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# 4-H Family News

WAYNE COUNTY



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# COUNTY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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You don't want to miss these fun opportunities!





# WAYNE COUNTY EVENTS

## Heritage Park Early Risers 4-H SPIN Club



For early risers, mornings are a time of great excitement, and an excellent way to start the day off right! If you're looking for a fun way to start your morning and spend time in your community, join Wayne County 4-H for the Heritage Park Early Risers 4-H SPIN Club! Participants will be able to explore Heritage Park, Goodwill Community Garden, Taylor Botanical Conservatory, and the Heritage Park Petting Farm.

For more information, contact Kathy Henderson at [hende578@msu.edu](mailto:hende578@msu.edu).

Location: Heritage Park, 12111 Pardee Rd, Taylor, MI 48180

Date and time: Saturdays, 8:00 – 10:00 AM

## Wayne County 4-H Horse and Pony Point & Protégé Shows

Join MSU Extension and the Wayne County Horse & Pony Association for the annual Point and Protégé shows! Watch as Wayne County riders showcase their skills at the Point Show and support the youngest riders starting in their careers at the non-competitive Protégé Show.

Location: Wayne County Fairgrounds, 10871 Quirk Rd. Belleville, MI 48111

Dates and Times: July 1, 9:00 AM; July 2, 10:00 AM



## Farm to Table Snacks Flat Rock Library 4-H SPIN Club



Take part in this free six-week 4-H club and learn more about food and making fun snacks. Students aged 3rd to 5th grade will explore where our food comes from and get the opportunity to practice their cooking skills. Each week will highlight a new ingredient and feature making a new snack. Students will try their hand at making homemade butter, applesauce, mug cakes, and more! If you have any questions regarding the program, please contact Megan Richendollar at: [richend4@msu.edu](mailto:richend4@msu.edu).

To register, visit <https://forms.gle/wNEH4Hfs1JBKL5SM8>

Date and Time: Mondays (exception of class July 5), 2:30 – 4:00 PM

Location: Flat Rock Public Library, 25200 Gibraltar Rd, Flat Rock, MI 48134



# WAYNE COUNTY EVENTS

## DPFLI Garden 4-H SPIN Club

Are you interested in learning more about gardening? Would you like to contribute to a great community space? Join us at the Detroit Partnership for Food, Learning, & Innovation (DPFLI) for the Garden 4-H SPIN Club! Participants will be able to take part in hands-on learning as they explore the ins and outs of plants, gardening, and their environment.

For more information, contact [hende578@msu.edu](mailto:hende578@msu.edu).

Location: Detroit Partnership for Food, Learning, & Innovation, 16745 Lamphere, Detroit, MI 48219

Date and Time: Wednesdays, 3:00 – 5:00 PM

## 4-H at Metro Detroit Youth Day

Calling all youth- It's time for the 39th Annual Metro Detroit Youth Day! Join us at Belle Isle Park in Detroit for a day filled with exciting activities, games, sports clinics, and live entertainment. This free event is aimed towards youth 8-15. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to meet celebrity guests, win cool prizes, and have tons of fun! Stop by the 4-H table for even more excitement!

To Register: Call the Michigan Youth Appreciation Foundation at 586-774-4000, click [here](#) for the online registration form. PLEASE NOTE: Youth must be registered to attend.

Location: Belle Isle Park, near the Scott Fountain & Casino

Date and Time: July 12, 8 AM – 2:30 PM



## DPFLI Explore 4-H SPIN Club



If you want to explore a wide variety of fun and educational topics, join MSU Extension in the DPFLI Explore 4-H Club! Youth aged 8-13 can learn a wide range of topics, from leadership to money management, all while forming meaningful relationships with their peers. This month, youth can take part in Explore Your Environment and Money For YOU!

For more information, visit <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/explore4hatdpfli> or contact Ashleigh Apel [apelashl@msu.edu](mailto:apelashl@msu.edu)

Location: Detroit Partnership for Food, Learning, & Innovation, 16745 Lamphere, Detroit, MI 48219

Date and Time: July 12 & 26, 5:30 – 6:30 PM



# WAYNE COUNTY EVENTS

## 4-H at Family Fun Day at Heritage Park



Summer is a great time to spend with family, but sometimes it can be a challenge to figure out how to spend your time- join us at Heritage Park in Taylor to have fun on these sunny days! Explore, have fun, and find 4-H to participate in some exciting activities.

For more information, click [here](#).

Location: Heritage Park, 12111 Pardee Rd, Taylor, MI 48180

Date and Time: July 16, 12:00 – 4:00 PM

## 4-H at the Wayne County Fair

Join us at the 77<sup>th</sup> Annual Wayne County Fair! A long-time staple of Wayne County, here you can find animals, food, rides, and of course, 4-H! Meet us to play fun games and participate in fun activities for the whole family. Have a project you want to enter to the fair such as a painting, or your famous apple pie? Contact Ashleigh Apel [apelashl@msu.edu](mailto:apelashl@msu.edu) for more details. Fair entries close July 15th.

