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October 2018

Isabella County

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2018-2019 4-H Club Enrollments

All 4-H club enrollments (<https://mi.4honline.com>) are due Wednesday, October 31 for members and leaders who are re-enrolling in Isabella County 4-H. The annual participation fee is \$20 per youth, or \$60 per family. This payment should be made to your Administrative Leader. Scholarship grants are available for those families unable to pay the participation fee. You must submit the form to your leader and they will submit everything for the entire club to the Extension Office.

Instructions for Re-Enrolling in 4-HOnline

Now is the time to re-enroll for the 2018-19 4-H program year. Please refer to the instructions below to help you in that process. You will need to re-enroll online through the 4-H Online system: <https://mi.4honline.com>

Participation fees will be paid to your club Administrative Leader who will then turn all of the fees in to our office for the entire club, including scholarship forms. If you have any questions or need to use a computer to enroll, please contact our office for assistance.

Go to: <https://mi.4honline.com>

Login with your email and password - **DO NOT create a new account**

Continue to family

Click edit for the person

Scroll down and hit enroll for 2018-19

Update information, make sure everything is current...address, email, phone, etc

Sign/fill in Code of Conduct, Media/Medical Releases & Health Information

Add or delete any projects

Submit Enrollment



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4-H Recognition Banquet

Thursday, October 11 at 6:30 p.m.
Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Mt. Pleasant

All 4-H families are invited to help us recognize accomplishments of 4-H youth and leaders. Dinner is provided by 4-H Council. Please RSVP to the Extension Office by Friday, October 5.

CLUB CORNER

Aim High - We gathered for a post-fair potluck dinner where all members and family members shared various experiences directly associated with fair week: preparation, last minute project issues, awards, learning experiences, and even some "probably won't do that again" discussions. The food was plentiful and discussion time was entertaining. Members were reminded to re-enroll for the new 4-H year and dates of upcoming banquets were shared.

Back Roads - For our September meeting we discussed making sure to turn in County Medal nominations. We reminded everyone when the Recognition Banquet and Small Animal Banquet were, also that re-enrollment is in October as well.

Canine Clovers - We are a new club designed for those interested in the 4-H Dog Project. Our meetings will consist of learning about your dog, caring for your dog, obedience skills, sportsmanship, discovering careers that involve working with dogs, and participating in the 4-H dog show.

Dairy Dreamers - Four members of our club have been selected to represent Michigan in 3 different National Dairy Judging Contests this year. Caitie Theisen has already competed in the All-American Dairy Show in Harrisburg, PA where the team from Michigan placed 5th overall. Caitie was 5th in Reasons, 2nd in Jersey's, 5th in Guernsey's and 23rd Overall. Congratulations to Caitie! She will also be competing at World Dairy Expo in Madison, WI in October. Drew Neyer, Katie Wilson, and Cristin Theisen will be representing the state of Michigan at the North American International Livestock Expo in Louisville, KY in November. Good luck to everyone!

Pony Creek - For our September meeting we had our, Adopt a Highway; Roadside Cleanup, we had new officer elections, we also decided that we would be donating to the Isabella County Foster Closet. We gave out fair awards and reviewed our club by-laws. We made plans for our next meeting to have a haunted barn and hay ride on October 27.

Tractor Supply Fall Paper Clover Promotion

Help is needed for the fall Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign that will run October 3 - 14, 2018. TSC is a great supporter of 4-H!

We are asking members, families, and clubs to help promote the event at our local Tractor Supply Store. Try displaying your record books or projects! Contact the Extension office if you or your club are interested in participating in the promotion at the store.

Beef Weigh-In

Saturday, December 1

9:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Isabella County Fairgrounds



All beef project members must bring their market beef animals to the fairgrounds to be weighed and tagged. Each member may weigh-in two animals.

