



4-H Family News

**NATIONAL
4-H WEEK**

October 2024



Welcome to the Month of October

In the spirit of National 4-H week, the Monroe County 4-H Council is encouraging clubs to put up a 4-H themed display in a store window, church, school, or library. Clubs who create a display and submit a picture (Google Link

<https://forms.gle/Mj4cN6NyfA48PiPv8>) with noted location to the 4-H office by October 31st, awards given to clubs that participate. Please be creative. Posters will not be accepted.

****Display should include an advertisement for the Spaghetti Dinner & Auction.****

Thank you to all that continue to help and support us in "Making The Best Better". Chelsea and Jean

We are open Monday-Friday, 9am-12pm and 1pm-4:30pm. However, it is best to call ahead or have an appointment as our work frequently takes us out of the office

This month's content highlights



- 2024-2025 4-H enrollment is open please complete re-enrollments this month
- Banquets Caprine and Horse and Pony
- 2024 Candy Sale GOING GREAT STILL HAVE BOXES TO SELL
- **October 09, 2024 Club and New Families 3rd Annual Meet and Greet**
- Garage sale October 19, 2024
- Youth County Awards application links Deadline Oct 31, 2024
- Nominations Link for Volunteer awards Deadline Oct 31, 2024

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

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OCTOBER 2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
29	30	01	02	03	04	05
		TQ Meeting 6PM; AC		Faithful Friends 12-4PM; AC		
06	07	08	09	10	11	12
October 07- 12th National 4-H Week						
Dog Banquet 6PM; AC	Council 7PM; AC	DAIRY Board Mtg 7pm ELC	Meet & Greet 6-8PM; AC			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Caprine Council Banquet 2PM; AC	Horse & Pony 7PM; AC	Whispering Spirits Mtg 6:30 AC	E.S.I Mtg 7pm; AC Shooting Sports 7pm; AC	Conference Extension Office Closed		Fair Board Garage Sale; 4-H booth in AC
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Trunk or Treat	Cat Board 6:30PM; AC		Entrepreneurship Series 6:30PM; AC JLA 7PM; ELC	FAB MTG 7:00 pm ELC		Legacy Club Mtg AC
27	28	29	30	31	01	02
	SAA 7PM; ELC		TA 6:30 PM; AC	County Award and Volunteer Application Deadline Happy Halloween!		
03	04	05	06	07	08	09



NOVEMBER 2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
27	28	29	30	31	01	02
03	04	05	06	07	08	09
	4-H Council; AC 7PM	TQ; AC 6PM Officer Training 6:30-8:30 AC	Dog Board; ELC 6:30PM RW; Club Mtg. 6:30PM AC	Faithful Friends; AC 12-4PM	Horse and Pony Banquet; AC	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	 Veteran's Day	Spaghetti Dinner Prep				Spaghetti Dinner; AC See flyer for details
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Cat Board; 6:30 AC	Caprine Council; ELC 7pm Entrepreneurship Series: AC 6:30-7:30PM	E.S.I Meeting 7pm; AC JLA; ELC 7PM	Fair Advisory Board Meeting 7:00 ELC	Beef Clinic 6-8pm	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	SAA; ELC 7PM		TA; AC 7PM	 Office closed	Happy Thanksgiving	

Paper Clover
Nov. 29 – Dec. 15

Funds support 4-H camp, scholarships & leadership activities.

TSC TRACTOR SUPPLY CO



Small Animal

- Dog Program Banquet: October 6th 6pm AC
- Cat Program Meeting: October 21st 6:30pm AC
- Next SAA Meeting: October 27th 7pm ELC
- Dog Program Meeting: November 6th 6:30pm ELC



Congratulations!

