



JANUARY 26, 2024

# 4-H Family News

## Ingham County



### 4-H Still Life Sale Workshop (all youth 12 and older)



Join your 4-H friends for dinner and brainstorming about the 4-H Still Life Sale

- Thursday, February 1, 2024
- 6 – 8pm.
- Hillard Building,
- 121 E. Maple St., Mason

The 2023 Ingham County 4-H Still Life Sale set a new record because of each of you!

We look forward to your participation, creativity and input in this workshop to make the 2024 Sale even better!!



Three course lasagna dinner served

The focus will be on teen input from past Sales in order to enhance the 2024 Still Life Sale at the Ingham County Fair including:

- selecting a project that will sell well
- identifying your buyers
- promoting your Sale entry
- teen leadership



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\*Registration is required for the dinner. To signup, contact the Ingham County 4-H Office, 517-676-7303 or weissg@msu.edu



### 4-H Still Life Sale Workshop (all youth 8 to 11 years)



Join your 4-H friends for dinner and brainstorming about the 4-H Still Life Sale

- Thursday, February 22, 2024
- 6 – 7:15 pm.
- Hillard Building,
- 121 E. Maple St., Mason

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Dinner (chicken nugget & brownie sundae served)

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**Ingham County 4-H**

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/ingham/4-h/>

**Facebook**

<https://www.facebook.com/Ingham4Hyou>

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## 2024 STATE RABBIT AND CAVY EXPO AND SHOW

### SHOWMANSHIP CONTEST

Cost for the showmanship contest is \$2.00.  
Register by January 19th, 2024

#### Day of show entry for:

- breed classes - \$4.00 per entry
- photography - \$2.00 per entry
- breed identification \$2.00 per entry
- educational display \$2.00 per entry

27TH JAN 2024

7.00 - 8.00 AM CHECK-IN  
9.00 AM CONTEST BEGINS

MSU PAVILLION  
4301 FARM LANE  
EAST LANSING, MI

CONTACT GLENDA WITH QUESTIONS  
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REGISTER:



[https://events.anr.msu.edu/showmanship\\_state\\_rabbit\\_and\\_cavy/](https://events.anr.msu.edu/showmanship_state_rabbit_and_cavy/)



# Presenting

## THE CREATIVE CAMPAIGN CONTEST

MAKE A SHORT VIDEO ABOUT JOINING 4-H FOR A CHANCE TO WIN!

### VIDEOS DUE 1/31/2024

LEARN MORE AT  
[WWW.CANR.MSU.EDU/4-H-CLOVERS-CODE/CONTEST](http://WWW.CANR.MSU.EDU/4-H-CLOVERS-CODE/CONTEST)

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## Let's Get Creative in 4-H!

Sponsored by the Ingham County 4-H Still Life Committee

Discover your creativity and talents while developing your own creations!

February 6 - Valentines Day Cards

Draw a Valentines Day Picture with dice  
Create a button of so many buttons  
No Bale Cookies

February 20 - Felting - create a work of art with wool fibers

Create a Decorative Calander

February 27 - Crafting with Beads and Buttons

Muslin Painting  
Freezer Jam

Choose to participate in one or all!

R.S.V.P. 1 week before to ensure supplies

Glenda at

[weissgle@msu.edu](mailto:weissgle@msu.edu) or

(517) 676-7303



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# HORSE JUDGING WORKSHOP

## WHEN

**February 2-3, 2024**

**Friday workshop, 6:30-8:30p**

**Saturday contest, 8:30-10:30a**

## WHERE

**MSU Pavilion**

4301 Farm Lane, Lansing, MI

## FEATURING

Friday evening's workshop will feature carded judge & clinician Dr. Karen Waite, teaching Ranch Riding & Ranch Rail

Saturday's practice contest will have 3 classes with opportunity to give oral reasons: Halter, Ranch Riding and Ranch Rail.

## ALL AGES WELCOME

**PRE-REGISTER**

**\$15 per youth/adult/coach**

**REGISTER AT THE DOOR**

**\$20 per youth/coach/adult**

## CONTACT

Carla McLachlan

Event Coordinator

Carlam@msu.edu

## BENEFITING

All proceeds of event will go directly to the MSU Horse Judging Team

Online registration and payment is available at:

[https://commerce.cashnet.com/msu\\_3645](https://commerce.cashnet.com/msu_3645)



[Register Here](#)

# FLY TYING FOR BEGINNERS WORKSHOP SERIES

February 2024  
6:00pm - 7:30pm



## Saginaw Field and Stream Club

- Tuesday, Feb 6
- Thursday, Feb 8
- Thursday, Feb 22
- Tuesday, Feb 27



## CLICK INTO YOUR FUTURE With 4-H Future Squad

- Renting 101-Mon, February 12
- Navigating Relationships-Mon, February 26
- MSU College Admissions- Thurs, March 14
- Cultivating Leadership-Thurs, March 28
- Mindfulness and Mental Health-Mon, April 8
- Voices of Influence - Public Speaking-Mon, April 29
- Creating a Network & Pitching Yourself-Thurs, May 9
- Last Meeting-Mon, May 20

**All sessions 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm**

Your future is bright! Explore your interests, make new connections, and build skills for your future with 4-H Future Squad! Youth 12-19 are invited to join this virtual club, meeting twice monthly, to dive into their futures!

