



Weekly Happenings

Dec 19—4-H Council Meeting—7:00 pm—Hilliard Dec 24—4-H Office Closed—Christmas Eve Dec 25—4-H Office Closed—Christmas Day Dec 31—Last day for 4-H Reenrollment Dec 31—4-H Office Closed—New Year's Eve Jan 1 —4-H Office Closed—New Year's Day Jan 2—Livestock Committee Meeting—6:30 pm—Hilliard Jan 8—Goal Setting Workshop—6:30 pm—Fairgrounds Jan 9—Horse Committee Meeting—7:00 pm—Hilliard

Citizen Washington Focus (CWF)

Thousands of young people from across America come to the **National 4-H Youth Conference Center** every summer to participate in CWF, a citizenship and leadership program held in **Washington, DC**. Through a series of speakers, committee work, field trips and social events, participants learn the importance of citizenship and social responsibility and are given the opportunity to explore, develop, and refine skills needed to be an outstanding leader on both a local and national level.

This trip offers a behind-the-scenes look at our national government, will allow the participants to develop communication, leadership and citizenship skills through hands-on learning and group activities, as well as build new friendships with other 4-H youth from across the country.

To apply to be a delegate, please complete the application at the end of the Cloverleaf. The deadline for submission to the 4-H Office is January 2, 2019.

The total cost is \$1,500 which covers transportation, lodging in both Gettysburg and Chevy Chase, conference costs, and most meals.. Scholarships are available along with a there find unlike a place context.

with other fund raising ideas. Please contact Glenda Weiss at 676-7303 or weissgle@msu.edu for more information.



Michigan State University is an affirmative action/equal opportunity employer. Michigan State University Extension programs and materials 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. Issued in furtherance of MSU Extension work, acts of May 8 and June 30, 1914, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Jeffrey W. Dwyer, Director, MSU Extension, East Lansing, MI 48824. This information is for educational purposes only. Reference to commercial products or trade names does not imply endorsement by MSU Extension or bias against those not mentioned. The 4-H Name and Emblem have special protections from Congress, protected by code 18 USC 707.

Save the Date..... 4-H Sill Exhibit Winter Workshop January 26, 2019



Contact Us

Eric Dobbrastine 4-H Program Coordinator dobbras1@msu.edu

Glenda Weiss 4-H Program Coordinator weissgle@msu.edu

> Lori Guy Office Coordinator Iguy@ingham.org

Michigan State University Extension 4-H Youth Development Ingham County 121 E. Maple Street PO Box 319 Mason, MI 48854 Ph: 517.676.7207 • Fax: 517.676.7288 msue.ingham@county.msu.edu

Ingham County 4-H http://ce.ingham.org/4H.aspx

Facebook https://www.facebook.com/Ingham4H



LOCAL NEWS AREA

Save the Dates:

Beef & Market Dairy

2

Jan 12— Showmanship and Nutrition

Market Project

Jan 8— Goal Setting Feb 12—Record Keeping Mar 12—Budgeting Apr 9—Written Comm. May 14—Verbal Comm. June 11—Meeting Buyers July 9—Breaking Even

Rabbit

Jan 5— 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Show



Ingham County 4-H Beef Carcass Class 2018-2019 4-H Year



The Ingham County 4-H Beef Carcass Class allows young people to explore nutrition, animal science, meat production and quality, and business by learning to evaluate the entire beef market process. Participants learn to select both market and breeding animals based on breed character, production factors, structure and carcass desirability, as well as learn about marketing and careers in the livestock industry. As youth gain knowledge about animal differences and learn to evaluate and select livestock, they also increase their public speaking skills.

- Limited number of spots will be given out as reservations come in.
- Please call or email Glenda to be on the list, if you are interested in participating. (517) 676-7303 or weissgle@msu.edu