We are accepting nominations for Adult and Teen Representatives on 4-H Council

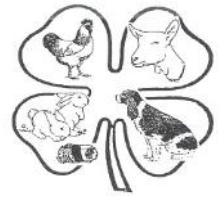
What is the Isabella County 4-H Council? The 4-H Council is the main decision-making body for the county 4-H program. It is responsible for working with the paid staff to support county 4-H program planning, administration and policy making. The Council is charged with keeping track of "the big picture" for our county 4-H program. It assists with volunteer recruitment, 4-H awareness building, and it oversees things such as member and volunteer recognition and the county award program. Monthly meetings (the 4th Tuesday of the month) are held at the Isabella County Building, room 320, and are open to all 4-H leaders and interested people.

Link to teen representative application: http://www.canr.msu.edu/isabella/isabella_county_4_h/newsletters-and-forms

4-H leaders and teens who are interested in serving on 4-H Council should contact Kristi at the Extension Office. Adult leaders will vote on adult 4-H Council members at the Recognition Banquet.

Small Animal News

- Buyer Appreciation Banquet: Tuesday, October 30, 6:30 p.m. (please arrive between 6-6:15 p.m. to help with final preparations before our guests arrive for dinner), at Sacred Heart Parish Hall, 319 E. Illinois Street, Mt. Pleasant.
- All small animal members who participated in the auction during fair week should plan to attend -- please make it a priority as it is considered part of your project. We take the opportunity to offer a special thank you to the buyers who join us for dinner. Each member that sold an animal is asked to bring a nice door prize item, one hot food dish, and one cold food dish to pass. Informational invitation letters will be sent out soon. The Small Animal Association provides KFC chicken, potatoes, rolls, beverages, and table service. The Aim High 4-H Club will be providing the dessert this year. **Everyone planning to attend should RSVP as soon as possible.** Please do not presume we know you are coming; help us plan appropriately.
- If you have not yet done so, send a thank you note to your specific buyer. Make sure to also mention coming to the banquet. Just a simple, personal comment will mean a lot for those that so faithfully support the auction year after year.
- The next Small Animal Association meeting will be Thursday, November 15, at 7:00 p.m. at the Isabella County Building, Room 320.



Crafting Day

Saturday, November 17, 2018

A rep from a crafting company is offering an event similar to a scrap booking retreat. Participants register for "space" to work on their choice of project, and all other details of the day are covered. You will have a six-foot table, electricity, comfortable atmosphere, and food all day long. She will also provide one-on-one instruction for a couple of items/techniques and free gifts as well. She is donating all profits from the day to the Fair Board's Building project. See the flier on page 11 for more details. We hope you will plan to participate in this fun event that will help you make progress on a specific project and support the ongoing building project at our fairgrounds as well. By the time the event happens, the holidays will not be far off. Might be a perfect opportunity to get some gifts checked off your list.

Attention Teens

Teens interested in being a future Teen Livestock Superintendent need to be a Teen Leader for that project area before applying to become a Teen Superintendent. If you have already been a Teen leader in that project area, please contact the Extension Office if interested, or go online to find the Teen Leader and Teen Superintendent forms. If you have any questions, contact the Extension Office.

Leadership Opportunity

The Michigan 4-H State Youth Leadership Council (SYLC) applications are now being accepted. SYLC members serve as representatives of the Michigan 4-H program promoting 4-H through state and local activities, and can provide youth voice and perspective on the development of 4-H programs and curricula. SYLC members are also provided an opportunity to represent Michigan in attendance at the National 4-H Conference in Washington, D.C.

The deadline to apply is October 28. This opportunity is for high school aged youth that are seeking a state level leadership role and who are enthusiastic about 4-H.

For an application:

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/SYLCApplication18/>

For more information:

<http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/sylc>

Isabella County 4-H Calendar Sponsorship Form

The Isabella County 4-H Council is making preparations for the 2019 4-H calendar. The calendar will be distributed to over 1,000 families in Isabella County. Calendar pages will feature 12 pieces of artwork and photography done by local 4-H members. Local and state 4-H events and community events will be put on the calendar making it a useful tool for Isabella County families.

Will you help sponsor this calendar with an advertisement?

_____ Half Banner (2 3/4" by 3 1/8") for \$100

_____ One Quarter Banner (business card size) for \$50

Contact the Extension office by October 5 if you are interested in sponsoring.

♦♦ **IMPORTANT** ♦♦

DEADLINES MATTER!!!