Small Animal Association

Poultry: Evelyn Huber, Hayven Neddo, Journey Williams, Alanna Ogonowski, and Abbigail Neuhart

Rabbits: Daisy Branham, Morgen Schmidt, Angyl Bischoff, and Emilie Dicken

Cavies & Pocket Pets: Samanth Gibson and Brandon Fisher

Adult: Tammy Schmidt



Save the Date

What: MCDP 4-H Dog Banquet

When: Sunday, October 6th, 2024

Where: Activity Center @ the Fairgrounds

Time: 6pm

RSVP: The Banquet Committee by Friday, September, 27th.
 Email: malinda.hohendorf@gmail.com
 Text: 419-297-5119

We will also be taking final nominations for officers followed by voting in the new board. If you would like to help grow the program, please consider running for office.

Officers commit to attend monthly meetings. Please join us for a fun evening of food, games, and prizes!



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)

Upcoming Meetings: September 16th, October 21st, November 18th, February 17th, March 17th, April 21st, May 19th, June 16th

Requirements: Each child needs to attend at least 3 meetings with their cat(s) and work with them at the meeting. **NOTE:** We do not bring cats to every meeting. Watch Facebook page for meeting information.

Who are welcome to attend:

Every 4-H member including Cloverbuds

Need more information:

Contact Kim Cramer at cramergirls09@gmail.com





Junior Livestock Association News

Next Meeting October 23, 2024 ELC 7:00pm

Beef Clinic November 22, 2024 6-8pm

Congratulations



to the newly elected members of the JLA Board

Adults:

Tim Judit
Troy Lievens
Katie Albring

Youth:

Sydney Linn
Sophie Kreps
Kayla Pittman
Lindsey Roof
Brayden Auten
Lilly Motylinski
Ella Fowler
Blake Kuehnlein

Congratulations

2024 Herdsmanship Winners



Beef



1st Place: Progress Seekers
2nd Place: Blue Ribbon Gang
3rd Place: Country Charmers

Swine



1st Place: Barnyard Clovers
2nd Place: Country Critters
3rd Place: Progress Seekers
4th Place: Dundee 4-Hers

Sheep



1st Place: Dundee 4-Hers
2nd Place: Country Critters
3rd Place: Country Charmers



Dairy Board / Goat Board

Dairy Board next meeting **October 08, 2024 7:00pm at Extension office**



Congratulations 2024 Dairy Board Officers

President: Isaac Haws

Vice President: Alex Haws

Secretary: Kylee Buchanan

Treasure: Mason Eagle

JLA rep./ Historian: Lauren Mathe



2024 Caprine Council Banquet
October 13, 2024, 2 PM

Monroe County Fairgrounds
4H Activity Center



Everyone who participated in the
2024 Monroe County Fair Goat Project is
welcome.

Important Dates Caprine Council

Caprine Banquet October 13th 2:00 pm
at the Activity Center



Please bring a dish to pass and
items for door prizes.



Horse and Pony News

4-H Important Dates

- H&P Banquet November 08, 2024, RSVP by Nov 01, 2024 and Submit payment at October meeting
- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScsm43kqTeA1DHWg_3T5lo_UogRqfOZ22k0NsaRIW2GoyA/viewform

Horse and Pony info

Main communication is 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 Aug & Dec)

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

Congratulations to 2024-2025 youth Board

President: Belle Arnold
Vice President: Avery Gillenkirk
Corresponding Secretary: Jacquelyn Calvin
Historian: Kenzie Reed
Web Master: Nora Sheets



2024 HORSE & PONY ANNUAL AWARDS BANQUET

USE THIS LINK TO RESERVE YOUR TICKETS BY NOV 1
[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/YV4HK9S2C25CDATNA](https://forms.gle/YV4HK9S2C25CDATNA)

8th of November 2024 | 6:30 PM

Doors open at 6PM

Location: 4-H Activity Center

3775 S Custer Rd, Monroe, MI 48161

TICKETS FOR ADULTS AND NON-4-H \$10
4-H YOUTH ANY AGE \$5

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AWARDS, A SILENT AUCTION, GAMES AND GOOD TIMES!
CONTACT AMY IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS

517-673-3848

THESTABLEWAY@GMAIL.COM



Hippology Team

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. Reach out to Liz Kotus at Horse and Pony meetings for more information.



