



## Family News

Spring 2024





### A Warm Welcome to Tanya Popp

Tanya is our new office manager here in the Leelanau MSU Extension office. She has been with us since April 1st! Tanya comes to us after a decade at Leland Public School. She replaces our long-time Office Manager Annette Kleinschmit. Tanya has a cherry farm north of Lake Leelanau with a roadside stand known as Coldwell Farm. Together, with her husband Craig, and her parents John & Carol Coldwell, they continue the family farm. Tanya is the proud mother of two children Jeremiah (JJ) 21 and Ruby 13. They all enjoy sports and good food!

We are enjoying having Tanya here—she has blended right into our office family. When you get the chance, please stop in and say hello!

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### Leelanau County 4-H Celebrating 13 Seniors This Year!

Wow! We are very proud of and excited for our thirteen graduating seniors this year! Our Leelanau County 4-H Youth Association provided \$50 VISA gift cards, and Leelanau 4-H provided 4-H Alumni decals and a personalized note of congratulations for all of our seniors, to say thank you for being an important part of our program over the years and good luck on your next adventures!

We reached out to our 4-H seniors to ask for their photos and future plans and heard back from several!

#### **Congratulations to:**

**Eden Boeve:** Happy Hooves 4-H Club. Graduated from Traverse City Christian School. Plans to attend Cornerstone University to pursue a bachelor's degree in nursing. Congratulations, Eden!

Adrian Childs: Lake Ann 4-H Livestock Club. Graduated from Benzie Central High School. Congratulations, Adrian!

Kate Forton: Happy Hooves 4-H Club. Graduated from Traverse City Central High School. Congratulations, Kate!

**William Grant:** Gotta Lluva Cool Critter. Graduated from St. Mary School. Plans to complete his electrician apprenticeship with Julius Bunek Plumbing Heating & Electrical. Congratulations, Will!

**Sara House:** Thunderbirds on Target 4-H Club. Sara is graduating from The Leelanau School and plans to attend Warren Wilson College in North Carolina. Congratulations, Sara!

**Eli Kelenske:** Two by Two 4-H Club. Graduated from St. Mary School. Plans to attend Northern Michigan University in Marquette. Congratulations, Eli!

Addison Kraeft: Happy Hooves 4-H Club. Here's a nice bio that Addison wrote: "I grew up with 4-H in my blood. The love of animals came very naturally to me. I started my 4-H years off as a cloverbud showing lambs and goats. The year I was old enough to show a Jr. Beef I knew I would enjoy cattle. I continued to show Jr. Beef and large beef for 10 years. From the time I could sit my mom had me riding horses. I currently own my horse "Betty", which I purchased with my earnings from the profits of my 4-H market projects. I am graduating from Michigan Online High School. My future plans are wide open for possibilities as I am uncertain of what I would like to do; taking the next year off for a reset and to save money. I have many interests such as nursing school, horse breeding, farming, and maybe traveling. I would love to give a huge thank-you to the many buyers that have supported me over the last 10 years with my market projects and lastly to my parents, extended family and friends. Thanks for all the memories." Congratulations, Addison!

**William Madsen:** Thunderbirds on Target 4-H Club. Will is graduating from The Leelanau School and plans to take a gap year to explore his options. Congratulations, Will!

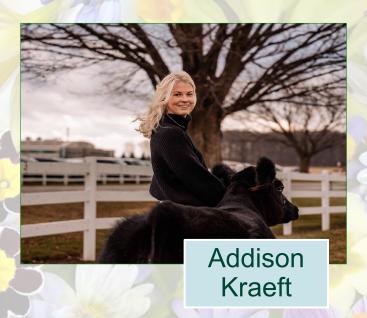
Elodia Peplinski: Proclites 4-H Club. Graduated from Glen Lake High School. Congratulations, Elodia!

