



4-H Family News

Monroe County

April 2024



Welcome to the Month of April

Welcome to April! The extension office is hopping with activity 😊. April is one jammed packed month. Make sure your read your Network so you don't miss a thing!

Deadline April 01, 2024... 11:59 pm. Last Chance ...Don't forget to complete your 4-H ENROLLMENT TO SHOW AT Monroe County 2024 FAIR!!!! Link:

<https://v2.4honline.com>

Sincerely,
Chelsea & Jean
4-H Staff



This month's content highlights

- Tom Blanchett Memorial Beef Preview Show April 06, 2024
- Spring Tea April 07, 2024
- YQCA last instructor lead training April 09, 2024, 7:00pm @ Activity Center
- Clinic Dates see Small Animal and JLA pages
- Exploration Days & Slow Spokes Reg. OPEN
- Entrepreneurship program sessions
- Spring Rabbit, Cavy and Pocket Pet Show April 20, 2024
- Ag Day April 26, 2024
- TCS Paper clover

Contribute to the Network
Information or Flyers are due by the 20th of Each Month!

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APRIL

2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
31	01 Last Day to enroll in 4-H online. Deadline Midnight/to be eligible to show at fair. 7pm 4-H Council AC	02 6:00PM Terra Quest Meeting AC	03 6:00pm SET-UP Tom Blanchette Memorial Beef Show 6:30pm Dog Board ELC	04 1:00 Faithful Friends	05	06 Tom Blanchett Memorial Beef Preview Show Fairgrounds
07 12-2pm Spring Tea @ AC	08 7PM Horse & Pony mtg - AC	09 7:00PM YQCA training @ AC Registration Required	10 7:00pm Entrepreneurship Series ELC	11	12	13
14	15 Cat Program 6:30 pm @ AC	16 7:00pm Caprine Council meeting - AC	17 6:30pm Whispering Spirits AC 7pm JLA - ELC 7pm Shooting Sports Mtg. ELC	18 7:00pm Fair Advisory Board Mtg ELC	19	20 8:30AM Spring Rabbit, Cavy and Pocket Pet Show Education Building
21	22	23 Application Required Scholarship Interviews 4:00 to 9:30 ELC	24 7:00 Dairy Board AC 7pm Teen Ambassadors @AC	25 1-7pm Ag Day Setup and Tree Packing AC	26 Ag Day	27 TCS Paper Clover 4/24/2024 to May 05, 2024
28	29	30 7:00 pm Broiler Workshop AC	01 TCS Paper Clover 4/24/2024 to May 05, 2024	02 1:00 Faithful Friends 7:00 pm Pre Fair Leader Mtg	03	04
05	06	07	08	09	10	11

Stay Tuned to Next Months Network



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MAY

2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
28	29	30	01	02	03	04
			6:30pm Dog Board; ELC	1pm Faithful Friends 7pm Pre-Fair AC		
05	06	07	08	09	10	11
	7pm 4-H Council	6pm Terra Quest Meeting; AC	6:30pm Raisinville Wranglers; AC		4-H Horse Show (Leveling Clinic) All Day	9am- 12pm Sheep/Swine Tagging 
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
4-H Horse Show (Leveling Clinic) All Day	7pm Horse and Pony Mtg; AC	7pm Entrepre- neurship Series; ELC	7pm 4-H Gradua- tion AC 7pm JLA; ELC	6:30pm Whispering Spirits AC 7pm Fair Advisory ELC		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	6:30pm Cat Board Mtg; AC	7pm Caprine Council; ELC				
26	27	28	29	30	31	01
	=	7pm SAA; ELC	7pm Teen Ambassa- dor; AC			
02	03	04	05	06	07	08



Small Animal Association News

Poultry Orders to Barbara Siebarth 419-350-9482

Ducks: Order by April 1st \$4, Pickup at Ida Co-op May 2nd

Broilers: Order by April 30th \$2.50, Pickup at Ida Co-op June 13th



Small Animal Clinics 2024

- Spring Rabbit Cavy Pocket Pet April 20 Educational (Far West) Building at 9AM
- Broiler Workshop April 30, @activity center at 7 PM
- Fitting and Showing June 4 SAA building at 6PM

Barn Setup (Date Change) Thursday July 11th, 2024

*** SEE JLA Page for YQCA IN PERSON TRAINING DATES ***



Monroe County 4-H Cat Program

Where do we meet:

4-H Activity Center

When do we meet:

Every 3rd Monday
(February – June, September – November)

Who are welcome to attend:

Every 4-H kid is welcome including Clover Buds

Need more information:

Contact Kim Cramer at
cramergirls09@gmail.com



Dog Program

Meetings are the First
Wednesday of Each Month
6:30 at the Extension Office.
Welcome to all interested in
the Dog Project Area!