Deadline to sign up is January 3, 2019



Meet Ashleigh Apel, AmeriCorp 4-H STEAM Corps



Hello, my name is Ashleigh Apel. I am serving as an AmeriCorps member on the 4-H STEAM Corps with Ingham County MSU Extension. I grew up on a small hobby farm in Sumpter Michigan in Wayne County. I was first introduced to 4-H twelve years ago when my family owned and operated a small hatchery out of our garage back home. A local leader was coming to purchase spring chicks and after that the rest is history. I began raising and showing rabbits and poultry, and then eventually ventured into larger livestock, sheep, beef and swine. As I grew older I became more interested in becoming a teen leader and started to participate in the Wayne County 4-H Youth Ambassador program, which I served on for two years. I also joined many planning committees for local 4-H events in my community, and I was a youth mentor and protégé teacher for several years. In my 4-H career, I have been awarded many awards in my project areas. In 2015 and 2017 I won the Wayne County Master Stockman Award (All Animal Little I), I also won a pre-college

scholarship to MSU for attending 4-H Exploration Days. Additionally, in 2017 I applied and participated in the 4-H State Awards for the swine project area, the first youth from Wayne County in over 10 years to participate. My time as a 4-H youth participant came to a close in the summer of 2017, but that did not stop me from staying involved and wanting to continue with my passion and skills I learned in 4-H.

Upon graduation of high school, I really had no idea what I wanted to do with the rest of my life. My senior year I was a dual enrolled student and was taking college courses at Washtenaw Community College while finishing up High School. I ended up graduating with 30 college credits and decided to finish out my associate degree at WCC until I was ready to apply to MSU. In the fall of 2016 I transferred to MSU where I decided to major in Animal Sciences with a concentration in animal industries and an emphasis in swine management. I just recently graduated in May 2018 with my bachelor's degree, but yet again was left with an uncanny feeling of not knowing what I wanted to do. So, I decided to take a division manager position at Summer Impressions Day Camp in West Bloomfield over the summer. This position had sealed the deal, I knew that I wanted to work with kids one way or another, and because of 4-H I had already learned so many valuable life lessons that had prepared me to do that, and now I am here, back in Ingham County serving on the 4-H STEAM Corps with AmeriCorps. I like to say that this is my "dream job" even though I am serving in a volunteer position. I believe this is a big step for me in my career and I hope it opens many doors for my future that I would never have expected.

I love what I am doing. I love reaching out to my community and enriching areas that have limited to no access to 4-H programming. So, over the next 9 months I will be implementing many different SPIN Clubs all throughout Ingham County. I am developing partnerships with underserved communities and schools, recruiting new 4-H volunteers, spreading awareness about what 4-H has to offer, and most importantly I plan to leave a long and lasting impact on the youth, families, and community here in Ingham County. I am proud to be here and serving as your AmeriCorps member. If you are interested in learning more about SPIN club opportunities or you would like to volunteer, or if you would like to see SPIN club programming in an area near you please feel free to reach out to me with my contact information below.

Best regards,

Ashleigh Apel AmeriCorps Member, 4-H STEAM Corps, Children & Youth Institute Michigan State University Extension Ingham County <u>121 E. Maple Street</u> <u>P.O. Box 319</u> <u>Mason, MI 48854</u> 517-887-4581 (office) <u>apelashl@msu.edu</u>

4-H Fair Superintendent Openings

3 open positions: Pets and all other Animals Fine Arts Communications

Application, Job Description, Information: http://ce.ingham.org/4H/Fair.aspx

The application for 4-H superintendents can be found at: <u>http://ce.ingham.org/Portals/</u> <u>CE/4HDocs/Tabs/Fair/4H%20Superintendent%20Application%20Form.pdf</u>

The position is open to anyone with appropriate knowledge in the project area. The job description for 4-H superintendents can be found at: <u>http://ce.ingham.org/Portals/CE/4HDocs/Tabs/Fair/4-H%20Superintendent%20Position%</u>20Description.pdf

If you have questions, please contact Glenda Weiss, 4-H Program Coordinator, at 676-7207.



2019 State Award Applications Now Available

Michigan 4-H true leaders ages 11 and older have an opportunity to be recognized for the great work they do in 4-H 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.



2018 State Award winners in the senior division with their plaques at 4-H Exploration Days.

State award applications are divided into four categories: Mark of Excellence essay contest (11-12 years old), junior state award (13-15 years old), senior state award (16-19 years old) and group awards (13-19 years old). The application process and selection is determined by the age of the 4-H member. Final candidates for the junior, senior and group level awards in each project area will be selected to participate in the State Awards program during 4-H Exploration Days in June, where final selection and announcement of winners will take place.

The application can be found at <u>http://bit.ly/2xWk3VO</u> and is due Feb. 1, 2019. For more information, contact Glenda Weiss, weissgle@msu.edu; (517)676-7303

Michigan 4-H Embryology **Program Staff, Teacher and** Volunteer Training

Objectives:

- Learning how to properly incubate eggs,
- Explore the West Virginia Cooperative Extension Beginning of Life curriculum.
- Utilize best practices for embryology and youth development;
- Bringing a new, exciting program to your local community!

