



Ingham County

4-H Family News

February 21, 2020

Weekly Happenings



- Feb 25—Swine Project Meeting—6:30 pm—Fairgrounds
- Mar 4—4-H Livestock Committee Meeting—6:30 pm—Hilliard
- Mar 10—Exploration Days Enrollment begins
- Mar 11—4-H Horse Committee Meeting—7:00 pm—Hilliard
- Mar 15—Homegrown Fair Forms Due to 4-H Office by 5:00 pm
- Mar 18—4-H Council Monthly Meeting—7:00 pm—Hilliard
- Mar 29—4-H Goat Clinic—12:00—3:00 pm—Fairgrounds

IMPORTANT—Swine Meeting on Tuesday

Important Swine Area Meeting – February 25th beginning at 6:30 pm at the Fairground Community Building. This is a **very important** meeting for all youth, leaders and parents in the swine project to discuss the usage of Ractopamine in their swine project.

If you cannot physically attend the meeting, please join us through the various links below:

Topic: Swine Department Meeting
Time: Feb 25, 2020 06:30 PM Eastern Time

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://msu.zoom.us/j/465518051>

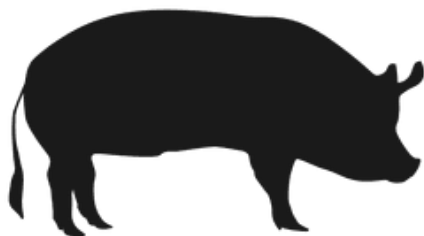
Join by Calling using one of the following numbers

+1 646 876 9923
+1 669 900 6833

Meeting ID: 465 518 051

Join by Skype for Business

<https://msu.zoom.us/skype/465518051>



NEW MANDATE FOR 2020

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Exploration Days



Registration
Coming
Soon

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Save the Dates:**Beef & Market Dairy**

Beef Fitting and Showmanship Clinic – April 5

Horse

Cloverbud Camp – June 29 & 30

Horse Project Bootcamp for Fair – July 14-16

Leader Show – June 12 & 13

Twilight Show – sponsored by Dansville Wranglers – July 16

Achievement Days – May 31, June 14, and June 28 (dressage)

Goat

Goat Clinic – March 29

Homegrown Verification

For beef, sheep and swine members who wish to exhibit in the homegrown classes at Fair, we must have a homegrown verification form on file in the 4-H Office by March 15 and must be signed by your project leader.



Form located on your specie page at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/ingham/4-h/animal-projects/>

For questions, please contact Glenda at 676-7303.

4-H Dog Project Workshop

Wanting to learn more about your 4-H Dog Project? Register to attend the 2020 4-H Youth and Adult Dog Project Workshop being held at Michigan State University on March 7th. This is a one day workshop where youth and adults can sharpen their skills and gain knowledge from seasoned professionals about various aspects of dog care, management and training.

Registration closes on Feb. 28th.

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/dog2020/>

**4-H Partners with JOANN for 'Clovers for Kids' Campaign**

JOANN stores are helping 4-H bring more hands-on programs to local communities across the nation to inspire kids to lead lives with their head, hands, and hearts. Between March 1 – April 30, 2020 visit your local JOANN store and purchase a clover tear away at the register for either \$1 or \$4. \$4 purchases come with a \$4 off coupon for a later purchase. 100% of the funds donated go back to 4-H with 70% going back to the local states' 4-H program.

In addition, JOANN wants to support individual 4-H'ers involvement by providing a rewards card for 4-H members, leaders, staff, and parents. The rewards card gives holders 15% off their purchase every day.

To sign up go to <https://www.joann.com/4-h/>





2020 State Award Applicants

Congratulations to our state awards applicants for submitting their applications and moving into the state award process. A 4-H State Award is the highest honor bestowed on a Michigan 4-H member. 4-H State Award winners become part of an elite group of 4-H youth who have demonstrated the highest level of excellence in learning, leadership, and service.