Master Stockman Funding Request

April 2024

Re: Small Animal Association Master Stockman Funding

The Small Animal Master Stockman Contest is looking for some help from our clubs this year to continue with this program. The contest was designed to encourage members to learn more about their small animal project by participating in several divisions. The most exciting part of the program is members are awarded with a monetary gift in each small animal category. This program operates on about \$550 per year. This year I'm asking all of our clubs if they could donate a small amount to help out the Master Stockman Contest. Any amount will help! Thank you in advance!

I would also like to send out an invitation to attend one of your club meetings to explain/encourage your members to participate in the Master Stockman Contest this year at the fair. If you're at all interested in the program, please feel free to contact me.

Thank You,
Julie Linn
Superintendent of Small Animal Master Stockman
(734) 735-6809
jjlinn96@gmail.com

Any donations may be sent to:
Small Animal Association/ Master Stockman
c/o Julie Linn
2247 Corkins Road
Carleton, MI 48117





Dog Program



MONROE COUNTY 4-H DOG PROGRAM

Join us today!



CLUBS

Huckleberry Hounds, Milan Easy Riders Paws-R-Us, Snoopy's Friends, & Whispering Spirits.



YOUTH

Kids from Clover Buds (5-7 years old), to aging-out members (19 years old) work together to help each other learn and grow.



LEADERS

Our leaders are dedicated volunteers who have lots of experience. The program would not be possible without their hard work.



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Monroe County 4-H Dog Program



COUNTY 4-H NEWS

SPRING SHOW

Rabbit Cavy Pocket Pet



\$3
PER HEAD

MONROE COUNTY 4-H SMALL ANIMAL
APRIL 20TH 2024 8:30AM CHECK-IN
EDUCATIONAL BUILDING (WEST OF FIRST MERCHANTS
EXPO), MONROE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS



Junior Livestock Association News

**** JLA project areas *** Reminder first time Species showers are required to attend a Clinic for that species or fitting and showing clinic to be eligible to show at fair***

2023-2024 JLA Officers
President: Lindsey Roof
Vice President: Briley Bordine
Secretary: Kennedy Albring
Tresure: Sophie Kreps

New stall fees for 2024 Fair

Sheep & Swine- \$18/ head
Horses & Ponies-\$18/ head
Beef Cattle- \$20/ head
Goats- \$10/ head
Poultry & Rabbits \$8/pen
Dairy Cattle \$5/head



Junior Livestock Association

Tom Blanchette Memorial Beef Show April 06 Anderson Arena

YQCA Training April 9th 7:00 pm @ AC

Sheep and Swine Tagging May 11th 9:00 am to Noon Anderson Arena

*Fitting and Showing Clinic June 4th 6:00 pm Fairgrounds

Barn Set-up July 11th @ 6:00pm

*Reminder first time showers must attend clinic for that species



YQCA Certification



Complete YQCA by June 10, 2024 *PLEASE READ CAREFULLY*****

YQCA Certification

Youth ages 8-19 showing **MARKET** animals (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Poultry, Rabbits) are **required to complete YQCA training by June 10, 2024 to allow review of all completed certifications from June 10 to June 15. YQCA is required each year for market animals to be eligible to show at the Monroe County Fair.**

YQCA two Completion Options:

1. \$3.00 Instructor Led/ in-person training ages 8 to 18

Go to [YQCA - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals \(yqcaprogram.org\)](http://YQCA - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (yqcaprogram.org)). If you created an account last year, log into your account, select a child, select the age and instructor led training. Search Michigan and select the training you wish to register for (Monroe County Instructor led YQCA training). If you are new to YQCA, you will need to first create an account in YQCA. Monroe County instructor led training to be held at the 4-H Activity Center on

YQCA training Feb. 22nd 7:00 pm @ AC (held)

YQCA Training March 7th 7:00 pm @ AC

YQCA Training April 9th 7:00 pm @ AC

***** for instructor led training, Youth must register online at least two days prior to the training. Trainings are on a first come, first serve basis until full. No walk-ins will be accepted on site. All payments must be made in advance through the YQCA website. Youth must complete the pre-test prior to attending the class and then the post-test after the training.**

OR



2. \$12.00 **Web based training** Go to [YQCA - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals \(yqcaprogram.org\)](http://YQCA - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (yqcaprogram.org)) and log in using the account you created last year, if you are new to YQCA you will need to create an account.

After logging in, you will need to select the correct YQCA class depending on age.

Youth can complete the course online each module takes 15-20 minutes with there is a total of five (5) modules.