Please read carefully as there are some **NEW** changes for 4-H Clubs, Leaders and Families for the 2018-2019 4-H Calendar Year:

- Administrative Leaders - PLEASE turn your club enrollments in by October 31, 2018. If you choose to meet with your club members and they are not re-enrolled when you are meeting or participating in an event, they are NOT COVERED by 4-H insurance and you may be liable for accidents.
- 4-H Administrative Leaders, Volunteer Leaders, Youth and Families - if you are LATE with a paperwork deadline, you might not be considered for a scholarship, mini-grant, or financial assistance.
- If there is a paperwork deadline missed by a 4-H youth/family, those youth will not be considered as a nominee for the County Medal Award or other awards during the 4-H calendar year.
- Administrative Leaders are in charge of the deadlines set by their particular club, and may fully exercise the consequences imposed by not meeting the deadlines their club has set. For example, the number of meetings a member (or family representative) must attend to be eligible to remain in the club, or missing a designated re-enrollment deadline. In both these examples, the administer leader may tell the youth or family that they will need to join another club, or participate in extra "things" as designated within the club by-laws.
- Isabella County 4-H participants are "guests" of the Isabella County Youth & Farm Fair, fair entry deadlines matter! It is not courteous to Eva or to the Extension Office to be late with entries or to change an entry after the deadline. This upcoming year, late entries or changes after the entry deadline will not be taken.

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Teen “Chopped” Competition

*A cooking competition among teams
using locally grown food.*

WHO:

Teens ages 13-19
(teams of 3 - 4)

DATES:

October 15, 2018

Mandatory Meeting at the
Isabella County Building,
6-8 PM

November 3, 2018

Competition at Sacred
Heart Parish Hall, 3-8 PM



- Learn how to prepare food from a culinary expert
- Learn what eating local really means
- Prizes will be awarded for TOP CHEF team and other categories



**For an application, questions or more
information, contact: MSU Extension at
989-317-4079 or lynchka4@anr.msu.edu**

Application deadline:

October 8, 2018

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Introduction to Babysitting

October 9 - November 13, 2018
Every Tuesday for 6 Weeks ~ Ages 11+
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM
Isabella County Building, Room 320
(200 N. Main Street, Mt Pleasant)

Cost:

\$10, 4-H members
\$30, non-4-H members

***Interested in becoming a babysitter?
Want to learn more about caring for kids?***

Come to Isabella County's 4-H Spin Club: Introduction To Babysitting and learn how to be a caring, trustworthy and responsible babysitter through activities and games. A snack will be provided with each class.

To register: Contact MSU Extension at (989) 317-4079



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Holiday Gifts From the Kitchen



4-H SPIN Club

For youth ages 8 - 13



Come join in the fun! Each week you will create a new gift for the Holiday Season!

Dates:

Tuesday, November 27

Tuesday, December 4

Tuesday, December 11

Tuesday, December 18

Meeting Themes:

Ornaments

Popcorn

Jars & Bath Salts

Cookies



Time: 3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Cost: \$10 - 4-H Members, \$30 - Non 4-H Members

Location: Isabella County Building, Room 320
(200 N. Main Street, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858)

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States' 4-H International Exchange Programs 2019 OUTBOUND PROGRAMS

to Costa Rica, Finland, Japan, and South Korea



Costa Rica



Finland



Japan



South Korea

Are you curious about daily life, culture, and youth leadership programs in other countries?

Live with a host family abroad and immerse yourself in a world that most tourists rarely get to see.

You will share everyday life with friends and relatives in the community and build friendships that will last a lifetime.

Program Details:

States' 4-H Summer Outbound programs provide American 4-H youth with the opportunity to travel to foreign countries for a cultural immersion experience. Delegates live with volunteer host families and engage in experiential learning about a new way of life. Delegates experience aspects of daily life that allow them to more deeply understand both their host culture and their own culture. Our network of like-minded international partners recruit host families and plan enrichment activities for the delegation.

