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### **Hardin County Extension News Release**

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## **Hardin County Fair Carcass Show of Champions**

*Hardin County* – Did you ever wonder how well the grand and reserve champion fair animals will grade out on the rail? The OSU Extension office is pleased to announce the 2017 Hardin County Fair Carcass Show of Champions to be held Thursday, September 14 at 6:00 pm. The annual carcass show will be held at Mt. Victory Meats, 670 East Marion Street in Mt. Victory. The carcass show will evaluate the meat value of the grand champion and reserve champion steers, barrows, gilts, lambs, and goats.

Carcass value will be determined by evaluating the dressing percentage, square inches of loin, external fat thickness, internal fat, quality grade, yield grade, and adjusted percent of muscle. Carcass information is very important to breeding livestock operations for making genetic improvements in their seed stock animals and also serves as an effective marketing tool for producers who sell their livestock for meat. The Hardin County Fair Carcass Show of Champions is sponsored by Ohio State University Extension, Mt. Victory Meats, the Hardin County Fairboard, the Hardin County Sheep Improvement Association, the Hardin County Cattle Producers, and the Hardin County Pork Producers.

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