*19 year olds must take online course

*****Once YQCA is Completed youth must provide a copy of certificate to the extension office!**

Options to submit: electronically at <https://bit.ly/YQCA2024> (preferred) or hand deliver a copy to extension office. ***



Clickable Links:

- YQCA Instructor Led training [Help Documents](#)
- "help video" specifically for students enrolling in instructor-led trainings <https://youtu.be/wZHW2qtMIOc>
- YQCA Web-based [Help Documents](#)



Dairy Board



Congratulations 2024 Dairy Board Officers

President: Isaac Haws

Vice President: Alex Haws

Secretary: Kylee Buchanan

Treasure: Mason Eagle

JLA rep./ Historian: Lauren Mathe

Important Dates

4/24/2024 7:00pm Dairy Board Meeting @ Extension office

6/4/2024 7:00pm Fitting and Showing Clinic @ Fairgrounds/ Dairy Barn Lot D

6/30/2024 Milk Sale Deadline

7/11/2024 Buyer letters

Tractor Supply Paper Clover Campaign April 24, 2024 to May 05, 2024



Help 4-H empower tomorrow's leaders with our Paper Clover Fundraiser

In-store or online

Partnership

Tractor Supply proudly began our partnership with 4-H in 2010 and we have since helped raise over \$14 million through our Paper Clover fundraisers. The success of these campaigns has impacted over 69,000 students by providing them with hands-on learning experiences through projects in STEM, agriculture, healthy living, and civic engagement.

100% of funds raised through our two Paper Clover fundraisers directly benefit 4-H and the kids and teens they work with - 90% of donations directly support 4-H youth in the state it was raised, and the remaining 10% supports national 4-H programming

Visit 3 store locations to Support Monroe County 4-H

- Dundee
- Monroe
- Lambertville



Horse and Pony News



Reminder to schedule your Vet appointments early to gain your Coggins Test and Rabies vaccination both are **required** to show at Monroe County 4-H horse Shows and Monroe County 4-H Fair.

Horse and Pony info
Main communication through Facebook: Monroe County 4-H Horse and Pony Members Only and Monthly meetings 2nd Monday of the month 7:00 pm Activity Center (Except Dec & Aug)

H&P has mandatory meetings and volunteer hours make sure you are meeting the requirements

4-H Important Dates

Save The Dates

- Next Meeting April 8th, 2024
- Agriculture Awareness Day- April 26, 2024
- Leveling Clinic- May 10-12, 2024
- State Point Show- June 7-9, 2024
- State Point Show- June 21-23, 2024
- Barn Setup- July 11, 2024

New program introduction

Attention youth! Have you ever wanted to learn to train your own yearling? Now is your chance. A few mini yearlings are available for a new pilot program in Monroe!

Youth age 12 and over can apply to be provided a mini yearling at no upfront cost to show in special classes at the open shows and at fair.

Back in the day there was a program that did this with standardbred yearlings.

The mini would be leased to the youth from the end of April until after fair (or state show). Youth care for and train the yearling during this time, then compete and gain points for an overall prize at fair.

If you're interested, please send me a message for additional details. Not all youth that apply will be selected as there is a limited amount of available minis.

Hippology meeting Dates, times and location

4/13/2024 Horse Judging Contest MSU

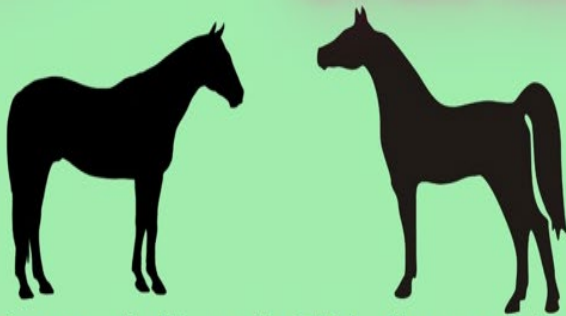
The Hippology Team meetings are open to any 4H member who wants to learn more about horses. It is considered a horseless project. We will be covering many different subjects preparing for the upcoming State educational Hippology and Horse Judging contests.



Horse Judging Registration

Contact Office or Elizabeth Kotus for horse judging support

REGISTRATION
OPEN NOW!



Michigan 4-H and FFA Horse Judging
State Contest

Where: MSU Pavilion for Ag and
Livestock Education

When: Saturday April 13th at 9am

Who should register: Any 4-H or FFA
Member interested in Horse Judging!



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2024 Michigan 4-H and
FFA Horse Judging
Contest!

Where: MSU Pavilion for
Agriculture and
Livestock Education

When: Saturday April
13th

Who should attend: Any
youth on a Horse judging
team or youth who are
interested in Horse
Evaluation and public
speaking

Link to register:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-and-ffa-state-horse-judging-contest>

***Please note that
coaches must fill out the
Qualtrics link that is on
the registration as well,
this is very important for
preparation for scoring
during the contest.



Volunteer/ Club/ Leader Corner

4-H online Enrolments **Deadline April 01, 2024** to enroll and be eligible to show at 2024 Monroe County fair

Deadline April 01, 2024... 11:59 pm. Last Chance ...Don't forget to complete your 4-H ENROLLMENT TO SHOW AT Monroe County 2024 FAIR!!!!



Link: <https://v2.4honline.com>

Thank you to those that completed enrollments early.