Visit: <https://www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-future-squad/> for more information!

[Join 4-H Future Squad Here](#)



## Michigan 4-H Volunteer Webinar Series: Engaging 4-H Youth in Animal SCIENCE Education

February 7, 2024 12:00PM - 1:00PM zoom ~ [Register](#)  
or  
February 7, 2024 7:00PM - 8:00PM zoom ~ [Register](#)

A webinar series that will provide Michigan 4-H volunteers with a variety of learning opportunities to help them grow as a volunteer and support the Michigan 4-Hers. This session is Engaging 4-H Youth in Animal SCIENCE Education. Animal science projects are a 4-H favorite! Join us for information about the curriculum and resources available to volunteers to engage 4-H youth in their communities in animal science education. This webinar will also include announcements about statewide 4-H animal science offerings for 2024!

## 4-H ANIMAL SCIENCE CAREER QUEST

FEBRUARY 17, 2024  
MSU ANTHONY HALL



**Date:** February 24

**Time:** 9:30am - 10:30am

**Topic:** All About Goats - jump in the goat pen and build something for the goats. Learn about how to prevent disease and biosecurity.

## EXPLORE THE FARM THROUGH THE SEASONS

WORKSHOP SERIES

[Click here for more info](#)



MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Extension 4-H GROWS HERE

[Get your Tickets Here](#)

## MICHIGAN 4-H DAY AT THE BRESLIN

February 24, 2024

**CASH COMPOSITION CONTEST**

Write a 300 word essay about budgeting for a chance to win \$100

**Due February 29**

Extra Credit UNION

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## Michigan 4-H Spring Livestock Workshop 2024

*March 2, 2024*

Anthony Hall, 474 S Shaw Lane  
East Lansing, MI 48824

This one-day workshop is designed for 4-H teens and volunteers in beef, sheep, goats, and swine project areas. Youth will learn about different aspects of their livestock projects throughout a variety of breakout sessions. Session topics could include intro to your species project, animal evaluation, marketing your livestock project, and more!

Contact: Autumn Converse, [conver20@msu.edu](mailto:conver20@msu.edu)

**Championship dates:  
March 6<sup>th</sup> or March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Michigan 4-H Animal Science  
**2024 SKILLATHON**  
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

**NEW FORMAT! NO QUALIFIERS!**

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## Michigan 4-H Hippology Contest 2024

*March 16, 2024*

Anthony Hall, 474 S Shaw Lane  
East Lansing, MI 48824

Contact: David Lindsay, [lindsa75@msu.edu](mailto:lindsa75@msu.edu)

The annual Michigan 4-H Hippology Contest allows youth in horse and pony projects to test their equine knowledge.

More information, including event registration coming soon

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

March 18, 2024 ~ 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM ~ Zoom ~ [Register](#)

Or

March 18, 2024 ~ 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM ~ Zoom ~ [Register](#)

Working with a group of youth with a variety of ages can mean different energies during meetings and events. 4-H volunteers need strong behavior guiding strategies to help maintain the group focus and energy. Attend this session to learn and share techniques to support a successful group setting and help spark youth engagement.

*TICKETS AVAILABLE!*

**MICHIGAN  
4-H DAY  
WITH THE  
DETROIT  
TIGERS**

April 28



# STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Get free tickets for Michigan 4-H Day at the Breslin!



Make plans for a fun day in East Lansing on February 24! Join with other members of the 4-H community for Michigan 4-H Day at the Breslin. This fun family event will be held at the Jack Breslin Student Events Center as the MSU women's basketball team takes on the Rutgers Scarlet Knights.

Attendees will also enjoy 4-H games and activities around the concourse. Tickets are free to 4-H youth and their families as well as 4-H volunteers and their families. In addition, Michigan 4-H will be showcased during the halftime show as a group of 4-H youth will lead the crowd in reciting the 4-H pledge.

Doors will open at 12:30 p.m., with tip-off scheduled for 2 p.m. Participants are encouraged to show their pride and wear green and white 4-H or MSU Extension apparel.

For more information and to get tickets, visit [www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-day-at-the-breslin](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-day-at-the-breslin).

