



March 2024

4-H Family News

Montcalm County



Hello 4-H Families and Volunteers,

We have a lot of information going out in these newsletters, to the club administrative leaders, our Facebook pages, and website, so we encourage everyone to not only read these newsletters, but also follow us and the varying committees on social media, if you use it. We also have a lot of upcoming opportunities and events happening at County and State level, so keep an eye out for those postings and emails.

Let me know if you have any questions, and we'll do our best to guide you to the right source.

Follow us on FB for more updates throughout the month (<https://www.facebook.com/MontcalmCounty4H>)

Sincerely,
Sunni Haglund
4-H Program Coordinator

Montcalm County Committee Meeting times & locations

Fairboard Association | 1st Monday of the month | 7:00 p.m. | Ash Building – Fairgrounds

4-H Dog Committee | 1st Thursday of the month | 6:30 p.m. | Ash Building – Fairgrounds & via zoom
(<https://msu.zoom.us/j/92086229811> passcode: 4Hdog)

4-H Horse Leaders | 2nd Wednesday of the month | 7:00 p.m. | Ash Building – Fairgrounds & via zoom
(<https://msu.zoom.us/j/96502762151> passcode: Horse)

4-H Council | 3rd Monday of the month | 6:30 p.m. | MSUE office & via zoom
(<https://msu.zoom.us/j/95340301576> passcode: Council)

4-H Community Connection Committee (CCC) | 3rd Monday of the month | 7:00 p.m. | via zoom (<https://msu.zoom.us/j/95542684298> passcode: 4HCCC)

4-H Small Animal Committee | 4th Monday of the month | 6:00 p.m. | Ash Building - Fairgrounds

4-H Youth Livestock Committee | 4th Monday of the month | 6:30 p.m. | Ash Building - Fairgrounds

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Committee News

Fair Association (<https://www.facebook.com/MontcalmCountyFairgrounds>) <https://montcalmcountyfairgrounds.com/>

We're looking for more Association members and 4-H Volunteers, to join our various committees and give input, assist in creating new/updating old policies, implementing positive changes, and much more. If you're interested in being more involved, feel free to come to a meeting and let us know. Our next meeting will be March 4th at 7pm at the Ash Building. All are welcome to attend.

Marketing / Events Committee (<https://www.facebook.com/MontcalmCountyFairgrounds>)

We have requested and have received approvals from the fairboard, to move forward with some of the requests that each committee presented to us. We were able to afford most of the requests, due to the large amount of support we have received. So, thank you!

ADA Committee

We are working on upgrades throughout our fairgrounds, to make it more accessible for people with disabilities. We need 4-H'ers help on March 10th from 2pm to 4pm at fairgrounds. We will be tearing down some fence to make ADA improvements to the grandstand area. Bring pliers, gloves, and dress for weather. Many hands make light work.

Advisory Council

https://www.canr.msu.edu/montcalm-county/montcalm_county_4_h/4-h-scholarships

Our next meeting is March 18th at 6:30pm on Zoom. The zoom link is on the 1st page of this newsletter. Feel free to join us! Friday, March 1st, the 4-H'er of the Year and College Scholarship Applications are due to the Extension office.



Committee News

Dog Committee (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1847422928809492>)

The next Dog Committee meeting is March 7th at 6:30pm at the Ash Building. County-wide dog practices will be the 5th and 21st of March, at 6:30pm, in the Ash Building at the Fairgrounds.

Horse Leaders (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/623810004403480>)

We are looking for youth who are interested in being Junior Leaders. If you are interested, let your club leader know, so they can bring your name to our next meeting. Our next meeting will be March 13th at 7pm at the Ash Building

Community Connections (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1847422928809492>)

Are you interested in hearing more about what the 4-H Community Connections Committee does? Check out our flyer on page 13! If you'd like to join our Zoom meetings, our meetings follow the Advisory Council meetings, on the 3rd Monday of the month. The Zoom link is on the first page of this newsletter.

Shooting Sports Update

The first meeting for this new 4-H .22LR rifle club (4-H Precision Seekers) will be April 2, 2024, 6:30pm at the Flat River Conservation Club (300 S Greenville Rd). The meeting will take place on the Rifle side of the road in the building to the right. You must be a member of this new 4-H club to be able to shoot. Please remember you must be at least 12 years old and bring eye and hearing protection. If you have any questions, please contact the leader, Scott Wallace, at scott.wallace.mich@gmail.com or 616-826-6310.

The archery club (Shootin and Showin), will be starting their practices back up shortly. The practices are held at the Central Michigan Sportsman Club (4391 E. Stanton Rd., Stanton). Please reach out to Amanda Moran at 989-287-0979 for more information.



Committee News

Small Animal Committee (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/2021686638080972>)

Our next meeting will be March 25th at 6pm, at the Ash Building. We are hosting a Small Animal Showmanship Workshop from 10am to 4pm on May 18th. The poultry and rabbit portion will be from 10am to 2pm, with a \$10 charge and lunch from 5-Corners Pizza and Deli provided. The goat portion will be from 2-4pm and will be free with no pre-registration required. If you're doing market rabbits, breed your rabbits on or after March 15th for a kindling targeted for April 14th or after.