Dates (additional country opportunities may be added):

Japan 8-week: June 12—August 8, 2019
Costa Rica: June 20—July 19, 2019
Finland: June 26—July 27, 2019
Japan 4-week: July 10—August 8, 2019
South Korea: July 15—August 13, 2019

Eligibility:

- 4-H youth who want to learn first-hand about another culture and grow as a global citizen.
- Age **12-18** for Japan & South Korea and age **15-18** for Costa Rica & Finland from the first day to the last day of the exchange.

Application & Program Fee:

Contact your local 4-H coordinator to apply and learn your state's deadlines.

Information:

- Adult chaperones accompany the group during international travel and remain in-country to provide support during the exchange.
- States' 4-H provides Program Handbooks that cover everything from packing lists to financial matters to cultural information.
- States' 4-H also has a group conference call in late spring and a National Departure Orientation the day before the international flight.
- In addition, each state may conduct a spring orientation covering these topics.
- No prior language study is required, but it certainly is helpful! Our international partners have English-speaking staff on hand to assist you in communication.

For more information:

Contact State Coordinator D'Ann Rohrer

drohrer@msu.edu

(231) 845-3361

www.states4hexchange.org



Facebook Page <https://www.facebook.com/states4hexchange/>

States' 4-H International's mission is to enhance world understanding and global citizenship, which we believe can be achieved through living with a local host family and immersing oneself in another culture.

STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4-H scholarships available



Outstanding Michigan 4-H members who are involved at county, regional, state, national or international levels are eligible to apply for Michigan 4-H scholarships to help fund their college experience.

The Michigan State University applications are due mid-October while species specific scholarships are due by Nov. 1.

Applications and more information is available at http://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_scholarships_and_recognition_program/4_h_scholarships.

4-H Events and Workshops

October 6: 4-H Day at the Wild Pumpkin

The Wild Pumpkin, Beaverton

Celebrate fall by joining Michigan 4-H members and families feeding animals at a petting farm, enjoying wagon rides, and venturing in a sunflower maze. Registration is not required.

http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_day_at_the_wild_pumpkin

Oct 9: 4-H Spirit Day

Celebrate 4-H Spirit Day by showing your 4-H pride, wearing 4-H apparel and spreading the word about 4-H in your community.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-spirit-day>

October 20—21: 4-H Proud Equestrians Program Instructor Update

W.K. Kellogg Biological Station Conference Center, Hickory Corners

Come obtain continuing education for 4-H PEP certified instructors and others involved in therapeutic riding activities.

<http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-proud-equestrians-program-instructor-update>

October 28: Day of the Dead Celebration

St. Francis/St. Maximillian, Ray

Dia de los Muertos, or the Day of the Dead, is an important day in Latino communities. Youth ages 5-19 are invited to learn about and experience an authentic Day of the Dead celebration.

http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/day_of_the_dead

November 2: Marquette County goLEAD - Youth Leadership Institute

Marquette County MSU Extension Office, Negaunee

Develop your leadership skills by participating in this engaging experience led by MSU Extension educators. Space is limited, so be sure to register by Oct. 21.

http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/marquette_county_golead_youth_leadership_institute

November 17: Michigan 4-H Creative Arts Celebration

Kettunen Center, Tustin

Meet others from across the state passionate about creative arts while engaging in hands-on activities that build your creative talent. Registration available soon!

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For the most up-to-date events listing, go to <http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events>.

STATEWIDE NEWS AREA

Tractor Supply 4-H Paper Clover campaign kicks off Oct. 3



Again this fall, local Tractor Supply Co. (TSC) stores are continuing their long-standing partnership with 4-H for the 2018 Fall Paper Clover Campaign supporting county, state and national 4-H programming.

From Oct. 3 -14, 2018, TSC customers can participate in the 2018 fall Paper Clover campaign by purchasing paper clovers for \$1 or more at checkout. This bi-annual event takes place at TSC's 1,600 stores across the nation—including the 86 stores in Michigan.

Of the funds raised, 70 percent returns to the community in which it was raised to support county 4-H programs. Of the remaining funds, 10 percent supports state 4-H volunteer and teen leadership training workshops, 5 percent supports other state 4-H programs, and the

remaining 15 percent goes to the Michigan 4-H Foundation and National 4-H Council for underwriting the cost of the program.

