



4-H Family News

Monroe County

March 2024



Welcome to the Month of March

We are excited to have Sarah Rhinehart as part of our extension team.

Sarah is a Monroe County Community College graduate with a degree in General Sciences. She is a former student at the Monroe County Middle College and past Volunteer at the ProMedica Monroe Regional Hospital. Sarah enjoys helping the community in finding the necessary resources needed.

Sarah assists with administrative tasks for the Monroe County MSU Extension office. She helps with the day-to-day tasks to keep the office running smoothly. You can find her in the office Monday through Friday from 9:30AM- 4:30PM.

Can you believe that it is already March the Last Month to enroll in 4-H online and be able to show at the 2024 fair. Please do not wait to enroll do it today!



Sincerely,
Jean & Chelsea
4-H Staff

Contribute to the Network
Information or Flyers are due by the 20th
of Each Month!

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This month's content highlights

- Last month to enroll in 4-H online to qualify to show at 2024 Monroe County Fair...do not wait make sure you are enrolled on time
- 2 remaining YQCA instructor lead sessions March 07 and April 09, 2024
- Clinic Dates see Small Animal and JLA pages
- Entrepreneurship program sessions
- MCFA- Garage Sale 4-H booth donation drop offs 3/20-3/22
- Fundraisers



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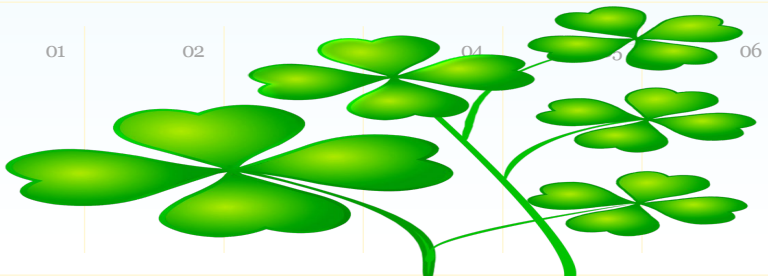
MARCH



2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
25	26	27	28	29	01 6:00pm State Award Writing Session @ ELC	02 CPR Fundraiser see flier Beef Hoof trim By appointment only
<h2>Prior Network</h2>						
03 Deadline to register for Mini Expos	04 7pm 4-H Council AC	05 6:00PM Terra Quest Meeting AC	06 4:30 Online Skillathon 6:30pm Dog Board ELC 6:30Pm Raisinville Wranglers @AC	07 1:00 Faithful Friends 7:00PM YQCA training @ AC Registration Required	08	09 Registration required 8:30 am Check-in to Noon Cloverbud expo 9:30 online skillathon
10	11 7PM Horse & Pony mtg - AC 7:00pm Entrepreneurship Series ELC	12 7:00pm Poultry Workshop @AC	13 7:00pm Swine Clinic @AC	14	15	16 Register prior to event 8:30 am Check-in MINI EXPO @ AC state Hippology Contest @ MSU
17	18 Cat Program 6:30 pm @ AC	19 7:00pm Caprine Council meeting - ELC	20 9:00 am-7:00pm Garage Sale Drop off	21 9:00 am-7:00pm Garage Sale Drop off 7:00pm Fair Advisory Board Mtg AC	22 9:00 am-7:00pm Garage Sale Drop off	23 MCFA Garage SALE 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Easter photo Caprine Council @Family Home and Farm
24	25 7:00pm SAA @ELC	26 7:00pm Sheep Clinic @AC	27 7pm Teen Ambassadors @AC	28 7:00pm Rabbit Cavy pocket pet Clinic @ AC	29	30 TQ Egg Drop
31	01	02	03	04	05	06

Last Full Week to register in 4-H online and show at Monroe County Fair





APRIL

2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
31	01 Last Day to enroll in 4-H online Deadline Midnight/to be eligible to show at fair 7pm 4-H Council AC	02 6:00PM Terra Quest Meeting AC	03 6:30pm Dog Board ELC	04 1:00 Faithful Friends	05	06 Tom Blanchett Memorial Beef Preview Show Fairgrounds
07 Spring Tea	08 7PM Horse & Pony mtg - AC	09 7:00PM YQCA training @ AC Registration Required	10 7:00pm Entrepreneurship Series ELC	11	12	13
14	15 Cat Program 6:30 pm @ AC	16 7:00pm Caprine Council meeting - ELC	17 7pm JLA - ELC 7pm Shooting Sports Mtg. ELC	18 7:00pm Fair Advisory Board Mtg ELC	19	20 Spring Rabbit, Cavy and Pocket Pet Show Education Building
21 4-H Graduation Ceremony	22	23 Application Required Scholarship Interviews 4:00 to 9:30 ELC	24 7pm Teen Ambassadors @AC	25 TCS Paper Clover 4/24/2024 to May 05, 2024	26 Ag Day	27
28 TCS Paper Clover 4/24/2024 to May 05, 2024	29	30 7:00 pm Broiler Workshop AC	01	02 1:00 Faithful Friends 7:00 pm Pre Fair Leader Mtg	03	04
05	06	07	08	09	10	11