The Michigan 4-H State Awards Program provides 4-H members a learning experience where they can develop career skills by using their 4-H experiences to compile a portfolio similar to a professional application while receiving recognition for their 4-H involvement. The application process will help youth build their skills in communication, literacy, record keeping, and marketable skills. The application will require youth to reflect on their past 4-H experiences and provide thoughtful responses. 4-H State Awards recognize youth for their engagement and learning in the 4-H program, focusing on the skills they have gained.

A select number of 4-H State Award applicants are invited to attend the prestigious 4-H State Award Recognition Event held during 4-H Exploration Days as 4-H State Award delegates. 4-H State Award delegates are selected through an application process that showcases their knowledge, skills and experiences in their chosen 4-H project area. Participation in the 4-H State Awards Program helps all applicants develop skills to prepare for their future such as communication, time management, goal setting, and record keeping.

Recognition for 4-H State Award winners include a plaque and cash award. The program recognizes 4-H members in 19 project areas in both junior (13-15 years old) and senior (16-19 years old) age divisions, as well as a group award area (13-19 years old).

Ingham County applicants are as follows: **Megan Bliesener** (Senior Rabbit); **Brenna Marshall** (Senior STEM); **Kaylee Benton** (Senior Horse) and **Cierra Chapo** (Junior Horse). Good luck to all of our applicants.

Spartan Stampede—Thank you Nataleigh

Thank you to Nataleigh Hughes, *Golden Stride Riders 4-H Club*, for assisting at the 2020 Spartan Stampede. Nataleigh led the session on livestock digestive systems by talking about the ruminant digestive system. There were over 270 youth and 80 adults from 11 counties that attended this event.



**Great
Job!**

GRATIOT COUNTY YOUTH SWINE DAY

DATE & TIME:

- May 2nd, 2020
- Registration opens at 8:30am
- Ends at 4 pm

LOCATION:

- Gratiot County Fair For Youth
- 701 S Lincoln Ave Alma, MI 48801

COST and

REGISTRATION:

- Cost is \$5
- Kids T-shirts: \$10 (Optional, must order by April 17th)
- Registrations opens on February 17th, 2020
- Registration at MSU Extension office
- Make Checks Payable to: MSU Extension
- Early Registration close: April 17th
- Late fee is \$10 (After April 17th)



WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

This event is open to all youth from ages 5 to 19 years old. Parents also welcome to attend sessions.

DESCRIPTION:

This is event is an all day seminar focused on improving youth's knowledge of swine in general. Some topics include showmanship and livestock judging hosted by MSU Livestock Judging Team, manure management, fair biosecurity, and a Q & A panel of fair and swine local experts. Lunch will be provided.

HOW TO REGISTER:

Registration will be at MSU Extension Office, 219 N State Ave Alma, MI 48801. Registration will open February 17th, 2020. Early bird registration is \$5 and ends April 17th. Late registration is up til the day of at is \$10. Checks can be made out to: Michigan State University. [Register here.](#)



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Alma MI, 48801
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National Poultry Improvement Plan Pullorum Tester Training

DATE & TIME:

Tuesday, March 3, 2020
8:30am

LOCATION:

MSU Pavilion
4301 S Farm Lane
Lansing, MI 48910

COST:

\$35 (includes certification)
\$10 (non-certicate)



National Poultry Improvement Plan Registration Training starts at 8:30am on March 3rd.

To register visit: https://commerce.cashnet.com/msu_3645

If you have problems registering, please call Carla at 517-242-2395

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Gratiot County Youth Swine Day continued

YOUTH SWINE DAY



Event Information May 2, 2020

Schedule

8:30 Registration Starts

9 - 9:10 am Introduction

MORNING SESSION (rotating sessions)

9:10 - 10:00 am Small Farm Manure Management

10:05 - 10:55 am Skill-a-thon

11 - 11:50 am Livestock Judging

Lunch 12:00 pm - 12:50 pm

Q & A panel 1:00 pm - 1:40 pm

AFTERNOON SESSION (rotating sessions)

