



4-H Family News

Wayne County



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COUNTY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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SAMPLE SIDEBAR



WAYNE COUNTY 4-H EVENTS

Adulting 101

Are you ready to leave for college or be out on your own? Are you prepared to do adult tasks and have skills to be successful? Michigan State University Extension's 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!

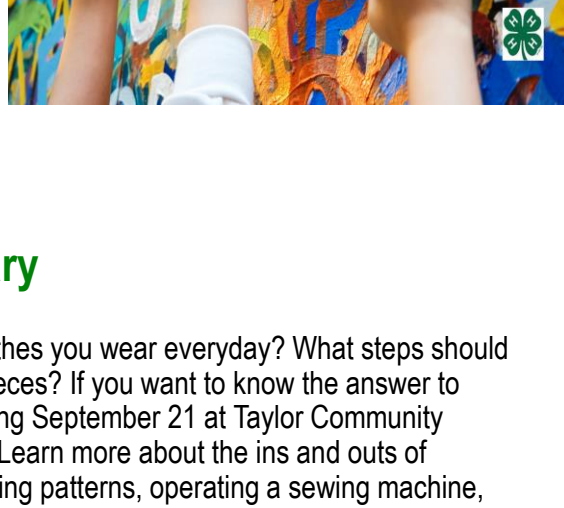
Coming in September: Young people can change the world like no other group can. They have innovative ideas and aren't mired in cynicism like so many adults. This session will provide some skills and practice on how to influence people in power to make change in your community and world!

To register, visit <https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=5171322872D494DFC352BEBA2A8C0501AFD500AC43746935F9F5A3EE819D867F>

Date and time: September 18, 5 PM

4-H Creative Arts Celebration

Register today for the Michigan 4-H Creative Arts Celebration! Do you love arts & crafts? Do you enjoy sewing & textiles? Does sharing creative arts activities with your 4-H'ers provide you with enjoyment? Then register today for the 2023 Michigan 4-H Creative Arts Celebration Overnight Workshop! Connect with instructors, reconnect, or make new friends, be creative, learn new projects, and have an enjoyable experience! This event is open to 4-H staff, adult, and teen (13-19 years), 4-H volunteers who work with youth in a variety of educational settings. REGISTRATION CLOSSES SEPTEMBER 20 AT 11:59 PM.



For more information and registration, visit <https://events.anr.msu.edu/CreativeArts/>

Location: DNR, Ralph A. MacMullan Conference Center, Conservation Dr, Rosconner, MI 48653

Dates: October 14-15

4-H Clothing and Textiles at Taylor Community Library



What goes into making the clothes you wear everyday? What steps should you take to create your own pieces? If you want to know the answer to those questions, join 4-H starting September 21 at Taylor Community Library for Clothing & Textiles! Learn more about the ins and outs of garment making, including cutting patterns, operating a sewing machine, and more!

For more information, contact Kathy Henderson at hende578@msu.edu.

Location: Taylor Community Library, 12303 Pardee Rd, Taylor, MI 48180

Date and time: Thursdays (begins September 21), 5:30 – 7:30 PM



WAYNE COUNTY 4-H EVENTS

Spice up Your 4-H Experience with 4-H Resources

Are you a volunteer looking for information on how effectively assist your clubs? Join this webinar series that provides Michigan 4-H volunteers with a variety of learning opportunities to help them grow as a volunteer and support the Michigan 4-H'er's.



In this September webinar, come explore a variety of 4-H resources that can be used in your 4-H meetings!

For more information and registration, visit <https://www.canr.msu.edu/volunteering/mi-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series>

Date and time: September 21, 12:00 – 1:00 PM, 7:00 – 8:00 PM

A Balancing Act



Do you need tips to help you keep your life balanced? Are you looking to stay ahead of your obligations related to school, work, and your social life? How do you make sure you take time for yourself? In this FREE, virtual class, you will learn how to organize and prioritize your life to achieve success. Presented by two recent college students, "A Balancing Act" will offer you a framework for success in your day-to-day responsibilities, and how to use the resources out there to blend them into a system that works for you. Anyone looking to maintain balance in their lives is encouraged to attend!

For more information and registration, visit <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/balancingact>

Date and time: September 28, 5:00 – 6:00 PM

4-H Future Squad

Future Squad returns in October for its third year! Any 12–19-year-old youth throughout Michigan are welcome to join this virtual club that will help young people connect with others from across the state and learn "adulting" life skills for the future. From organization to money management, youth are bound to learn helpful tips and information that will serve them throughout their adult lives. This can be your primary club or a secondary club. Register for 2023-2024 NOW!