Stay Tuned to Next Months Network



Small Animal Association News

Poultry Orders to Barbara Siebarth 419-350-9482

Ducks: Order by April 1st \$4, Pickup at Ida Co-op May 2nd

Broilers: Order by April 30th \$2.50, Pickup at Ida Co-op June 13th



Small Animal Clinics 2024 - One Required for All Showers

- Poultry March 12, @activity center 7PM
- Rabbit Cavy Pocket Pet March 28, @activity center 7PM
- Spring Rabbit Cavy Pocket Pet April 20 Educational (Far West) Building at 9AM
- Broiler Workshop April 30, @activity center at 7 PM
- Fitting and Showing June 4 SAA building at 6PM

Barn Setup (Date Change) Thursday July 11th, 2024

*** SEE JLA Page for YQCA IN PERSON TRAINING DATES ***



Monroe County 4-H Cat Program

Where do we meet:

4-H Activity Center

When do we meet:

Every 3rd Monday
(February – June, September – November)

Who are welcome to attend:

Every 4-H kid is welcome including Clover Buds

Need more information:

Contact Kim Cramer at
cramergirls09@gmail.com

Dog Program Dates 2024

Everyone Must Attend one Mandatory Meeting and one other event with Dog To Show at Fair .

Mandatory Meeting Date Options:

- April 3 @ 6pm ELC
- May 1 @ 6pm ELC
- June 4 @6pm Dog Tent Area

Agility Practice:

- May 20 @ 6pm Glenn Stock
- June 12 @ 6pm Glenn Stock

Fun Match, required for first year youth:

- June 23 @ 12pm Glenn Stock
- July 13 @ 9am Glenn Stock



Dog Program



MONROE COUNTY 4-H DOG PROGRAM

Join us today!



CLUBS

Four groups to choose from: Huckleberry Hounds, Paws-R-Us, Snoopy's Friends, & Whispering Spirits.



YOUTH

Kids from Clover Buds (5-7 years old), to aging-out members (19 years old) work together to help each other learn and grow.



LEADERS

Our leaders are dedicated volunteers who have lots of experience. The program would not be possible without their hard work.



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MSUE Phone: 734-240-3170



Monroe County 4-H Dog Program



COUNTY 4-H NEWS

SPRING SHOW

Rabbit Cavy Pocket Pet



\$3
PER HEAD

MONROE COUNTY 4-H SMALL ANIMAL
APRIL 20TH 2024 8:30AM CHECK-IN
EDUCATIONAL BUILDING (WEST OF FIRST MERCHANTS
EXPO), MONROE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS



Junior Livestock Association News

**** JLA project areas *** Reminder first time Species showers are required to attend a Clinic for that species or fitting and showing clinic to be eligible to show at fair***

2023-2024 JLA Officers
President: Lindsey Roof
Vice President: Briley Bordine
Secretary: Kennedy Albring
Tresure: Sophie Kreps

New stall fees for 2024 Fair

Sheep & Swine- \$18/ head
Horses & Ponies-\$18/ head
Beef Cattle- \$20/ head
Goats- \$10/ head
Poultry & Rabbits \$8/pen
Dairy Cattle \$5/head



Junior Livestock Association



YQCA Training March 7th 7:00 pm @ AC



*Swine Clinic March 13th 7:00 pm @ AC

*Sheep Clinic March 26th 7:00 pm @ AC

Tom Blanchette Memorial Beef Show April 06 Anderson Arena

YQCA Training April 9th 7:00 pm @ AC

Sheep and Swine Tagging May 11th 9:00 am to Noon Anderson Arena

*Fitting and Showing Clinic June 4th 6:00 pm Fairgrounds

Barn Set-up July 11th @ 6:00pm

*Reminder first time showers must attend clinic for that species



YQCA Certification



Complete YQCA by June 10, 2024 *PLEASE READ CAREFULLY*****

YQCA Certification

Youth ages 8-19 showing **MARKET** animals (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Poultry, Rabbits) are **required to complete YQCA training by June 10, 2024 to allow review of all completed certifications from June 10 to June 15. YQCA is required each year for market animals to be eligible to show at the Monroe County Fair.**

YQCA two Completion Options:

1. \$3.00 Instructor Led/ in-person training ages 8 to 18

Go to [YQCA - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals \(yqcaprogram.org\)](http://YQCA - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (yqcaprogram.org)). If you created an account last year, log into your account, select a child, select the age and instructor led training. Search Michigan and select the training you wish to register for (Monroe County Instructor led YQCA training). If you are new to YQCA, you will need to first create an account in YQCA. Monroe County instructor led training to be held at the 4-H Activity Center on **YQCA training Feb. 22nd 7:00 pm @ AC (held)**

YQCA Training March 7th 7:00 pm @ AC

YQCA Training April 9th 7:00 pm @ AC

***** for instructor led training, Youth must register online at least two days prior to the training. Trainings are on a first come, first serve basis until full. No walk-ins will be accepted on site. All payments must be made in advance through the YQCA website. Youth must complete the pre-test prior to attending the class and then the post-test after the training.**

OR



2. \$12.00 **Web based training** Go to [YQCA - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals \(yqcaprogram.org\)](http://YQCA - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (yqcaprogram.org)) and log in using the account you created last year, if you are new to YQCA you will need to create an account.

