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4-H Family News

Barry County



Spring is Here!

A new month calls for a new newsletter, a start of another season, and one more month closer to fair!

There is lots to do before fair. Make sure to stay in touch with club leaders so you don't miss out on any pre-fair requirements.

This month come out and support Barry 4-H goat friends at Culvers in Hastings on April 9th from 5pm-8pm. No need to show any flyer! Learn more below.

Feel free to stop by the Extension office or give us a call.

Sincerely,

LilyRose Arriaga

4-H Program Coordinator

Announcements

Barry County fair animal possession and pre-registration deadlines are coming up! Scan QR code to find out fair dates & deadlines for 2024.



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COUNTY 4-H NEWS

Goat Developmental Committee Fundraiser

Help support Barry County 4-H youth by stopping by at Culvers in Hastings April 9th from 5pm-8pm.

Part of proceeds from every meal sold between 5pm-8pm will be donated to the Goat Developmental Committee. Dine-in or drive through, no flyer needed!

You can also help support Goat Developmental Committee by purchasing an engraved brick to be added to cement in goat/sheep barn at the Barry Co. Expo.

Scan the QR code to view form. To learn more contact Shelia Barnard (269)-838-1910



Barry County 4-H Goat Fundraiser!

Help Barry County Goat 4-H'ers raise money for a cement floor by joining us on April 9th from 5:00pm - 8:00pm at Culvers in Hastings!

Dine-in or support us through the drive through! Part of the proceeds from every meal sold between 5-8pm will be donated to the Goat Developmental Committee.



The Barry County 4-H'ers and Goat Developmental Committee appreciate your support! Thank you!

4-H Youth Fun Rabbit Show in Kalamazoo County!

Youth Fun Rabbit Show
April 20, 2024
Hosted by:
PURPLE VISION
4-H Club

Doors open at 7:30am
Registration Closes at 8:30am
Show Starts at 9am

Located at:
Kalamazoo Kennel Club
1249 D Ave W
Kalamazoo, MI 49009

Check out this youth fun rabbit show happening in Kalamazoo on April 20th !

There will be lots to do including a silent auction with one-of-a-kind items and rabbits from some local breeders. New this year to the show is Cavy classes and a poster educational contest.

Check out the facebook event here

<https://www.facebook.com/share/eHU3XtiXUNHrD7WY/?mibextid=9I3rBW>



4-H News

4-H Dairy Health Day



Registration for a brand new 4-H dairy program is live!

Join other 4-H members on MSU's campus on Saturday, April 20th, 2024, for an educational event for any 4-H youth ages 12-19 as of January 1st, 2024, or 4-H volunteers who are interested in dairy science!

This day program will cover multiple topics about dairy health. Participants will select two of the three sessions. Lunch and t-shirts are provided! Participants will also participate in a GooseChase scavenger hunt! The cost is \$35 per participant.

Registration spots are limited to 60 spaces! Click the link below to learn more and register [4-H Dairy Health Day - 4-H Dairy Cattle Production & Management \(msu.edu\)](https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-dairy-health-day-4-h-dairy-cattle-production-management)

2024 4-H/FFA Meats Judging Contest

Registration is now open for this year's 4-H and FFA Meats Judging State Contest! The contest will take place on Wednesday, May 8th at the MSU Meat Lab. Youth who participate in 4-H and FFA can compete in both divisions at this contest.

Find more information, including the registration form, here: <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-and-ffa-state-meats-judging-contest-2024>

Registration will close on April 26.

4-H Exploration Days- Registration Finally Open!

Exploration Days registration is finally open and last day to pay is May 26th.

This 3-day event is geared towards 12-19 years old 4-H members. This unique program allows youth to experience life on campus and meet other 4-H members from across the state. While on campus youth get to choose from a variety of learning sessions and have the opportunity to join a dance on Thursday night.

More information can be found on https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days/ and by contacting your county 4-H office





COUNTY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

•Horse Developmental Committee

@ Tyden Center.....Date: 04.08.2024

• Goat Developmental Committee

@ Tyden Center.....Date: 04.09.2024

Poultry Developmental Committee

@ Tyden Center.....Date: 03.05.2024

• Livestock Developmental Committee

@ Tyden Center.....Date: 05.01.2024

• Rabbit Developmental Committee

@ Tyden Center.....Date: 05.28.2024





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.