National 4-H activities

MONROE COUNTY 4-H

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK

OCTOBER 6TH-12TH 2024

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
<p>SERVICE SUNDAY</p> <p>DO SOMETHING NICE FOR A NEIGHBOR OR A FAMILY MEMBER</p>	<p>MEMBERSHIP MONDAY</p> <p>ENROLL OR RE-ENROLL IN 4-H VISIT: V2.4HONLINE.COM</p>	<p>THROWBACK TUESDAY</p> <p>SHARE A MEMORY OR POST A PHOTO OF A THROWBACK TIME IN 4-H.</p>	<p>WEAR-IT WEDNESDAY</p> <p>WEAR YOUR 4-H GEAR FOR THE DAY AND SHARE A PHOTO! HAVE A CLUB TABLE AT THE MEET & GREET</p>	<p>THANKFUL THURSDAY</p> <p>THANK A 4-H VOLUNTEER, CLUB LEADER, SPONSOR OR JUST SOMEONE WHO HAS SUPPORTED YOU IN 4-H.</p>	<p>FAVORITE PROJECT FRIDAY</p> <p>SHARE OUR FAVORITE 4-H PROJECT.</p>	<p>SHARE INFO SATURDAY</p> <p>SHARE 4-H INFORMATION WITH A FRIEND</p>

FOR MORE INFORMATION VISIT:

[HTTPS://WWW.CANR.MSU.EDU/MONROE/INDEX](https://www.canr.msu.edu/monroe/index)



MONROE COUNTY, MICHIGAN 4-H

MSU EXTENSION OFFICE
734-240-3182

4-H PLEDGE

I pledge my **HEAD** to clearer thinking,
my **HEART** to greater loyalty,
my **HANDS** to larger service,
and my **HEALTH** to better living,
for my club, my community,
my country, and my world.



**4-H Week:
Beyond Ready**





Monroe County 4-H Clubs Meet & Greet

Clubs wishing to participate please RSVP with Jean (734) 240-3199 by October 04, 2024

Invite A Friend!

Welcome A New Club Member!

Welcome!

TO 4-H

WELCOMING NEW FAMILIES TO THE FUN MEET & GREET

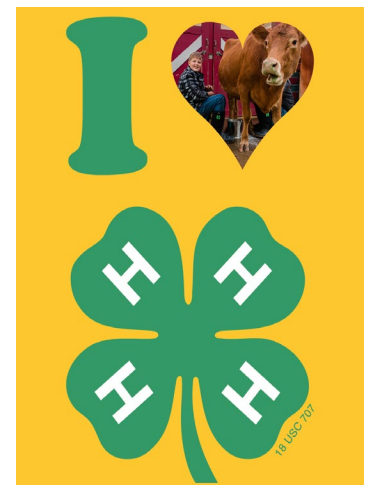
OCTOBER 9TH, 6-8PM @ ACTIVITY CENTER

REQUESTING YOUTH & ADULT LEADERS TO HELP WELCOME & SHARE THEIR CLUB DISPLAYS

Learn How to Join 4-H and Monroe County Clubs that are available

Are you new to 4-H? Trying to find the right club? Looking to learn more about 4-H? Come to our new enrollment Meet and Greet.

Leaders bring club displays and information about your club





Club Fair Theme Contest



2025 Monroe County Fair Theme Contest

Club submissions accepted at

<https://forms.gle/L98ihVguvauHaKjm6>

Submit by October 31, 2024

Fall Garage Sale

GARAGE SALE



OCTOBER 19, 2024

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

4-H ACTIVITY CENTER

Donations will be collected all week with set-up on Thursday (17) and Friday (18). *No clothing or electronics please!* Items not sold will be donated to a local charity at the end of the day. All proceeds shared with the Monroe County Fair to help pay for our fair ribbons!

** Please call Jean at 734-240-3188 or email Debbie at Debbra.kraftchick@utoled.edu with questions or if you can help with set-up, sales or clean up!