After logging in, you will need to select the correct YQCA class depending on age.

Youth can complete the course online each module takes 15-20 minutes with there is a total of five (5) modules.

*19 year olds must take online course

 *****Once YQCA is Completed youth must provide a copy of certificate to the extension office!**

Options to submit: electronically at <https://bit.ly/YQCA2024> (preferred) or hand deliver a copy to extension office. ***

Clickable Links:

- YQCA Instructor Led training [Help Documents](#)
- "help video" specifically for students enrolling in instructor-led trainings <https://youtu.be/wZHW2qtMIOc>
- YQCA Web-based [Help Documents](#)



Dairy Board



Congratulations 2024 Dairy Board Officers

President: Isaac Haws

Vice President: Alex Haws

Secretary: Kylee Buchanan

Treasure: Mason Eagle

JLA rep./ Historian: Lauren Mathe

Important Dates

2/28/2024 7:00 pm Dairy Board Meeting @ Extension Office

4/24/2024 7:00pm Dairy Board Meeting @ Extension office

6/4/2024 7:00pm Fitting and Showing Clinic @ Fairgrounds/ Dairy Barn Lot D

6/30/2024 Milk Sale Deadline

7/11/2024 Buyer letters

“Udderly” Fun Matching

- | | |
|-------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. The average cow produces . . . | A. 5 to 7 gallons of milk daily. |
| 2. Silage is . . . | B. A cow’s first milk; it contains antibodies, protein and vitamins |
| 3. Holsteins are the highest producers of . . . | C. Butter fat |
| 4. Jerseys are the highest producers of . . . | D. A fermented forage that is usually corn, wheat or alfalfa |
| 5. Colostrum is . . . | E. 60 days within a year |
| 6. Forages are . . . | F. 2 to 3 times a day |
| 7. A cow is dry (not producing milk) for . . . | G. 305 days within a year |
| 8. A cow milks for approximately . . . | H. 6 to 8 weeks |
| 9. How many times a day are cows milked? | I. Total pounds of milk |
| 10. A calf is bottle fed for . . . | J. Feeds high in fiber such as grasses, corn and wheat |
| 11. A ruminant is . . . | K. An animal with four stomach compartments |



Answers: A, D, I, C, B, J, E, G, F, H, K



Horse and Pony News



Reminder to schedule your Vet appointments early to gain your Coggins Test and Rabies vaccination both are **required** to show at Monroe County 4-H horse Shows and Monroe County 4-H Fair.

Horse and Pony info
Main communication through Facebook: Monroe County 4-H Horse and Pony Members Only and Monthly meetings 2nd Monday of the month 7:00 pm Activity Center (Except Dec & Aug)

H&P has mandatory meetings and volunteer hours make sure you are meeting the requirements

4-H Important Dates

Save The Dates

- Next Meeting March 11, 2024
- Agriculture Awareness Day -April 26, 2024
- Leveling Clinic -May 10-12, 2024
- State Point Show -June 7-9, 2024
- State Point Show -June 21-23, 2024
- Barn Setup -July 11, 2024

New program introduction

Attention youth! Have your ever wanted to learn to train your own yearling? Now is your chance. A few mini yearlings are available for a new pilot program in Monroe!

Youth age 12 and over can apply to be provided a mini yearling at no upfront cost to show in special classes at the open shows and at fair.

Back in the day there was a program that did this with standardbred yearlings.

The mini would be leased to the youth from the end of April until after fair (or state show). Youth care for and train the yearling during this time, then compete and gain points for an overall prize at fair.

If you're interested, please send me a message for additional details. Not all youth that apply will be selected as there is a limited amount of available minis.

Hippology meeting Dates, times and location

3/16/2024 Hippology Contest MSU

4/13/2024 Horse Judging Contest MSU

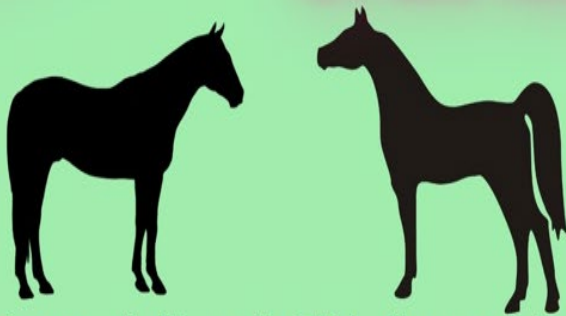
The Hippology Team meetings are open to any 4H member who wants to learn more about horses. It is considered a horseless project. We will be covering many different subjects preparing for the upcoming State educational Hippology and Horse Judging contests.



