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4-H Family News

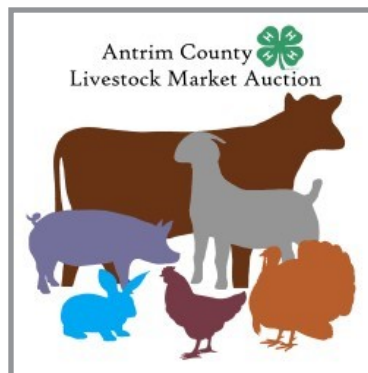
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Market Livestock Workbook Clinic: March 16, 5:30 PM

Alba Public School—Cafeteria

All Exhibitors must attend one of the Workbook clinics offered this spring. Handouts will include the proper format for the workbook according to the exhibitor's age. A limited number of binders will be available.

Please register to attend by email to charleb7@msu.edu or calling the office at 231-533-8818.



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4-H Pumpkin Racing on the Water this Autumn!

Looking for Something Different in 4-H this Year? The first Antrim County 4-H Pumpkin Regatta will take place this year. 4-H'ers will learn how to grow and manage giant pumpkins through the spring and the summer months. Come autumn, once the pumpkins have grown, these giant cultivars will be carved, cleaned out, and decorated before they are put into the water to be raced. An informational meeting will take place immediately after the Market Livestock Workbook Clinic on March 16 at the Alba Public School. Contact Geep Charlebois for more details



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Pay it Forward with JOANN Fabrics



From March 1—April 30, you can support 4-H by visiting your local JOANN store and adding a donation to 4-H at the register.

The funds donated will support the 4-H program with 50% going back to local 4-H programming and 20% supporting Michigan 4-H.

To find out more information about this donation visit <https://bit.ly/38U22Kw>.

Pyle Piles Up Rabbit Show Results!

In January, Abigail Pyle, a member of A Backyard Bunch 4-H Club, attended the 2020 State 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Show in Ingham County and returned with four “Best of” awards. Her Florida White took both Best of Breed and Best Opposite Sex. Her Dutch took home Best Opposite Sex of Variety Blue. And, her Holland LOP took Best of Variety Broken.

Abigail was one of 179 youth from 42 counties that competed with 604 rabbit entries. Congratulations and thanks for representing Antrim County!

Best of Breed and Best Opposite Sex—Florida White



Best Best of Variety Broken—Holland LOP



Best Opposite Sex of Variety Blue—Dutch



4-H Exploration Days registration opening March 10



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! Registration for this popular event will open March 10 and is open to any Michigan 4-H'er above the age of 11 as of Jan. 1.

4-H Exploration Days 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 throughout their stay.

With more than 200 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. During the 2019 4-H Exploration Days, nearly 2,000 youth attended and they gained important life skills like decision making, problem solving and communication.

Registration will be available beginning March 10 at 9 a.m. All registration information should be turned in to your county's Extension office, typically by the end of April. Check with your local 4-H program coordinator for your specific county date or visit www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-exploration-days for more information.

Celebrate Money Smart Week with 4-H Money Smarts contests

Money Smart Week is April 4-11 and to celebrate, you can win cash for you and your county 4-H program! Youth ages 13-19 have the opportunity to participate in the second annual **Show Your Money Smarts Contest**. During this contest, youth will learn how to use credit wisely through an online challenge. High-scoring youth will be entered into a cash prize drawing for themselves and counties with 10 or more youth participants will be eligible to receive \$50 for their county 4-H program. Make sure to register by April 16!

Students in fifth through eighth grade also have the opportunity to participate in the **Money Smart Kids Essay Contest**. In partnership with the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago Detroit Branch, MSU Extension and Michigan 4-H are asking youth to answer this year's Money Smart question for a chance to win a \$1,000 prize. To participate, youth will share what they know about predatory lenders, why people use them, what the negative consequences are, and how to avoid these types of financial risks. Essays should be 300 words or less and be submitted by March 29.

To learn more about both contests, including official rules, registration links and resources for completing the contests, visit <https://www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-money-smarts/>.



Share your photo and support 4-H with Manna Pro!

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A PROUD PARTNERSHIP WITH 4-H



From February 1 – April 30, Manna Pro is hosting a contest to build a 4-H picture mosaic online. Those pictures are integrated into tiny pieces to make a larger photo.

At the conclusion of the contest, Manna Pro will be providing the top three state 4-H programs with prizes of \$6,000, \$3,000, and \$1,000. Winners will be determined based on the number of photos uploaded in relation to the state's total population.

4-H members, supporters, and friends can upload pictures of their pet or animal to Manna Pro's contest site. In return, they will receive \$50 in coupons and help increase their state's chances at taking home a cash prize!

To learn more or participate, visit www.mannapro.com/4h.

4-H Summer Camps

June 22-26, age 13-16,
4-H Animal & Veterinary Science Camp, MSU Campus, East Lansing

Jun 28-Jul 2, age 13-19,
4-H Spartan Coding Camp 2020, MSU Campus, East Lansing

July 6-10, age 13-15,
4-H Renewable Energy Camp 2020, MSU Campus, East Lansing

August 2-8, age 13-15,
4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resource Camp, Camp Chickagmi, Presque Isle County



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4-H Events and Workshops

March 7: 2020 Michigan 4-H Dog Project Leader and Youth Workshop
Anthony Hall, East Lansing

This event is for youth, ages 8 to 19, and 4-H dog project leaders to build their knowledge and skill in understanding dog care, management and training topics.
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-dog-project-leader-and-youth-workshop>

March 21: Montcalm County Fun Goat Show

Montcalm County Fairgrounds, Greenville

This is a fun and educational goat show for ages five to adult. Also included is a market and fiber hands-on educational class and a goat cart demonstration.
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/montcalm-county-fun-goat-show>

March 26: Credit Craze - Basics of Credit for Youth

Online webinar

This short one hour interactive webinar will give youth a basic foundation on credit and resources to learn more.
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/credit-craze-basics-of-credit-for-youth-march-26>

March 28: Norma Agnew Memorial 4-H Hairy Horse Show

Pavilion for Agriculture and Livestock Education, Lansing

This interactive horse show will have judges using microphones and giving on-the-spot feedback to exhibitors. This event is free for all spectators.
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/norma-agnew-memorial-4-h-hairy-horse-show>

April 4: 4-H Day at the Red Wings

Little Caesars Arena, Detroit

Michigan 4-H youth, families and friends are invited to cheer on the Red Wings. For every ticket purchased, \$5 will go back to your county 4-H program.
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-day-at-the-red-wings>

April 6: Michigan 4-H Embryology Staff, Teacher and Volunteer Training

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This training is designed for educators who would like to learn how to implement an embryology program through classroom activities or 4-H SPIN clubs.
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-embryology-training>

View more 4-H events at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/4h/events>.