Youth Livestock Committee

This committee has been doing fundraisers the past few years, to ensure that each youth exhibitor has wood shavings for bedding for the animals. The BIG pile of shavings by the Livestock Arena, has been brought to you for free, from this committee. Our next meeting will be March 25th at 6:30pm, at the Ash Building. If you're a youth exhibitor, we'd love to have you brainstorm ideas with us, and see how we can make some positive changes to continue to make Montcalm County Fair even better.

Montcalm County Fair Association Agricultural Club (Fair Livestock Committee) (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1634532730117422>)

If you're interested in attending a meeting for input or ideas, our next meeting will be March 25th at 7pm, at the Ash Building. Our committee, Youth Livestock and the Small Animal Committee will be working together to put on an Exhibitor Workshop. The first one will be April 20th from 9-11am. The second one will be April 21st from 2-4pm at the Ash Building. This workshop will include information about how the auction runs, how to market yourself and your project, writing a good buyers' letter, and in-person YQCA training (to name a few). If you're a Montcalm County Fair **MARKET** exhibitor and would like to participate, you will need to pre-register on the YQCA website <https://yqcaprogram.org/login/index.php>. If you're not a market exhibitor but would still like to participate in the workshop (it will be very beneficial), you can check in at the door.



2024

Fair Camping

Montcalm County Fairgrounds

For questions, please email
countyfair59@yahoo.com

Make Payments online:

[Camping Information – Montcalm County
Fairgrounds](#)

Sponsored site holders will be receiving a reminder email with this information.

- Sponsored site yearly payment **Due by February 23** (\$200 unless first year)
- Sponsored site installment payments **Due by February 23**.
(\$500 X4 or \$2000 in full)
- If Sponsored site payments are not received your site opens for public.
- Sponsored sites \$2000 in full or 4 installments of \$500. (Form on Website)

Fair Reservations open **March 1st at 8am**.

- Electric Sites \$200
- Rustic Sites \$100

Make Payments online:

[Camping Information — Montcalm County Fairgrounds](#)

Watch for more Fair Camping information on our Website, Facebook page and Text reminder.

For questions, please email countyfair59@yahoo.com.

SIGN UP FAIR FAMILY

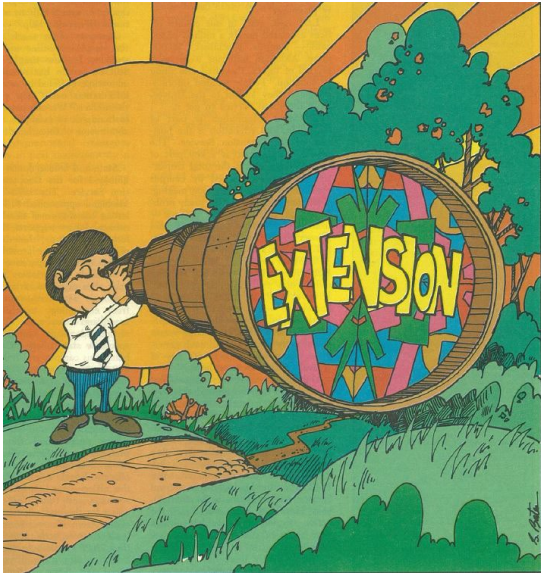
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TEXT @**MONTCALMCO**

TO: **81010**



COUNTY 4-H NEWS



Montcalm County Extension Office 4-H / District 8

(<https://www.facebook.com/MontcalmCounty4H/>) /
(<https://www.facebook.com/District8MSUE>)

Thank you to all the club administrators, for assisting me in getting our semi-annual financial reports submitted. We barely made it by the deadline, but we did – that’s a HUGE win in my book. I appreciate all of you for your hard work and dedication.

Due to the recent change in policy (see page 7), allowing clubs and committees the ability to use a debit card, here is a reminder to all clubs and committees that have a treasury:

Prior to requesting/receiving/utilizing a debit card for your treasury, the administrative leaders must complete training with either myself or Vicki. This is a new policy, so there will be kinks to work through, as we ensure that everyone is using the cards and their accounts as they should. I will be pushing out a new policy for our county, that reflects MSU’s guidelines, to all of our admin leaders within the next week or two.

We’re still in the process of updating multiple resources throughout the website and trying to include all that we can. If you notice something is amiss, missing information or you can’t seem to find something on our page, please let us know as soon as possible so that we can fix it.

If you ever have any comments, suggestions or constructive complaints, I welcome any and all of the above, in order to improve this program and those we serve. Thank you for your continued support!

