



Allegan County

4-H Family News

January 2019

Allegan County 4-H January 2019 Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<p>1</p> <p><i>Snow! Snow! Snow!</i></p> <p>Office Closed</p>	<p>2</p> <p>By-Laws Mtg. 6pm, Spartan Rm</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>MI Sheep Producers Convention, Lansing</p>
<p>6</p> <p>Happy Epiphany</p>	<p>7</p> <p>4-H Creative &amp; Ed. Comm., 5:30pm MSUE Office</p> <p>4-H 5 Day Clinic comm., 6pm, S.R.</p> <p>4-H Horse Leaders mtg. 7pm, S.R.</p>	<p>8</p> <p>4-H Livestock Leaders Meeting 7:30pm S.R.</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>4-H EXPO Planning mtg. 9-11am Spartan Rm</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Expansion &amp; Review 5-7pm, S.R.</p> <p>4-H Dog Leaders Mtg. 7pm, S.R.</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>4-H Clubs Bd. Mtg. 6pm, S.R.</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>
<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Office Closed</p>	<p>22</p> <p>4-H Council Mtg. 6:30pm, Spartan Room</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Fuzzy Show comm, 6:30pm, Maude's, Otsego</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Green &amp; White Open Swine Show, MSU</p>	<p>26</p> <p>State 4-H Rabbit &amp; Cavy Show, MSU</p>
<p>27</p>	<p>28</p> <p>4-H Rabbit Leaders 7pm Spartan Room</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>		

K.C. = Kettunen Center  
 MSU = Michigan State University  
 Ldrs = leaders  
 Wkshp = Workshop  
 S.R. = Spartan Meeting Room

Coming Up....  
 Feb. 24 - 4-H Horse Leaders Tack Sale, Hopkins Middle School  
 Mar. 23 - 4-H Council Auction, Hopkins High School

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# STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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**Save the date  
for the 4-H  
Alumni Tip-Off  
Reception!**



On Feb. 24, Michigan 4-H alumni will gather to celebrate 4-H with other alums from across the state at the 4-H Alumni Tip-Off Reception!

Attendees will have the opportunity to enjoy snacks and drinks, take a photo with Sparty and meet other 4-H alumni before enjoying a women's basketball game at the Breslin Center.

Organized by Michigan 4-H and the Michigan 4-H Foundation, the Tip-Off event takes place before 4-H Day at the Breslin, for which free tickets are available.

More information about the Alumni Tip-Off event is available at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-alumni-tip-off-reception>. For free tickets to the 4-H Day at the Breslin, contact your local MSU Extension office.

## 4-H Events and Workshops

January 10 : 4-H State Award Overview Teen/Parent Training

*Online Webinar*

This training is geared toward 4-H members that may be interested in applying for the 4-H State Awards Program.

<http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4>

January 16: Michigan 4-H Embryology Staff, Teacher and Volunteer Training

*Washtenaw County MSU Extension Office, Ann Arbor*

Learn more about implementing an embryology program in your classrooms and 4-H SPIN clubs. Attendees will receive curriculum, resources and lunch.

<http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-embryology-staff-teacher-and-volunteer-training-washtenaw-county>

January 18-19: Michigan 4-H Horse Judges and Show Managers Conference

*Crowne Plaza, Lansing*

This networking event builds show management skills and fulfills the yearly seminar requirement for Michigan 4-H horse judges.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/mi-4-h-horse-judges-and-show-managers-conference>

January 19: Michigan 4-H Embryology Staff, Teacher and Volunteer Training

*Ingham County Fairgrounds, Mason*

Learn more about implementing an embryology program in your classrooms and 4-H SPIN clubs. Attendees will receive curriculum, resources and lunch.

<http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-embryology-staff-teacher-and-volunteer-training-ingham-county>

January 26: State 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Show

*MSU Pavilion, East Lansing*

This one-day event is open to participants age 8 to 19 by Jan. 1 of the current year. Exhibitors must be Michigan 4-H members and spectators are welcome!

<http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/2019-state-4-h-rabbit-and-cavy-show>

February 1-2: Michigan 4-H Horse Judging Workshop and Practice Contest

*MSU Pavilion, East Lansing*

Participants will have the opportunity to judge high quality Quarter Horses and deliver a set of reasons after learning more about evaluating horses from Extension experts.

