



Eaton County

# 4-H Family News

August 2019

## Interested in serving with 4-H? Join AmeriCorps!

Do you love working with youth? Interested in science, technology, engineering, arts, and math (STEAM) fields? Join us as a 4-H SPIN Club Coordinator AmeriCorps member!

This half time (20 hours/week) position would serve from October 2019—August 2020 and involves a \$6,966 stipend and an educational award of \$2,960. The AmeriCorps member would be responsible for:

- Planning and organizing 10 4-H SPIN (special interest) clubs with volunteers that focus on STEAM topics and utilize the 4-H SPIN Club guide, planning worksheet, and record of finances
- Engaging between 50 and 60 new youth in 4-H SPIN club programming
- Recruiting, screening, and training 10 volunteers to serve as club leaders, to provide guest programming, or to otherwise support 4-H SPIN Clubs and associated activities.
- Hosting quarterly family engagement nights.

If you are interested and would like to see the full position, view our posting on the Facebook page or email [oosterh6@msu.edu](mailto:oosterh6@msu.edu).

## Upcoming County Meetings and Events:

\*PMR = Public Meeting Room (basement of Extension office); Kardel = Kardel Hall on the Eaton County Fairgrounds\*

- 4-H Council, 8/5, 7pm, PMR
- Jr Livestock Association, 8/12, 7pm, PMR
- Fairboard, 8/19, 7pm, Kardel
- Small Animal Association, 9/5, 7pm, PMR
- Fall Leader Update Meeting, 9/10, 6pm, PMR
- Horse Development Committee, 9/11, 6:30pm, PMR
- County Award Forms DUE, 9/13
- Fairboard, 9/16, 7pm, Kardel

Follow our Google calendar for a calendar layout of events!

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/eaton/eaton county 4 h/4 h events calendar](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/eaton/eaton%20county%204%20h/4%20h%20events%20calendar)

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## 4-H Club Officer Guides



Every successful 4-H club has a good team of officers. But how do you know what your roles and responsibilities are if you've never served as an officer before?

These newly released, free downloadable resources are a great resource for youth elected to leadership positions in their 4-H club. Guides are available for the officer roles of president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and reporter.

Download your "So Your Are an Officer in Your 4-H Club" guides at [https://www.canr.msu.edu/leadership\\_citizenship/so-you-are-an-officer-in-your-4-h-club-series](https://www.canr.msu.edu/leadership_citizenship/so-you-are-an-officer-in-your-4-h-club-series) to learn more about the role your officer position plays in a successful 4-H club.

## 4-H Events and Workshops

### August 6: 4-H Children's Garden Camp Monet

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

This event is for everyone, ages 7 and up. Attendees of the event will have the opportunity to spend three days creating various art projects.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-children-s-garden-camp-monet>

### August 10: 2019 Michigan State 4-H Dog Show

*MSU Pavilion for Agriculture and Livestock Education, Lansing*

This event is for 4-H members to showcase and present their abilities with their dogs. Come and observe the agility, teamwork and showmanship of these members and dogs.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/2019-michigan-state-4-h-dog-show>

### August 12: Super Seed Fun

*Rollins Christian Fellowship Church, Manton*

This event is open to youth, ages 5 to 7, to gain exposure to herbs and plants. The youth will be decorating pots, planting herbs, tasting food flavored with herbs and so much more.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/super-seed-fun>

### August 16: State 4-H Horse Show

*MSU Pavilion for Agriculture and Livestock Education, Lansing*

Come and join us in watching the State 4-H Horse Show that brings together roughly 600 4-H'ers from counties across Michigan.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/state-4-h-horse-show>

### August 19: 4-H Day Camp Summer 2019

*Max Thompson Family Resource Center, Warren*

This event is open for youth ages 5-12. Youth will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities in the area of STEAM and healthy living.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-day-camp-summer-2019>

### September 3: Welcome Back MSU 4-H Alumni Reception

*Morrill Hall of Agriculture, East Lansing*

Join MSU Extension for the third annual Welcome Back MSU 4-H Alumni Reception. Pizza and pop will be provided for participants and MSU Extension staff will be on hand to interact with attendees.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-welcome-week-4-h-alumni-reception>

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to <http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events>.



## Michigan 4-H recognizes true leaders with 4-H State Awards

Nearly 100 outstanding Michigan 4-H members gathered on the campus of Michigan State University (MSU) June 20, to celebrate their accomplishments through the Michigan 4-H State Awards Recognition program. During the event, 32 youth received Michigan 4-H State Awards, the highest honor bestowed on Michigan 4-H members.

