



WEXFORD WEEKLY WRAP-UP

OCTOBER 20, 2023

Join 4-H

Volunteer with 4-H

Congratulations!

WEXFORD COUNTY 4-H AWARDS:

PROJECT AWARDS:

Quinlan Newcomb - Swine
Coral Butler - Demonstration
Madeline Piwowarski - Poultry
Irelynn Feister - Rabbit
Avayna Kanouse - Sewing
Emmorie Kanouse - Sewing
Owen Krause - Baking
Adalia Paez Emond - Environmental Stewardship

SPIRIT OF 4-H AWARD:

Mia Krause
Kate Quist
Ayden Cruz

LEADER OF THE YEAR:

Makayla Vanklompberg



Thank You for Joining Us at the Member Celebration!

Congratulations to all of our 2022-23 members and award recipients! We had a great celebration last weekend and can't wait to see what the next year brings. All 4-H'ers received a pin for the number of years they've been in 4-H and all of our Cloverbuds got a coloring tote bag since they are ineligible for awards. If you were unable to attend and would like your year pins, please contact Kate. Awards recipients that were not able to attend can pick up awards in the MSU Extension office or they can be mailed.

Livestock Clubs Return November 6!

The Wexford Whatevers and The Grands 4-H Clubs will be meeting together this year! Please join us for a Meet & Greet meeting with a fun fall craft and activities. Club leaders and the program



coordinator will be at the event to answer questions and help with enrollment.

Michigan 4-H License Plate Proposed



On Tuesday, September 26, legislation was unveiled that if passed, will create a new fundraising license plate that would generate support for Michigan 4-H. State Reps. Matthew Bierlein, of Vassar, and Reggie Miller, of Van Buren Township, sponsored the legislation which would allow for the creation and sale of a Michigan 4-H plate through the Secretary of State.

The plans would create the 4-H fundraising plate and establish regular disbursements from the license plate sales to the Michigan 4-H Foundation. Led by a board of trustees, the foundation works in partnership with MSU Extension and Michigan 4-H Youth Development to support programs to prepare youth for meaningful and productive lives. Please encourage your politicians to adopt this legislation!



2022-2023 Photos Needed

Do you have photos from 4-H you'd like to share? We'd love to have them available for success stories, media, and promotion. Please upload them to our google drive. Please do not email or text them - it reduces the quality.

[Upload Program Photos](#)

SPOOKY SEASON IS HERE!

Join Us at These Events

We are always happy to have support at community events! 4-H Families and Volunteers are welcome to help hand out goodies at these events:

Cadillac Halloween House 10/21

Downtown Cadillac 10/25

Tractor Supply 10/29



Join Us at our Halloween Events:

Wexford 4-H will be participating in 3 Halloween events this year. We would love to show up big with 4-H, so please come help us give out candy and

other goodies at these events:

Halloween House at Diggins Park - October 21, 5-7 pm

Cadillac Downtown Trick or Treat - October 25, 4-6 pm

Tractor Supply Trunk or Treat - October 29, 2-4 pm (Led by Wexford
Whatevers 4-H Club, but all are welcome to help)

Help turn Kate's car into Frankenstein for the Downtown Trunk or Treat!
Tuesday, October 24th, 3-5 pm at the MSU Extension Office.

Wexford County Plat Books

WEXFORD COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL PRESENTS:

2023 PLAT BOOK

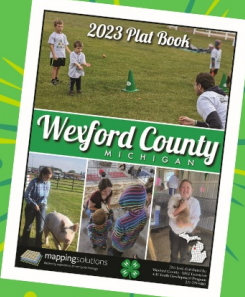
ONLY \$30!

AVAILABLE NOW AT


**Wexford County
MSU Extension Office**
9600 E 13th St, Cadillac
Inside Baker College

or

**Northwoods Feed
Horizon Books - Cadillac**



Plat book sales directly support 4-H programming
in Wexford County. Thank you for your support!



Our Wexford County Plat Books serve as our Leaders' Council's main source of income and fund clubs, family activities, and scholarships for youth and volunteers. These are available at our MSU Extension Office, Horizon Books, and Northwoods Feed for \$30. They make great gifts for all of you outdoors-people in your life and even your real estate agents!

We are looking for additional locations across the county to sell these books. Please contact Kate if you would like to discuss a resale opportunity.
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Plat Books

Teen Topics

Announcing the Wexford 4-H Teen Committee

Wexford 4-H Members ages 13-19 are invited to join the new teen committee of the Leaders Council! This committee will focus on developing leadership skills and youth-adult partnerships to expand the youth voice in our decision making for the county program. Any teen interested in participating should email Kate (kingka26@msu.edu) (Yes, the teen should be doing the contacting!). We are hoping to have the first meeting before Thanksgiving.



Scholarships Available!

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,

Balancing Act - Self-Guided

Teens can have a lot going on including work, school, a social life, family, extracurricular activities, and self-care. This interactive, self-paced, online class will share information on how to find balance in life with competing options and obligations. Learn about ways to

Video Contest

Youth ages 9-19 are invited to create short videos (under 60 sec.) promoting 4-H to their peers. Videos should address the question, "Why You Should Join 4-H!" Be a 4-H spokesperson by using your voice and sharing your 4-H story with others! This contest is open to Michigan 4-H youth.

ranging in value from \$500 to \$10,000 (over the course of four years). Each scholarship has specific eligibility, be sure to read the requirements to see if you qualify. All applications are due by November 1.