1:45 - 2:35 pm Showmanship

2:40 - 3:30 pm Fair Biosecurity

3:40 pm Wrap up and Prizes

4 pm - Adjourn

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Horse Camps—2 Opportunities Cloverbud Fair Preparation Boot Camp

CLOVERBUD CAMP

Date & Time:

June 29 & 30, 202
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Cost: \$34.99—\$10 nonrefundable deposit is due May 30, 2020

FAIR PREPERATION BOOT CAMP

Date:

July 13-16, 2020

For Both Camps

LOCATION:

Ingham County Fairgrounds,, 700 E. Ash St, Mason, MI-

Snacks and Lunch will be provided.

CLOVERBUD CAMP

Who should attend:

Youth age 5-7 years old

Description:

The activities are centered around Cloverbud Exploration. The camp consists of crafts and educational equine activities. Activities will not include riding and youth will not bring their own horses.

Registration form:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/ingham/uploads/files/Cloverbud%20Camp.pdf>

FAIR PREPERATION BOOT CAMP

Who should attend:

Youth ages 8-19 with a minimum of a walk/trot riding ability.

Description:

This three day camp will help you prepare for fair. Participants will be grouped together based on chosen discipline and age/skill level.

Riding improvement instruction is offered for various levels of skill; walk-trot, through advanced. Disciplines offered are English Hunt Seat, Western, Gymkhana, and Dressage. Participants will choose one discipline instruction level for the entire camp. Within the groups you will receive additional demonstrations and information on horse care, horse behavior, training techniques and various other horse related topics.

Registration and Further Information:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/ingham/uploads/files/Horse%20Camp.pdf>

Sponsors

Ingham County Fair, Ingham County Farm Bureau, Ingham County 4-H Horse Committee

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4-H Animal & Veterinary SCIENCE CAMP

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

June 24-28, 2019

Michigan State University
East Lansing, Michigan

APPLY!

Youth aged 13 to 17 can go to https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_animal_veterinary_science_camp/ to apply. Space is limited! Campers will be selected on the basis of their applications.

Send your application to Nick Babcock at MSU Extension by April 3.

Questions? Call 517-432-1626 or email babco116@msu.edu.

LOW COST!

The cost to attend this five-day camp is **Just \$350** and includes all meals, transportation to field trips, lodging and materials.



Explore the exciting field of animal and veterinary science with one of MSU Extension's premier pre-college programs! Practice veterinary medicine, research zoonotic conditions and discover careers!

4-H Animal & Veterinary Science campers will stay in a campus dorm and experience campus life, enjoying experiences such as:

- **Tours of on-campus clinics and labs** – Explore MSU's Veterinary Medical Center and Diagnostics Center for Population and Animal Health. Learn and interact with MSU faculty and veterinary students.
- **Hands-on veterinary activities** – Try your hand at dissection, suturing, first aid, physical examinations, x-ray reading, animal handling and more.
- **Tours of campus farms and surrounding facilities** – Get a behind-the-scenes tour of the MSU Horse, Sheep, Dairy and Swine Farms. Learn about research done on the farms from farm managers and faculty members.
- **Case study evaluations** – Work your way through a veterinary science case study to determine the best course of treatment before presenting your case to experts.

The 4-H Animal & Veterinary Science Camp is a collaborative program of MSU Extension, MSU Department of Animal Science and the MSU College of Veterinary Medicine.

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Ionia County 4-H New and Used TACK SALE

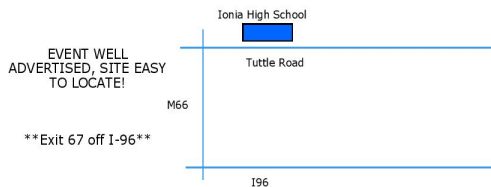
Saturday, March 28, 2020
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Over 100 Booths
Saddles – Misc. Tack – Clothing
Feed – Jewelry – Gifts – Publications
Barn Supplies – And More!!