CANDY SALE UPDATE

Candy Sale- Is going great need more candy reach out to Club Leader, District Reps or the 4-H office. Let's make this the best sale and break prior sale records!!!! We have till the 25th to sell!



Candy Sale

September 5th– **October 25th**

The 4-H Council has three fundraisers each year, the candy sale, the Spaghetti Dinner and Auction, in addition to the kitchen during Fair week. The annual candy sale, which has received excellent support in the past will begin on September 5th. This popular sale raises funds for the Council, Districts, and Clubs, as well as, offering some nice incentives for individuals.

****Once overall sales reach 300 boxes, each members who sold two boxes of candy will be entered to win a family pack of Kalahari Resort Tickets!**

Members who would like scholarships for Exploration Days must support the Candy Sale and/or the Spaghetti Dinner. The candy will be distributed to leaders at the Post Fair Meeting.

*****Please encourage each youth to sell one box to support the 4-H program *****

DISTRICT CANDY SALE REPS

Thanks for Participating in the Monroe County 4-H Candy Sale!

Airport District-	Amy Harbaugh	734 731-3059	amyr.harbaugh@gmail.com
Bedford District-	Brenda Martin	419-350-7818	dbbcmartin@aol.com
Custer District-	Tina LaPlante	734-735-4108	senator60604@yahoo.com
Dundee District-	Roni Worden	419-779-3499	roniworden@yahoo.com
Candy Chairs	Gary & Bev Koppelman	517-486-3951	koppelmangary@gmail.com



Important Reminders

Fair Premium Check Reminder

Remember to cash your premium checks as soon as you receive it in the mail. **ALL checks must be cashed within 90 Days, otherwise void!**

Leaders, please note checks issued to clubs should be deposited as soon as they arrive. These checks often get tucked away for the next meeting.

Questions should be directed to the Monroe County Fair office:

734-241-5775

Auction Checks

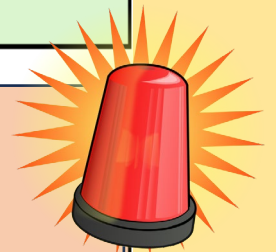
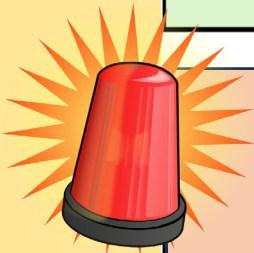
If you will not be attending the JLA Banquet or SAA Banquets, you will need to pick up your check at the

MSU Extension office 963 S Raisinville Road

These payments must be cashed within 60 days or the funds will roll back to JLA/SAA!!

Attention All Leaders

Thank you to everyone who sent in or dropped off their Annual Club Paperwork before the deadline! **Reminder: All Annual Club Paperwork Must be turned in by Oct 1st, 2024**





Enrollment in 4-H online

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

Monroe County 4-H

Kickoff to 2024-25 Enrollment

Our 4-H program year runs September through August each year.

Enroll on September 11th to take part in our year round programs. The best part...it is FREE to join! That's right, NO participation fees!

2024-25 Enrollment begins SEPTEMBER 11th at v2.4honline.com

As always, please contact our office with any questions at 734-240-3188



JOIN TEEN AMBASSADORS!

Follow us on Facebook
Monroe County 4-H
Teen Ambassadors

Teen Ambassadors is looking for new members ready to serve the Monroe County 4H Program!

- ✓ Leadership opportunities
- ✓ Resume building
- ✓ Improving communication skills
- ✓ Community service opportunities
- ✓ Friends that turn into family

JOIN US!



CALL FOR INFO
734-240-3170



Kids Day! Trunk R' Treat

8th Annual Teen Ambassadors Trunk r' Treat and Kid's "All- Star" Day!

THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Costumes are encouraged

4-H Clover Buds – ages 5 to 7

4-H'ers – ages 8 to 10

SUNDAY OCTOBER 20TH 4-5:30-

RAIN OR SHINE

MONROE COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS

ACTIVITY CENTER

PLEASE PARK YOUR CAR IN THE C- LOT OF THE ACTIVITY CENTER IF
YOU WISH TO

PARTICIPATE IN PASSING OUT YUMMY TREATS! IT IS HIGHLY
RECOMMENDED THAT EACH
CLUB PARTICIPATES IN THIS EVENT! THE BEST DECORATED TRUNK
WILL WIN A PRIZE!

SET-UP TIME FOR DECORATING WILL START AT 3PM.



Please contact the Extension Office at 734-240-3182
if your club will be participating.



Sign up for 4-H Zoo Apprentice Camp Today!

Busch Gardens, Tampa FL & SeaWorld, Orlando FL



December 27-31, 2024

Two Camps are open:

4-H Junior Apprentice Camp for youth ages 11-13

4-H Zoo Apprentice Camp 14+

In this experience, the world's largest zoological organization partners with 4-H to offer the opportunity for members to experience one-of-a-kind adventures in Busch Gardens' 335-acre African-themed living classroom and SeaWorld's 200-acre aquatic classroom.

4-H'ers become amateur zookeepers, assist zoo staff behind the scenes, and observe animal care sessions. In this learn-by-doing environment, members explore careers in the animal field and learn about animal conservation all while having fun in the park!

Two Camps are open to all 4-H Members 4-H Junior Zoo Apprentice Camp for youth ages 11-13 & 4-H Zoo Apprentice for youth 14+! Truly a great way to spend winter break!

Registration Link:

<https://extension.missouri.edu/programs/missouri-4-h/4-h-projects-opportunities/4-h-opportunities/4-h-zoo-apprentice-camp>





County Youth and Club Awards



Award Applications

Monroe County has several opportunities to recognize our Youth.

Please use below google links to submit applications, each area has a separate google link.

Deadline for each area is October 31, 2024

County Awards Program

Youth Member- The County Medal program is designed to provide 4-H members with recognition for their project achievements. County Medals are given to signify a job well done, encourage youth to strive for more and to reward youth for successfully overcoming obstacles along the way. Effort, willingness to learn and personal growth experiences are considered desirable qualities for projects. County Medals are awarded in every 4-H project area. Each project area/award medal may be received only once in each age division.

Age Divisions for Awards: 11-14 years (4-H age): County Awards

15-19 years (4-H age): Older Teen Awards

County award application link: <https://forms.gle/YMtT55EtmmbkUiLL9>

Outstanding Club Member

Club Leaders- Did you notice a youth member going above and beyond this past year? We'd like to recognize the effort and achievements of your OUTSTANDING club member!

Link for Club Leaders: <https://forms.gle/zEXTtQ2jANXeDQ716>

Club Award

The application may be completed by one or more 4-H members and volunteers on behalf of the entire group and then submitted. The purpose is designed to assist 4-H clubs or groups report out on their projects or activities. The application should reflect the involvement of 4-H volunteers and youth working as a team toward a common goal.

Club Award link: <https://forms.gle/UNmMKEMTeXHQWz187>

I DARE YOU Award

Anyone can nominate- the I DARE YOU award recognizes youth who stand out to leaders, youth peers and parents. The I Dare You Award is awarded to two youth who have been seen by others as being mentors, who go above and beyond and who demonstrate growth through 4-H.

I DARE YOU AWARD link: <https://forms.gle/KYNVMqc1Kn917Gu7A>

Michigan 4-H Key Club Award

Youth Member is eligible who has:

reached 15 years of age by the beginning of the previous program year (September 1, 2022)

completed 3 years of club work

completed 4-H projects in at least 2 project areas

completed a teen leadership project

participated in 3 county or state 4-H events

Michigan Key Club application link: <https://forms.gle/QzYXgtp5BBnWkBA89>



Volunteer Awards



Volunteer Nominations

Deadline for is October 31, 2024

Anyone Can Nominate Monroe County 4-H would not be as impactful to our community without the dedication of our volunteers and community partners. Please take a moment to nominate a deserving recipient for the categories of

