

Clare County 4-H

Family News



IMPORTANT DATES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Clare County Fair Book Cover Contest Ends April 4

Drop off your entry to the MSU Extension office by Thursday

The 2024 Clare County Fair Book Contest is open to all youth 19 and younger! Send your entries to the Clare County 4-H / MSU Extension Office by April 4th. You do not need to be in 4-H to enter - this contest is open to every kid!

[Link to see the entry details & rules](#)

4-H Orchid Club - First Meeting! Tuesday, May 21 at 6 PM

If you have a passion for orchids or are simply curious about these exquisite plants, this is the club for you! Led by the experienced and dedicated orchid enthusiast, Mary Henman, who is on her journey to become an Orchid Judge, the Orchid 4-H Club promises a blooming adventure for youth, parents, and adult volunteers alike.

**Meeting Location: Harrison City Market
121 E Main St. in Harrison**

[Link to learn more about this club](#)

4-H Jayteens - Meet Local Falconer, Lisa Cements! Tuesday, April 9 at 6 PM - Wistful Design Studio

A youth group designed for individuals aged 12 to 19 years old where future leaders have opportunities for professional development, career exploration and networking.

[Link to 4-H Jayteens](#)

Annual 4-H Plant Sale Open for Orders Return Forms and Money by April 25

Our yearly Clare County 4-H fundraiser is underway! Print off the order form today and share with your family and friends.

[Link to 4-H Plant Sale Order Form](#)

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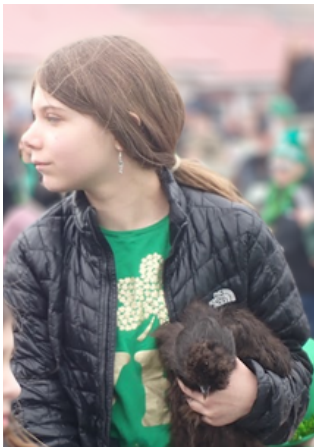
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Clare County 4-H'ers Shared Pride at the Clare Irish Festival Parade!

March 16, 2024



SHARE YOUR 4-H STORIES
Email your pictures to Miranda

Clare County 4-H Float - March 16, 2024
Thank you to the Country Neighbors and 4-H Hilltop Club for providing this year's trucks and float!



LEARN ABOUT *The Club!*

Led by the experienced and dedicated orchid enthusiast, Mary Henman, who is on her journey to become an Orchid Judge, the Orchid 4-H Club promises a blooming adventure! Whether you're a youth eager to explore, a parent looking for a unique family activity, or an adult volunteer seeking a new passion, Orchid 4-H Club is open to everyone.



WHAT TO EXPECT

Orchid Growing & Care: Learn the art and science of nurturing various orchid varieties.

Nature Exploration: Develop a keen eye and discover the beauty of native orchids in the great outdoors.

Judging Competitions: Dive into the world of orchid judging competitions.

Future Judges: Explore the pathway to becoming a future orchid judge.

Guest Speakers & Field Trips: Immerse yourself in the knowledge shared by guest speakers and enjoy field trips to orchid shows and exhibits.

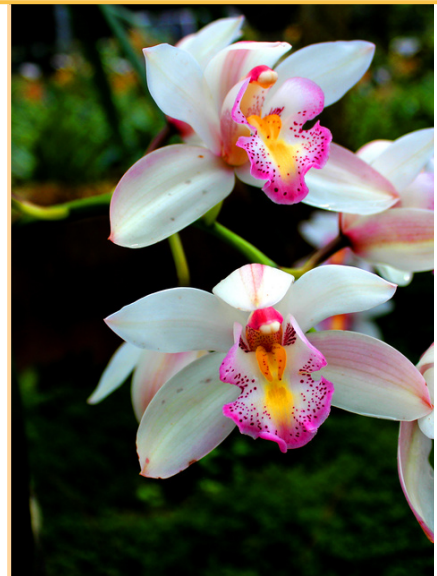
COME TO THE FIRST MEETING!

You can fill out the interest form below or **just show up to the first meeting on Tuesday, May 21 at 6 PM in Harrison**



forms.office.com/r/UYwZKZwqVY

Harrison City Market - 121 E Main St.