<http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-horse-judging-workshop-practice-contest>

February 1: 4-H State Award Deadline

*Online*

Submit your State Award application on time for careful review by the selection committee. The application may take several weeks to finalize, so be sure to get an early start.

<http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4-h-state-awards>

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

## Resolve to have a great 4-H year

Authored by Christine Heverly, MSU Extension. Adapted from an article originally published by Sandy Risedorph.

As we start to think ahead to the New Year, how can 4-H clubs resolve to improve in the year ahead? Here are ten suggestions to make the upcoming year a successful one.

Resolve that:

1. Club meetings will start and end on time.
2. Business meetings will follow Robert's Rules of Order and that all club paperwork, such as minutes, club inventory and financial statements, will be completed in a timely manner.
3. All members will take part in discussions and have a say in decisions that are made. Keep a chart with each members' name and when they speak at business meetings.
4. The club meeting place will be a safe, comfortable and welcoming environment for all club members.
5. Fun will be included in each meeting.
6. A learning activity will be included in each club meeting. Ideas include exploring a new 4-H curriculum, having members volunteer to do a demonstration, doing a show and tell about each members' favorite project, or bringing in a guest speaker.
7. The club will pursue at least one community service project chosen, planned and celebrated by the club.
8. New members will have a buddy they may talk with about any 4-H questions.
9. The 4-H pledge will be said at every meeting.
10. Every club member will be recognized in some way to let them know they are cared about.



**Save the date for the Michigan 4-H Robotics Leaders Workshop!**



Enhance your engineering skills at the hands-on, 4-H Robotics Leaders Workshop, March 16-17, at the Kettunen Center in Tustin!

The workshop is open to adult and teen volunteer leaders ages 13 and up interested in developing and growing a 4-H robotics club.

Participants will be introduced to and learn basic robotic skills, as well as explore different types of robotic projects within LEGO Mindstorms EV3, VEX Robotics, LEGO Wedo and Junk Drawer Robotics.

Learn more at [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan\\_4\\_h\\_robotics\\_leaders\\_workshop\\_2019](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan_4_h_robotics_leaders_workshop_2019).

## Citizenship Washington Focus registration available

Registration for the 2019 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) program, taking place June 22-29, is now available. Program participants learn about the nation's government by participating in hands-on leadership workshops and touring historical sites in Washington, D.C. The cost of the 2019 4-H CWF program is \$1,500 and includes all meals (except seven meals in transit), lodging and transportation. Visit <https://events.anr.msu.edu/CWF2019/> to register.



2018 Capitol Experience participants interacting with resource people.

## Now recruiting for 4-H Capitol Experience 2019

4-H Capitol Experience is now recruiting for 2019 participants! This annual statewide program, occurring March 17-20, helps prepare youth for active citizenship by focusing on civic engagement and public policy.

More than 100 teens from around the state converge on Lansing to experience state government in action and learn how they can influence policy issues. Participants interact with legislators, state agency staff, and other resource people to learn how policy is made.

Attendees will leave the program having a great understanding of the responsibilities of a citizen, be able to identify different aspects of a policy issue that may affect individuals and communities, and know potential careers in public policy.

Cost for this event is \$360 and includes most meals, lodging and materials. For more information, visit [https://www.canr.msu.edu/4\\_h\\_capitol\\_experience/](https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_capitol_experience/).