For more information and registration, visit <https://www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-future-squad/>



STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Share Your 4-H Story!



Across the state, Michigan 4-H has grown true leaders for today and tomorrow. From Marquette to Monroe, these young people are impacting their clubs, communities, country and world.

To help share this impact with others, we're looking for youth and 4-H alums to share their own testimonials of how 4-H has influenced their personal growth and development.

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

To learn more and download the guidelines, visit www.canr.msu.edu/4h/meet-michigan-4-h.

September 6: Welcome Back MSU 4-H Alumni Reception
Justin S. Morrill Hall of Agriculture, East Lansing
If you are a current or former 4-H'er attending MSU this fall, stop by outside the Justin S. Morrill Hall of Agriculture from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. for a networking and alumni dinner!
www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-welcome-week-4-h-alumni-dinner

September 16-17: 4-H Shooting Sports Workshop
Shiawassee Conservation Association, Owosso
Adult and teen 4-H volunteers can learn about 4-H shooting sports' mission policy, risk management and safety, discipline-specific equipment use and care, how to teach shooting fundamentals to youth, range set-up, and more.
www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-shooting-sports-workshop-owosso-1

September 18: Adulting 101 - How to Tell Principals & Politicians They are Full of Poop While Being Polite
Online
This session will provide some skills and practice on how to influence people in power to make change in your community and world.
www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting101-18-23

September 21: Michigan 4-H Volunteer Webinar Series - Spice up Your 4-H Experiences with 4-H Resources
Online
This session will explore a variety of resources that 4-H volunteers can use in meetings to support Michigan 4-H'ers.
12-1 p.m. session: www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-spice-up-your-4-h-experiences-with-4-h-resources
7-8 p.m. session: www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-spice-up-your-4-h-experiences-with-4-h-resources/pm

September 29: Michigan 4-H Foundation Annual Membership Meeting
Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center, East Lansing
Agenda items include 2023 president's report, audited financial statement report, trustee elections, and recognition of major donors to Michigan 4-H within the past year.
www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-foundation-annual-membership-meeting

October 4: Michigan 4-H Day at the Capitol
Heritage Hall, Lansing
Education and awareness event to elevate knowledge of Michigan 4-H and to share the impact of its programming across Michigan.
www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-day-at-the-capitol



STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

National 4-H Week: October 1-7, 2023

For more than 100 years, 4-H has inspired families, shaped careers, and impacted communities. From October 1-7, we will celebrate the impact of 4-H during National 4-H Week. The theme of this year's National 4-H Week is "I ♥ 4-H." As you plan ahead for how you will mark National 4-H Week in your community, here are some ideas of how you can celebrate 4-H and show all the ways you ♥ 4-H!

Wear Your 4-H Gear — Nothing says 4-H pride like a 4-H tee! Dress yourself (or the entire family – pets included!) in 4-H green and clover gear.

Shout-Out a 4-H'er — Recognize the hard work and dedication of 4-H'ers by shouting out one youth or an entire club on social media, in a local newspaper or other media.

Storefront Displays/Information Booths — In some communities, you can ask local businesses to display 4-H posters, flyers, showcase the work of 4-H'ers, or host a table to share information about your local 4-H program.

Become a 4-H Volunteer — If you are a 4-H alum, parent or recent 4-H 'graduate', you might be looking for ways to connect with 4-H. Consider giving your time to a local 4-H program by becoming a volunteer.

Share Your 4-H Story — Take to social media to share a 4-H memory, express how 4-H shaped who you are today, describe what 4-H means to you, post an old 4-H photo, or shout-out your 4-H club.

Have a 4-H Reunion — Gather your old 4-H friends and spend some time together reminiscing on your 4-H experience or recreate a 4-H project together!

Send a 4-H 'Thank You' — We all have a reason to thank our local 4-H staff, leaders and supporters. To show your appreciation, send a handwritten 'thank you' note to someone who has supported youth and made a difference.

Raise Awareness — On October 4, Michigan 4-H and MSU Extension will be hosting the first Michigan 4-H Day at the Capitol. Join this exciting education and awareness event to help elevate knowledge of Michigan 4-H and share the impact of its programming across Michigan. Learn more at www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-day-at-the-capitol.

Give Back — Local programs are always looking for resources to continue growing 4-H for the future. Help programs thrive by making a donation at <https://mi4hfdn.org/county/match/> that can help support your county 4-H program.

Adapted from: <https://4-h.org/about/blog/10-ways-to-celebrate-national-4-h-week/>.