Registration:

Register online at https://events.anr.msu.edu/Inghamcounty2019/

Cost:

\$40.00 per person-includes all training materials and lunch

Find out more...

For more information contact your county MSU Extension office or call Katie Ockert at (517) 432-5270, ockertka@msu.edu. Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested on your registration form

MICHIGAN STATE Extension

MSU is an affirmative-action, equal-opportunity employer. Michigan State University tension programs and materials are open to all without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity, religion, age, height, weight, disability, political beliefs, sexual identation, marital status, family status or veteran status.





January 19, 2019

10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Ingham County Fair-grounds Community Center

700 E Ash St, Mason, MI

The Michigan 4-H Embryology Program Staff and Volunteer training is sponsored by Michigan 4-H Youth Development Programs, Michigan State University Extension.

6

MICHIGAN STATE Extension UNIVERSI

113

Ingham County 4-H and FFA youth participating an any auction at the

Develop your marketing and communication skills while marketing

communicate with your potential buyers before and after the auction.

PRE-REGISTRATION BY THE FIRST FRIDAY OF

Please RSVP at https://goo.gl/forms/ZcOaRObMvMB7r67l2

Or Contact Glenda at weissgle@msu.edu; (517)676-7303

Glenda Weiss at weissgle@msu.edu or (517) 676-7303

fair. You can choose to participate in one or all of the series.

your 4-H auction project.. Develop your skills to effectively

Make the Most of Your 4-H Market Project

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

DESCRIPTION:

THE MONTH

CONTACT:

DATE & TIME: Beginning January 8th,

every second Tuesday until July at 6:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Ingham County

Fairgrounds, Mason, MI-Community Hall

COST: Free

MONTHLY SCHEDULE January— Goal Setting February—Record Keeping

March—Budgeting April—Written

Communication

May—Verbal Communication

June—Practice Meeting Buyers



MSU is an affirmative-action, equal-opportunity employer, committed to achieving excellence through diverse verkforce and heclusive culture that encourage all popele to reach their full potential. Miching as Bac University Extension programs and materials are open to all without regults nove, color, auto-origin, gender, gender identity, religion, age, height, weight, disability, political beliefs, sexual contatable, market status, famity status coverterm status. Persons with disabilities have the right to entatable. The status is and the status of the

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

4-H Beef & Market Dairy Nutrition & Showmanship Workshop

DATE & TIME: Saturday, January 12, 2019 10:00 am-3:00 pm

LOCATION: Ingham County Fairgrounds, Mason, MI-Hoop House

Lunch will be provided

COST: \$3.00

Dress Warm



WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Youth and adults involved or interested in the beef project area. **DESCRIPTION:**

Topics covered will include: beef and dairy market nutrition, and showmanship

PRE-REGISTRATION BY JANUARY 8, 2019 https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScydx_cNk6_gBBBm435 b-X51nIfNbyMQ10JKJKTSBE4RG4gQQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

CONTACT:

Glenda Weiss at weissgle@anr.msu.edu or (517) 676-7303 SPONSORS

Ingham County Fair Ingham County Farm Bureau Ingham County 4-H Livestock Committee

MSU is an affirmative-action, equal-opportunity employer, committed to achieving excellence through a discuss exclusions and inclusive collaries that anccounges all people to reach the first [1] potential. Michigan State University Extension programs and materials are open to all without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, quench elicitytic, regional and an exclusion and the interval and the interval origing, neuron quench elicitytic, regional and the interval of the interval orientation, marinal status, family status or veterm status. Persons with disabilities have the right to regular and receiver encounded isconstructure.



INGHAM COUNTY 4-H TACK SALE

Sponsored by the Ingham County 4-H Horse Committee

INGHAM COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

Indoor Arena Building 700 East Ash Street, Mason

Saturday, January 19, 2019 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

10 x 10 Space - \$20.00 each 10 x 20 Space - \$30.00 each (after January 11th - \$5.00 more)

4-H Club 10 x 10 Space - \$10.00 each 4-H Club 10 x 20 Space - \$15.00 each (after January 11th - \$5.00 more)

Table Rental (no chairs) - \$10.00 each

NO PRESALES!!