# 2019 ALLEGAN COUNTY 4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS

As of 1/2/19

JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
<p>2<sup>nd</sup> By Laws meeting 6pm, Spartan Rm                      7<sup>th</sup> C &amp; E Comm. 5:30pm, MSUE                      5 Day Clinic mtg. 6pm, S.R.                      4-H Horse Leaders, 7pm, S.R.                      8<sup>th</sup> 4-H Livestock Leaders 7:30pm, S.R.                      12<sup>th</sup> 4-H EXPO Planning 9-11am, S.R.                      14<sup>th</sup> Expansion &amp; Review Comm. 5-7pm, SR                      14<sup>th</sup> 4-H Dog Leaders 7pm, SR                      17<sup>th</sup> 4-H Clubs Bd., 6:30pm, S.R.                      22<sup>nd</sup> 4-H Council, 6:30pm, S.R..                      24<sup>th</sup> Fuzzy Show comm, 6:30pm, Maude's, Otsego</p>	<p>Craft night, 5:30pm                      4<sup>th</sup> C &amp; E Comm. 5:30pm, MSUE                      5 Day Clinic mtg. 6pm, S.R.                      4-H Horse Leaders 7pm, S.R.                      15<sup>th</sup> Market Beef, Carcass Beef, Dairy Steer Tagging deadline                      21<sup>st</sup> 4-H Clubs Bd. Mtg. 6:30pm TBA                      24<sup>th</sup> 4-H Tack Sale, Hopkins                      25<sup>th</sup> 4-H Rabbit Ldrs Mtg. 6:30pm S.R.                      26<sup>th</sup> 4-H Council, 6:30pm, S.R..</p>	<p>Crafts, 5:30pm,                      4<sup>th</sup> C &amp; E Comm. 5:30pm, MSUE                      5 Day Clinic mtg. 6pm, S.R.                      4-H Horse Leaders 7pm, S.R.                      23<sup>rd</sup> 4-H Council Auction, Hopkins                      13<sup>th</sup> 4-H Livestock Leaders 7:30pm, S.R.                      21<sup>st</sup> 4-H Clubs Bd. Mtg. 6:30pm TBA                      26<sup>th</sup> 4-H Council, 6:30pm, S.R..</p>
APRIL	MAY	JUNE
<p>1<sup>st</sup> C &amp; E Comm. 5:30pm, MSUE                      5 Day Clinic mtg. 6pm, S.R..                      4-H Horse Leaders 7pm, SR                      ___ Crafts, 5:30pm.                      ___ 4-H Dog Leaders mtg, 7pm,S.R.                      18<sup>th</sup> 4-H Clubs Bd. Mtg. 6:30pm TBA                      27<sup>th</sup> 4-H Rabbit Clinic, Zimmerman Rm                      ___ 4-H Camp Kidwell Clean Up                      28<sup>th</sup> 4-H Rabbit Ldrs Mtg. 6:30pm S.R</p>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> State 4-H Horse Project Declaration form due in office                      4-5 Fuzzy Shows, Fairgrounds                      6<sup>th</sup> 5 Day Clinic mtg. 6pm, S.R.                      4-H Horse Leaders 7pm, S.R.                      11<sup>th</sup> 4-H Expo, Fairgrounds                      16<sup>th</sup> 4-H Clubs Bd. Mtg. 6:30pm TBA                      18<sup>th</sup> 4-H Camp Kidwell Golf Outing, Cheshire Hills Golf Course                      20<sup>th</sup> 4-H Rabbit Ldrs Mtg. 6:30pm S.R                      28<sup>th</sup> 4-H Council, 6:30pm, S.R..                      30<sup>th</sup> 4-H Explo. Days Orient. 6:30pm S.R.</p>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> 4-H Dog Project declaration form due in office                      3<sup>rd</sup> C &amp; E Comm. 5:30pm, MSUE                      5 Day Clinic mtg. 6pm, S.R.                      4-H Horse Leaders 7pm, S.R.                      ___ County S.S. Match, SKGC                      11<sup>th</sup> 4-H Dairy Leaders mtg. 6:30pm, S.R.                      4-H Livestock Leaders 7:30pm, S.R.                      15<sup>th</sup> 4-H Dairy Project Tag form due                      22-23 4-H Beef, Sheep Goat Show, Fairgrounds                      20<sup>th</sup> 4-H Clubs Bd. Mtg. 6:30pm TBA                      21-26 5 Day Horse Clinic Fairgrounds                      24<sup>th</sup> 4-H Rabbit Ldrs Mtg. 6:30pm S.R                      25<sup>th</sup> 4-H Council, 6:30pm, S.R.                      4-H Summer Camp at 4-H Camp Kidwell</p>