**Emma Perez:** Thunderbirds on Target 4-H Club. Emma is graduating from The Leelanau School and plans to attend the Savannah College of Art and Design in Georgia. Congratulations, Emma!

**Sophie Schwartz:** Thunderbirds on Target 4-H Club. Sophie is graduating from The Leelanau School and plans to attend Eckerd College in Florida. Congratulations, Sophie!

**Eleanor Valkner:** Gotta Lluva Cool Critter 4-H Club. Eleanor is graduating from Glen Lake High School and plans to attend the Michigan State University College of Agriculture and Natural Resources as part of the Institute of Agricultural Technology Livestock Industries program. Congratulations, Eleanor!

**Avery Verschaeve:** Proclites 4-H Club. Graduated from Traverse City West Senior High School. Plans to attend Northwestern Michigan College to study business. Congratulations, Avery!







Congratulations Seniors!





















Sara House



Leelanau
County 4-H
is Hiring a
Summer Intern















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# Thunderbirds on Target 4-H Club at The Leelanau School is Mixing it Up!

I checked in with Joe Blondia about all of the activities his club is taking part in this spring. They are using their 4-H waders to do some great fishing (steelhead), and they did some great indoor archery earlier this spring before the weather turned. The club is a large one this year, with seventeen members, four of whom are seniors this year. We love to see these teens enjoying nature and learning how to fish!









### Apple iPads and Pencils and Headphones at SB, OH MY!















We have continued the wonderful partnership with Suttons Bay Public Schools this year, working with teachers Mary Hall (art) and Elizabeth Richards (music) to offer the use of the cart of iPads with Apple Pencils and headphones during their classes this semester. Leelanau County 4-H had its second year with the MSU Extension/4-

H Apple Education Community Initiative grant, and used the classroom supply of iPads, Apple Pencils, a rolling charging cart, a classroom set of headphones, and a collection of Sphero robots for STEM-focused learning in clubs, programs, and in partnership with our local schools, as well as during multiple outreach events. From February through June, for the second year in a row, Suttons Bay Elementary School implemented the use of the iPads to work with 4th-8th grade students in their art classes, reaching 100 students, using Adobe Fresco and Everyone Can Create curriculum, and in their elementary music classes, using the SoundForest app, with 1st-5th grade students, reaching 135 students. It's wonderful to see the engagement and smiles as students use these devices to increase their technology skills.

## Fifteen Area Youth are About to Earn Their 4-H Tractor Safety Certificates





We have fifteen local youth working toward the goal of passing their tractor safety driving and written tests in June. Three class sessions are focused on the Purdue Extension Gearing Up for Safety curriculum in the program that has been held on Sunday afternoons, taught by our lead instructor Mark Miezio, and assisted by 4-H volunteer/instructor, Clint Warren, on the driving day, and all of the teens have signed up for testing slots out at the Northwest Michigan Horticulture Research Center here in Leelanau County. We also had a wonderful guest instructor, Samantha Wolfe, a new educator with MSU Extension in Benzie County focused on AgriBility. Thank you, Sam, for your wonderful help with getting these young folks used to the larger John Deere with the front loader! The youth are offered the chance to hop on a tractor on all of the days prior to the testing day, to get some practice in, and everyone has been getting the chance to look at a tractor up close to see how it works, what to do to safely start and stop it, and so on. We're excited to see how they all do on testing day. A big thank-you to our host, the Northwest Michigan Horticulture Research Center, for the use of their tractors and wonderful learning space. This is a great experiential learning opportunity for teens wanting to build up their skills and employability here in the county.