-Sunni

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MICHIGAN 4-H YOUTH DEVELOPMENT CLUB/GROUP USE OF DEBIT CARDS

The oversight and management of public funds generated in the name of 4-H is of utmost importance. Michigan 4-H Youth Development recommends 4-H club and committees use the best practice of banking with checks. This allows for clear and transparent documentation, as well as the accounting procedure of requiring two signatories for all purchases and expenditures. Because it is recognized that the sole reliance on checks can present unintended barriers and create hardships for making purchases, Michigan 4-H Youth Development will allow the utilization of debit cards for a 4-H club or committee that chooses to assume the risk of doing so and adheres to the following guidelines:

1. Each club or committee may have no more than two (2) debit cards.
2. Each debit card must be issued in the name of the club or committee and an active gold-level volunteer who is listed as a signatory on the club or committee's bank account.
3. The card(s) are to be retained and used solely by the active gold-level volunteers to which they were issued and only for purchases made in accordance with the approved club/committee budget.
4. All purchases/expenses should be approved by the club/committee and documented in minutes. There can be NO personal purchases made with the club/committee debit card.
5. Original receipts must be kept for all purchases.
6. There are to be NO cash advances, including automated teller machine (ATM) withdrawals or cash back withdrawals with purchases.
7. If cash is needed for an event, it must be discussed at a meeting and documented in the meeting minutes. All cash withdrawals MUST be made at the bank with a teller ONLY. This can only be done by the club/committee administrative leader or adult treasurer.
8. The club/committee administrative leader or adult treasurer will need to regularly review bank accounts to monitor transactions. If it appears that a debit card has been compromised, the administrative leader or treasurer must contact the bank immediately to report the incident and immediately notify the county 4-H staff. Debit cards are not covered by the same type of insurance as credit cards. Therefore, it may take up to 90 days to recoup funds. It is possible that funds may be permanently lost if recovery is not possible.
9. It is a privilege for 4-H clubs and committees to have access to a debit card. If it is found to be misused, the ability to retain a debit card may be removed.

It is the responsibility of the administrative leader(s) and adult treasurer to develop a plan for keeping track of purchases, receipts, and bank statements related to club finances from the use of a debit card, just as there is for purchases made with checks. This plan should be documented in writing and included with the Annual Financial Summary Report that is submitted once per year.



COUNTY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Fairboard meets Date: 3/04/2024
- County Wide Dog Practice Date: 3/05/2024
- Dog Committee meets Date: 3/07/2024
- Horse Leaders meet Date: 3/13/2024
- Advisory Council Date: 3/18/2024
- Community Connections meets Date: 3/18/2024
- County Wide Dog Practice Date: 3/21/2024
- Small Animal Committee meets Date: 3/25/2024
- Youth Livestock Committee meets Date: 3/25/2024
- MCFAAC meets Date: 3/25/2024
- Feeder Beef, Goat, Sheep, Prospect Weigh-in/Tagging Date: 4/14/2024
- Exhibitor Workshop Date: 4/20-21/2024
- Final Feeder Beef, Goat, Sheep, Prospect Weigh-in/Tagging Date: 4/26/2024

Times and locations for each 4-H committee meeting can be found on the front page of this newsletter!

Don't forget to visit the Montcalm County Fairgrounds webpage

<https://montcalmcountyfairgrounds.com/>

Other Services Offered:

MSUE Master Gardener Hotline:

1-888-678-3464

The hotline is open weekdays between 9-noon and 1 – 4 p.m.

Select option “1” to speak directly with a gardening expert.

Ask an Expert:

Ask Extension offers one-to-one answers from MSU Extension experts and Extension Master Gardener volunteers on topics such as lawns, gardening, agriculture, nutrition and physical activity, food safety, food preservation, natural resources, community development, youth programming and more!

Ask here:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/outreach/ask-an-expert>





Livestock Market Weigh In Information:



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SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024 AT 6 PM – 8 PM

Feeder Beef, Goat, Sheep, and Prospect Feeder Weigh-in/Tagging Event

Montcalm County Fairgrounds and Events



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FRIDAY, APRIL 26, 2024 AT 6 PM – 8 PM

Final Feeder Beef, Goats, Sheep, and Prospect Feeders Weigh-in/Tagging Event

Montcalm County Fairgrounds and Events



STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Registration is open for 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resource Camp!

4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp is an annual three-time national award-winning camp that mixes summer fun and hands-on science education. The camp will be held July 28 - August 3 on the shores of Lake Esau at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle. This pre-college program is for teens who will be age 13 to 15 during camp.

Campers will increase their science literacy and stewardship as they learn from natural resource experts in fields such as Great Lakes coastal and fisheries management, limnology, wildlife, forestry, geography, geology and environmental education. In addition to hands-on learning, attendees will also enjoy exciting natural resources recreation activities such as kayaking, snorkeling, sailing, fossil hunting, archery, photography and evenings around a campfire. First-time campers also go charter fishing and learn to fillet their catch.