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
<p>1<sup>st</sup> 4-H Online enrollment deadline                      1<sup>st</sup> C &amp; E Comm. 5:30pm, MSUE                      5 Day Clinic mtg. 6pm, S.R.                      4-H Horse Leaders 7pm, S.R.                      ___ Macatawa Water Festival                      15<sup>th</sup> Tagging deadline for market &amp; carcass Goats, Lambs, Swine &amp; Dairy Starters                      ___ Pre-Fair meeting, Fairgrounds                      Pre-Fair Livestock mtg.                      18<sup>th</sup> 4-H Clubs Bd. Mtg. 6:30pm TBA                      20-21 4-H Horsemaster Shows, Fairgrounds                      20 Pullman Pride Day                      23<sup>th</sup> 4-H Council, 6:30pm, S.R..                      4-H Summer Camp at 4-H Camp Kidwell                      4-H Program ___ in Pullman</p>	<p>1<sup>st</sup> 4-H Small Livestock Clinic                      5<sup>th</sup> C &amp; E Comm. 5:30pm, MSUE                      5 Day Clinic mtg. 6pm, S.R.                      4-H Horse Leaders 7pm, S.R.                      4-H Summer Camp at 4-H Camp Kidwell                      10<sup>th</sup> Youth Fair entry deadline                      10<sup>th</sup> Banding &amp; Tattooing deadline for market Poultry and Rabbits                      13<sup>th</sup> 4-H Livestock Ldrs 7:30pm, S.R.                      15<sup>th</sup> 4-H Clubs Bd. Mtg. 6:30pm TBA                      ___ 4-H Beef Carcass Contest                      ___ 4-H Swine Carcass Contest                      ___ 4-H Lamb &amp; Goat Carcass Contest                      25<sup>th</sup> 4-H Rabbit Carcass Contest                      26<sup>th</sup> 4-H Rabbit Ldrs Mtg. 6:30pm S.R                      ___ Cooking for Food Booth                      27<sup>th</sup> 4-H Council, 6:30pm, S.R..</p>	<p><b>Allegan County Fair &amp; 4-H activities 4-16</b>                      19<sup>th</sup> 4-H Clubs Bd. Mtg. 6:30pm TBA                      24<sup>th</sup> 4-H Council, 6:30pm, S.R.</p>
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
<p>7<sup>th</sup> C &amp; E Comm. 5:30pm, MSUE                      5 Day Clinic mtg. 6pm, S.R.                      4-H Horse Leaders 7pm, S.R.                      8<sup>th</sup> 4-H Livestock Ldrs 7:30pm, S.R.                      17<sup>th</sup> 4-H Clubs Bd. Mtg. 6:30pm TBA                      14<sup>th</sup> 4-H Rabbit Ldrs Mtg. 6:30pm S.R                      22<sup>nd</sup> 4-H Council, 6:30pm, S.R..                      ___ 4-H Dog Leaders 7pm, S.R.</p>	<p>2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting &amp; Awards Celebration (AMAC) TBA                      4<sup>th</sup> C &amp; E Comm. 5:30pm, MSUE                      5 Day Clinic mtg. 6pm, S.R.                      4-H Horse Leaders 7pm, S.R.                      12<sup>th</sup> 4-H Livestock Ldrs 7:30pm, S.R.                      21<sup>st</sup> 4-H Clubs Bd. Mtg. 6:30pm TBA                      18<sup>th</sup> 4-H Rabbit Ldrs Mtg. 6:30pm S.R                      26<sup>th</sup> 4-H Council, 6:30pm, S.R..                      Club Re-Enrollments due 11/30</p>	<p><b>Festival of Trees 5-8</b>                      2<sup>nd</sup> C &amp; E Comm. 5:30pm, MSUE                      5 Day Clinic mtg. 6pm, S.R.                      4-H Horse Leaders 7pm, S.R.                      10<sup>th</sup> 4-H Livestock Officers 6:30pm, S.R.                      24<sup>th</sup> 4-H Council, 6:30pm, S.R..                      19<sup>th</sup> 4-H Clubs Bd. Mtg. 6:30pm TBA                      Clubs that have not turned in paperwork and re-enrollments by end of December will be considered INACTIVE and members will be encouraged to join other clubs</p>