4-H Club Leader of the Year

Meritorious Service Individual

Meritorious Service Business or Organization

Distinguished Alumni

(Please note that individuals can only receive each award once in their career. Past recipients of these awards will not be considered for the 2024-2025 award). Past winners will vote to determine final winners

Volunteer Nomination Link: <https://forms.gle/KQtSrJeu5AUTLupZ8>

**Stay tuned for Leader and Youth Recognition
Banquet Date**



Officer training November 05, 2024

RSVP link

<https://forms.gle/RYzqTk1khgYPxGhe7>



Join Us at Monroe County 4-H

OFFICER ROLES & PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE TRAINING

November 05, 2024, 6:30 to 8:30pm

Held at the Monroe County 4-H Activity Center



Club Officer Resources



[So You Are an Officer in Your 4-H Club: President](#)

PUBLISHED ON JULY 11, 2019

This guide will help you in your role and responsibility as 4-H club president.

[So You Are an Officer in Your 4-H Club: Vice President](#)

PUBLISHED ON JULY 11, 2019

This guide will help you in your role and responsibility as 4-H club vice president.

[So You Are an Officer in Your 4-H Club: Secretary](#)

PUBLISHED ON JULY 11, 2019

This guide will help you in your role and responsibility as 4-H club secretary.



[So You Are an Officer in Your 4-H Club: Treasurer](#)

PUBLISHED ON JULY 11, 2019

This guide will help you in your role and responsibility as 4-H club treasurer.

[So You Are an Officer of Your 4-H Club: Reporter](#)

PUBLISHED ON JULY 11, 2019

This guide will help you in your role and responsibility as 4-H club reporter.





Leader and Volunteer resources

New Updated Financial Manuals

Leaders, please take the time to review updated Financial Manuals. These manuals will answer many of your club questions related to finance.

[Financial Manual for 4-H Volunteers - 4-H Volunteering & Mentoring \(msu.edu\)](#)

[Financial Manual for 4-H Treasurers - 4-H \(msu.edu\)](#)

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Please visit: <https://www.canr.msu.edu/volunteering/mi-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series> for full details on the series and registration links. The descriptions and dates are below:

- 4-H Volunteers' Guide to Parliamentary Procedure: Learn the essentials of parliamentary procedure to effectively manage meetings, ensure fair decision-making, and empower youth leaders.
 - September 18th 12pm-1pm
 - September 18th 7pm-8pm
- Oh the Places 4-H Can Take Youth: Join us to explore the vast array of state and national opportunities that 4-H offers to youth.
 - October 22nd 12pm-1pm
 - October 22nd 7pm- 8pm
- Ways Volunteers Can Spark Big Dreams and Future Career: Explore tools and resources that allow youth to reflect and prepare for the next steps in their career journey
 - November 6th 12pm-1pm
 - November 6th 7pm-8pm
- Positive Youth Development 101: Building Strong Relationships Through Every Stage: Understanding the development of youth is crucial for building strong, positive relationships
 - November 21st 12pm-1pm
 - November 21st 7pm-8pm



Volunteer/ leader Corner

Club leaders click below for directions on how to pull your Rosters!

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

Link to Volunteer Central become a 4-H volunteer

<https://msu.samaritan.com>



Volunteer/ Leader recorded trainings

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 \(msu.edu\)](#)



Airport High School Band Boosters

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★ **Presents** ★

November 2nd & 3rd

Photoshoot from 11 am - 3pm

11330 Grafton Rd.
Carleton Mi. 48117

Christmas Photoshoot FUNDRAISER



ONLY \$25
Miniature Horse "Reindeer"
& Santa



1956 Chevy Pickup Truck
Proceeds Benefit DENIM & DUST 4 H Club

Come Dressed in Your Holiday Best !
Meet Santa & His Mini Horse
" Reindeer "

And Get Your Family's Christmas Photos
Taken with our Incredible RED 1956 Chevy Pickup