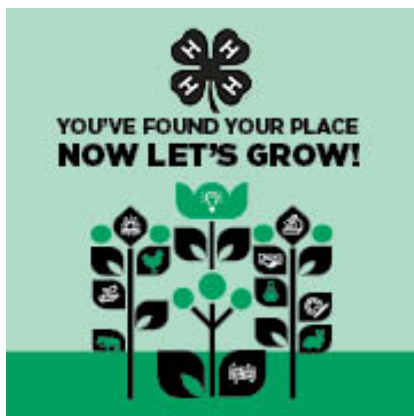


Registration is now open! The registration fee is \$500 and includes six nights of lodging, all meals and snacks, a t-shirt and program and activity costs. Space is limited to 70 campers so register today. For more information and to register, visit www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp/.

4-H Exploration Days registration coming soon!

4-H Exploration Days is Michigan 4-H's largest pre-college program and could be the highlight of your summer—maybe even change your life! This exciting event is open to any Michigan youth ages 12 –19 as of Jan. 1.

4-H Exploration Days, scheduled for June 19-21, is designed to help youth build the skills they need to successfully transition to college and to life as an adult. Michigan 4-H youth who participate have the opportunity to stay in MSU campus residence halls while attending classroom and field trip sessions.



With more than 100 session choices held on and off campus, there are topics for everyone including animal science, business and entrepreneurship, international language and culture, performing and visual arts, and science, engineering, and technology. As youth gain important life skills like decision making, problem solving and communication, they'll also have time for fun with free time activities such as skating, basketball and a dance.

Registration for 4-H Exploration Days will open March 25. The cost for the 2024 event is \$220. Check with your local 4-H program coordinator for additional information regarding county sign-ups and scholarships or visit www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days.

Open your home to a student with the 4-H International Exchange Program!

Making your summer plans? Consider hosting a Japanese youth this summer through the States' 4-H International Exchange Program! Michigan will be hosting 18 Japanese youth and two chaperones. These visitors will quickly become a part of your family for their 3 ½ week stay (the last full week of July to the middle of August) and gain a fun American experience through your exceptional hospitality. In addition, your children will build lifelong friendships and gain new perspectives on their own country, too!

Host families must complete the States' 4-H International Exchange Programs online application, have a youth to match a host brother/sister (within three years of age), be a Michigan 4-H Gold-level volunteer, participate in a family interview as well as a home visit process. For more information contact Jan Brinn at brinn@msu.edu or John Wurm at wurmj@msu.edu.



STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4-H Youth in Action Awards Applications Open



Apply now for the 2025 4-H Youth in Action Awards! Each year, the program recognizes four confident young leaders with diverse backgrounds and unique perspectives in the pillar areas of agriculture, civic engagement, healthy living and STEM.

Winners will have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to share their stories along with unforgettable experiences, celebration on the national stage, recognition in the media and a \$5,000 college scholarship.

This opportunity is open to youth ages 15-19. The deadline to apply is April 1. Learn more and apply at <https://4-h.org/programs/4-h-youth-in-action-program/application/>.

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. The funds donated will support the 4-H program with 50% going back to local 4-H programming and 10% supporting Michigan 4-H.

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

March 12: 4-H Give Green Day

Online

Help us reach our goal of raising \$5,000 in a 24-hour period on Give Green Day to support learning experiences for Michigan 4-H youth.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4h-give-green-day

March 16: Michigan 4-H Hippology Contest

East Lansing

Youth aged 5-19 are eligible to demonstrate their comprehensive equine knowledge and skills in an engaging setting.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-hippology-contest-2024

March 18: Michigan 4-H Volunteer Webinar - Group Management For 4-H Clubs and Groups

Online

Learn and share techniques to support a successful group setting and help spark youth engagement. This series will provide volunteers with a variety of learning opportunities to help them grow as a volunteer and support Michigan 4-H'ers. 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-group-management-for-4-h-clubs-and-groups
- **7 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-group-management-for-4-h-clubs-and-groups7pm

March 19: Keeping Your Money Safe

Online

Join this session to gain insights on researching and evaluating financial institutions (banks and credit unions) to make the best choice for your financial future.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/safemoney

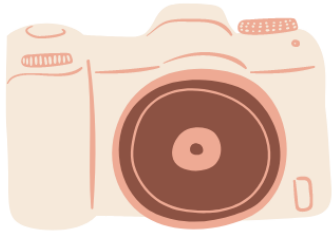
April 28: Michigan 4-H Day with the Detroit Tigers

Comerica Park, Detroit

Watch the Detroit Tigers take on the Kansas City Royals with other 4-H'ers! Michigan 4-H will be the Group Charity of the Game; discounted tickets available with a portion benefitting 4-H.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-day-with-the-detroit-tigers





All of this and more!

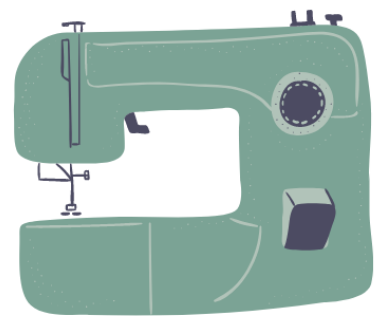
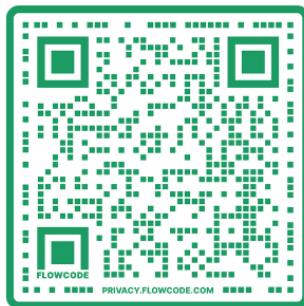


4-H HAS SO MUCH TO OFFER!