Still have 24 incomplete enrollments and other youth not enrolled.

Currently enrolled

Club Members 1,021

Cloverbuds 225 Exceeded last years

4-H online link: <https://v2.4honline.com>

How to Video create New Family profile: [4-H Online 2.0 Creating A New Family Profile - 4-H \(msu.edu\)](#)

How to Video enrollment Existing families: [4-H Online 2.0 Existing Family Profiles - 4-H \(msu.edu\)](#)

4-H online family guide: [4-H Online 2.0 Family Guide - 4-H \(msu.edu\)](#)



Club leaders click here for directions on how to pull your Rosters

[Directions on how to pull club rosters](#)



Fair Superintendents

Attention

calling all

2024

Fair Superintendents

Superintendent contracts will be emailed
the first week in April
Please sign and return your contract by
May 2nd

Looking forward to another successful fair
and appreciate all that you do as a
superintendent!





Pre-Fair Meeting

Club Leaders



Pre-fair Meeting scheduled for May 02, 2024 7pm @ AC

LEADERS ALL CLUBS MUST BE REPRESENTED AND STAY FOR THE FULL MEETING.

Fair Paperwork turn in June 17th 1pm to 7 pm in the AC. All fair paperwork will be turned in at stations in the AC.

Kitchen and Guard Duty

*** We can Not do it with out you! Importance of Kitchen and Guard Duty

Thank you for the time, commitment, and leadership you provide for our 4-H youth. Your time and effort is greatly appreciated.

All Clubs are assigned a specific time and number of volunteers to be provided for their time slot. Working in the kitchen is a big responsibility and requires a great deal of care toward safety. **All Adult Volunteers for Kitchen Duty are required to be Gold or Silver level approved volunteers with the 4-H Program. 4-H members 16 or older may also volunteer.**

All Clubs are assigned a specific time and volunteers are to be provided for their respective time slot. Our 4-H youth create wonderful projects that the spectators are very tempted to pick-up or touch in order to get a "closer look". We appreciate the public's admiration of the projects but we want to keep them from possibly being damaged or stolen! **The volunteer guards** must be able to keep focused on their task at hand and deal cordially and responsibly with the variety of visitors to our buildings. Therefore, to gain the respect from the spectators, **ALL VOLUNTEER WORKERS SHOULD BE ADULTS!**

Point of Contact for Guard Duty and Kitchen Duty Patti Wartinger at pattiwartinger@gmail.com or by phone at 734-777-0493

Thank you to Patti for all you do in scheduling shifts!



Volunteer/ Club/ Leader Corner

VOLUNTEER CORNER Our Program can not run without you

Thank you for answering our call SILVER LEVEL VOLUNTEERS

Monroe County 4-H uses silver volunteers in the kitchen, guard duty in the static project areas and limited other areas.

We now have 264 silver volunteers doubling our number from last year

Steps to become an MSU Extension silver volunteer

- Complete a profile application using below link

<https://msu.samaritan.com>

- Sign 2 waivers 1) Background check 2) Code of Conduct, medical and media releases
Sometimes there is a delay in between loading clicking the refresh button helps.

***If you need assistance with becoming a Silver Volunteer, please contact Jean (734) 240-3188

Gold Level Volunteer

We are at 541 active gold level volunteers

Are you still showing as pending Gold or Silver? Please contact Jean for assistance to complete the Volunteer Selection Process.

Tuesday, December 19, 2023 -Recording

What is Club Development? Where are club resources on the website? Discuss needs of counties across the state related to club development.

Tuesday, January 23, 2024 -Recording

How to help a 4-H Club stay healthy?

Exploring [4-H Club Development website](#) and Resources.

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 -Recording

What are ways to maintain positive club engagement?

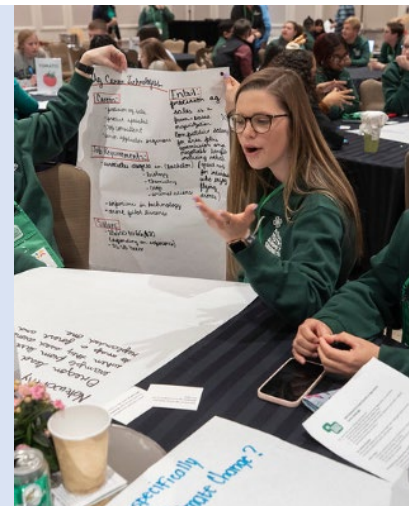
Strategies for promoting opportunities within clubs

SAVE THE DATE!! Club 101 is coming on Tuesday, April 23rd at 1:00 pm (ZOOM)