Grace T. (left) and Allison W. (right) leading with the 4-H Flag at the Clare Irish Festival 2023.

Open Registration! Apply to become a 4-H Ambassador

As a Clare County 4-H Ambassador, you'll have the opportunity to be a shining example of the positive impact 4-H has on our community. This is your chance to shine and make a real difference!

We invite you to become a Clare County 4-H Ambassador! The application window is now open year-round, allowing you the flexibility to apply at your convenience.

Ambassador Positions

- Junior** (4-H age 8 to 12)
- Intermediate** (4-H age 13 to 15)
- Senior** (4-H age 16 - 19)

Apply for the Clare County 4-H Ambassador

Access the application here:
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/clare/uploads/files/4-H%20Ambassador%20Application%20Packet.pdf>



Katie S. representing her 4-H Club, Show Me the Blue, at the Clare County Irish Festival 2024

Apply for a Clare County 4-H Make-a-Wish Attend 4-H Exploration Days for Less!!

Registration is Now Open! This fun MSU pre-college program could be the highlight of your summer - it could even change your life!

4-H Exploration Days registration goes from mid-March through April with session assignments made on a first-come, first-served basis.

Apply for the Scholarship Here
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/clare/uploads/files/make.a.wish.app+revisions+08.18.23.pdf>

Did You Know? In addition to this scholarship, the Clare County 4-H Council offers to cover a portion of the registration fees to attend this camp? **Ask us!**

**4-H Exploration Days
 June 19 - 21, 2024**

canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days

VIEW THE 4-H EXPLORATION DAYS BROCHURE HERE

Clare County 4-H Jayteens: A Youth Professional Development Group for Ages 12 to 19



Why Join 4-H Jayteens?

Attend monthly meetings with guest speakers from professional career backgrounds. Engage in you community through acts of service while you build meaningful connections. Explore diverse career options through attending 4-H camps and workshops. Get access to financial assistance from Clare County 4-H to attend various events.

APRIL

Wednesday, April 3 - 5 PM**Adulting 101: Free Webinar**

Keeping Your Money Safe

[Register](#)**Thursday, April 4****Deadline: Fair Book Cover Contest**[Contest Details](#)**Thursday, April 4****Deadline: 4-H Shooting Sports Registration**

Instructor Workshop held on April 27

[Register](#)**Saturday, April 6 - 10 AM to 2 PM****Free to Attend: Youth Stock Show**

The Venue - 501 N McEwan St. Clare, MI

Tuesday, April 9 - 6 PM**4-H Jayteens - Meet Local Falconer, Lisa Clements**

Wistful Design Studio - 420 N McEwan St. Clare, MI

Wednesday, April 10 - 6 PM**Adulting 101: Free Webinar**

Cover Letters and Resume Writing

[Register](#)**Thursday, April 11 - 6:30 PM****Free to Attend: Hog Nutrition Clinic**

Clare County Building - 225 W Main St. Harrison, MI

Thursday, April 18 - 6 PM**BEElievers 4-H Club - First Spring Meeting**Shepherd Community Library - 257 W Wright Ave. Shepherd, MI karlgeiger@yahoo.com**Wednesday, April 24 - 6 PM****4-H Council & 4-H Properties Meetings**

Pere Marquette District Library - Clare, MI

Meetings in LLA

Forester Hunter Fodor from Hunter Land Management will be discussing potential programs he would like to offer. 4-H Properties meeting to immediately follow.

Saturday, April 27 - 10 AM to 3 PM**Free Tree and Take-Home Craft for Youth**Harrison City Hall Maintenance Building
2105 Sullivan Dr. Harrison, MI[Learn about the Clare Conservation District's Annual Tree and Plant Sale](#)**Sunday, April 28 - 12 PM****Conservation Connection: Explore Nature & Wildlife**

Shamrock Park - 404 Wilcox Pkwy. Clare, MI

[Event Details](#)**Back-Up Rain Location** - Pere Marquette District Library**Sunday, April 28****MI 4-H Day with the Detroit Tigers**[Purchase Tickets Here](#)



CLARE COUNTY 4-H

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THE CLARE COUNTY 4-H WEBSITE

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