awarded to future 4-H and FFA members. This will be deducted from the Junior Livestock Association Auction checks during settlement. The member will receive a check for the remaining profits from the sale of their animals.

Signed Member: ______________________________________________________________________

Parent or Guardian:__________________________________________________________________

4-H Leader or FFA Adviser:____________________________________________________________

Project applying for: Beef:_________ Pigs:___________ Sheep:__________

Many of the breeders that Paige used to purchase her animals from have offered to sell high quality livestock at reasonable prices to program recipients. Please check if you would be interested in receiving assistance from the Cords Family in selecting your livestock project: ________
Tell the selection committee why you want to show livestock at the Eaton County Fair?

Please provide an estimated budget of all projected expenses for your project (animals, feed, bedding, etc.)

Please share how you will give back to the community in the years following this program:

Please provide a summary of other academic, extra-curricular activities:

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List your community service activities (church, clubs, organizations, etc.) and levels of involvement.

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