### Northwest Michigan 4-H Livestock Council Education Expo a Grand Success!

Our fourth annual 4-H Education Expo at the Grand Traverse Resort was engaging for over 500 youth and volunteers (and their families), and allowed our 4-H'ers from five different counties to complete their two educational credits in one day. Youth earned a total of 879 educational credits! We had MSU Extension educators there, as well as our local 4-H species chairs and assistants, and experts from all over the state presenting the twenty sessions throughout the day. And new this year, we had our wonderful teen reps present two sessions on animal handling and safety. They did an amazing job! Pizza and pop were provided by the Council for all of our registered 4-H youth (and I got to help serve it), and the volunteers who presented were provided with lunch, as well. Thank-you gifts in the form of personalsized pies were provided by the Grand Traverse Pie Company! Kudos goes out to several of our Leelanau County 4-H volunteers who provided some amazing educational sessions, as well as a repeat from last year: a thank-you note station with Sarah Wolf and other Gotta Lluva Cool Critter members, and a cloverbud crafts table with Kathy Swinney and her daughter Heather, with four different craft options to make and take. These two options were so popular again that we are bringing them back again next year! Renee Hobbins and Gotta Lluva Cool Critter also had a fundraiser with 4-H clover jewelry. Special note: she will also have these for sale again at the June Livestock Council meeting! Great job to 4-H teen leader Isabelle Plamondon for assisting Kristy Oosterhouse with the business of 4-H session! And, save the date, our Expo will be held at the Grand Traverse Resort on Sunday, February 23 (moving ahead of that usual date in March to accommodate speaker schedules).



# Leelanau County 4-H Babysitting Club Graduated a Dozen More Youth in April

Our Leelanau County 4-H Babysitting Club met every Sunday in April, and what a wonderful group of youth! We had 12 young folks from three different counties, representing six of our local schools! The first two meetings were dedicated to learning CPR and First Aid, under the instruction of Lieutenant Josh Porter from the Suttons Bay Bingham Fire and Rescue Station. Josh taught them skills to help them respond in a helpful way during an emergency. They walked away with a 2-year certification from the American Heart Association.

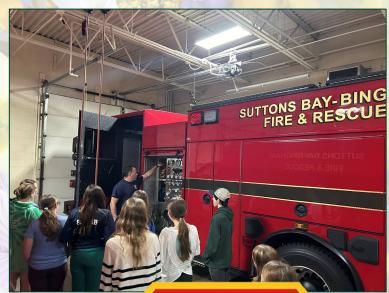
For the final two meetings, with our curriculum portion, the students learned many things about safety, crafts, snack-making (including the use of our brand-new Rock the Bike smoothie bike), the ages and stages of babies and kids, and just what it takes to be a great babysitter. We did everything from practicing how to read aloud to role-playing different babysitting scenarios. They received handouts to add to their curriculum binders and things to take with them to add to their babysitting bags, including creating their very own first aid kits for emergencies. We talked about how to advertise safely while sharing that they are certified to be babysitters! We celebrated their accomplishments with a graduation, and each youth received a certificate and pin. Thank you, in our seventh year of providing this program, for being a great partner, Suttons Bay Bingham Fire and Rescue! And thank you to co-leader Kathy Swinney for her tremendous help and work on making this a great program for our 4-H'ers!





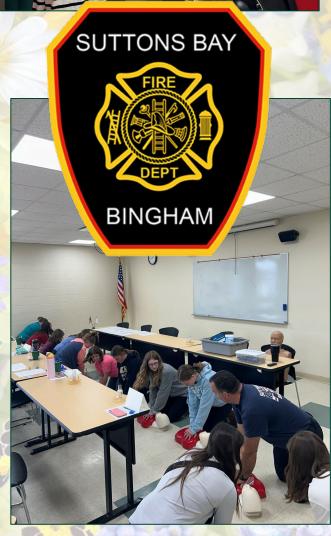


































### Capitol Experience Built Leadership Skills for Local 4-H Teen Everett Howell



Everett enjoyed his fourth year of 4-H Capitol Experience. This year was better than the last, since he served on the steering committee for his second year with youth from across Michigan, alongside MSU Extension educators and 4-H Program Coordinators. He said that he loved the experience, from the planning of the event to being there with other youth who care about government and making a difference in their communities. They met with legislators, took part in creating their own bills, and his group's bill on affordable housing passed! They had some great food, hung out during free time, and took tours of the Capitol Building in Lansing. Everett even got to have a photo and brief chat with my boss, the Director of MSU Extension, Dr. Tyler! Everett said he's looking forward to attending again his senior year.