Horse Judging Registration

Contact Office or Elizabeth Kotus for horse judging support

REGISTRATION
OPEN NOW!



Michigan 4-H and FFA Horse Judging
State Contest

Where: MSU Pavilion for Ag and
Livestock Education

When: Saturday April 13th at 9am

Who should register: Any 4-H or FFA
Member interested in Horse Judging!



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2024 Michigan 4-H and
FFA Horse Judging
Contest!

Where: MSU Pavilion for
Agriculture and
Livestock Education

When: Saturday April
13th

Who should attend: Any
youth on a Horse judging
team or youth who are
interested in Horse
Evaluation and public
speaking

Link to register:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-and-ffa-state-horse-judging-contest>

***Please note that
coaches must fill out the
Qualtrics link that is on
the registration as well,
this is very important for
preparation for scoring
during the contest.



Volunteer/ Club/ Leader Corner

4-H online Enrolments Last Month to enroll and be eligible to show at fair

Thank you for getting your enrollments completed early.

Still have 36 incomplete enrollments and other youth not enrolled.

Currently enrolled Club Members 905 Cloverbuds 188

4-H online link: <https://v2.4honline.com>

How to Video create New Family profile: [4-H Online 2.0 Creating A New Family Profile - 4-H \(msu.edu\)](#)

How to Video enrollment Existing families: [4-H Online 2.0 Existing Family Profiles - 4-H \(msu.edu\)](#)

4-H online family guide: [4-H Online 2.0 Family Guide - 4-H \(msu.edu\)](#)



All club leaders have now enrolled in 4-H online, THANK YOU!

Club leaders please pull and review your rosters use below link for directions on how. Please reach out to youth that still need to enroll.

[Directions on how to pull club rosters](#)

Kitchen and Guard Duty



If your club did not receive a letter and form to choose your own kitchen and guard duty, please contact Patti Wartinger at

pattiwartinger@gmail.com or by phone at 734-777-0493. These letters and forms were mailed to each club leader at the beginning of February.



Volunteer/ Club/ Leader Corner

VOLUNTEER CORNER Our Program can not run without you

Thank you for answering our call SILVER LEVEL VOLUNTEERS

Monroe County 4-H uses silver volunteers in the kitchen, guard duty in the static project areas and limited other areas.

We now have 265 silver volunteers doubling our number from last year

Steps to become an MSU Extension silver volunteer

- Complete a profile application using below link

<https://msu.samaritan.com>

- Sign 2 waivers 1) Background check 2) Code of Conduct, medical and media releases Sometimes there is a delay in between loading clicking the refresh button helps.

***If you need assistance with becoming a Silver Volunteer, please contact Jean (734) 240-3188

Gold Level Volunteer

We are at 540 active gold level volunteers. 2 New Gold Volunteers

Are you still showing as pending Gold or Silver? Please contact Jean for assistance to complete the Volunteer Selection Process.

Tuesday, December 19, 2023 -Recording

What is Club Development? Where are club resources on the website? Discuss needs of counties across the state related to club development.

Tuesday, January 23, 2024 -Recording

How to help a 4-H Club stay healthy?

Exploring [4-H Club Development website](#) and Resources.

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 -Recording

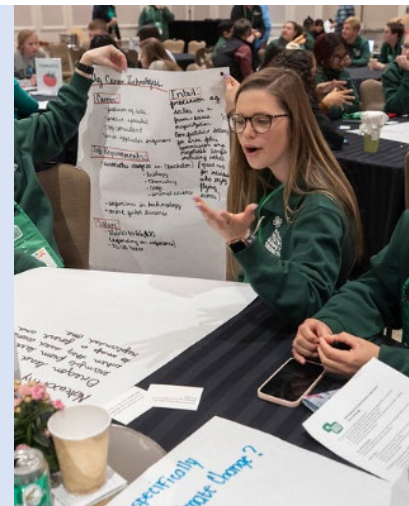
What are ways to maintain positive club engagement?

Strategies for promoting opportunities within clubs

SAVE THE DATE!! Club 101 is coming on Tuesday, April 23rd at 1:00 pm (ZOOM)



Tools for Building Strong Clubs Activities and recreation are tools that can strengthen an already energetic program or revitalize one that is lagging. VanWinkle, Davis, Skubinna and Larwood (2005) define recreation as “games, skits, parties, songs, camping, hikes and refreshments.” They suggest that recreation – which can occur at any time – is important because it allows participants to (a) feel a sense of belonging, (b) become acquainted, (c) practice cooperation, (d) develop leadership skills and (e) release excess energy. In particular, they suggest using the following ideas for helping to build a strong 4-H club: (click link below) [Tools for Building Strong Clubs - 4-H Club Development \(msu.edu\)](#)





Shooting sports Fundraiser

4-H Shooting Sports Fundraiser



GET CERTIFIED
WITH US FOR
FIRST AID &

CPR
TRAINING

SATURDAY March 2, 2024
9 AM TO 12:30 PM



Ida Fire Department
3016 Lewis Ave, Ida MI
48140

conducted by
Ron Eby & Jeff Bash

Register using the sign up genius QR Code Below
Ron Eby 419-450-4074
Youth & Adults \$30 each w/card
Spaces limited, please sign up asap



Ron Eby 419-450-4074



New programs

We missed this last month! New premium Category:



ENTREPRENEURSHIP SERIES

REQUIRED FOR FIRST EVER FAIR STATIC AUCTION

WHAT TO EXPECT!