Tools for Building Strong Clubs Activities and recreation are tools that can strengthen an already energetic program or revitalize one that is lagging. VanWinkle, Davis, Skubinna and Larwood (2005) define recreation as “games, skits, parties, songs, camping, hikes and refreshments.” They suggest that recreation – which can occur at any time – is important because it allows participants to (a) feel a sense of belonging, (b) become acquainted, (c) practice cooperation, (d) develop leadership skills and (e) release excess energy. In particular, they suggest using the following ideas for helping to build a strong 4-H club: (click link)

[Tools for Building Strong Clubs - 4-H Club Development \(msu.edu\)](#)



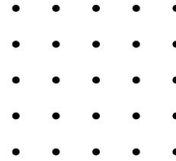


ENTREPRENEURSHIP SERIES SPONSORED BY FIRST MERCHANTS BANK

REQUIRED FOR FIRST EVER FAIR STATIC (CRAFT) SILENT AUCTION



First Merchants Bank
Helping you prosper



BUSINESS START UP SCHOLARSHIPS MAY BE AVAILABLE FOR YOUTH THAT COMPLETE THE SERIES!

What this mean for you:

1. Attend a session
2. Complete a record book for static or animal project
3. Enter both your record book in static project entrepreneurs hip or the appropriate animal record book area
4. Enter your projects at the appropriate time
5. Receive an add-on from First Merchants Bank!!

WHAT TO EXPECT!

Ever thought about owning your own business or selling your Fair Projects you work so hard on? The Entrepreneurship Series is a great opportunity to try on a future of business ownership with fun filled challenges and activities!

- Product or Service Development
- Building a Business Plan & Budget
- Branding & Advertising
- Guest Speaker Entrepreneurs

**MON, MARCH 11TH 7PM
WED, APRIL 10TH 7PM
TUES, MAY 14TH 7 PM
SUN, JUNE 2ND 6PM**

**AT ACTIVITY CENTER
MONROE COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS
RAISINVILLE ENTERANCE**





SLOW SPOKES 2024

JUNE 16TH - JUNE 18TH
MAYBEE MI TO MSU

REGISTRATION
OPEN



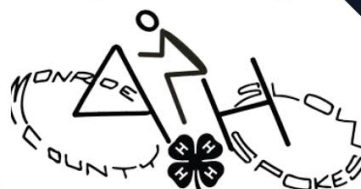
From Monroe County to MSU Exploration Days, 4-Hers are challenged with 120 miles of biking. Since 1972 groups of teens have went beyond the traditional to have the most fun challenge of a lifetime!

Most Memorable: Friendships, Swimming in the Lake, Picnic, Games, Awards Night, Adult Leaders, Biking Big Bertha

“On the bike trip we played volleyball, card games, swam at the lake and many more activities. When we arrived at Michigan State for Exploration Days, I had already knew so many people from my county and didn’t feel awkward as I did last year. ... Overall, the bike trip and Exploration Days have helped me to create amazing friendships with people in my county!” -Corinna Aulph

CHALLENGE
ACCEPTED

Since 1972



Monroe County
4H Slow Spokes



YOU'VE FOUND YOUR PLACE NOW LET'S GROW!



Exploration Days is a Great Opportunity for Teenage Youth to Experience MSU's Campus and learn about new project areas!
Registration Opened March 25th!!

[Link](#) to Register For More Info Contact Chelsea butle301@msu.edu



Tom Blanchett Memorial Beef Preview Show

<https://showman.app/shows#/blanchett-beef-preview-show>



**SATURDAY
APRIL 6 @ 11 AM**

**MONROE, MICHIGAN
MONROE CO. FAIR GROUNDS
JUDGE: JEFF MILLER**

**DAY-OF CHECK IN 6-8:30 AM
FRI. APRIL 5 WEIGH IN 6-8 PM**

MARKET PAYOUT

GRAND	500
RESERVE	400
THIRD	300
FOURTH	200
FIFTH	100

HEIFER PAYOUT

GRAND	250
RESERVE	200
THIRD	150
FOURTH	100
FIFTH	50

REGISTRATION FEES

\$50 BEFORE MARCH 15

\$100 DAY OF SHOW

\$5 SHOWMANSHIP
PEEWEE AVAILABLE

SHOW CONTACTS

STACY 734.755.8455

AMANDA 734.755.7222

**REGISTER BY
MARCH 15 FOR
A FREE SHIRT**



VISIT US ON FACEBOOK



4-H Graduation



Scholarships [\(link\)](#)

2024
MONROE COUNTY
4-H SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATIONS
ARE OPEN

- APPLY BY**
April 17th 2024
- INTERVIEWS INPERSON & ZOOM**
April 23rd 2024
- RECOGNIZED & AWARDED**
4-H Graduation & JAN 25

FOR MORE INFORMATION
 butle301@msu.edu
 734-240-3174

<https://bit.ly/4HScholar24>



Agriculture Awareness Day



APRIL 26TH, 2024
MONROE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Sponsors needed please request a sponsor packet for this worthy tax-deductible donation opportunity!