Concessions On Site

Ionia High School
250 East Tuttle Road, Ionia MI 48846



Have items to sell?
Booth reservations and payment due March 1, 2020
Non-Refundable
Contact: Dolores Powell at 443-534-4102
or email: powelldm@yahoo.com

Sponsored by the Ionia County 4-H Horse Developmental Committee

Profits from the tack sale will be used for Ionia County 4-H Equine Educational purposes, maintenance and upkeep of facilities at the Ionia County fairgrounds, and other purposes at the discretion of the Ionia County 4-H horse development committee.

MICHIGAN 4-H ROBOTICS YOUTH CHALLENGE



MARCH 14-15 AT
THE KETTUNEN
CENTER
<https://events.anr.msu.edu/robotics20/>

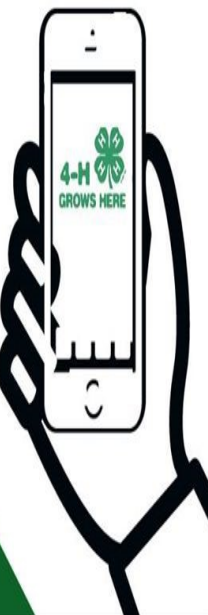
4-H GROWS HERE

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4-H MONEY SMARTS CONTESTS

Opportunity to win cash prizes!
Compete with youth across the state of Michigan
Sign up before it's too late!!

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/4-h-money-smarts/index>



Sign-up Now—Deadline Approaching



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JUNE 24-26, 2020
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

4-H EXPLORATION DAYS

4-H Exploration Days is an annual MSU Pre-College Program that attracts about 2,400 participants from across Michigan.

There's always lots to do and see at 4-H Exploration Days! Have fun, learn new things and make new friends on the beautiful MSU campus!

- Animal Science
• Careers & Entrepreneurship
• Communication
• Environmental Education
• Food, Nutrition & Fitness
• Science, Engineering & Technology
• Visual & Performing Arts

Come join the fun!

4-H Exploration Days registrations are due to your local MSU Extension office by April 30, 2020. Ask your local MSU Extension office for a copy of the registration book, or get it from our website at: canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days/

Entertainment

An exciting, fun, high-energy show in the world-class Wharton Center is bound to entertain you!

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2020 SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN 4-H CAT FUN MATCH

March 14, 2020

County Building, 801 Hazen, Paw Paw, Michigan

Registration opens at 9:00 a.m. Show begins at 10:00 a.m. Exhibitors should bring their own carriers and table coverings



CLASSES

- Breed Classes: Purebred Kitten (4-12 months), Purebred Cat (older than 1 Year), Household Kitten (4-12 months), Household Female (older than 1 year), Household Male (older than 1 year), Parent/Over 19 Age (Any Breed), Currently Adoptable Foster Cat (Any Breed)
Showmanship Classes: Cloverbud - Ages 5-8, Young - Ages 9-12, Junior - Ages 13-14, Senior - Ages 15-19
Cage Decoration: Cloverbud - Ages 5-8, Junior - Ages 9-13, Senior - Ages 14-19



Attitude - Beginner, Intermediate or Advanced
Cat Product - All Ages

Differently Able - All Classes

DEADLINE TO REGISTER is February 24, 2020

Exhibitor Name, Address, E-Mail Address, Age as of 1/1/20, Phone

Cat Name, Breed, Sex (Limit 2 cats per exhibitor)

Does Cat Have Current Rabies and 3-in-1 Vaccines? (Must be mailed with registration or shown on day of show)

Classes Entering: Enter, *Cat Name, *Age/Skill Level, *If Diff. Able, Showmanship, Cage Decoration, Breed, Attitude, Cat Product

Total Entry Fees: (\$2.00 per class)

I read and agree to the Show Rules Listed (signature handler and parent)

Make Checks payable to Young Explorers 4-H
Mail Entries to: Young Explorers, 04632 Baker Road, Gobles, MI 49055
or email to nobledenise@rocketmail.com
Questions? Contact Denise Noble, (269) 303-5407

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MICHIGAN 4-H Beekeeping Essay Competition

2020 Essay Topic:

Overwintering: Bee Survival through the Cold Season

\$750 1st place prize, includes being published!