To find your local 4-H Program Coordinator, or to learn more about what 4-H can offer you and your family, go to:

https://www.canr.msu.edu/4h/join_4_h



4-H is about more than the ribbons & awards
IT'S ABOUT the PEOPLE, the Experiences, the life-long skills, the memories, the COUNTY FAIRS
IT'S ABOUT being a ROLE MODEL giving back, and MAKING THE BEST BET



MONTCALM COUNTY 4-H COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS COMMITTEE

What we do:

- Community Service Projects / Challenges
- Build / Expand Community Partnerships
- Bridge Gaps for Community Members
- Locate and Provide Needed Resources
- Join Together Surrounding Counties
- Host Events and Activities

Find us on Social Media

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/656549581412123>



4H Sign up/Registration

WHEN: Saturday March 2, 2024

WHERE: Cedar Springs Library

TIME: 10:00am - 11:30am

4H IS FOR YOUTH 5YRS - 18YRS

ARE YOU CURIOUS ABOUT:

GARDENING BUTTERFLIES FARM ANIMALS

HORSES COOKING CAMPING SEWING

WHAT DOES A VETERINARIAN DO? RECYCLING

LEARNING HOW TO DO NEW ARTS & CRAFTS

WHAT ARE FIBER ANIMALS INDIAN FOLKLORE

How to help in your community

AND MUCH, MUCH MORE!!!

COME SEE WHAT 4H HAS TO OFFER

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO

Montcalm County 4H Extension office

Or Curious Clovers 4H Facebook



Youth Livestock Information

Sponsorship



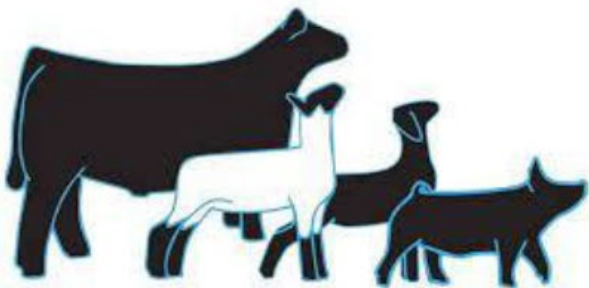
Dear Business Owner,

As a committee we are hoping to raise a goal of \$2,500 to purchase sawdust and new barn fans for the livestock exhibitors for the 2024 Montcalm County Fair held June 23-29. All donation amounts are acceptable and greatly appreciated.

Thank You, Junior Livestock Committee

**Payable to: Montcalm
County Junior
Livestock Committee**

**Send to: MSUE
Montcalm County
Office
PO Box 368
211 W. Main Street
Stanton, Mi 48888**



If you have any
questions text:
Celina Eldridge
Vice President
(989)-304-5460

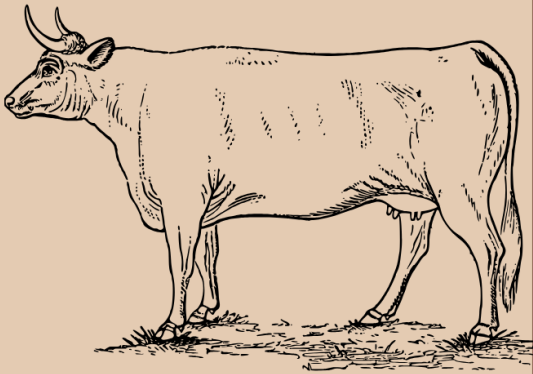
The Youth Livestock Committee wanted to share the sponsorship flyer they've created, to raise funds for various items needed for the fair. Each year, they have successfully fundraised to be able to provide FREE sawdust for all the exhibitor's animals. Their hard work and dedication to this program, has been able to provide a way for each youth exhibitor to save money on bedding during fair, as well as ease their minds on one less thing they must remember to get for fair. This year, they're also raising money for new barn fans in the sheep/dairy barn and the swine/beef barn.

Feel free to share this with local businesses that may be interested in supporting the youth during fair. They are also hoping to see more faces at each of their meetings - the 4th Monday of each month, 6:30pm, at the Ash Building.



Flyers

FFA Beef Raffle



Before people buy tickets remind them that they will pay for the processing!!!

The processing date will be March 20. We will stop selling tickets March 12. The drawing will be March 13 during lunch time.

Winners will decide their cuts and will get 10% off the total if they mention the fundraiser when they call.

The kill fee is \$33.25, The cut and wrap is 70 cents per pound so the range of what people could expect to pay is

\$188.25-\$223.75.

Contact info:

Ashlyn Newell

newella@bas-k12.org

Christina De Graaf

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There will be four winners of a 1/4 beef that will be processed at Jone's Meat Market.