Hosted by Michigan State University Extension, the awards ceremony was held at the Huntington Club at Spartan Stadium. Michigan 4-H State Awards were presented in 20 award categories that showcase the diverse array of 4-H knowledge, skills and experience. Recipients of the 2019 awards are:

- **Beef Science:** Riley Wallace of Sanilac County (junior) and Andy Rambadt of St. Joseph County (senior).
- **Bird and Poultry Science:** Rhea Lyn Waycaster of Washtenaw County (junior) and Hunter Delahanty of Grand Traverse County (senior)
- **Civic Engagement:** Ella Kritzman of Sanilac County (junior).
- **Companion Animal Science:** Darlene Mattson of Berrien County (senior).
- **Consumer and Family Science:** Devyn Lusardi of Menominee County (junior).
- **Dairy Science:** Irene Nielson of Ingham County (junior) and Miriam Cook of Clinton County (senior).
- **Environmental and Earth Science:** Amanda Towne of Van Buren County (senior).
- **Equine Science:** Cody Skinner of Mecosta County (junior) and Carley Bullinger of Ingham County (senior).
- **Food, Nutrition, Health Fitness:** Jaydyn Lusardi of Menominee County (junior) and Abby McNamara of St. Joseph County (senior).
- **Gardening and Horticulture:** Parker Johnson of Menominee County (junior).
- **Goat Science:** Bryant Janetzke of Ionia County (junior) and Jacie King of St. Joseph County (senior).
- **Leadership and Service:** Micaela Gerborkoff of Houghton County (junior) and Grace Schmidt of Livingston County (senior).
- **Personal Development and Workforce Development:** Khamani Potts of Oakland County (junior).
- **Rabbit and Cavy Science:** Gwyneth Glombowski of St. Clair County (junior) and Sydney Gladding of Kent County (senior).
- **Sheep Science:** Emma Tebo of Menominee County (junior) and R. Levi Couch of Monroe County (senior).
- **Shooting Sports:** Justin Yarger of Monroe County (junior) and Katherine Erickson of Dickinson County (senior).
- **STEM:** Alexis Fisher of Monroe County (junior) and Joel Basar of Washtenaw County (senior).
- **Swine Science:** Rachel Eggleston (junior) and Emily Mead (senior) of St. Joseph County.
- **Visual, Performing and Expressive Arts:** Blake Towne of Van Buren County (junior) and Brittany Perry of Kent County (senior).
- **Group Award:** North Branch Finish Line Swine Club; Natasha Bickel, Isaac Conley, Ian Conley and Jonah Haskins of Lapeer County.

In addition to a physical award, each 4-H State Award winner in the senior division also receives a \$200 cash award; junior winners receive \$50 cash awards. These awards are made possible by the generous donations of the Michigan 4-H State Award Recognition program sponsors: Reyes Adent Family Foundation, Battle Creek Kennel Club, Branch County 4-H Leaders' Council, Thomas H. Cobb Shooting Sports Fund, Ingham County 4-H Council, Kent County 4-H Council, Lapeer County 4-H Council, Menominee County 4-H Foundation, Michigan Cattlemen's Association, Michigan Pork Producers, Michigan Rabbit Breeders Association, Michigan Sheep Producers Association, Monroe County 4-H Council, Shiawassee County 4-H Council, Richard J. and Mary Ann Sullivan Dunn Memorial Endowment Fund, United Dairy Industry of Michigan, Van Buren County 4-H Leaders Association, Washtenaw County Livestock and Dairy Committee, Howard Zindel Memorial Endowment Fund and other contributors.

## Welcome Back MSU 4-H Alumni Reception



Are you a new or returning Michigan State University student? Come join MSU Extension on September 3, for the third annual Welcome Back MSU 4-H Alumni Reception. The reception will last from 5:30 —7:00 p.m..

Come for your chance to interact with other 4-H alumni and enjoy a free dinner of pizza and pop! MSU Extension staff will be on hand as well.

For more information visit, <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-welcome-week-4-h-alumni-reception>.

### **Discover Your Roots Genealogy SPIN Club**

Details: Tuesdays, August 6—August 27 from 4:00 p.m.—5:30 p.m. at the Charlotte Community Library

For youth ages 7—19 as of January 1, 2019. Have you ever wondered where your family came from or how YOUR family wound up HERE? Do you like history and enjoy hearing old stories from your relatives about when they were your age? Come discover your family history in this short, four week long club! Participants will learn about genealogy and the process of exploring ancestry and lineages with the President of the Eaton County Genealogical Society, Mr. Jim Kendall. Cost to join 4-H is \$20 (checks made payable to Michigan State University); free to youth already enrolled in 4-H. Sign up in 4-H Online and choose “SPIN Club Discover Your Roots” or RSVP your spot by calling 517-543-2310 or email [raukaitl@msu.edu](mailto:raukaitl@msu.edu).

