



*Monroe County*

# 4-H Family News

OCTOBER 2022



**Happy National 4-H Week!**

**October 2nd - 8th**

**In the spirit of National 4-H week, the Monroe County 4-H Council is encouraging clubs to put up a 4-H themed display in a store window, church, school, or library.**

**Clubs who create a display, and submit club name, location and photo to the google link below by October 31st and your club will be given a \$25 Award.**

**Please be creative. Posters will not be accepted.**

**\*\*Display should include an advertisement for the Spaghetti Dinner & Auction.\*\***

<https://forms.gle/E5UwQ895oYNFa6Pt9>

### **SAVE THE DATE**

If you are interested in participating in a 4-H parade float this year, you have two opportunities this holiday season!

Christmas in Ida parade (12/3) and Dundee Parade of Lights (12/10)

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**Social Media**  
Facebook:  
@MonroeCountyMI4H



**\*\*NEW\*\*** Pinterest:  
@monroecounty4hprogram

**Office Hours**  
**Monday-Friday**  
**9am-12pm and**  
**1pm-4:30pm**

# OCTOBER 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 4-H COUNCIL 7pm	4 TERRA QUEST 6PM @AC	5 MEET AND GREET 7PM @ AC	6	7	8
TSC PAPER CLOVER CAMPAIGN						
NATIONAL 4-H WEEK						
9	10 HORSE AND PO- NY 7PM	11	12	13 Fair Board @7pm	14	15 Leader Training 10am-noon @ AC
TSC PAPER CLOVER CAMPAIGN						
16 Caprine Ban- quet 2pm @AC  TSC PAPER CLOVER CAMPAIGN	17	18 Caprine Council 7pm @AC	19 7PM JLA @ AC (6pm Premium changes)  Shooting Sports 7pm @ ELC	20 GARAGE SALE DROP OFF @ AC 9am-9pm	21 9am-7pm	22 FALL GARAGE SALE @ AC & Ex- po Center
23 4PM TRUNK OR TREAT	24 7PM SAA MEET- ING @ AC (6pm Premium changes)	25 DOG BOARD 6:30PM @ ELC	26	27	28	29
30	31 County Awards Due  Halloween 					

# NOVEMBER 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 TERRA QUEST 6PM @AC	2	3	4 MITTEN TREE BEGINS 	5
6	7 4-H COUNCIL 7pm	8	9	10 Fair Board @7pm	11 Horse and Pony Banquet 6pm @AC	12 CRAFT SHOW @EXPO CENTER
13	14 HORSE AND PO- NY 7PM	15 CAPRINE COUN- CIL 7PM @AC	16 JLA 7PM @ AC	17 <b>SPAGHETTI DINNER SET-UP</b>	18	19 SPAGHETTI DINNER AND AUCTION 4PM @ AC
20	21	22 DOG BOARD 6:30PM	23	24 <b>OFFICE CLOSED-THANKSGIVING</b> 	25	26
27	28 SAA 7PM @ AC	29	30			

# Farewell

Hello Monroe County 4-H community,

It's with a heavy heart I share with you all that I have made the difficult decision to resign from my position as one of your 4-H Program Coordinators. My last full day will be on Thursday, October 6th. I do plan to be around for a while to help out in the office and eventually move into being a volunteer myself. I want to thank each and every one of you for making my time with 4-H exciting and memorable. You all are the reason why our program is so successful. I wish Monroe County all the best in the future. Continue to "make the best better"!

With appreciation,  
Claudia Paddy

*Thank  
♥ you*



# IT'S PAPER CLOVER TIME!

**OCTOBER 5-16<sup>TH</sup> 2022**

Funds support 4-H camp and leadership activities.



Since 2010, 4-H has partnered with Tractor Supply Co. locations across the country to raise money for 4-H camps and leadership activities through the TSC Paper Clover Campaign. During the spring campaign earlier this year (2022), Michigan ranked fourth in the nation with \$70,933 raised. In addition, Michigan 4-H received an additional \$4,229 in credit card matching funds and a bonus from TSC for being one of the top states.