For more information and fair brochure, click [here](#).

Location: Wayne County Fairgrounds, 10871 Quirk Rd. Belleville, MI 48111





# WAYNE COUNTY NEWS

## VOLUNTEER!

Want to be a part of 4-H?

Volunteering is an excellent way to give back to our vibrant community. Through 4-H, you can reach Wayne County youth as they grow to be the next generation of movers, shakers, and changemakers. From chaperoning to club leading, YOU can make a difference!

To get started, contact Program Coordinator LaToya Jones at [cainjone@msu.edu](mailto:cainjone@msu.edu).



## Wayne County 4-H at Exploration Days



*"My experience at 4-H Expo Days was fantastic! Exploration Days helped me meet so many new people and opened the doors to many new opportunities. Both the participants and staff were amazing and very welcoming. I have learned an abundance of new things about different animals, plants, and people in those three days, and plan to do it all again next year."*

**Izzy (Isabella)**

Each year, Michigan State University hosts 4-H Exploration Days, a pre-college experience for 4-H youth to get a taste of college life in the heart of the beautiful East Lansing campus. Through a mix of free time events, teambuilding activities, and class sessions, participants from across Michigan enjoyed an environment full of exploration and fun!

Our Wayne County 4-H Program Coordinators and Instructors joined in bringing fun, excitement, and education to participants.

Check out what the team did below!

**Ashleigh Apel:** Team Unity Leader, Break-out Session Chaperone, Female Lead Chaperone

**Waverly Eubank:** Team Unity Leader, Navigating Relationship Session Instructor, Free Time Activity Leader

**Kathy Henderson:** Pillowcase Garment Session Instructor

**Latoya Jones:** Team Unity Leader

**Laurie Rivetto:** Exploration Days 2023 Leadership Team



# WAYNE COUNTY NEWS

## Wayne County 4-H'er Joins 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees

Wayne County 4-H member Terrell Jordan was elected to the Michigan 4-H foundation Board of Trustees at its February board meeting.

Michigan 4-H Foundation trustees are volunteers who serve as community advocates for 4-H and lead and manage the operation of the Michigan 4-H Foundation. Jordan was elected to one of the three positions on the board reserved for trustees between the ages of 16 and 22. These trustees, all 4-H members, provide a youth voice to the board and help it to keep to the 4-H mission.

“Having youth on the board ensures the foundation is in alignment with Michigan 4-H Guiding Principles, which say, ‘Youth are actively engaged in their own development,’ and ‘Youth are considered participants rather than recipients in the learning process.’ In addition, youth voice on the board is both important and valuable as youth provide a fresh perspective, new ideas and added energy,” said Roxanne Turner, MSU Extension educator for leadership and civic engagement, Michigan 4-H Foundation trustee and Board Development Committee member.

Jordan has been a member of Wayne County 4-H for the past seven years and was a teen leader for 4-H Clovers CODE (Creating Opportunities Designed for Everyone), an Apple Education initiative. He has served as a Michigan 4-H State Youth Leadership Council member since 2021 and represented Michigan 4-H at both the National 4-H Congress in Atlanta, Georgia, and the National 4-H Conference in Washington, D.C.

Jordan enjoys working with youth, and as such, served as both a lifeguard and group STEM<sup>2</sup> facilitator at the Boll Family YMCA in Detroit during high school. He also served as a food server for the Bridging Communities Eldercare Program and was a junior police cadet through Grow Detroit’s Young Talent, a citywide summer jobs program for young adults.

A graduate of Cass Technical High School, Jordan is pursuing a degree in psychology and a minor in music from Indiana State University.

Source: New Youth Members Join 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees, Michigan 4-H Foundation Vantage. Spring 2023;44(1):3



**Terrell Jordan**



# STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Save the Date for the Michigan 4-H Creative Arts Celebration



Save the date for the Michigan 4-H Creative Arts Celebration! Formerly known as the Visual Arts, Crafts, Sewing and Textiles Workshop, this popular event will be held October 14-15 at the new location of the Ralph A. MacMullen (RAM) Conference Center in Roscommon.

Participants (4-H adult and teen Gold leaders) will be learning new things, making new friends, putting all their creativity to work, and having a fabulous time!

Do you have a creative arts skill you're willing to share? We are looking for potential instructors who can teach a session about sewing, textiles, visual arts, performing arts, crafts, cooking, photography, poetry, music and more! To submit your idea for consideration, complete the form at: <https://forms.gle/1zwPdPwukwUjVigAA>.