Deadline: March 15, 2020
Contact: Laura Quist, quistla1@msu.edu

Contest Rules: https://www.canr.msu.edu/environmental_outdoor_education/



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2020 SOUTHWEST MICHIGAN 4-H CAT FUN MATCH RULES

ENTRY FEES - \$2.00 per class

- 1. An exhibitor may show ANY cat (owned or borrowed). The cat must be groomed for the show by the exhibitor. An exhibitor can show up to two cats/kittens but may not have more than one entry per class. Family members may exhibit the same cat in the showmanship class, but not the breed classes. The Parent/Over Age 19 class is for parents/adults/youth over age 19 that want to exhibit. Cats shown in the currently adoptable foster care class should be housed in a foster facility and be currently available for adoption.
2. Showmanship class is highly recommended. The purpose of showmanship is for the exhibitor to demonstrate to the judge their general knowledge of cats. This includes physically showing the cat's features, as well as a possible question/answer session concerning cat diet, health, anatomy, physiology, and general care. Scoring will be based on the 4-H Companion Animals guidelines, email Noble for full manual.
3. An exhibitor's attire should be neat and clean. The show dress code includes a light colored long-sleeved shirt and dark colored pants or jeans. Flat shoes are required, no sandals. Long hair should be tied back.
4. Harnesses with identification tags are mandatory; collars are appropriate but cat must also be on harness. Leashes are required. All cats to be kept on harness and leash or crated except when in the show ring. All cats should have a carrier available at all times during the show; cardboard boxes are not acceptable. Exhibitors should provide a carpet sample for exhibiting the cat during breed class.
5. Kittens should be between 4 and 12 months on the day of show; adults are one year or older on the day of show. Household class is considered mixed breed. Purebred class should conform to the standard of the breed, but registration papers are not required. The top two placing cats in each class will be considered for Grand and Reserve Grand Champion cat.
6. Female cats in season, nursing cats, or cats that are obviously pregnant may not participate in the show. A substitute cat will be accepted during show registration without forfeiting pre-entry registration money.
7. All cats shown MUST have a certificate showing that they have had the following inoculations - rabies and distemper, calicis, and rhinotrach (Feline 3 in 1). The rabies must be from a certified veterinarian, the 3 in 1 shot may be done personally but proof of vaccination must be shown (receipt, package, etc.). It is highly recommended that cats also have the feline leukemia and pneumatic inoculations. Cats showing sign of disease such as sneezing, coughing, runny eyes, lice, fleas, ticks, or ear mites will automatically be marked down or removed from the show. No feline leukemia positive cats will be allowed entry.
8. All cats should have their nails clipped or be declawed for the protection of judge and exhibitors. NOTE: This is a youth event - do not have your cat declawed if you plan to enter other shows as it will be a disqualification at some cat shows. Nail clipping is all that is required for this show.
9. Any cat or exhibitor showing excessive aggression, determined by the show officials, shall be removed from show area and shall not exhibit.
10. Cat product will be judged on creativity, originality, workmanship, and exhibitor's product design created by them. Scoring occurs in the following categories: Creativity, Originality, Workmanship, Exhibitor Participation, Business Plan, Financials, Promotion, Interview, and Age Consideration.
11. For cage decorations, exhibitors will use their own carriers and the decorated carrier must fit on the table provided. Cage decorations will be judged on creativity, originality, and youth's description of how decorations and/or costumes were personally designed and created.
12. Attitude is a feline game of skill designed specifically for cat behaviors. Scoring will be based on the Attitude rules, email Noble for full description and scoring.
13. Exhibitors may enter any class as a Differently Able participant (please indicate same on your entry form). Exhibitor may show regular or differently able, but not both. Caregiver should remain in the show area at all times to assist child if necessary.
14. Cats should remain in carriers as much as possible and out only for grooming/showing reasons. No cats should roam through the building/show area. No cats should be loose and off harness/leash at any time unless showing.