### 4-H Tap Clubs Tip-Tap Their Way Through May

Tiny Tappers (our cloverbuds) and Tap Time (our just slightly older youth) just performed for the first time this 4-H year in their brand-new "Space to Tap In" in the lower level of the Suttons Bay Congregational Church. They did amazingly, or so I hear, since I couldn't attend their dances! Robin promises me that she will share more photos of their shows with me to share with you all later. Thank you to Robin Carden for her dedication and focus on these two clubs, and for creating such an engaging and welcoming space for not just her tappers, but for their families, too! It's amazing to see the growth in skills and confidence in such a short time, and it's wonderful to see the kids connect with each other and their wonderful leader. And so many smiles while tapping! A big thank you to SB Congo for hosting the clubs, and providing such a great space to tap, first with the funding for the project, and second for encouraging all of that joyful noise! Robin is also offering other sessions all the way through fall.







### 4-H Tap Clubs Tip-Tap Their Way Through May continued...













### **New 4-H Embryology Program Hatched at** Glen Lake Community School this Spring

Thanks to teacher and 4-H volunteer, Marni LaPaugh, we offered a new 4-H embryology program at Glen Lake schools with one of the kindergarten classes, reaching fifteen kids. Marni reached out and asked about getting some support for updated embryology equipment for her classroom, and I said, "We can do that!" This is what we have endowment funding for: to support new experiences for youth here in Leelanau County. We were able to purchase a top-of-the-line incubator that included a special light to candle the eggs (to see their progress and determine whether or not they were fertilized), and also had a built-in egg turner, as well as a brooder for the chicks after they hatched. Every egg that was fertilized hatched. Look at those little peeps! A big thank-you to Marni for giving such a wonderful experience to her students this year!



















### **NEW 4-H Farm Camps with Linda Oosse and Friends in June**

Leelanau County 4-H is offering two farm camps this summer. For youth ages 7-10, held a total of three days, June 24, 26, and 28 (with either a morning or an afternoon camp to choose from). 9:00-12:00 or 2:00-5:00, with 8 spots in each camp. The camps will be run by local 4-H volunteer Linda Oosse with the help of other 4-H teen leaders and volunteers. Cost is \$75 per child. Some scholarships are available. Activities will include farm tours, animal care and handling, a farm scavenger hunt, safety tips, games, snacks, and more! Be sure to wear clothing that can get dirty and closed-toe shoes or boots. Meet at the red barn at 234 N Popp Rd in Lake Leelanau. To register, email Leelanau County 4-H Program Coordinator Rosali Collier at collierr@msu.edu. First come, first served. Once each three-day camp session is full, we will create a waitlist.



### Make Our Way 4-H Club Combining Robots with Outdoor Learning



The Make Our Way 4-H Club has welcomed two other adult volunteers to work with the club: Elizabeth Sweeney and Kyle Korson. We are happy you have joined the club! The club is also in possession of their very own LEGO SPIKE set and expansion set to continue to learn about STEM and robots. The club also plans to get outdoors with their robots this summer, starting up a Dungeons and Dragons and Robots session! Michael Parsons, club leader, wrote, "Make Our Way 4-H Club purchased a robotics and coding kit that is compatible with several local teams. By having our Club robot kit, we would be able to engage our club members with robotics as accessible as playing a game of chess, anytime and anywhere. We would also be able engage in small group robotics and coding sessions using the 4-H Apple iPads with focused development based on our club members' interests and group dynamics. The signature effort of Make Our Way 4-H Club is to bridge and blend technology with outdoor adventuring. A robotics kit is a great way to consider how to "ruggedize" and learn about inventory control and maintenance as well." The club wants to have a D&D&R focus this summer, and will use the yurt owned by Michael and his family for a space to learn in, once Leland is out for the summer. The club will learn how the 30-foot yurt is disassembled, moved, and then re-assembled. They will then use their SPIKE robot and iPads for some great learning and discovery. A big thank-you to Rotary of Suttons Bay—Leelanau for providing the grant that made this LEGO purchase possible. If you are interested in having your child join in on the club's adventures, please reach out to me at collierr@msu.edu and I will put you in contact with Michael.