Your support is greatly appreciated and goes straight to supporting 4-H Youth Development in Our Community!

Invite A  
Friend!

Welcome A  
New Club  
Member!

Welcome!

TO 4-H

WELCOMING NEW FAMILIES TO THE FUN  
MEET & GREET

OCTOBER 5TH, 7PM @ ACTIVITY CENTER

REQUESTING YOUTH & ADULT LEADERS TO HELP WELCOME  
& SHARE THEIR CLUB DISPLAYS



## Leader & Volunteer Training

NURTURING OUR FUTURE LEADERS

October 15, 2022 from 10 am to 12pm

At the 4-H Activity Center

Leaders and Those Interested In Attending

A Time for Networking & Learning

RSVP Here: <https://forms.gle/tRBuuhdJeVWqPXub6>

# Banquets and Event

## Save-the-Dates

Caprine Council: October 16th @ 2pm– 4-H Activity Center

Horse & Pony: November 11th @ 6pm– 4-H Activity Center

Leader & Youth Recognition Banquet: December 11th

@ 5pm—4-H Activity Center

Spaghetti Dinner & Auction November 19th @ 4-H Activity Center

4pm-7pm Dinner / 7pm starts live auction



## Candy Sale

September 15th– October 28th



The 4-H Council has two major fundraisers each year, the candy sale and the Spaghetti Dinner and Auction, in addition to the kitchen during Fair week. The annual candy sale, which has received excellent support in the past will begin on September 15th. This popular sale raises funds for the Council, Districts, and Clubs, as well as, offering some nice incentives for individuals.

**(Leaders– please contact Gary Koppleman at [kopplemangary@gmail.com](mailto:kopplemangary@gmail.com) with your estimated number of boxes ASAP if you have not already done so)**

**\*\*Once overall sales reach 300 boxes, each members who sold two boxes of candy will be entered to win a family pack of Kalahari Resort Tickets!**

Members who would like scholarships for Exploration Days must support the Candy Sale and/or the Spaghetti Dinner. The candy will be distributed at the Post Fair Meeting.

## Monroe County 4-H

Kickoff to 2022-23 Enrollment

Our 4-H program year runs September through August each year. Join on September 12th to take part in our year round programs. The best part...it is FREE to join! That's right, NO participation fees!

2022-23 Enrollment begins  
SEPTEMBER 12th at [https://  
v2.4honline.com](https://v2.4honline.com)

As always, please contact our office with any questions at 734-240-3170



# Volunteers

With annual enrollment for our youth, also comes enrollment for our volunteers! There are two steps to annual volunteer enrollment.

**1. Gold level Volunteers must complete their Child Abuse Reporting Protocol Training by December 31, 2022 to stay active!**

2. Go to our Volunteer Central <https://msu.samaritan.com> to become a registered Volunteer with our program.
3. Go to <https://v2.4honline.com> to renew your enrollment for the 2022-2023 program year beginning September 12<sup>th</sup>

## Frequently Asked Questions:

We've had many questions regarding volunteer status leading up to this fair season, so here are some details to help out.

- **How do I become an approved volunteer with 4-H?** We're so glad you asked! The first step is to apply at the Volunteer Central Website

<https://msu.samaritan.com>

Not sure if you've already done this? Call our office to double check so you don't end up completing an extra step. You may already have a profile setup.

Please do not set-up multiple profiles one per volunteer.

- **What does it mean to be a GOLD vs. Silver Volunteer?** All Club leaders, Superintendents, and other individuals who will be interacting with youth should be GOLD status. Gold volunteers should also be enrolled in 4honline and are eligible for wristbands during fair week. **Silver Volunteer Status** should only be used for those individuals who have no direct interaction with youth or vulnerable populations on behalf of MSU Extension. This could be someone working at a registration table, at our 4-H Activity Center during fair week, as a building guard, or at a youth or adult event with at least one Gold Status volunteer or MSU Extension employee present, etc. Silver Volunteers can only receive one day passes for kitchen or guard duty that they may be working. These individuals do not register in 4honline.