Montcalm County 4-H Goat Educational and Fun Show

Saturday, March 21, 2020

Montcalm County Fairgrounds, Small Animal Barn

8784 Peck Road, Greenville, MI 48838

Registration/check-in at 9 a.m.

Show starts at 10 a.m.

Pre-register by March 1st: Entry Fees: \$4 per goat, \$4 for showmanship

Day-of Entry Fees: \$5 per goat, \$5 for showmanship

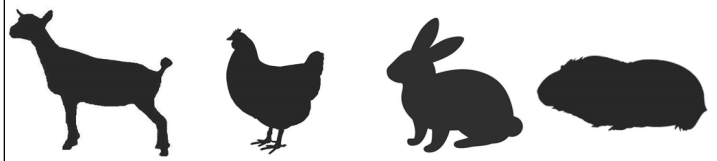


- Showmanship classes: Cloverbud (5-7), Juniors (8-11), Intermediate (12-14), Senior (15-19), and adult (20 and over)
 - Age will be determined as of show day
- Market and Fiber hands-on educational class (bring your own goat)
 - Goat cart demonstration
- Classes may be added with sufficient number of entries
 - All age buck class (must be 18 to show a buck)
- Bring a dish to pass and table service to join the potluck lunch
 - Goats need not be body clipped

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Hosted by The Whispering Pine Farm Kids 4-H Club

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MONTCALM COUNTY 4-H

Small Animal Showmanship Workshop

May 16, 2020, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Montcalm County Fairgrounds, Greenville, MI

BRING YOUR ANIMAL AND GET TIPS FROM JUDGES OR LEAVE YOUR ANIMALS HOME AND COME LISTEN TO THE FEEDBACK OTHERS RECEIVE.

Questions: call MSU Extension Office at 989-831-7514

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Montcalm County Goat Fun Show Registration Form

(please circle one) 4-H Member 4-H Cloverbud Adult

Exhibitor's Name: _____

County from: _____

Exhibitor's Age: _____ Phone Number: _____

GOATS INFORMATION

Scrapie Number: _____

Breed: _____ Sex: _____ Age: _____

CLASSES (please circle the ones you want to enter)

This order will be show order.

Showmanship

Dairy breed class

Milking does

Never freshened does

Dry does

Meat breed class

Milking does

Never freshened does

Dry does

Mixed breed class

Milking does

Never freshened does

Dry does

Dam and kid (any gender kid)

Wether

Buck

Trail (Pro-Am)

Name of Partner: _____

Total \$ _____

Montcalm County Youth 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Show

Crystal Community Center

217 East Park Street, Crystal, MI 48818



Saturday, April 25, 2020

Enter between 7:00 & 8:30 a.m. — Show starts promptly at 9:00 a.m.

Showmanship
\$2.00 entry fee

Trophy for each class winner:

- Beginner: 4-H age 8-10
- Junior: 4-H age 11-12
- Intermediate: 4-H age 13-14
- Seniors: 4-H age 15-19

Cloverbuds – (4-H age 5-7) participation awards only, no placing/trophies

~ Place ribbons up to 5th place ~

Educational Posters are welcomed and will be judged

Breed Class — Rabbit & Cavy
\$3.00 entry fee – Breed
\$2.00 entry fee – Fur/Wool

Awards for:

- Rabbits – BOB & BOS
- Grand Champion & Reserve Meat Pens/Fryer
- Best Reserve in Show
- Best in Show
- Cavy – BOB & BOS
- Cavy – Best in Show & Reserve in Show
- Cloverbuds – (4-H age 5-7) participation awards only, no placing/trophies

~ Place ribbons up to 3rd place ~

~ Delicious Concessions will be available ~
~ Master Corner Cage Dealer will be present ~

EXHIBITORS MUST HAVE CARRYING CAGES WITH LEAK-PROOF BOTTOMS FOR ALL ANIMALS
~ Animals just in regular cages will **not** be permitted!