This past spring, the TSC Paper Clover fundraiser generated nearly \$55,000 for Michigan 4-H. Help more youth in your community experience 4-H by purchasing a \$1 clover at your neighborhood Tractor Supply store this October.

National 4-H Week to be celebrated Oct. 7 - 13

For the 76th consecutive year, millions of youth, parents, volunteers and alumni across the country will celebrate *National 4-H Week* from October 7-13. This year's theme, *Inspire Kids to Do*, is a campaign that will give kids more opportunities to do, empowering them with the skills they need to succeed in life and career.



During the 2018 National 4-H Week, Michigan 4-H is encouraging 4-H youth, volunteers, staff and supporters to get out and inspire youth to be True Leaders through hands-on doing. From empowering them to pursue their passions to learning new skills, this October is a perfect time to make a difference for the next generation.

Across the country, the goal of the 2018 National 4-H Week is to reach one million doers. You can help accomplish this by sharing how 4-H has inspired you or your kids to do on social media channels and with individuals in your community. Though every day during National 4-H Week is a great time to show your pride, Tuesday, Oct. 9, is the official 4-H Spirit Day where it is encouraged to wear 4-H apparel to show your 4-H pride.

4-H Youth in Action Award applications due



Oct. 22

Sharing your 4-H story could earn you a \$5,000 scholarship and a trip to Washington, D.C. for National 4-H Council's Legacy Awards, where you'll have the chance to tell your story while meeting 4-H celebrities and other notable alums.

The 4-H Youth in Action Award program recognizes four 4-H true leaders from across the nation in core pillar areas of agriculture, civic engagement, healthy living and STEM.

Applications are due Oct. 22, 2018 and are available at <https://4-h.org/parents/4-h-youth-in-action-awards/>.

Rejuvenate your Mind

Scrapbooking, Crafts, Fabric Projects, etc.

Saturday, November 17, 2018

9:30 AM—7:00 PM

At First Church of Christ

1610 E. Broadway, Mt. Pleasant



\$55 WILL GET YOU:

- * A goody bag worth over \$20
- * Four Make and Takes
- * Handmade Gifts
- * Morning Snacks, Lunch and Dinner
- * Your Own Table Space

BRING YOUR SPECIAL PROJECTS AND SUPPLIES

Use this opportunity as a “mental wellness” day — doing things you enjoy and visiting with others of like mind. We supply the space, sustenance, and logistics; you supply the project and/or activity!

ALL PROFITS BENEFIT THE ISABELLA COUNTY YOUTH AND FARM FAIR SOCIETY'S MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING FUND

Include a group name if you'd like to guarantee a block of seats together.
Send registration form below with your payment by check or credit card to Kim Vogel.
RSVP by November 8 as space is somewhat limited — get your spot held soon!

Kim Vogel, Stampin' Up! Kimsbasementbunch.com (989) 506-1410 5783 E. Beal City Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

NAME: _____

GROUP NAME (if applicable): _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

PAYMENT: CREDIT CARD _____ CHECK _____

MASTERCARD _____ VISA _____ DISCOVER _____ CARD #: _____

EXP. DATE: _____ CVV: _____

DO YOU NEED ELECTRICITY? YES _____ NO _____

DIETARY CONCERNS/FOOD ALLERGIES? YES _____ NO _____

EXPLAIN: _____



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SAVE THE DATES

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October 3 - 14, 2018

National 4-H Week

October 7 - 13, 2018

Babysitting SPIN Club

October 9 - November 13, 2018

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Thursday, October 11 at 6:30 p.m.

Sacred Heart Parish Hall

Small Animal Banquet

Tuesday, October 30 at 6:30 p.m.

Sacred Heart Parish Hall

Isabella County Youth & Farm Fair

July 21 - 27, 2019

Isabella County 4-H Calendar

October 2	Teen Horse Leaders @ MSUE	6 PM
2	Horse Leaders @ MSUE	7 PM
3-14	TSC Paper Clover Sales @ TSC	
11	4-H Recognition Banquet @ Sacred Heart Parish Hall	6:30 PM
25	4-H Council @ MSUE	7 PM
30	Small Animal Banquet @ Sacred Heart Parish Hall	6:30 PM

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