# 2022 4-H Garage Sale!

THANKING you in advance for all of you offering donations for our annual 4-H Garage Sale.

The event will be **SATURDAY – OCT 22 from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM in the 4-H Activity Center.**

Mrs. Linda Krug and Mrs. Sherri Icoalangli will again be our lead volunteers! THANK YOU LADIES!!

## Donations can be dropped off as follows:

Thursday – OCT 20 – 9:00 AM until 9:00 PM at the 4-H Activity Center

Friday – OCT 21 – 9:00 AM until 7:00 PM at the 4-H Activity Center

If you have items to donate and cannot bring them during these times, please call Jean Genaw at the 4-H Office – 734.240.3188 – to make special arrangements.

Looking forward to another successful fundraiser for our 4-H Ribbons.



# Annual Mitten Tree

Benefiting Monroe County Residents



Collection of new or gently used hats and gloves will begin  
November 4th—December 5th at the 4-H Extension office 963  
Raisinville Rd

# Nominations and Award Applications

Monroe County has several opportunities to recognize our Volunteers and Youth.

Please use below google links to submit nominations and applications, each area has a separate google link.

**Deadline for each area is October 31, 2022.**

## County Awards Program

Youth Member- The County Medal program is designed to provide 4-H members with recognition for their project achievements. County Medals are given to signify a job well done, encourage youth to strive for more and to reward youth for successfully overcoming obstacles along the way. Effort, willingness to learn and personal growth experiences are considered desirable qualities for projects.

County Medals are awarded in every 4-H project area. Each project area/award medal may be received only once in each age division.

Age Divisions for Awards: 11-14 years (4-H age): County Awards

15-19 years (4-H age): Older Teen Awards

County award application link: <https://forms.gle/nMeDBjGNk7Vrr5XE6>

## Outstanding Club Member

Club Leaders- Did you notice a youth member going above and beyond this past year? We'd like to recognize the effort and achievements of your OUTSTANDING club member!

Link for Club Leaders: <https://forms.gle/aQUKc4SPuJgGF9fe8>

## Club Award

The application may be completed by one or more 4-H members and volunteers on behalf of the entire group and then submitted. The purpose is designed to assist 4-H clubs or groups report out on their projects or activities. The application should reflect the involvement of 4-H volunteers and youth working as a team toward a common goal.

Club Award link: <https://forms.gle/pdEcSoSa2anc6yZo7>

## I DARE YOU Award

Anyone can nominate- the I DARE YOU award recognizes youth who stand out to leaders, youth peers and parents. The I Dare You Award is awarded to two youth who have been seen by others as being mentors, who go above and beyond and who demonstrate growth through 4-H.

I DARE YOU AWARD link: <https://forms.gle/pMTwnBs7xpFPXyoy8>

# Michigan 4-H Key Club Award

Youth Member is eligible who has:  
reached 15 years of age by the beginning of the previous program year (September 1, 2021)  
completed 3 years of club work  
completed 4-H projects in at least 2 project areas  
completed a teen leadership project  
participated in 3 county or state 4-H events

Michigan Key Club application link: <https://forms.gle/X9KaHdkkUSShLoxK9>

## Volunteer Nominations

Anyone Can Nominate Monroe County 4-H would not be as impactful to our community without the dedication of our volunteers and community partners. Please take a moment to nominate a deserving recipient for the categories of

4-H Club Leader of the Year

Meritorious Service Individual

Meritorious Service Business or Organization

Distinguished Alumni.