Ever thought about owning your own business or selling your Fair Projects you work so hard on? The Entrepreneurship Series is a great opportunity to try on a future of business ownership with fun filled challenges and activities!

- Product or Service Development
- Building a Business Plan & Budget
- Branding & Advertising
- Guest Speaker Entrepreneurs

What this means for you!

1. Required attendance at one for the NEW Static (Craft) Silent Auction.
2. Level of attendance will determine the **addon monies** received in Static, SAA or JLA Auctions.
3. Great experience and great speakers for those interested in starting own business or running a family business one day!

**MON, MARCH 11TH 7PM
WED, APRIL 10TH 7PM
TUES, MAY 14TH 7 PM
SUN, JUNE 2ND 6PM**

AT EXTENSION OFFICE



Spring Garage Sale Donations

Call for donations



Call for spring garage sale donations. Can take most items except clothing

4-H participates in the Monroe County Fair Associations(MCFA), Spring Garage Sale

March 23, 2024

All proceeds are donated to MCFA to help defray the cost of fair ribbons.

Contact Jean (734) 240-3188 for drop off scheduling.

Scholarships [\(link\)](#)

2024
MONROE COUNTY
4-H SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATIONS
ARE OPEN

- APPLY BY**
April 17th 2024
- INTERVIEWS INPERSON & ZOOM**
April 23rd 2024
- RECOGNIZED & AWARDED**
4-H Graduation & JAN 25

FOR MORE INFORMATION
 butle301@msu.edu
 734-240-3174

<https://bit.ly/4HScholar24>



Special Event

Caprine Council Fundraiser



Easter Photos with live animals

Bake Sale & Petting Farm
Saturday March 23, 2024

10:00 am ~ 2:00 pm

At Family Farm and Home
205 N Telegraph, Monroe



Photos
\$5.00



Proceeds to benefit the Monroe
County 4-H Goat Program





Terra Quest Fundraiser

TERRA QUEST 4-H CLUB PRESENTS

EGG DROP

● SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2024 ●

50 EGGS
\$35

100 EGGS
\$65



HAVE THE TERRA QUEST EASTER BUNNY REPRESENTATIVES BRING EGGS FILLED WITH CANDY AND TOYS TO YOUR YARD TO HIDE IN THE WEE HOURS OF THE NIGHT! BRING JOY TO YOUR CHILDREN'S HEART WITH A PERSONALIZED LETTER FROM THE EASTER BUNNY AND TONS OF COLORFUL EGGS ON EASTER MORNING! ALL PROFITS SUPPORT MEMBERS FOR OUR TRIP TO KENTUCKY IN AUGUST!

TO ORDER YOUR EGGS, CONTACT:

BECKY: 734-775-7992
KERRIE: 419-309-2593

OTHER DATES AVAILABLE BY REQUEST

RSVP BY: MARCH 22, 2024



Terra Quest Fundraiser



PLEASE JOIN TERRA QUEST 4-H CLUB FOR
OUR SECOND ANNUAL

Spring Tea

APRIL
7TH

12 - 2 PM

LOCATION:
4-H ACTIVITY CENTER
3775 N. CUSTER RD

COME DELIGHT IN AN AFTERNOON OF QUALITY TIME WITH FAMILY!
ENJOY TEA, FINGER FOODS AND FUN ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES!
THIS IS A FUNDRAISER TO HELP MEMBERS FOR OUR TRIP IN AUGUST!

COST: \$25 PER PAIR (1 ADULT & 1 CHILD)
\$5 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL CHILD AFTER A PAIR
\$15 FOR EACH ADDITIONAL ADULT AFTER A PAIR

MUST PAY IN ADVANCE
SPACE IS LIMITED, PLEASE RSVP BY APRIL 2ND

FOR TICKETS, PLEASE CALL:
BECKI @ 734 - 775 - 7992
KERRIE @ 419 - 309 - 2593



Mark of Excellence Contest

4-H Mark of Excellence

Michigan 4-H State Awards Program

Grab your pen! Spark your imagination! Dive into the world of 4-H! Twist and turn your way through your 4-H memories, as you capture your adventure and discoveries on how

"Because of  I can."

Eligibility:

- Be a current 4-H member between the ages of 11 and 12 as of January 1, 2024. Enrollment in previous years not required.
- Individuals may only be selected for this award once.
- Each county can select up to two (2) winners to receive the Mark of Excellence Award each year.