Call for Presenters: [Clickable Link Here](#)

Call for Teen Tour Guides: [Clickable Link Here](#)

Call for Volunteers

- Help needed 4/24 7-8pm packing Ag Day take home bags
- Help needed 4/25 1-7pm for Ag Day Set-Up and Tree Packing



CALLING ALL

CUSTER DISTRICT YOUTH MEMBERS

Custer District is offering a \$25.00 4-H Exploration Days Scholarship to Custer District members who send a brief description of how they participated in Monroe County 4-H in 2023 by May 2nd

SEND DESCRIPTION TO:

Michelle McLaughlin at
michelleduffey@hotmail.com



Call 734-740-7114 with any questions



Fair Kitchen Leaders Needed



The Monroe County 4-H Council Fair Committee is looking for fair week kitchen leaders. Anyone interested in either a head cook or a daily sponsor/caterer for a main meat dish, please see below. We do have a Kitchen Manager and a lead for handling the grill side (need assistants for various shifts). And we can always use a clean-up crew leader.

We are planning to have a reduced menu compared to last year so that we can cut down on the number of club volunteers needed in the kitchen, but still plan to have a daily special meal along with grill items.

Head Cook 4-H Activity Center

General Job Description:

To manage Activity Center Kitchen breakfast and main meals, working with Kitchen Manager.

Knowledgeable on cooking large quantities.

Willing to put in long hours.

Must be able to work well with people and be able to manage volunteers on a per shift basis.

Serve Monday-Saturday (July 29-August 3, 2024), plus breakfast for Scouts on Sunday (Aug. 4).

Minor Duties:

Prep work prior to fair, stocking and set up of kitchen with Kitchen Manager. Meal prep on July 28 and possibly Monday for entertainment.

Qualifications:

Must have Food Safety License.

Must have organizational skills and work well with volunteers.

Able to lift heavy boxes and pans.

Able to be on feet for up to 10-12 hours.

Sponsor/Caterer for Meat Meals

If any restaurant or catering service or other interested party would be willing to supply a meat dish for one or more days of the fair, then we would love to work out how that would look!

Assistants to Kitchen Manager

Helps Kitchen Manager as needed to cover a few various shifts during the week.

Must work well with volunteers and be able to lift heavy boxes and pans.

IF INTERESTED – CONTACT CHELSEA AT THE 4-H OFFICE 734-240-3174 AND SHE WILL FORWARD INFORMATION TO 4-H COUNCIL FAIR COMMITTEE.





STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Support 4-H with the TSC Paper Clover Campaign



From April 24 – May 5, Tractor Supply Company (TSC) customers across the nation will have the opportunity to support 4-H youth by purchasing a \$1 paper clover at checkout, both online and in stores.

Funds raised will support county, state and national 4-H programming. To learn more regarding the campaign, visit www.canr.msu.edu/events/spring-tractor-supply-co-paper-clover-campaign.

March 3-May 4: JOANN 4-H Campaign

Stores across Michigan

While visiting your local JOANN store, you can support 4-H by adding a donation or rounding up at checkout.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/joann-s-clover-for-kids-campaign

April 3: Keeping Your Money Safe

Online

Wondering how to safeguard your hard-earned cash? Whether you're saving for college, planning your next adventure, or simply building a nest egg, it's essential to make informed choices about where you store your money.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/keeping-your-money-safe-4-3>

April 10: Adulting 101 Series - Cover Letter and Resume Writing

Online

By attending this workshop, you can start or improve a resume or cover letter. Gain tips and tricks and be ready to apply for that opportunity!

www.canr.msu.edu/events/resumewriting

April 22: Michigan 4-H Volunteer Webinar - Working with Cloverbuds

Online

Come attend this session to learn and share techniques for working with Cloverbuds (ages 5-7) and project ideas that work well with this age group. This session will be offered twice, once as a daytime option and once as an evening option.

- **12 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-working-with-cloverbuds
- **7 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-working-with-cloverbuds7pm

April 27-28: 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Workshop

Charlevoix Rod and Gun Club, Charlevoix

Learn about Mich. 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. Registration deadline: April 4.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/spring-2024-4-h-shooting-sports-instructor-workshop-for-adults-and-teens

May 8: 4-H and FFA State Meats Judging Contest

East Lansing

By participating, contestants show their ability to evaluate carcasses and identify meats. This contest will include individual and team competition.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-and-ffa-state-meats-judging-contest-2024





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Sign up for the Michigan 4-H Alumni and Supporters Walking Challenge!

Starting May 5, MSU Extension will host a 4-H Alumni & Supporters Walking Challenge, where participants will track their miles walked and compete for a top spot in the contest! Each week, top contestants will win a 4-H swag prize and the county who logs the most miles throughout the whole challenge will earn a \$100 cash prize for their county 4-H program. Random weekly winners will also be chosen amongst registered participants who have actively engaged in the contest during the previous week.