Sail Champion Adventure

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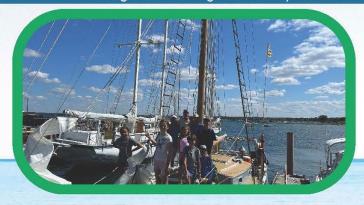
Camp Still Has Two Openings

for July 15th Sail

### 4-H Sail Champion Adventure Camp 2024

July 15th with an inclement weather date of July 17th

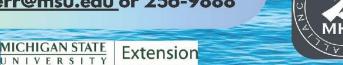
Sail Champion is a nonprofit that brings together sailing, history and community to build the capacity for resilience in youth in partnership with Leelanau 4-H. Sail the waters of West Grand Traverse Bay to Power Island aboard Champion, a 39 foot classic sailboat. Guided by a licensed captain, crew members, and you! Learn through hands-on experience and great adventure, go swimming in the bay, and more!



- Who: 6 Youth, Ages 11+
- Where: Discovery Pier, 13268 S. W. Bayshore Drive, TC
- · When: 9:30 am-4:00 pm on Monday, July 15th
- What to bring: packed lunch, water bottle, hat/sunglasses, swimsuit (optional), and a towel
- Cost: \$30



To register, contact Rosali Collier: collier:@msv.edu or 256-9888





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### Leelanau 4-H Archery is Free and Starts in June!



# Archery Club

### Registration Open

- Create a family account and add (or re-enroll) your youth member in 4-H Online at https://v2.4honline.com/#/us er/sign-in
- Choose SPIN Club Leelanau
   4-H Archery as your club
- Need help? Please reach out to the Leelanau 4-H office: 231-256-9888

Max club size of 8 participants Ages 8+



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#### **Details**

- June 20th August 22nd (no meet on July 4th and August 1st)
- Thursdays
- 5:30pm 7:00pm
- Build archery skills using USA Archery's Explore Archery Program
- Equipment provided
- Club meets at 1397 W.
   Burdickville Road, Maple
   City

We have exciting news! We have a third archery club here in Leelanau. We are offering a brand-new FREE summer 4-H archery club for youth ages 8+! Come join leaders Allison and Luella Marion out at Myles Kimmerly this summer, on Thursday evenings. Registration for Leelanau 4-H Archery club is first come, first served. To enroll, create a family account (if you do not already have one) in 4-H Online at <a href="https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in">https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in</a> and then add your youth to it as a new member. All youth must have turned 8 by January 1st, 2024 to take part. We have just 8 spots in this club! The instructors will be using USA Archery curriculum. Equipment will be provided, but feel free to bring your own.

## Leelanau 4-H Outreach Events with Petting Zoos: Come Join Us!

#### Cheese Fest 2024 June 8 from 2:30p-4:30 p

Leelanau Cheese in Suttons Bay with Leelanau 4-H and Frontier Quest 4-H Club, with a petting zoo, bake sale fundraiser, crafts, and activities with free giveaways

**Leland Township Library June 29**<sup>th</sup> **10:00-11:00** with Leelanau 4-H for petting zoo, activities, and free giveaways

Orchard Tours and More (Cherry Festival) July 1, 2, 3, and 5, from 10-1 each day

NW MI Horticulture Research Center in Bingham Township. Cherry products, rides around the center, activities, giveaways, a cherry pitter fundraiser sold by 4-H volunteer Garry Taylor (bring \$4 and support our sail camp for this year) and 4-H petting zoos.