### **Kids Cooking Club at ALIVE**

Details: Monday—Thursday, August 12—August 15, 11:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. in the RELISH Space at ALIVE in Charlotte

For youth ages 7—14 as of January 1, 2019. Are you interested in learning about the art of cooking? Want to gain some basic kitchen skills through hands-on experiences? Join the Kids Cooking Club! During this short club, participants will learn basic cooking skills, put those skills to the test to bring together dishes, and learn about making healthy and nutritious food choices. Kids will also have the opportunity to use freshly grown ingredients from HARVEST, the community garden at ALIVE. Come learn a skill that will last a lifetime! Total cost to join the club is \$35 for youth new to 4-H or \$15 for youth already enrolled (checks made payable to Michigan State University). Sign up in 4-H Online in the “SPIN Club ALIVE Kids Cooking Club” or RSVP your spot by calling 517-543-2310 or email [raukaitl@msu.edu](mailto:raukaitl@msu.edu).

### **Fall Leader Update Meeting**

Details: Tuesday, September 10, at 6:00 p.m. in the PMR

The Fall Leader Update Meeting covers reenrollment, year end finances, and other 4-H updates. It is important that all clubs have at least one registered 4-H volunteer present at these meetings (open to all to attend). If nobody from your club can make this meeting, please contact Kristy beforehand to set up an alternative time to meet.

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### 4-H Council Corner

- Next meeting: 8/5 at 7 p.m. in the PMR.
- 4-H Council is sponsoring each club to purchase up to \$50 per club of 4-H curricula for club use! You can view prices and curricula types at [https://www.canr.msu.edu/eaton/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h\\_club\\_resources/](https://www.canr.msu.edu/eaton/eaton_county_4_h/eaton_county_4_h_club_resources/) (scroll down to “Resources available for club use” and look under “Resource books”). Copies of each curricula are also available at the Extension office if you wish to see the curricula prior to deciding what the club would like to buy (Extension office copies are also available for check out or purchase depending on the curricula). Please contact the Extension office with which curricula your club would wish to purchase!
- **COUNTY AWARDS:** Don't forget to fill out awards forms, due September 13! Award forms are available at [https://www.canr.msu.edu/eaton/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h\\_associations\\_and\\_committees/4\\_h\\_advisory\\_council#awards](https://www.canr.msu.edu/eaton/eaton_county_4_h/eaton_county_4_h_associations_and_committees/4_h_advisory_council#awards)

### Jr Livestock Association Corner

- Next meeting: 8/12 at 7 p.m. in the PMR. All those in beef, sheep, and swine projects are encouraged to attend. This meeting will include a review of the sale, ideas and solutions for moving the sale forward!
- JLA Sale photos are now available! You can download photos from <https://wrphotography93.zenfolio.com/f816610240> . If you have issues downloading them, please bring in a flash drive to the Extension office and we can help!
- JLA Sale and SAA Sale checks should be available mid-August; please watch your email and the county Facebook page for an announcement when they are ready. Sale checks must be picked up from the Extension office; checks are not mailed. For JLA—youth who worked a sale shift (or had a representative) and signed in will be able to pick up their checks a week earlier than those who did not (please wait for the announcement!). Checks not picked up by November 1 will be donated back to the appropriate association.
- As a reminder, thank you cards must be turned in to be mailed (cards must have complete addresses and stamps) or proof of mailing prior to picking up your check. If you need another copy of your thank you list, please contact the office.

### Small Animal Association Corner

- Next meeting: 9/5 at 7 p.m. in the PMR. All those in rabbit/cavy, poultry, and goat projects are encouraged to attend.

### Horse Development Committee Corner

- Next meeting: 9/11 at 6:30 p.m. in the PMR. This meeting will include a discussion of the State 4-H Horse Show delegate selection process.

### 4-H Expansion & Review Committee Corner

- Next meeting: 10/7 at 6 p.m. in the PMR. Open for membership! Please attend if you have a desire to help move our county 4-H program forward and grow! The committee-chosen focus for this year is on increasing the engagement of older teens in the program.

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### Fair board

Next meeting: 8/19 at 7 p.m. at Kardel Hall.

Do you have feedback or changes you would like to see for the 2020 Eaton County Fair? Fairbook changes are due by September 1 to the fair office! Please make sure to contact the superintendent regarding your changes before they are submitted. Change request forms can be found on the fair website at <http://eatoncountyfair.com/pageserver/fair-book> under forms.