Submission Details:

- Contestants are asked to create either a video or a journal reflection focusing around the theme of **"Because of 4-H I can..."**
- Entries should be legible, readable or easily viewable.
- Video submissions must be no more than 2 minutes in length. Videos should be in mp4 format or provide a YouTube Channel link.
- Journal reflections must be 500 words or less and can be hand-written or typed.
- Submission can be either video OR a journal reflection.
- Must include first name and county.

Award:

- Selected winners will receive a certificate and medal.

Learn more at:

https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_scholarships_and_recognition_program/4-h-awards-and-recognition-program/youth-recognition



Link : <https://bit.ly/MOE2024>

Description:

11 & 12 year old contestants are asked to create either a video or a journal reflection focusing on the theme of "Because of 4-H I can..."

-Entries should be legible, readable, or easily viewable.

-Video submissions must be no more than 2 minutes in length. Videos should be in mp4 format or provide a YouTube Channel link.

-Journal reflections must be 500 words or less and can be handwritten or typed.

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-Must include first name and county.

Submissions may be posted on the Michigan 4-H section of the MSU Extension website and promoted digitally in newsletters and social media.

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Deadlines:

- Submit to your local 4-H Office by April 1, 2024 for judging.
- Selected winners will be notified by April 14, 2024 of their achievement from their local 4-H Office.

Questions:

- Contact your local County 4-H Office

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Tom Blanchett Memorial Beef Preview Show

<https://showman.app/shows#/blanchett-beef-preview-show>



**SATURDAY
APRIL 6 @ 11 A M**

**MONROE, MICHIGAN
MONROE CO. FAIR GROUNDS
JUDGE: JEFF MILLER**

**DAY-OF CHECK IN 6-8:30 AM
FRI. APRIL 5 WEIGH IN 6-8 PM**

MARKET PAYOUT

GRAND	500
RESERVE	400
THIRD	300
FOURTH	200
FIFTH	100

HEIFER PAYOUT

GRAND	250
RESERVE	200
THIRD	150
FOURTH	100
FIFTH	50

REGISTRATION FEES

\$50 BEFORE MARCH 15

\$100 DAY OF SHOW

\$5 SHOWMANSHIP
PEEWEE AVAILABLE

SHOW CONTACTS

STACY 734.755.8455

AMANDA 734.755.7222

REGISTER BY
MARCH 15 FOR
A FREE SHIRT



VISIT US ON FACEBOOK



Agriculture Awareness Day



Sponsors needed please request a sponsor packet for this worthy tax-deductible donation opportunity!

Call for Presenters: [Clickable Link Here](#)

Call for Teen Tour Guides: [Clickable Link Here](#)

Mission: Many youths in our community do not know where their food comes from! Agriculture Awareness Day's goal is to provide a learning experience designed to broaden students' background and appreciation of agriculture and related science fields. Throughout the day, students visit exciting learning experiences with topics that include animals, honeybees, trees, hatching eggs, farm machinery and safety.

Audience: 2nd & 3rd grade youth from Monroe County Schools. In 2024 registration has nearly tripled to 1,200 youth because we have removed fees as barriers.



CALLING ALL

CUSTER DISTRICT YOUTH MEMBERS

Custer District is offering a \$25.00 4-H Exploration Days Scholarship to Custer District members who send a brief description of how they participated in Monroe County 4-H in 2023 by May 2nd

SEND DESCRIPTION TO:

Michelle McLaughlin at
michelleduffey@hotmail.com



Call 734-740-7114 with any questions



Fair Kitchen Leaders Needed



The Monroe County 4-H Council Fair Committee is looking for fair week kitchen leaders. Anyone interested in either a head cook or a daily sponsor/caterer for a main meat dish, please see below. We do have a Kitchen Manager and a lead for handling the grill side (need assistants for various shifts). And we can always use a clean-up crew leader.

We are planning to have a reduced menu compared to last year so that we can cut down on the number of club volunteers needed in the kitchen, but still plan to have a daily special meal along with grill items.

Head Cook 4-H Activity Center

General Job Description:

To manage Activity Center Kitchen breakfast and main meals, working with Kitchen Manager.

Knowledgeable on cooking large quantities.

Willing to put in long hours.

Must be able to work well with people and be able to manage volunteers on a per shift basis.

Serve Monday-Saturday (July 29-August 3, 2024), plus breakfast for Scouts on Sunday (Aug. 4).

Minor Duties:

Prep work prior to fair, stocking and set up of kitchen with Kitchen Manager. Meal prep on July 28 and possibly Monday for entertainment.

Qualifications:

Must have Food Safety License.

Must have organizational skills and work well with volunteers.

Able to lift heavy boxes and pans.

Able to be on feet for up to 10-12 hours.

Sponsor/Caterer for Meat Meals

If any restaurant or catering service or other interested party would be willing to supply a meat dish for one or more days of the fair, then we would love to work out how that would look!