For more information contact:
Linda Peterson – (989) 814-0691

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Profits will go to the Montcalm County 4-H Small Animal Committee to fund rabbit programs, equipment, and committee expenses. 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.



4-H Fair Asst. Superintendent Opening

**1 open position
- Food & Nutrition**

If interested, please contact Glenda Weiss, 4-H Program Coord., at 676-7303.



GreenStone Farm Credit Services Scholarship

Entries due February 29, 2020

GreenStone Farm Credit Services is now accepting applications through March 1 for its 2019 scholarship program. The cooperative will once again award up to \$40,000 to incoming college freshmen pursuing a degree in an agriculture-related field.

Students attending a four-year college program can earn a \$2,000 scholarship, while \$1,000 awards will go to selected students attending a two-year college program.

Scholarship applicants must reside within GreenStone's territory, which includes Michigan and select counties in northeastern Wisconsin; must be a full-time high school graduating senior; have at least a 3.0 grade point average; and plan to study an agriculture-related field. In addition, applicants should demonstrate participation and leadership in school, community and agricultural activities. Complete details are available within the scholarship application found online: <https://www.greenstonefcs.com/en/community/scholarships>



Michigan Youth Livestock Scholarship Fund

Entries due May 15, 2020

Two Scholarship Options for 2020

- 1) MYLSF SCHOLARSHIP (UP TO \$5,000)
- 2) STATE-WIDE SCHOLARSHIP (UP TO \$1,000)

Both Scholarships are funded by proceeds from the Michigan State Fair Youth Livestock Auction and the Michigan Livestock Expo Auction



Since 2000, the Michigan Youth Livestock Scholarship Fund has been awarding scholarships annually to outstanding youth who exhibit at the Michigan State Fair, Michigan livestock Expo and Michigan Dairy Expo. The fund is also responsible for supporting educational awards provided to youth livestock and dairy exhibitors each year. Funding comes from specific proceeds from the Michigan Livestock Expo Sale-Abatement. Scholarship requirements and qualifications can be viewed through the application link below.

Applications and qualification requirements for the MYLSF and the statewide scholarship can be obtained at www.michigan.gov/mda-mylsf. Applications must be postmarked no later than **May 15, 2020**. If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Haarer, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural, at 517-284-5642 or Ernie Birchmeier, Michigan Farm Bureau, at 517-679-5335.

4-H Events and Workshops

February 6: 4-H Books for Cooks SPIN Club

Collins Elementary School, Houghton Lake

This event, for youth ages 6-12, engages participants in reading a book and then cooking food from the book. This is the first of a four-week SPIN club series.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-books-for-cooks-spin-club>

February 15: 4-H Tubing Party

Snow Snake Mountain, Harrison

4-H families and their friends can enjoy tubing from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Cost is \$11 per person. Participants must be 36" tall to ride the tubes.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-tubing-party-2>

February 22: Youth Officer Training

Shiawassee County Fairgrounds, Corunna

This event is for all 4-H and non 4-H members who are an officer or wish to become one. Learn about officer roles and parli-pro; includes snacks and door prizes.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/youth-officer-training>

March 3-4: Project FISH Workshop

MSU Natural Resources Building, East Lansing

Teachers, educators and volunteers are invited to two days of "Place-Based Learning through Sportfishing and Aquatic Resource Education." Participants will leave with curriculum activities, equipment, a fishing rod and reel and access to supplies and resources to begin a successful fishing program with children in the classroom or in an after-school setting. Registration deadline: February 21; cost is \$75 per person.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/project-fish-workshop>

March 6: Michigan 4-H Embryology Staff, Teacher & 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.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-embryology-staff-teacher-and-volunteer-training-kent-county>

March 7: 4-H Dog Youth & Adult Workshop

MSU Anthony Hall, East Lansing

Youth ages 8-19 and adult volunteers who help in the dog project area are invited to learn more from seasoned professionals about various aspects of dog care, management and training.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-dog-youth-adult-workshop>

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