Flyers

Michigan 4-H Horse Program

2024 Year-at-a- Glance

**February 2nd & 3rd,
Judging Clinic and
Practice Horse Judging
Contest**

**March 16th, State
Hippology Contest**

**April 13th, State 4-H &
FFA Horse Judging
Contest**

**August 16th-18th, 4-H
State Horse Show**

Any further questions email David Lindsay, Youth Equine Educator at lindsa75@msu.edu

MICHIGAN STATE
UNIVERSITY

College of Veterinary Medicine

VETERINARY EDUCATION DAY

SATURDAY, MARCH 23, 2024 @ 12-3:00 P.M.
HYBRID EVENT – REGISTRATION IS
REQUIRED

Join us for presentations and student panels representing our preveterinary, Veterinary Nursing, and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine Programs. The event is ideal for high school students, college students or post-college individuals considering a veterinary career!

Meet current students, faculty, & staff, ask questions, & learn how to apply!



Register Here!



Cedar Springs



Public Library

Sponsored By:
Curious Clovers 4H Club
& a special **THANK YOU** to Sue's
Kountry kitchen for
making the food

Visit The
**EASTER
BUNNY**

SAT. MARCH 23rd 9am-12pm

Come visit the Easter Bunny, enjoy an Easter Pancake
Breakfast (donations are appreciated), make an Easter craft
and participate in The Great Bunny Hunt!





JOIN THE MONTCALM COUNTY 4-H DOG COMMITTEE



SATURDAY, MARCH 23RD

EASTER FUN AT GREENVILLE TSC

BAKE SALE 12-3PM

PICTURES WITH THE EASTER BUNNY

12-3PM

EASTER EGG HUNT WITH YOUTH

AND/OR DOGS 1-2PM

TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY

6030 SOUTH GREENVILLE ROAD, GREENVILLE



Norma Agnew Memorial Hairy Horse Show

Sunday, March 24, 2024

8:30 am start - MSU Pavilion, 4301 Farm Lane, Lansing, MI - \$40 stall - \$8.00 class
All proceeds to benefit MSU Youth Horse programs.

**Join us for an interactive horse show where the judges wear microphones
and give on-the-spot feedback to exhibitors!**

No ribbons or points will be awarded for class placing; the feedback is your reward!

Sunday, 8:30 am

- 102. Fine Horse Showmanship 8-19 yr olds
- 103. Open Showmanship 20 & over
- 104. Open Showmanship 14-19 yr old
- 105. Open Showmanship 13-8 yr old
- 106. Cloverbud Showmanship 5-7 yr old

-15 minute break-

- 107. Fine Horse Hunter Pleasure 20 & over
- 108. Fine Horse Hunter Pleasure 8-19 yr old
- 109. Open Hunter Pleasure 20 & over
- 110. Open Hunter Pleasure 14-19 yr old
- 111. Open Hunter Pleasure 13-8 yr old
- 112. Adult Hunt Seat Pleasure Walk-Trot
- 113. Youth Hunt Seat Pleasure Walk-Trot
- 114. Open Hunt Seat Equitation 20 & over
- 115. Open Hunt Seat Equitation 14-19 yr old
- 116. Open Hunt Seat Equitation 13-8 yr old
- 117. Cloverbud English Equitation 5-7 yr old
- 118. Adult Hunt Seat Equitation Walk-Trot 20 & over
- 119. Youth Hunt Seat Equitation Walk-Trot 19-8 yr

-15 minute break-

- 120. Adult Walk-Trot English Pleasure (Saddle Seat)
- 121. Youth Walk Trot English Pleasure (Saddle Seat)
- 122. Open English (Saddle Seat) Pleasure 20 & over
- 123. Open English (Saddle Seat) Pleasure 19-8 yr old
- 124. Open Saddle Seat Equitation 20 & over
- 125. Open Saddle Seat Equitation 19-8 yr old
- 126. Walk Trot Saddle Seat Equitation 8 yr & over
-15 minute break-
- 127. Fine Horse Western Pleasure All ages
- 128. Open Western Pleasure 20 & Over
- 129. Open Western Pleasure 14-19 yr old
- 130. Open Western Pleasure 13-8 yr old
- 131. Adult Western Pleasure Walk-Trot 20 & over
- 132. Youth Western Pleasure Walk-Trot 19-8 yr old
- 133. Adult Ranch Riding 20 & over
- 134 Youth Ranch Riding 19 & under
- 135. Open Western Horsemanship 20 & over
- 136. Open Western Horsemanship 14-19 yr old
- 137. Open Western Horsemanship 13 & under
- 138. Cloverbud Western Horsemanship 5-7 yr old
- 139. Adult Western Horsemanship Walk-Trot 20 & over
- 140. Youth Western Horsemanship Walk-Trot 19-8 yr

- **An Approved Michigan 4-H Horse Judges Seminar**
- Event open to all, not just 4-H members!
- ASTM/SEI approved helmets are required in all youth Hunt/Saddle Seat classes.
- Negative Coggins in last 12 months required.
- No stallions allowed at this event!
- Show clothes are optional.
- Class entries will close at 11:00 a.m. on the day of show.
- Horses may arrive after 5 pm on Saturday.