ANNUAL MITTEN TREE

Benefiting Monroe County Residents

**Collection of new or gently used hats and gloves
will begin November 8th - December 12th at the
4-H MSU Extension Office
963 Raisinville Rd**



2024
Monroe County 4-H
Spaghetti Dinner & Auction



Gingerbread Kisses & Holiday Wishes

4-H Activity Center @ Monroe County Fairgrounds

Pick a Prize
Bake Sale

Handmade Ornaments
Kids Grab Bags



Dinner 4-7 pm
Silent Auction
4-6:45 pm

Nov.
16

Meal includes:
ALL YOU CAN EAT
SPAGHETTI
Salad, Bread,
Drink & Dessert

Live Auction
7 pm

Adults: \$10
Kids: \$5
(7-12 years)

Public Welcome

All profits benefit youth members of Monroe County 4-H through scholarships, recognition and year-round programming.



Call for clubs to make Ornaments

**ATTENTION
ALL CLUBS,
LEADERS, MEMBERS &
4-H FAMILIES**



**Monroe County 4-H Spaghetti Dinner
Committee needs your HELP!**

**Please help fill the tree with beautiful
handmade ornaments.**

**Your donation will be greatly
appreciated.**



**Arrange ornament drop off
contact**

**Susan Arting 734-649-4117 text
or bring to the
4-H Extension office
by Nov. 12**





STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4-H 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, 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 and access applications materials at: www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_scholarships_and_recognition_program/4_h_scholarships.

October 5-6: MSU Tollgate Pumpkinfest

Tollgate Farm, Novi

Pumpkinfest is a family-friendly event at MSU Tollgate Farm. Enjoy a harvest celebration of wagon rides, u-pick pumpkin patch, cider, donuts, food, music and activities on the farm.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/pumpkinfest-2024

October 6-12: National 4-H Week

Nationwide

For over 100 years, 4-H has inspired families, shaped careers, and impacted communities. During this week, celebrate the impact of 4-H during National 4-H Week.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/national-4-h-week

October 9: Michigan 4-H Day at the Capitol

Heritage Hall, Lansing

An education and awareness event to elevate knowledge of Michigan 4-H with Michigan legislators and to share the impact of its programming across Michigan.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-day-at-the-capitol

October 10: Wild Spartans – From the Desert to the Deep Sea

Online

Join as we take a look into life working with fisheries and wildlife! This month, dive into the depths of the ocean to explore the world of sharks and marine science! Meet researchers, learn about their field work, and the education and career path they've followed to get there.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-monthly-wildlife-fisheries-webinar-series-2024-25

October 23: 4-H Volunteer Webinar - Building Strong Relationships Through Every Stage

Online

Understanding the development of youth is crucial for building strong, positive relationships. In this webinar, explore the key stages of child and youth development and the common characteristics that young people share as they grow. 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-positive-youth-development-101-building-strong-relationships-through-every-stage

7-8 p.m. session: www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-positive-youth-development-101-building-strong-relationships-through-every-stage7pm





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Wild Spartans series is back!

The ever popular 4-H Wild Spartans series is back for a new season! Join 4-H staff as they meet scientists from across MSU Extension, the MSU Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and more!

Follow along as we climb through bogs, peer into bear dens, mist net songbirds, snorkel for fish, or perhaps even tag deer. Meet researchers, learn about their field work, and the education and career path they've followed to get there. Sessions last approximately 30 minutes and will feature 1-2 guest researchers. Following presentations, youth will be encouraged to ask questions to learn more through a live Q&A with scientists.

Suggested audience age is 12-19 years. Viewers are encouraged to watch together with their families. This free series is open to both 4-H members and non-4-H members. Monthly sessions will be held on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. ET, October through March.



Join Us Online
WILD SPARTANS
 MONTHLY WILDLIFE & FISHERIES WEBINAR SERIES
 FOR FAMILIES INTERESTED IN EXPLORING
 SCIENCE * RESEARCH * CAREERS * CONSERVATION
 October-March, 2nd Tuesday of each month | 6:30 PM EST

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For more information and registration, visit www.canr.msu.edu/environmental_outdoor_education/wild-spartans-series.