### July 11-13: Garden Writers Workshop

*Michigan 4-H Children's Gardens, East Lansing*

Young writers will learn about the wonderful world of writing in the garden. Using the garden as their inspiration, campers will connect writing to nature by creating poems, stories, plays and much more.

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/garden-writers](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/garden-writers)

### July 13: Adulting 101 - Sew What!

*Online*

Not sure about detergent, bleach, fabric softener and dryer sheets? Have a loose button or need something hemmed? We'll spend an hour addressing these concerns and sew much more!

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting-101-7-13](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting-101-7-13)

### July 15: 4-H Bullseye Bash Archery Tournament

*Wexford County Civic Center, Cadillac*

Archers to the line! Test your skill and meet fellow competitors at this 4-H archery event.

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-bullseye-bash-archery-tournament](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-bullseye-bash-archery-tournament)

### July 17: Michigan Dairy Expo and Michigan 4-H Youth Dairy Days

*MSU Pavilion, Lansing*

Join youth from around Michigan to demonstrate dairy cattle knowledge and husbandry skills.

Registration is due July 5!

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/2023-michigan-4-h-youth-dairy-days](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/2023-michigan-4-h-youth-dairy-days)

### July 18-20: 4-H Forestry Camp

*Gahagan Nature Preserve, Roscommon*

This fun and interactive three-day camp gives youth the opportunity to learn all about forestry in Michigan. Registration closes July 14.

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-forestry-camp-23](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-forestry-camp-23)

### July 20: Water Day at the Michigan 4-H Children's Gardens

*Michigan 4-H Children's Gardens, East Lansing*

Come cool off from the summer heat and have fun in the garden with water! We will play water games, do water art and explore all things fun about water.

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/water-day](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/water-day)

### July 27: Bug Day at the Michigan 4-H Children's Gardens

*Michigan 4-H Children's Gardens, Lansing*

We will be collecting bugs, observing bugs and even making bugs!

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/bug-day](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/bug-day)







# STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

## Join the Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase!

MSU Extension is thrilled to partner again in 2023 with the [Michigan State Fair](#) on an exciting program for Michigan youth: the Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase. This statewide showcase provides a virtual platform for youth across Michigan to exhibit their work in all project areas and apply for up to \$10,000 in scholarships. Any Michigan youth ages 5-19 is encouraged to participate; 4-H membership is not required.

[Registration for this event is now open!](#) The diverse array of [classes](#) celebrate all the projects and programs in which youth have developed skill and mastery. This includes livestock and animal showmanship classes, as well as still exhibits, educational projects and more.

There is no cost to participate and youth may engage in as many classes as they wish by [submitting project photos and videos](#). **Be sure to submit your entries by the registration deadline of August 1.** Project evaluation will occur before the start of the Michigan State Fair so that winners can be announced at the event which occurs August 31 – September 4.

In addition to the opportunity to showcase their skills, recognize their accomplishments and receive constructive feedback for growth and development, participants in the Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase will also have the opportunity to apply for \$10,000 in scholarships. Learn more, find helpful resources and registration links at [www.canr.msu.edu/virtual-showcase/State-Fair-Virtual-Showcase/](http://www.canr.msu.edu/virtual-showcase/State-Fair-Virtual-Showcase/).



## Going home: Biosecurity tips for animals that went to the county fair

Adapted from: [https://www.canr.msu.edu/news/biosecurity\\_tips\\_for\\_animals\\_that\\_went\\_to\\_the\\_county\\_fair](https://www.canr.msu.edu/news/biosecurity_tips_for_animals_that_went_to_the_county_fair).

[Michigan State University Extension](#) offers these biosecurity steps exhibitors can take to protect their show animals and those that were left at home after the fair has ended.

- Keep animals that were at the fair separate from animals that were not for 28 – 30 days. If at all possible, do not allow nose-to-nose contact and provide as much distance between animals.
- Disinfect all buckets, feeders, tools and footwear that was at the fair.
- Throw away any feed or hay that was at the fair.
- Always wear clean clothes and footwear. Boot coverings may be helpful when caring for animals.
- Take care of animals that stayed home from the show first, and animals that were at the show second. Do not go back and forth between animals as this increases the risk of cross-contamination.
- Do not eat or drink in the barn.
- Observe animals daily for signs and symptoms of illness, such as:
  - Obvious pain or discomfort
  - Decrease in appetite and water intake
  - Fever
  - Lethargy
  - Diarrhea or changes in consistency in manure
  - Discharge from nasal cavity or eyes
  - Overall weakness

Care of animals after the fair is just as critical as their before-fair care. Exhibited animals were exposed to new animal populations and fair goers, and most likely experienced a lot of stress during their time away from the farm. By practicing these biosecurity steps, you can help keep all of your animals safe and healthy.