- No refunds will be issued after 3/10/24.
- **ONLY PREPAID STALL RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.** A limited number of stalls are available. You must have a stall, no showing out of trailer! All horse stalls must use bedding.
- Stalls may also be reserved with credit card online at:
https://commerce.cashnet.com/msu_3645
Or mail checks payable to MSU
Hairy Horse Show – Attn: Carla
474 S. Shaw Lane, Rm 1287
East Lansing, MI 48824

Cloverbud Policy (age 5-7 as of 1/1/2024). ALL 4-H Cloverbud members must wear ASTM- or SEI-approved helmets.

- Age 5 (6, or 7): May be involved with equine on a halter and lead. They **MUST** be directly accompanied one-on-one by a parent, guardian or adult volunteer who is on foot holding the animal's halter or lead to maximize safety.
- Age 6 (or 7): May ride a horse unaccompanied, but only at the walk. Adult volunteers should be in the ring with the Cloverbud at all times.
- Age 7 only: May participate in walk-trot events with adult volunteers in the ring at all times. 4-H Cloverbud members must wear ASTM- or SEI-approved helmets for all 4-H Cloverbud horse experiences.

Questions? Email Carla McLachlan: CarlaM@msu.edu
Credit Card payment for stall reservation available at:
https://commerce.cashnet.com/msu_3645

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MCFA AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE & 4-H SMALL ANIMAL COMMITTEE PRESENT:



EXHIBITORS WORKSHOP & YQCA TRAINING

When: April 20th, 2024 9am to 11am
or
April 21st, 2024 2pm to 4pm

Where: Montcalm County Fairgrounds, Ash Building

How to Register: <https://yqcaprogram.org/>

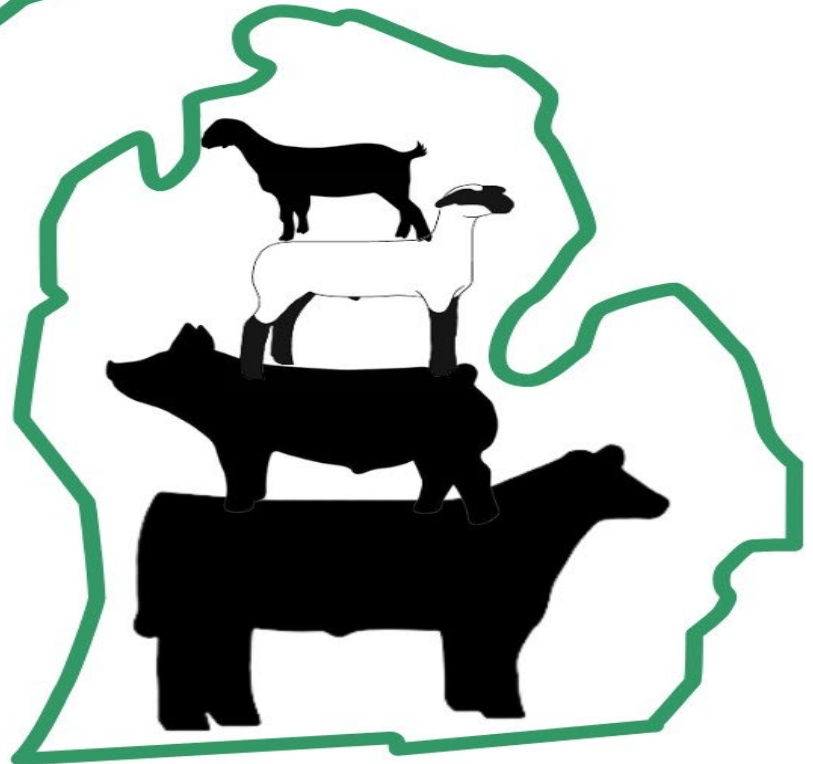
Cost: \$3 per person for in-person (or \$12 online per person)

All Montcalm County market exhibitors **MUST** take the YQCA training prior to the 2024 fair



2024

Michigan 4-H Livestock Workshop



March 2nd

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-spring-livestock-workshop-2024>

MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD VIRTUAL CHALLENGE on GooseChase

Join Michigan 4-H and Military partners as we celebrate April as the Month of the Military Child. Our GooseChase app will connect military and civilian youth through missions to learn more about the military, its branches, history and science to win prizes!

When: Sunday, April 7th through Saturday, April 20th, 2024

Where: Wherever you are with a smartphone or tablet

How: Register at <https://events.anr.msu.edu/4HMOMC2024/>

Registration runs from February 1, 2024 through March 29, 2024

The first 50 participants/teams will be mailed a 4-H Build a Boat activity kit to use in the challenge.

This event is open to all. You do not need to be a 4-H member or have military affiliation





MONTCALM COUNTY 4-H
SMALL ANIMAL COMMITTEE
PRESENTS
2ND ANNUAL



SHOWMANSHIP WORKSHOP

Come join us as we cover:

The basics of poultry, rabbit, and cavy showmanship
On-site Pullorum testing for healthy birds
On-site tattooing for healthy rabbits
On-site tagging for healthy cavies
Building skills and species knowledge
and much more!