Miles walked/ran will be collected weekly through a Google form; this form will be sent upon completion of the registration. Each week, the top contestants will be based on the number of miles logged from Sunday to Saturday. Individuals will report their miles by Sunday at 11:59 p.m. ET. Submissions received later than Sunday by 11:59 p.m. ET will not be eligible for weekly prizes.

Learn more and register at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-alumni-and-supporters-walking-challenge>.



Michigan 4-H presents Show Your Money Smarts Contest



Join Michigan 4-H for a fun contest leading up to National Financial Literacy Month in April. Expand your knowledge and compete with other youth across Michigan to earn prizes in money management challenges.

Show Your Money Smarts Contest (13-19 years old)

Learn how to keep your money safe in this year's sixth annual online contest. Compete with other youth across the state of Michigan in this 30-question online challenge during the month of April and win prizes. High scoring youth will be entered into a prize drawing to win a \$50 gift card. Start developing good financial habits at a young age and learn how to choose a financial institution that works for you! Learn more at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-money-smarts/show-your-money-smarts-contest>.

Get your tickets for Michigan 4-H Day with the Detroit Tigers!

Join Michigan 4-H and MSU Extension for a fun day at Comerica Park to watch the Detroit Tigers take on the Kansas City Royals on Sunday, April 28. Michigan 4-H will be honored as the Group Charity of the Game. To celebrate, 4-H youth, volunteers, staff, and their families will enjoy a discounted ticket to the game. A portion of every ticket sold on this link will be donated back to Michigan 4-H. Make sure to wear your favorite 4-H gear and support 4-H while enjoying a fun day with the 4-H community.

New this year, Michigan 4-H guests will receive:

- A dual-branded Michigan 4-H and Detroit Tigers hat. Hats are redeemable on gameday in section 332.
- An exclusive pregame on-field opportunity. Timing and logistics of this opportunity will be released within a month of the game date.

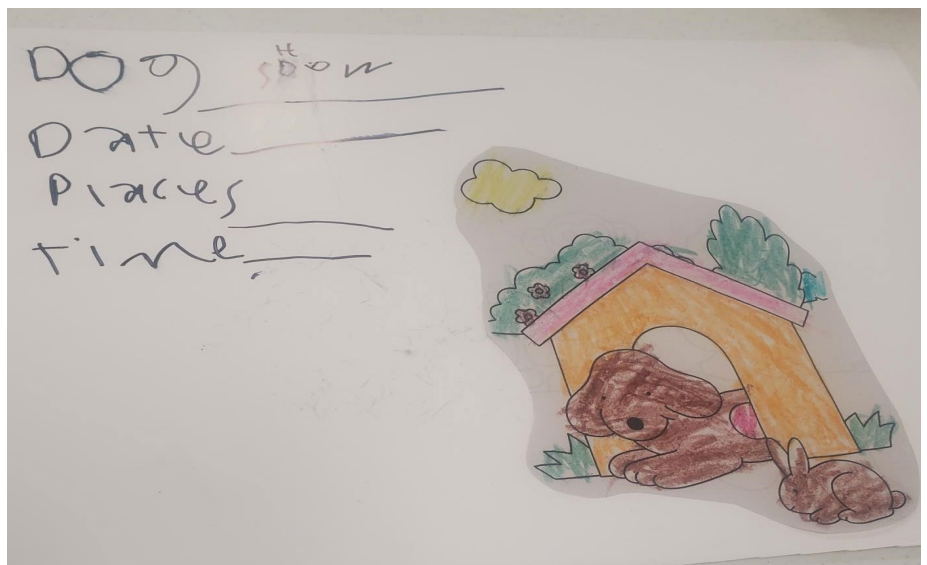
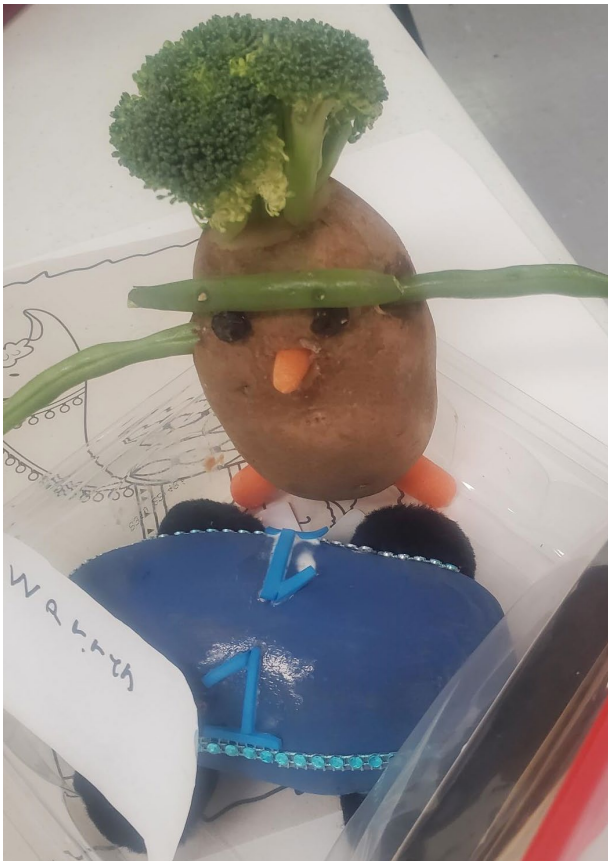
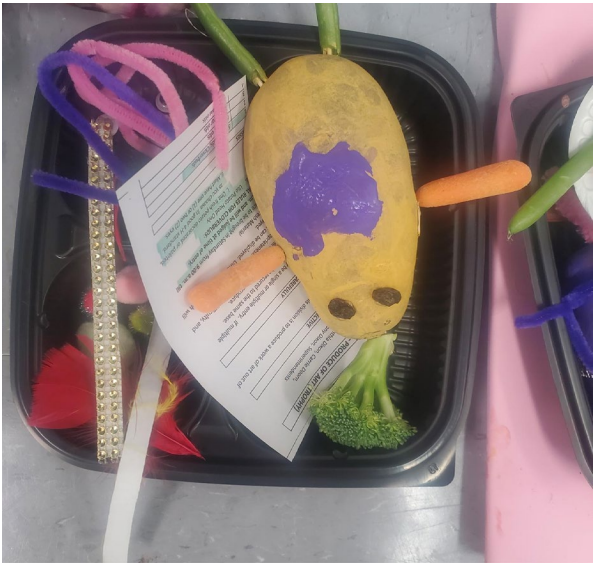
Only tickets purchased through the Michigan 4-H link are eligible for these exclusive opportunities. This year, tickets will be available in a variety of locations throughout the stadium, with prices ranging from \$27 - \$59. Learn more at www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-day-with-the-detroit-tigers.