### February 7: Michigan 4-H Volunteer Webinar - Engaging 4-H Youth in Animal Science Education

Online

Explore ways 4-H volunteers can utilize curriculum and resources to engage 4-H youth in animal science education. 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-series-engaging-4-h-youth-in-animal-science-education](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-engaging-4-h-youth-in-animal-science-education)
- **7 p.m. session:** [www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-engaging-4-h-youth-in-animal-science-education7pm](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-engaging-4-h-youth-in-animal-science-education7pm)

### February 12: Fostering Happy and Healthy Relationships

Online

The 4-H Adulting 101 series helps young people prepare for college or life on their own through free online sessions. Join this session to explore healthy relationship models that can enhance your future and current bonds.

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/relationships-1](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/relationships-1)

### February 13: 4-H Wild Spartans – Seeing the Forest for the Wildlife

Online

This month's 4-H Wild Spartans Series will wade with waterfowl and explore forests. Meet Jeremiah Heise, ecosystem program manager with the U.S. Forest Service, learn about his field work, and the education and career path he followed to get there. This free series is open to 4-H and non-4-H youth ages 12-19.

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-series-2023-2024feb](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-series-2023-2024feb)

### March 2: Michigan 4-H Spring Livestock Workshop

Anthony Hall, East Lansing

This one-day workshop is designed for 4-H teens and volunteers in beef, sheep, goats and swine project areas. Youth will learn about different aspects of their livestock projects throughout a variety of sessions.

[www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-spring-livestock-workshop-2024](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-spring-livestock-workshop-2024)

### March 6 and 9: Michigan 4-H Animal Science Skillathon

Online

This competition tests both youth and adult competitors' knowledge of market livestock, animal science, and management practices in various categories. Competitors can choose to compete during the week or on the weekend. Registration closes Feb. 29.

[www.canr.msu.edu/otsego/4-h/2024-Skillathon](http://www.canr.msu.edu/otsego/4-h/2024-Skillathon)





# STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS



## Register today for Michigan 4-H Capitol Experience!

At Michigan 4-H Capitol Experience, teens learn how to change the world for the better through engagement in Michigan's state government and public policy process. The program is scheduled for March 17-19, in Lansing. The three-day event, open to high school-aged youth, includes tours of the Michigan Capitol, interactions with state legislators, meetings with state agency staff, lobbyists and state-level experts, and learning how policy is made. During the program, youth work in small teams to draft legislation on agriculture, civil rights and youth advocacy, crime and law enforcement, education and teacher retention, environment and natural resources, health, or jobs and the economy/infrastructure.

The cost to register in 2024 is \$365, which includes meals and lodging at the Quality Inn University in Lansing. Contact your local 4-H program coordinator to inquire about local funding opportunities. Scholarships may also be available through your local Farm Bureau office. To register or learn more, visit [www.canr.msu.edu/4\\_h\\_capitol\\_experience/](http://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_capitol_experience/).

## Make a difference for food security with World Food Prize Michigan Youth Institute

As millions across the globe deal with food insecurity, the World Food Prize Michigan Youth Institute (WFP MIYI) offers young people an opportunity to be part of the solution. Held May 9 in East Lansing, or by participating from anywhere else using Zoom video/web conference technology, the event seeks to inspire and prepare the next generation of global leaders to end world hunger.

To participate, youth should be in grades 7-12 and register by the March 15 deadline. As part of the registration process, youth are required to prepare and submit a 2-to-5-page research paper about a developing country and one of 20 key factors that affect food security. At the event, youth present and discuss their papers with other attendees and research and industry experts. The top performing students at the WFP MIYI will be selected to attend the World Food Prize Global Youth Institute in Des Moines, Iowa, in October.

There is no cost to participate in the WFP MIYI. For more information, visit [www.canr.msu.edu/wfpmiyi/](http://www.canr.msu.edu/wfpmiyi/).



## Apply for a Michigan 4-H State Award!

Michigan 4-H true leaders ages 11 and older have an opportunity to be recognized for the great work they do in 4-H and develop their career skills by completing a state award application. A Michigan 4-H State Award is the highest honor bestowed on a Michigan 4-H member and provides an opportunity to receive recognition for their engagement in rich learning experiences that result in outstanding knowledge and life-skill development.

State award applications are divided into four categories: Mark of Excellence essay contest (11-12 years), junior state award (13-15 years), senior state award (16-19 years) and group awards (13-19 years). Each application and selection process varies, dependent on the age of the 4-H member. Additional details about the Michigan 4-H State Award process can be found at <http://bit.ly/stateaward>.

Applications are due April 1. For more information, contact your 4-H program coordinator or email Betty Jo Krosnicki at [nashbett@msu.edu](mailto:nashbett@msu.edu) or Janice Zerbe at [rajzerj@msu.edu](mailto:rajzerj@msu.edu).