May 18th, 2024 10am - 2pm

Montcalm County Fairgrounds, Small Animal Barn
8784 Peck Rd., Greenville

\$10 entrance fee - Lunch provided
Giveaways & Raffle Items
All are welcome!

Pre-register online at: <https://forms.gle/biq3ibnvA1x9zJrH8>

Pay at check-in

MSU EXTENSION PROGRAMS AND MATERIAL ARE OPEN TO ALL WITHOUT REGARD TO RACE, COLOR, NATIONAL ORIGIN, GENDER, GENDER IDENTITY, RELIGION, AGE, HEIGHT, WEIGHT, DISABILITY, POLITICAL BELIEFS, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, MARITAL STATUS, FAMILY STATUS, OR VETERAN STATUS.



GOAT SHOWMANSHIP WORKSHOP

Saturday, May 18th 2-4pm



Join us as we go over:

- ✓ Showmanship Techniques
- ✓ Weight management / feed plan / nutrition
- ✓ Goat health / herd management
- ✓ And much more!

Location:

Small Animal Barn
Montcalm County Fairgrounds
8784 Peck Rd., Greenville

For More Info:

haglun10@msu.edu

FREE!!

No pre-registration
required!

4-H Shooting Sports

Club Name: 4-H Precision Seekers

Club Leader: Scott Wallace
616-826-6310
scott.wallace.mich@gmail.com

Club Discipline: .22 Rifle (2 divisions Field and Target)

Age Requirement: 12-19 4-H Age (as of Jan 1 of the program year)

Location: Flat River Conservation Club (Rifle Side)
300 S Greenville Rd
Greenville, MI

Meetings: Weekly April 2024 – August 2024 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Required Items: Eye Protection, Hearing Protection, shooting matt, .22 Ammo (no reloads allowed).

Clothing: Appropriate attire without any questionable graphics or statements and shoes that completely cover the feet. No military/tactical clothing or accessories are allowed at 4-H events.

Parent or Guardian: All youth under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian during 4-H activities.

Guns: The Gun Club has .22LR Target Rifles we can use. Youth can bring their own rifle to use if it is a properly functioning .22 Field or Target rifle. All guns must be unloaded and in a gun case. No tactical type firearms are permitted in 4-H. Only one bullet will be allowed to be loaded into the gun, magazine, tube, etc. at a time.

Competitions: We will hold 2 competitions for those youth club members who would like to participate (not mandatory). A county competition sometime prior to the fair, and then the state competition which is usually held in August. More info to come during regular club meetings in 2024.

4-H Club Signup: Registration will open in September 2023. You can do this online or contact our County Program Coordinator. You must be registered in the 4-H Precision Seekers club to be able to participate.

Sunni Haglund
4-H Program Coordinator
Montcalm County
989-831-7514

What to expect: Our focus will be on gun safety, proper gun handling, responsibilities of gun ownership, gun maintenance, proper shooting techniques, improving your accuracy, and having fun.

Volunteers/Instructors: If any parents would be interested in becoming a Volunteer or Instructor for the club, please contact me or Sunni. Additional instructors would allow us to offer more shooting disciplines at club meetings. 4-H Shooting Sports disciplines include Archery, Rifle (BB, Pellet, .22) Shotgun (Trap, Skeet), Muzzle Loader, and Pistol (Pellet).



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Kinder Goats for Sale

Kinder goats are mid-sized, dual-purpose goats which produce high quality milk and quality meat. They are perfect animals for a small family farm or a homestead. For information about the following animals, please call Pam at 989-287-3789.

- Daisys' doeling was born April 15, 2023. Her dam (Daisy) is a fourth- generation Kinder goat. Her sire is a third- generation Kinder goat. The doeling can be registered with the KGBA.



- Blossoms' bucklings were born on November 17, 2023. Blossom is a fifth- generation Kinder goat. The sire is a third- generation Kinder goat. These bucks can be registered with the KGBA.



Guiding Arrow 4-H Summer Day Camp

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- ✓ ROPE COURSE
- ✓ ROCK WALL CLIMBING
- ✓ NEW ARTS AND CRAFTS
- ✓ ARCHERY
- ✓ COMPASSING
- ✓ CAMPFIRE COOKING



CAMP TUHSMEHETA JUNE 2ND

CHECK IN: 8:30AM

CHECK OUT: 3:45PM

COST: \$35/CAMPER

CAMPERS WILL ALSO LEARN ABOUT INDIAN FOLKLORE,
REGARDING THE POTOWATOMI, OJIBWE, AND
ANISHINAABE CULTURES.

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER!

LUNCH AND SNACKS INCLUDED

REGISTRATION: [HTTPS://EVENTS.ANR.MSU.EDU/GUIDINGARROW/](https://events.anr.msu.edu/guidingarrow/)