\$1.00 per person admission donation at the door

For more information, contact:

Sheryl Steiner - (517) 589-0103

or e-mail inghamcounty4Htacksale@yahoo.com

Registration forms also available on Facebook at:

2019 Ingham County 4-H Horse and Pony Tack Sale

Extension

4-H Day at the Breslin Center Order deadline is January 18

Join us for the fourteenth annual celebration of MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development at the MSU Women's Basketball game. The Spartans will host the University of Michigan at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 24, 2019 at the Breslin Center on MSU's campus, gates open at 12:30 p.m. Come early to enjoy all the fun activities going on around the concourse.

TICKETS ARE FREE for 4-H youth and their families, along with 4-H volunteers.

Community Leaders—Please let the 4-H Office know how many tickets your club would like. We will take one order per club.



4-H Beekeeping Essay Contest

Entries due March 1, 2019

Michigan 4-H youth can improve their science, knowledge, writing and research skills and win a cash prize by entering the <u>2019 4-H Beekeeping Essay Competition</u>. This year's essay topic is *Honey Varietals, State to State. Each jar of honey reflects an unrepeatable combination of climate, soil, weather and flowers. Each state has unique honey varietals that beekeepers can market to their customers. Please identify one unique varietal to your state and discuss the flower's uniqueness and how beekeepers can effectively market that varietal. Please include a photo of the varietal's flower, an interview with a local beekeeper who collects this varietal and a recipe that highlights the varietal.*

The top three winners nationally will receive cash prizes of \$750, \$500 and \$250, and winning essays will be published in ABF Quarterly, the magazine of the American Beekeeping Federation. The three national winners and the top winner of each state will receive a book about honey bees, beekeeping or honey.



Essay length should be 750 to 1000 words and will be judged on the scope of research, accuracy, creativity, conciseness and logic development of the topic. Youth are encouraged to research the topic using a number of sources. <u>Download the complete rules</u> before beginning the contest. This contest is sponsored by the Foundation for the Preservation of Honey Bees, Inc., a non-profit corporation, to preserve the practice and the profession of beekeeping through education and research, established by the American Beekeeping Federation.

Student Film Competition

Due January 4, 2019

The Northeast Michigan Great Lakes Stewardship Initiative (NEMIGLSI) network is now calling for film submissions for the Thunder Bay International Film Festival Student Film Competition! If you have/ know any students (9-12) who would like to participate in this year's Student Film Competition, please have them submit their film no later than January 4th, 2018. Films must address the theme, #ExplorationIs and be less than 5 minutes in length. To submit a film and for more information, please visit TBIFF Student Film Competition page athttp:// bit.ly/explorationis. Selected films are shown at the Thunder Bay International Film Festival, and prizes are given to winning films!

If you have additional questions, please contact Sarah Waters (<u>sarah.a.waters@noaa.go</u> <u>v</u>; (989) 884-6204)



STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4-H Events and Workshops

December 10: Michigan 4-H Embryology Staff, Teacher and Volunteer Training Kent County MSU Extension Office, Grand Rapids 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. <u>http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan 4-</u> h embryology staff teacher and volunteer training--kent county

December 11: Michigan 4-H Upper Peninsula Treasurer's Training

Online Webinar Learn more about the importance of a treasurer's role in 4-H clubs while exploring how to effectively manage money. http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan 4 h up treasurers training 12 11

December 12: Michigan 4-H Embryology Staff, Teacher and Volunteer Training

Sanilac County MSU Extension Office, Sandusky 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. <u>http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan 4-</u> <u>h embryology staff teacher and volunteer training--sanilac county</u>

December 23: 4-H Day at the Lions

Ford Field, Detroit The Detroit Lions would like to invite all 4-H members, families and friends out to a Detroit Lions game. For every ticket purchased, \$5 will go back to your county 4-H program. http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-day-at-the-lions

December 28 - Jan. 1: 4-H Camp Kidwell Winter Camp

4-H Camp Kidwell, Bloomingdale Spend time during winter break enjoying yourself at winter camp. Options for both day camp sessions and overnight camping! http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_camp_kidwell_winter_camp

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

Washtenaw County MSU Extension Office, Ann Arbor 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. <u>http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan 4-</u> <u>h embryology staff teacher and volunteer training--washtenaw county</u>

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

Ingham County Fairgrounds, Mason 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. <u>http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan 4-</u> h embryology staff teacher and volunteer training--ingham county

January 26: State 4-H Rabbit Show

MSU Pavilion, East Lansing This one day event is open to Michigan 4-H members ages 8 to 19. Exhibitors may enter as many breeds as they wish. Spectators are welcome! <u>http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/2019 state 4-h rabbit and cavy show</u>

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to http://www.canr.msu.edu/4h/events.