Recap

Cloverbud expo had 45 Cloverbuds attend





Recap

2024 online Skill-a-thon state Championship

Monroe had 13 youth and 3 adults Participate

Monroe had 3 top 5, 3 top 10, 2 top 15, 2 top 20 and 3 top 25, 1 top 30, 1 top 35 finishes

click link for Video of the 2024 Skill-a-thon Awards [4-H Animal Science Skillathon Awards - MSU MediaSpace](#)

Michigan 4-H Animal Science
2024 SKILLATHON
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Adult Division

1. Jane Somero (Gogebic)
2. Ann Ruotsala (Gogebic)
3. Katina Newberry (Gogebic)
4. Katrina Schneider (Berrien)
- 5-T. Melanie Blaisdell (Monroe)
- 5-T. Elizabeth Kotus (Monroe)
- 5-T. Samantha Reidenbach (Van Buren)

23	Janae	Gomez
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Michigan 4-H Animal Science
2024 SKILLATHON
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
Junior Championship Scoring

12	Sophie	Stanger
30	Briana	Lee

Michigan 4-H Animal Science
2024 SKILLATHON
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Senior Division

1. Jaylee Somero (Gogebic)
2. Caitlynn Pratt (Otsego)
3. Sophia Nielsen (Ingham)
4. Zoe Stanger (Monroe)
5. Alayna Hammerle (Oceana)

6	Elizabeth	Gomez
7	Stellamia	Aerts

Michigan 4-H Animal Science
2024 SKILLATHON
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Novice Championship Scoring

7-T	Lane	Stanger
13	Ben	Winter
18	Ava	Blaisdell
19	Angyl	Bischoff
22	Matt	Winter
23	Sophia	Mason
34	Caden	Williams

Way to Go Everyone! You did a great job! Can't wait till next year!!!

Recap

Mini Expo was attended by 70 youth! Thank you to all the instructors and committee for making this a successful event!





Recap

State Hippology Team



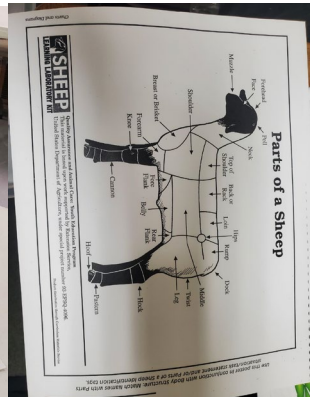
Hippology Team results
Team problem prepared and spontaneous presentation 1st place

Individual awards
Sophia Pizzo 3rd in Slides, 2nd in written exam, 4th place in overall individual scores

Elizabeth Gomez 4th place in Stations

Team: Meyer, Pizzo & Gomez

Clinics Poultry/Swine/Sheep



Fundraisers Spring Garage Sale raised \$1,814.00 Funds help defray fair ribbon Cost



Thank you garage sale committee, donors and patrons!





Fundraiser Caprine Council Easter Photo



Small Animal Clinics



Entrepreneurship