Learn More

stay organized and manage your time, the importance of building a supportive social network, options for working as a student, avoiding burnout, and getting academic support and enrichment to round out your education. Add this course to your To-Do list and complete at your own pace.

Learn More

Those not currently registered for 4-H can do so prior to entering this contest. The deadline for registration and video submissions is January 31, 2024. If you're interested, our friends at CTC are willing to mentor with video and editing! Contact Kate.

Learn More

EXPLORE YOUR FUTURE WITH 4-H FUTURE SQUAD

Are you 12-19 years old? Want to learn more about preparing for your future? YOU are invited to join 4-H Future Squad, a club created to meet new people and learn life skills for a successful future!

The club will meet virtually, October 2023-May 2024, covering a variety of topics! Joining unlocks access to all 4-H benefits and programs.

JOIN US NOW!

Join the 4-H Future Squad!

Looking for a fun virtual club where you meet others across the state and build your skills for your future? Youth 12-19 years old are invited to join 4-H Future Squad, a twice monthly club meeting online from October 2023-May 2024. Learn about navigating relationships, global connections, how to sew a button and more!

States' 4-H International Exchange Programs
2024 OUTBOUND PROGRAMS
Costa Rica - Japan - Korea - Norway - Taiwan - Argentina

Are you curious about daily life, culture, and youth programs in other countries? Travel abroad with States' 4-H and enter a world that most visitors rarely get to see.

Exchange Program

Outbound Application Due December 8, 2023
From Costa Rica to Japan, Norway to Argentina, and Taiwan to South Korea, where will Michigan 4-H take you?!

This is an opportunity to travel to foreign countries for a month-long cultural immersion experience to live with host families and engage in experiential learning about a new way of life. Delegates experience aspects of daily life that allow them to more deeply understand both their host culture and their own culture. We are also looking for host

WILD SPARTANS
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FROGGIN' AROUND - CAREERS IN THE EXOTIC ANIMAL INDUSTRY
WITH ZACH BRINKS
VICE PRESIDENT OF LIVE OPERATIONS, JOSH'S FROGS
November 14 | 6:30 PM EST
Registration required:
<https://events.anr.msu.edu/wildspartans20232024/>

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Wild Spartans Nov 14

Online

You will meet Zach Brinks, Vice President of Live Operations at Josh's Frogs. You'll learn about his work, and the education and career path he followed to get there. Youth will be encouraged to ask questions to learn more through a live Q&A. This free series is open to 4-H and non-4-H youth ages 12-19 years. Monthly sessions will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm EST.

Learn
More

families for incoming
students.

Pre-
Registration
Required

Learn
More

County Calendar

OCT 20

The Business of Baking 4-H SPIN Club

5-7 pm | Cadillac

Full. In this 6-week program, youth ages 12-19 learn to bake various goods while calculating costs along the way. They discuss Michigan Cottage Food Laws and how to sell goods at local markets as their own business.

This SPIN club was offered without cost to participants thanks to a sponsorship from Cadillac Meijer.

OCT 21

Trick or Treat at the Halloween House at Diggins Park

5-7 pm | Cadillac

Wexford 4-H will be one of many participating in the 2nd annual Halloween House of Cadillac's Tricks, Treats, and Tunes Event and Food Drive. Donate 3 non-perishable foods to enter! Contact Kate if you'd like to assist with this event.

OCT 25

Downtown Cadillac Trunk or Treat

4-6 pm | Cadillac

Join us at the Downtown Cadillac Mitchell Street Market Trunk or Treat! Mitchell St will be shut down for increased safety. Kate needs help decorating her little green car! Reach out if you're available.

OCT 29

Tractor Supply Trunk or Treat

2-4 pm | Cadillac

Join the Wexford Whatever's Livestock Club at Tractor Supply for our final Halloween event of the year. Contact Makayla if you'd like to assist with this: 269-394-0563

State Calendar

OCT 23

Volunteer Webinar Series: Helping Youth Find Their Spark



Online

Explore ways 4-H volunteers can help youth find their spark within their 4-H experience. This session will be offered twice for the convenience of volunteers.
12-1 p.m.

session: www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-helping-youth-find-their-spark
7-8 p.m. session: www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-helping-youth-find-their-spark7pm

[Click Here for Full List of Statewide Events](#)

VOLUNTEER WITH WEXFORD 4-H

Your time and talents can make a big impact!

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Now is the time to Volunteer!

Wexford County needs new volunteers to offer exciting program to our youth. **Our clubs work on your schedule and meet as often as you'd like.** We will start you off with a short-term program (6-8 meeting) to see how it works, then can move toward something more permanent, if you choose.

We've also had several parents interested in helping more with clubs. Now is the time to apply so that we can have all hands on deck as we move into fall. Remember, our screening process is for the safety of YOUR children. If you are interacting with any other children that are not yours, we would like you to be screened.

To learn more about volunteering, contact Kate: Kingka26@msu.edu | 231-779-9480

Apply to
Volunteer

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