4-H Day At Ford Field

Join us for 4-H Day at Ford Field on Dec. 23! Cheer on the Lions while supporting Michigan 4-H! For every ticket purchased, \$5 goes back to your county's 4-H program. Learn more and purchase tickets online.

https://www.detroitlions.com/ tickets/partners/4-H



7

CLUB CORNER

Deadline for Re-enrollment is Near!

Log in to your <u>4HOnline</u> Family account to submit enrollment for each member of your family - participating Youth and Adults (*Adults only if a volunteer).

Go to <u>http://mi.4honline.com</u> and select "I have a profile" and enter the email and password you created last year. If you've forgotten your password, select "I forgot my password" and follow the instructions. Once at your family homepage, work through each member's page to complete/update personal information, authorizations and project information. PLEASE MAKE SURE CLUB AND PROJECT INFORMATION IS UP TO DATE! Pay special attention to your "Years in 4-H" and be sure to add each project a member is/has been involved in.

There is no option to pay online. The participation annual fee for **\$20 per individual/\$60 per family** will still be collected by club leaders. **Reenrollment deadline is December 31**, **2018.** If needed, scholarships are available. Please contact the 4-H Office for details.

Community Leaders: You must reenroll in order to have access to your club's information. Once approved by County staff, your access will be restored. Please remember that reenrolled members will remain as pending until payment is received in the 4-H Office.

Reins & Riders Community Service Project

Reins and Riders 4-H Club has an annual community service project of making fleece tie together lap blankets and donating to local Senior Assisted Living Centers. The youth raised funds to purchase the materials, prepare and assemble the blankets during our fall meetings. This year our club donated to "Faith Haven Senior Care Centre" located near Jackson Mi.

On Saturday November 17th, our club met at the local McDonalds for hot chocolate and french fries and then on to Faith Haven. Our youth presented 11 lap blankets and then shared an hour interacting with the residents playing simple board games, puzzles and just visiting.



Fairgrounds Spring Clean-up:

When: Saturday May 18th **Time:** 9:30am-1pm

We will be helping clean up the fairgrounds and get it ready for summer events. We will be doing things such as, planting flowers, trimming bushes, weeding, painting, trash pick-up, etc. Please join us and help give back to our Ingham County Fairgrounds as a thank you for all they do!

Community Leaders:

Please plan a club community service project for this event. Let's all work together to give back to the Fair for use of their facilities throughout the year.



8

Participant Application 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus June 22-29, 2019 (Open to 4-H members 14-19 years of age by January 1)

Complete and submit the following to your county MSU Extension Office by January 2, 2019.

Please fill out completely. Print or type.		
Full Name		
Name as you would like it to appear on your nametag:		
County	Gender (circle): M F Grade in School	
Birth date// Age by 01/01/19	Number of years in 4-H (including current year)	
Home Phone ()	Email address	
Mailing address		
	State Zip Code	
Member Cell Phone ()	Parent Cell Phone()	
Name of your U.S. Senator		
Name of your U.S. Representative		

2019 4-H CWF Payment Schedule

- Jan. 7, 2019: All online registrations with a \$500 payment are due.
- Feb. 1, 2019: Additional \$500 of payment is due. Cancellations received after Feb. 1, 2019 will not be refunded.
- March 15, 2019: Final \$500 final payment is due.

Scholarships are available along with other fund raising ideas. Please contact Glenda Weiss at 676-7303 or <u>weissgle@msu.edu</u> for more information.

List **4-H** <u>programs/events/workshops</u> you've participated in at the county, regional or state level (i.e., 4-H camp, 4-H Exploration Days, state level animal project contests/shows, state level workshops held at Kettunen Center, etc).

List **4-H** <u>leadership</u> activities you've been involved with (i.e., club officer, teen leadership project, camp counselor, service on a club, county or state level committee, etc.)

List 4-H community service projects you've been involved with where you helped others in need in your community.

List any other <u>community service</u> projects you've been involved with (i.e. through church, school, another organization, etc.)

Page 3

List other travel experiences		
Special Status: Wheelchair User Disability (specify)	
Other special needs		
l certify that all information on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge:		
Applicant Signature:	Date:	
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:	
We recommend this member to represent Michigan 4-H at this national event:		
4-H Club Leader Signature:	Date:	
County 4-H Staff Signature:	Date:	