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I go to the Ohio State Fair every year with my mom, dad, grandpa, and brother. Every year we go in the Ag/Hort building, the Brown Sheep Building, the Poultry Pavilion, and the horse barn, but we have never gone in the other buildings such as the Swine Building, Livestock and Trade Center, the ODA tent, or the Veterinary Educational Center, so most of this was new to me. So, here's some of what I learned and what I did at the fair to fill out my passport.

When we arrived and checked in, we went straight to the ODA tent to pick up my passport. After that, we went to the Livestock and Trade Center and learned that the following are made using beef cattle by-products: Marshmallows, bandage adhesive, crayons, leather, and footballs. I actually use three of these things often: marshmallows, bandages, and crayons. I went to Hocking Hills recently, and we ended up eating s'mores every night for two nights. Like any other kids, my brother and I use Band-Aids® a lot, and crayons are essential coloring items for us.

After doing all of those buildings, we went to Poultry Pavilion and learned another cool fact: a normal hen lays 300 eggs a year! I eat about 1 or 2 eggs a week, so at most I eat maybe half of what a normal hen can produce. Then, we went over to the Ag/Hort building, where I learned three facts. One of these facts is that an ear of corn has about 800 kernels in 16 rows. I usually eat a full ear, so I end up eating 800 kernels of corn!

After that came the Veterinary Educational Center. I learned that an average dairy cow drinks about a bathtub full of water (about 70 gallons) each day. A normal bathtub holds around 70 gallons of water, so a man who has 100 dairy cows in Columbus would end up paying a monthly water bill of around \$3,000 plus his own water costs.

In all, I learned a lot. Before I started this project, I barely knew what agriculture meant. Now that I have written this, in the end, I know much more about agriculture, some of which I probably would not have learned at all if I hadn't done this. As a plus, while going around the fair looking for facts, I saw some buildings and other stuff that we usually don't see at the fair, such as the Swine Building. After all, learning is fun, and I certainly had fun doing this! ☺