

# **4-H Family News**

**Oakland County** 



### Wild Winter Break Camp! Feb 20-21, 2023



Feb 20st - Feb 21st

Ages: 6-12 Cost: \$175

Drive away the winter blues and embark on outdoor adventures with camp friends!

Spend time on the winter farm as a farmer-in-training. Engage in daily animal chores, feeding and caring for our goats, sheep, rabbits, and chickens. Explore how plants, animals, and people cope with the cold on the winter farm. Warm up in Garden Kitchen while cooking delicious snacks. Cook over an open fire, build a track trap, and investigate the science of cardboard sleds. We have a different theme each day, making for new adventures to apply science learning to everyday life!

Register here: <a href="https://www.canr.msu.edu/tollgate/camps/winter-and-spring-break-camps">https://www.canr.msu.edu/tollgate/camps/winter-and-spring-break-camps</a>

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### FAMACHA Workshop! January 28, 2023



Learn about FAMACHA, a technique that lets managers assess the impact of parasites on their animals. Using FAMACHA can save time and money.

Workshop is lecture and hands on. Lecture covers aspects of parasite/animal interactions and pasture management. Hands-on portion will teach the FAMACHA technique using live animals.

The Workshop will be taught by veterinarian, Melissa Holahan. All attendees 13 and older will receive FAMACHA certification. To register: See the Events Calendar at: <a href="www.tollgate.msu.edu">www.tollgate.msu.edu</a>.

For more information, contact Mary Hutka: 248-347-3860 ext. 209

## Save the Date for the Michigan 4-H Livestock Workshop!



This event will be on Saturday, March 4th at MSU's Anthony Hall. The statewide livestock and goat programming committees are hard at work planning an awesome educational opportunity for 4-H teens in beef, sheep, swine, and goat projects. Registration information and a detailed schedule will be available in early 2023. Mark your calendars!

# Oakland County 4-H Alumna Pursues Fisheries and Wildlife Degree at MSU

Lauren Emerick's 4-H experience led her to pursue a degree combining her interest in animals and to help tackle global environmental challenges.

"4-H absolutely shaped both my educational choices and career path. MSU is the hub for all things 4-H in the state of Michigan, and because of this I grew up involved with the MSU community and learned a great deal about what the university has to offer." – Lauren Emerick

To read more please click here (Page 9): <a href="https://4e430b.a2cdn1.secureserver.net/wp-content/uploads/2022FallVantage.pdf?time=1672835413">https://4e430b.a2cdn1.secureserver.net/wp-content/uploads/2022FallVantage.pdf?time=1672835413</a>



# STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Save the date for Michigan 4-H equine events



Michigan 4-H equine programs are gearing up for a busy year! If you are an equine enthusiast, be sure to mark your calendar for these dates and look for additional information in the weeks and months ahead.

- February 3-4:
   Horse Judging
   Workshop and
   Practice Contest
- March 18:
   Michigan 4-H
   Hippology Contest
- April 15: Hairy Horse Show
- April 16:
   Michigan 4-H/FFA
   Horse Judging
   Contest
- August 18-20: State 4-H Horse Show

For more information on events, <u>www.canr.msu.</u> <u>edu/horses ponies/registration-information</u>.

# January 10: Wild Spartans - Working Towards a Career as a Wildlife Biologist Online

Meet Erin Johnston, wildlife biologist - wildlife and habitat section lead for the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community with the Michigan Natural Resources Department. Learn about researching, managing and protecting species with cultural significance, as well as Johnston's field work, and the education and career path she followed.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-series-january-2023

# January 14 – 15: Michigan 4-H Horse Judges and Show Volunteers Conference MSU Pavilion. Lansing

This annual event is open to all judges, horse show managers and adult volunteers. www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-horse-judges-and-show-volunteers-conference

# January 16-20: 2023 National 4-H Shooting Sports Quiz Bowl Online

4-H members test their shooting sports and natural resources knowledge with peers across the nation. Registration should open around Jan.1.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/2023-national-4-h-shooting-sports-guiz-bowl

#### January 28: State 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Show

MSU Pavilion, Lansing

This one-day event is open to participants aged 8 to 19. To enter, exhibitors must be Michigan 4-H members and own the rabbits or cavies they enter.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/state-4-h-rabbit-cavy-show-2023

# **January 31: Adulting 101- International Conversations Online**

Join us for an engaging cultural conversation live and learn about another county. Gain new knowledge and ask questions that interest you with an international guest. www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting-101-international-conversations

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#### February 11: 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Workshop

Paw Paw Conservation Club, Paw Paw

Interested in leading Hunting & Wildlife shooting sports with a 4-H club? Become a Certified Instructor at this one-day, hybrid workshop! Registration closes Feb. 1.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-shooting-sports-instructor-certification-workshop-pawpaw





# **STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS**



#### 2023 4-H Day at the Breslin Center

Make plans to join us for the seventeenth annual celebration of MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development at the MSU Women's Basketball game. The Spartans will host the Penn State Nittany Lions on Sunday, February 12, at the Jack Breslin Student Events Center on MSU's campus. Tip-off is 3 p.m. with gates opening to the public at 1:30 p.m.; come early to enjoy all the fun activities going on around the concourse.

Gather with 4-H friends, families, volunteers and staff for this annual event! Tickets will soon be available at: <a href="https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-extension-day-at-the-breslin-featuring-michigan-4-h">www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-extension-day-at-the-breslin-featuring-michigan-4-h</a>.

### Registration is now open for 4-H Animal Science Career Quest!

Are you interested in a career working with animals? Join us for 4-H Animal Science Career Quest to learn more about career paths in animal science and veterinary medicine, as well as the MSU programs that can get you there! This program is a joint effort between Michigan 4-H, the MSU Department of Animal Science, and the MSU College of Veterinary Medicine, and its focus is introducing youth to the wide variety of career options available to them within these fields.

This event will be on February 18-19 on MSU's main campus in East Lansing. It is open to youth ages 12-19 and 4-H volunteers, and participants can choose to attend one or both days. Space is limited, so don't delay! Register now at <a href="https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/animal-science-career-quest">https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/animal-science-career-quest</a>.

### Resolve to have a great 4-H year

Authored by Christine Heverly, MSU Extension. Adapted from an article originally published by Sandy Risedorph.

As we start to think ahead to the New Year, how can 4-H clubs resolve to improve in the year ahead? Here are ten suggestions to make the upcoming year a successful one.

#### Resolve that:

- 1. Club meetings will start and end on time.
- 2. Business meetings will follow Robert's Rules of Order and that all club paperwork, such as minutes, club inventory and financial statements, will be completed in a timely manner.
- 3. All members will take part in discussions and have a say in decisions that are made. Keep a chart with each members' name and when they speak at business meetings.
- 4. The club meeting place will be a safe, comfortable and welcoming environment for all club members.
- 5. Fun will be included in each meeting.
- 6. A learning activity will be included in each club meeting. Ideas include exploring a new 4-H curriculum, having members volunteer to do a demonstration, doing a show and tell about each members' favorite project, or bringing in a guest speaker.
- 7. The club will pursue at least one community service project chosen, planned and celebrated by the club.
- 8. New members will have a buddy they may talk with about any 4-H questions.
- 9. The 4-H pledge will be said at every meeting.
- 10. Every club member will be recognized in some way to let them know they are cared about.