(Please note that individuals can only receive each award once in their career. Past recipients of these awards will not be considered for the 2021-2022 award). Past winners will vote to determine final winners

Volunteer Nomination Link: <https://forms.gle/54GYe5c6fH8oKEoU6>

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**Save the Date for Youth/Leader Banquet**

**December 11, 2022 @ 5:00pm in**

**the Activity Center**

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**Call for individuals to serve on Leader/Youth Banquet planning committee**

# 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Teen Ambassador's Trunk r' Treat and Kid's "All Stars" Day!



This event is OPEN to the PUBLIC

Anyone interested to join 4-H, there will be information on how to join a club and get involved!



Place: Behind the Activity Center

When: Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>

Time: 4pm - 5:30pm

Events included: Treats, Goodies, Games, and Trunk r' Treating!

Rain Plan: Park under Anderson's Arena

4-H Cloverbuds: 5-7 years old

4-H Youth: 8-10 years old

Costumes are encouraged!



Please park your vehicle in the north lot of the Activity Center if you wish to participate in passing out yummy treats! It is highly encouraged that clubs participate in decorating a trunk at this event. The best decorated trunk will win a prize!

Set-up time for decorating your trunk will start at 3pm on the day of the event.

Please contact Tammy Schmidt if you are participating in decorating a trunk and passing out treats.

Text 734-625-4852 if they are going to participate in the event. Leaving club or contact person's name and how many trunks.



Monroe County 4-H  
invites you to

# A Woodland Forest



## Spaghetti Dinner & Auction



Live Auction 7:00 pm

4-H Activity Center @ Monroe County Fairgrounds

**Nov  
19**

Public Welcome



Silent Auction 4-6:30pm

Bake Sale \*\* Kids Grab Bag

**Dinner 4-7pm**

Adults: \$10  
Kids 4-9 years: \$5  
Family of 5: \$35



**Meal includes :**  
**ALL YOU CAN EAT SPAGHETTI**  
**Salad, Bread, Drink &**  
**Dessert**

All profits benefit youth members of Monroe County 4-H through scholarships, recognition and year-round programming

\*Current MSU health & safety requirements will be followed during this event.





Teen Ambassador's would like to thank everyone that donated items to Paula's House during fair week!! The items will all be delivered this week! Additionally, with the funds raised from the t-shirt and pin sales the club is donating \$500 in gift cards from Meijer and Walmart to Paula's House!



# Pennies for Turkeys

Calling All Clubs!

Monroe County 4-H clubs are invited to participate on a county wide competition to raise the most money to buy turkeys for underprivileged families.

How to Participate: Each club will collect pennies or any other types of money

Why Should You Participate: A fun, competitive way to raise money for a great cause

Money is due by Thanksgiving to the Extension Office

Sponsored by:  
Teen Ambassadors 4-H Club

Any questions call Tammy 625-4852

We would appreciate if the money could be rolled ahead of time.

Thank You







## GREETINGS FROM CHRISTMAS IN IDA!

The 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, Christmas in Ida is scheduled for Dec. 2 – 3, 2022.

It will be a wonderful birthday party that will reflect on past festivals but will have new events in keeping with our desire to keep it fresh.

We are returning to our roots featuring the agriculture community with an antique tractor show and in the parade.

The Executive Board has been making plans and readying for a spectacular show. Last year's country concert presented Tracy Byrd and was an awesome concert. Although he ask and fans want him to return to Ida, we have just signed another top, *top, top* country band which will be announced soon. For the country music fans, it will be another show you don't want to miss. Ok, I will give you a little hint, think of diamonds!

The Parade of Lights will feature all the great entries as years past, plus some new ones. The parade music and pre-parade show will bring Holiday delight to all in attendance.

*Please accept this letter of invitation to participate in the 2022, 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Christmas in Ida Parade of Lights.*

In a few months, I will be emailing entry forms. You may also download entry forms from the website and return by visiting [www.christmasinida.com](http://www.christmasinida.com) .

Please watch for a new and brilliant Holiday website coming this year.