Join
4-H FUTURE SQUAD
 A virtual 4-H club for youth 12-19 years old focused on life skills for the future

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Join the 4-H Future Squad!

Figuring all this "adulting" out can be hard! If you are a 12-19 year-old youth in Michigan, join 4-H Future Squad in learning more about important life skills for YOUR future.

4-H Future Squad was inspired by Generation Z youth seeking life skill development for a better future for themselves and their peers. This will be the fourth year of the program, which is designed to help youth feel prepared and ready to take on the future and adulthood.

The club will meet twice a month October 2024 through May 2025, virtually through Zoom. Meetings will involve team-building and will cover areas such as money management, career readiness, stress management, goal setting, time management, communication, politics, food safety and basic household tasks.

Club meetings for the 2024-2025 year will take place on a variety of days of the week. Current meeting dates and times will be communicated via e-mail and on the upcoming programs webpage.

"I like the community I've met. We share some similar interests, and it's a great place to discuss topics that are important life skills, in a place with other people that care about learning also."

- 2023-2024 4-H Future Squad member

This club can be your primary or secondary club. For more information and to get registered, visit: www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-future-squad/.



Recap

Small Animal Master Stockman

This program is designed to encourage members to learn more about their livestock project by participating with several projects. Each project entered for competition in the Master Stockman Division is based on the Youth's Small Animal Species. Examples of projects include promotional poster, livestock photography, animal science exhibit, record keeping, poultry judging contest, rabbit breed id, essay writing, demonstrations, power point, showmanship, market or breeder projects. All participants are required to take the written test also.

Participants

This year we had 27 youth participate in the Small Animal Master Stockman Contest.

Jaxson Anderson, Abigail Bash, Lana Bash, Boston Benham, Angyl Bischoff, Jayden Cramer, Daisy Branham, Brandon Fisher, Grace Fredericks, Heaven Frye, Samantha Gibson, John Jlnks, Kennedy Joseph, Emma Lane, Daisy Liesinger, Owen Manwell, Sophia Mason, Lily Masters, Elianna McDowell, Donald Modrzynski, Shannon O'Brien, Sydney Setzler, Ava Smead, Katelyn Voyles, Logan Wells, Scarlett Wells and Ben Winters.

Results

Overall Small Animal Master Stockman Winner Brandon Fisher.

1st Place Rabbits-Boston Benham

2nd Place Rabbits-Logan Wells

1st Place Poultry-Owen Manwell

2nd Place Poultry- Sophia Mason

1st Place Cavy-Brandon Fisher

2nd Place Cavy-Samantha Gibson

1st Place Pocket Pets-Lana Bash

2nd Place Pocket Pets-Shannon O'Brien

1st Place Dogs-Daisy Liesinger

2nd Place Dogs-Katelyn Voyles

1st Place Cats-Abigail Bash

1st Place Cats-Jayden Cramer

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JLA Ice Cream Social





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Small Animal Banquet





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Tri-County Archery Tournament



Sunday September 8, 2024

The Monroe County 4H Shooting Sports Association (SSA) held their annual indoor archery tournament @ the Washtenaw Sportsman's Club in Ypsilanti, MI. We had 4H archers from all over the lower peninsula from these counties: Monroe, Washtenaw, Lenawee, Lapeer and Shiawassee. A total of 17 archers shooting in four different bow divisions from the ages of 9 through 19. This was another great turnout and gave these 4H archers another opportunity for some friendly competition and to meet other like minded 4H'ers from all over the lower part of Michigan. Twenty-two awards were presented along with some great door prizes including gift cards from Lancaster Archery, some really cool 4H swag and other archery related items. Want to join us next year for the 2025 Tri-CAT, keep an eye open for the registration link on Facebook and the 4H Network!!

Interested in getting involved in 4H shooting sports? Come to our next SSA meeting on Wed October 16th @ 7pm at the 4H Extension office and see what we are all about!!!



11am Line