Glen Lake Community Library July 11<sup>th</sup> 11a-12p summer reading program with crafts, activities, giveaways, and a petting zoo.

Parenting Communities Street Fair Saturday, July 20th 10:00a-2:00p

Benzie Leelanau Health Department in Lake Leelanau with food, fun vendors, crafts, 4-H giveaways and a petting zoo.



















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Free activities, giveaways, and visits with 4-H animals
Cherry Festival Week: July 1, 2, 3 and 5th
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### It's Almost Time for Fair 2024!

For specific information about Fair and the Tanner Building activities, please visit both the Northwest Michigan 4-H Livestock Council website and the Northwestern Michigan Fair website. Don't forget that our Teen Reps will be setting up another Scavenger Hunt for youth and their families during fair week this year! And a glow dance party! And a movie night!

http://www.northwestmichiganlivestockcouncil.org/

https://www.northwesternmichiganfair.net/







Tanner Building 4-H Exhibits are focused fully on the club booth displays this summer. The theme this year is "Oh, The Places You'll Go with 4-H!" There will be first, second, and third-place winners for the club booth displays this year (which will be the certificates as well as a \$100, \$75, or a \$50 gift card for your club to use).

If your club is putting up a club **booth display**: Set up will be Thursday & Friday August 1st & 2<sup>nd</sup> from noon to 9 pm and Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. \*ALL displays need to be completed and in place by 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 3rd.

The **4-H Clover Award** applications are due Wednesday, July 31<sup>st</sup> to either the Grand Traverse 4-H office or the Leelanau 4-H office. For all youth ages 10+. The top three candidates will be interviewed the Monday of Fair for the chance to win the award (including a large ribbon, certificate, and \$100 VISA card.) These candidates will be contacted by 4-H staff prior to Monday to arrange an interview appointment.

**4-H Interview and Demonstrations in the Tanner:** 4-H Interviews are available for any 4-H members interested, including cloverbuds. 4-H interviews and demonstrations (based on something that is in a club display or something that is displayed separately; reach out to staff with questions) will be held on Monday from 11 am – 3 pm in the Tanner Building. Ribbons for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place will be awarded for interviews in the following age groups: 8-11, 12-15,16-19. Cloverbuds (ages 5-7) are encouraged to participate in the interviews, and will receive participation ribbons. Demonstrations must be no longer than 15 minutes in length.

Cloverbud Activities: Cloverbud activities will be held again this year in the Tanner Building Monday-Friday from 10-11 am and again from 2-4 pm. Join 4-H youth leaders and volunteers with youth ages 5-7 to make and take crafts. Our Cloverbud Games will be under the Green Space Tent on Saturday the 10th at 4:00 pm! Join us for fun activities, more crafts, and free giveaways!





### **STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS**

### Michigan 4-H and FFA State Livestock Judging Contest moves to a new date!

The Michigan 4-H and FFA State Livestock Judging Contest is returning this year at a new date! Participants can demonstrate their livestock evaluation and selection skills, as well as improve their communication and decision-making skills at this fun statewide contest. The day will include both individual and team competition with classes of beef cattle, Boer goats, sheep and swine.

Contest divisions include:

- 4-H Juniors Ages 8-13 as of January 1
- 4-H Seniors Ages 14-19 as of January 1
- FFA Junior High Youth that recently completed seventh or eighth grade
- FFA High School Youth that recently completed grades 9-12
- MLE Ages 8-21 as of January 1 and not a member of 4-H or FFA
- · Cloverbuds Age 7 as of January 1, non-competitive



Please note that the date of this contest is no longer in conjunction with Michigan Livestock Expo (MLE), however participation in the contest will still count as an educational experience for the Premier Stockman Award. Registration is due by June 10. Find registration information at <a href="https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-and-ffa-state-livestock-judging-contest-2024">www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-and-ffa-state-livestock-judging-contest-2024</a>. Contestants and coaches are responsible for reading and adhering to the rules.