Assistants to Kitchen Manager

Helps Kitchen Manager as needed to cover a few various shifts during the week.

Must work well with volunteers and be able to lift heavy boxes and pans.

IF INTERESTED – CONTACT CHELSEA AT THE 4-H OFFICE 734-240-3174 AND SHE WILL FORWARD INFORMATION TO 4-H COUNCIL FAIR COMMITTEE.





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Apply for a Michigan 4-H State Award!



Michigan 4-H true leaders ages 11 and older have an opportunity to be recognized for the great work they do in 4-H and develop their career skills by completing a state award application. A Michigan 4-H State Award is the highest honor bestowed on a Michigan 4-H member and provides an opportunity to receive recognition for their engagement in rich learning experiences that result in outstanding knowledge and life-skill development.

State award applications are divided into four categories: Mark of Excellence essay contest (11-12 years), junior state award (13-15 years), senior state award (16-19 years) and group awards (13-19 years).

Each application and selection process varies, dependent on the age of the 4-H member. Additional details about the Michigan 4-H State Award process can be found at <http://bit.ly/stateaward>.

Applications are due April 1. For more information, contact your 4-H program coordinator or email Betty Jo Krosnicki at nashbett@msu.edu or Janice Zerbe at rajzerj@msu.edu.

Local Writing Support Available!! Please contact Chelsea for more information

[butle301@msu.edu!](mailto:butle301@msu.edu)

Workshops March 1, 15, 22 at 6-8pm ELC!!



Register today for Michigan 4-H Capitol Experience!



At Michigan 4-H Capitol Experience, teens learn how to change the world for the better through engagement in Michigan's state government and public policy process. The program is scheduled for **March 17-19**, in Lansing. The three-day event, open to high school-aged youth, includes tours of the Michigan Capitol, interactions with state legislators, meetings with state agency staff, lobbyists and state-level experts, and learning how policy is made. During the program, youth work in small teams to draft legislation on agriculture, civil rights and youth advocacy, crime and law enforcement, education and teacher retention, environment and natural resources, health, or jobs and the economy/infrastructure.

The cost to register in 2024 is \$365, which includes meals and lodging at the Quality Inn University in Lansing. Contact your local 4-H program coordinator to inquire about local funding opportunities. Scholarships may also be available through your local Farm Bureau office. To register or learn more, visit www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_capitol_experience/.

Local Scholarships Available!! Please contact Chelsea for more information
[butle301@msu.edu!](mailto:butle301@msu.edu)



STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4-H Youth in Action Awards Applications Open



Apply now for the 2025 4-H Youth in Action Awards! Each year, the program recognizes four confident young leaders with diverse backgrounds and unique perspectives in the pillar areas of agriculture, civic engagement, healthy living and STEM.

Winners will have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to share their stories along with unforgettable experiences, celebration on the national stage, recognition in the media and a \$5,000 college scholarship.

This opportunity is open to youth ages 15-19. The deadline to apply is April 1. Learn more and apply at <https://4-h.org/programs/4-h-youth-in-action-program/application/>.

March 3-May 4: JOANN 4-H Campaign

Stores across Michigan

While visiting your local JOANN store, you can support 4-H by adding a donation or rounding up at checkout. The funds donated will support the 4-H program with 50% going back to local 4-H programming and 10% supporting Michigan 4-H.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/joann-s-clover-for-kids-campaign

March 12: 4-H Give Green Day

Online

Help us reach our goal of raising \$5,000 in a 24-hour period on Give Green Day to support learning experiences for Michigan 4-H youth.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4h-give-green-day

March 16: Michigan 4-H Hippology Contest

East Lansing

Youth aged 5-19 are eligible to demonstrate their comprehensive equine knowledge and skills in an engaging setting.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-hippology-contest-2024

March 18: Michigan 4-H Volunteer Webinar - Group Management For 4-H Clubs and Groups

Online

Learn and share techniques to support a successful group setting and help spark youth engagement. This series will provide volunteers with a variety of learning opportunities to help them grow as a volunteer and support Michigan 4-H'ers. This session will be offered twice, once as a daytime option and once as an evening option.

- **12 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-group-management-for-4-h-clubs-and-groups
- **7 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-group-management-for-4-h-clubs-and-groups7pm

March 19: Keeping Your Money Safe

Online

Join this session to gain insights on researching and evaluating financial institutions (banks and credit unions) to make the best choice for your financial future.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/safemoney

April 28: Michigan 4-H Day with the Detroit Tigers

Comerica Park, Detroit

Watch the Detroit Tigers take on the Kansas City Royals with other 4-H'ers! Michigan 4-H will be the Group Charity of the Game; discounted tickets available with a portion benefitting 4-H.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-day-with-the-detroit-tigers





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Registration is open for 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resource Camp!

4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp is an annual three-time national award-winning camp that mixes summer fun and hands-on science education. The camp will be held July 28 - August 3 on the shores of Lake Esau at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle. This pre-college program is for teens who will be age 13 to 15 during camp.