We ae less than six months away, I hope you will be able to join us for the 40<sup>th</sup> birthday extravaganza, *it's a party you don't want to miss!*

Dale W. Zorn  
Executive Director  
734-735-0576



*Christmas Ida*  
FESTIVAL & PARADE OF LIGHTS



## Support 4-H with the TSC Paper Clover Campaign



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**OCTOBER 5-16<sup>TH</sup> 2022**

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Tractor Supply Company (TSC) customers across the nation will have the opportunity to support 4-H youth by purchasing a \$1 clover at checkouts when shopping both in stores or online at [www.TractorSupply.com](http://www.TractorSupply.com) from Oct. 5-16.

Funds raised will support county, state and national 4-H programming. To learn more regarding the campaign, visit <https://www.tractorsupply.com/tsc/cms/4h>.

# STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## **October 1-6 : National 4-H Dairy Conference**

*Madison, Wisconsin*

World Dairy Expo is the place where the dairy industry meets. Much in the same vein, the National 4-H Dairy Conference is the place where leading dairy youth from across North America can come to interact with one another and build industry bridges that will last well into the future.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/national-4-h-dairy-conference>

## **October 3-24: Adulting 101 Webinar Series**

*Webinar*

Michigan State University Extension's FREE Adulting 101 programs help teenagers and young adults demystify the obscure reality of being an "adult" through engaging educational sessions. Each FREE session is packed full of important life skills and tools necessary to live independently. Join us every Monday during October 3-24, 2022, 6-7 p.m. Eastern Time.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/adult101fall22>

## **October 7: Michigan 4-H Foundation Annual Membership Meeting**

*East Lansing, MI*

Michigan 4-H Foundation members are invited to attend and vote on all items at the meeting. Members are individuals or organizations that donated \$25 or more to Michigan

4-H in the past year. <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-foundation-annual-membership-meeting>

## **October 11: Wild Spartans Series**

*Webinar*

This month's 4-H Wild Spartans Series will take a leap into wetlands and riparian areas and climb to the high desert grasslands to take a closer look at plant biodiversity.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-series-october-2022>

## **November 11-13: Michigan 4-H Creative Arts Celebration!**

*Ralph A. MacMullan (RAM) Center, Roscommon, MI*

Join this popular overnight 4-H workshop with sessions in sewing, textiles, visual arts, performing arts, crafts, art of cooking, photography, poetry, music, folk art, and much more!

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-creative-arts-celebrate>

## NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

### Michigan 4-H Photo/Video Contest

Michigan State University Extension 4-H Youth Development is offering a photo/video contest to help celebrate National 4-H Week – October 2-9, 2022!

**We are asking 4-H volunteers, youth and alumni to share a photo or video highlighting “What you love about 4-H.”**

#### Contest Details

- Contestants will share a photo or video highlighting “What you love about 4-H” on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, or TikTok including the hashtag #iloveMI4H. (Make sure the post is public.)
- For members of the Michigan 4-H community without social media access, submissions may also be sent by email to Gwyn Shelle at [heyboerg@msu.edu](mailto:heyboerg@msu.edu).
- Ten prizes will be awarded randomly to those who share a photo or video, either through social media or by email, during National 4-H Week. Prizes include MSU Extension 4-H swag!
- The contest will go live on Oct. 2 and submissions are due by 11:59 p.m. ET on Oct. 9, 2022.

For video guidelines/support and full contest rules, visit <http://www.canr.msu.edu/4h/contest>.

# MORE OPPORTUNITY, MORE SMILES.

## 4H WEEK



### 4-H scholarships available; apply by Nov. 1

Outstanding Michigan 4-H members who are involved at county, regional, state, national or international levels are eligible to apply for Michigan 4-H scholarships to help fund their college experience.



A number of scholarship opportunities exist, ranging in value from \$500 to \$10,000 (over the course of four years).

**All applications are due by November 1.**

Learn more and access applications materials at: [http://www.canr.msu.edu/4\\_h\\_scholarships\\_and\\_recognition\\_program/4\\_h\\_scholarships](http://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_scholarships_and_recognition_program/4_h_scholarships).

# NOTHING SHOULD HOLD A KID BACK.

## 4H WEEK