### 2024 Michigan 4-H Mark of Excellence Award winners

Every year, counties across Michigan offer 4-H youth, ages 11 and 12, the opportunity to participate in Michigan 4-H State Awards' 4-H Mark of Excellence essay contest. The essay theme is "Because of 4-H, I can..." and the youth referred to a variety of memorable experiences in their time as 4-H'ers.

As part of the contest, up to two 4-H youth essays from each county are selected to be recognized as award winners. In 2024, the following 14 4-H members from 12 counties were selected as the 2024 Mark of Excellence county winners.

- Heidi Barrington, St. Joseph County
- Jordan Davis, Berrien County
- Lauren Eichhorn, Menominee County
- Brooklyn Hetrick, Oakland County
- Ainsley Karvinen, Alger County
- Lorelai Kowalski, Oakland County
- Molly Lake, Gratiot County

- Alice Long, Washtenaw County
- Sophia Mason, Monroe County
- Ethan McLaughlin, Monroe County
- Natalie Milford Chippewa County
- Emma Rasch, Kent County
- Kylie Smith, Ionia County
- Sydni Specht, Saginaw County

Each recipient will receive a medal, and their winning essays will be added to the Mark of Excellence history book at the Michigan 4-H Foundation and State 4-H Office at MSU Extension. Congratulations to our winners!

To learn more about the Michigan 4-H State Awards, visit <a href="www.canr.msu.edu/4\_h\_scholarships\_and\_recognition\_program/4-h-awards-and-recognition-program/Youth-Recognition/index">www.canr.msu.edu/4\_h\_scholarships\_and\_recognition\_program/4-h-awards-and-recognition-program/Youth-Recognition/index</a>.



### STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

# Register now for the Michigan 4-H State Dog Show!



The 2024 Michigan 4-H
State Dog Show is now
open for registration!
This year's show will take
place on August 10, at the
Michigan State University
Pavilion.

The show is open to enrolled Cloverbuds, and any Michigan 4-H'er age 8-19.

To register, visit: https://events.anr.msu.edu/ 2024StateDogShow/.

Questions? Please reach out to Kat at Krollkat@msu.edu.

#### June 17: 4-H Beginner's Sewing Camp

**Grand Rapids** 

4-H Sewing Camp for beginners. American Sewing Guild Sewing Camp for school aged youth 11-15 years of age.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-beginner-s-sewing-camp

#### June 22: Missaukee County Sheep Clinic

Missaukee Agricultural Youth Show, Falmouth

Learn from Jenna Pohl Davis, an experienced sheep showman at the state and national level. Jenna will break down show day preparations, teaching advanced showmanship with tips and tricks. and giving a customized feed and nutrition plan for your lamb.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/sheep-clinic

#### June 25: Kayaking Days

Paddles & Pedals, Bellaire

Youth participants learn water safety, paddle techniques, navigation, and receive an introduction to stewardship of inland waterways. This free event is open to youth in Antrim, Otsego, Grand Traverse. Leelanau and Charlevoix counties.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/2024-kayaking-days-presented-by-antrim-county-4-h

#### June 27: Digger Day

Michigan 4-H Children's Garden, East Lansing

Come to the garden and explore the world of diggers. Front- end loaders, dump trucks and back hoes – all of these tools help with projects both big and small in our communities.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/digger-day

#### June 27: Explore the Farm Through the Seasons Workshop Series: June Event

Schomaker Farms, Saginaw

Schomaker Farms and Saginaw 4-H are teaming up to offer a 12-month farm education learning series. Each month will offer a different learning topic and hands-on activity.

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#### June 29: 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl

MSU Anthony Hall, East Lansing

The 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl allows youth to put their dairy knowledge to the test! Please note the new date for 2024.

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