Campers will increase their science literacy and stewardship as they learn from natural resource experts in fields such as Great Lakes coastal and fisheries management, limnology, wildlife, forestry, geography, geology and environmental education. In addition to hands-on learning, attendees will also enjoy exciting natural resources recreation activities such as kayaking, snorkeling, sailing, fossil hunting, archery, photography and evenings around a campfire. First-time campers also go charter fishing and learn to fillet their catch.



Registration is now open! The registration fee is \$500 and includes six nights of lodging, all meals and snacks, a t-shirt and program and activity costs. Space is limited to 70 campers so register today. For more information and to register, visit www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp/.

4-H Exploration Days registration coming soon!

4-H Exploration Days is Michigan 4-H's largest pre-college program and could be the highlight of your summer—maybe even change your life! This exciting event is open to any Michigan youth ages 12 –19 as of Jan. 1.

4-H Exploration Days, scheduled for June 19-21, is designed to help youth build the skills they need to successfully transition to college and to life as an adult. Michigan 4-H youth who participate have the opportunity to stay in MSU campus residence halls while attending classroom and field trip sessions.

With more than 100 session choices held on and off campus, there are topics for everyone including animal science, business and entrepreneurship, international language and culture, performing and visual arts, and science, engineering, and technology. As youth gain important life skills like decision making, problem solving and communication, they'll also have time for fun with free time activities such as skating, basketball and a dance.

Registration for 4-H Exploration Days will open March 25. The cost for the 2024 event is \$220. Check with your local 4-H program coordinator for additional information regarding county sign-ups and scholarships or visit www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days.

Open your home to a student with the 4-H International Exchange Program!

Making your summer plans? Consider hosting a Japanese youth this summer through the States' 4-H International Exchange Program! Michigan will be hosting 18 Japanese youth and two chaperones. These visitors will quickly become a part of your family for their 3 ½ week stay (the last full week of July to the middle of August) and gain a fun American experience through your exceptional hospitality. In addition, your children will build lifelong friendships and gain new perspectives on their own country, too!

Host families must complete the States' 4-H International Exchange Programs online application, have a youth to match a host brother/sister (within three years of age), be a Michigan 4-H Gold-level volunteer, participate in a family interview as well as a home visit process. For more information contact Jan Brinn at brinn@msu.edu or John Wurm at wurmj@msu.edu.

Only Pay \$50 Deposit!!





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

College of Veterinary Medicine

VETERINARY EDUCATION DAY

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2024 @ 12-3:00 P.M.
HYBRID EVENT – REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

Join us for presentations and student panels representing our preveterinary, Veterinary Nursing, and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Programs. The event is ideal for high school students, college students or post-college individuals considering a veterinary career!

Meet current students, faculty, & staff, ask questions, & learn how to apply!

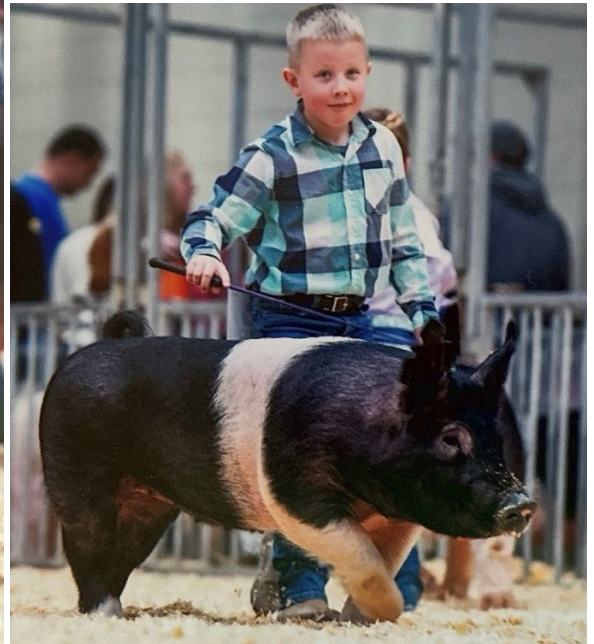


Register Here!



Recap

Green and White Show





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Congratulations to [Monroe County Small Animal Association](#)
Placements at the State [MI State 4-H Rabbits & Cavy Show](#).

Rabbit Showmanship 1st Place Pre-Intermediate Morgen Schmidt

Breed ID Senior Contest 4th Place Elianna McDowell

Breed ID Intermediate Contest 3rd Morgen Schmidt

Mini Rex BOV Black Griffin Linn

White Crested:

Best of Breed Austin Arting

Best Opposite of Breed Austin Arting

BOV Any Other Self Austin Arting

BOSV Any Other Self Austin Arting

BOV Black Austin Arting

BOSV Black Austin Arting

Silver Marten:

Best Opposite of Breed Elianna McDowell

BOV Black Elianna McDowell

Tan:

Best of Breed Shyann Simons

Best Opposite of Breed Shyann Simons

BOV Blue Shyann Simons

BOV Black Shyann Simons

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