

CLOVER CHRONICLES

September 2019

Isabella County

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4-H RECOGNITION BANQUET

Thursday, October 10 at 6:30 p.m. Sacred Heart Parish Hall, Mt. Pleasant

<u>All 4-H families</u> 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 4.

2019-2020 4-H Club Enrollments

All 4-H club enrollments (<u>https://mi.4honline.com</u>) are due Thursday, 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. Scholarship grants are available for those families unable to pay the participation fee. This payment should be made to your Administrative Leader and they will submit the payment for the entire club to the Extension office.

Tractor Supply Fall Paper Clover Promotion *This is a great community service opportunity!*

Help is needed (youth and adults) to work the table at the store for the fall Tractor Supply Company Paper Clover Campaign that will run October 9-20. TSC is a HUGE supporter of 4-H! Clubs are encouraged to do a fundraiser at the store (need to notify Victoria at TSC first).

Isabella County 4-H Council will sponsor a \$25 TSC gift card drawing for anyone that works a shift. Everyone that works will receive a ticket for working that will be collected and a winner will be drawn at the October 22 4-H Council meeting. You will receive a ticket for the drawing <u>each time</u> you work a shift.

Plan your shift in advance and sign up at the Extension office if you or your club are interested in participating in the promotion at the store. Even if you can only stay an hour or two, your help is appreciated!

Proud Equestrian Program (PEP) Meeting

October 15 at 6:00 p.m. - Isabella County Building, 3rd floor kitchen Anyone interested may attend.

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CLUB CORNER

Barn Yard Kids - Completed our road side clean up with the assistance of the Isabella County Sheriff's Department who provided safety lighting on a road which was pretty busy, very much appreciated! We also worked on our pen identification signs for stalls at fair.

Canine Clovers - Club members had a fantastic week at fair! New to the dog show this year; an official dog show photo booth. We ended the week by cheering on four members that participated in the Overall Small Animal Showmanship. Our club has a few openings for those interested in focusing more on the Dog Project and working with their dog all year.

Pine River - Our August meeting was held at Deerfield Park for nature exploring, a cook out, setting goals for the next year, and community service. The club helped with Fremont Emergency Service fundraiser, volunteering in the kitchen helping with concessions.

County Medal Nominees

If you were nominated for a county medal award and would like to be considered, please complete the application and return to the Extension Office by <u>Tuesday, September 17</u>. The application needs to be attached to your record sheets for the project area in which you are nominated. You should submit record sheets for all the years you have been in the project. *NEW - Please do not bring your binder with all your project areas. Remove the sheets for the project area for which you were nominated only.*

The Awards Committee will review the documents and select the county medal winners which will be announced and awarded at the Annual 4-H Recognition Banquet on Thursday, October 10 during National 4-H Week.

Administrative Leader Meeting

Monday, September 16 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Isabella County Building, Room 320

If you are unable to attend, there <u>must</u> be a representative from your club at this meeting. If you can't attend, you will have to schedule an appointment with Kristi before you can re-enroll.

**NEW THIS YEAR

Annual Financial Summary Reports are DUE by October 15 to the Extension office. Your club enrollments will remain "pending" until the report is turned in.

Still Exhibit Auction Update

THANK YOU to everyone! The auction was another HUGE success! All members did a great job with their creativity presenting their projects. The total for the auction was \$41,605.00. The committee would like to thank all the volunteers that helped with all aspects of the auction, we wouldn't have been able to do it without you. Save the date for next year's auction; July 19, 2020.

4-H members - please remember to deliver your projects if you haven't already and **write thank you notes to your buyers**. Your checks will be handed out at the 4-H Recognition Banquet on Thursday, October 10, make sure to call the Extension Office to RSVP, checks will only be given to the 4-H members themselves.

If you are not able to attend the banquet, your checks will be available at the Extension Office on Friday, October 11. REMINDER: checks are <u>only valid for 90 days</u> so make sure to pick them up and cash them as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please contact Becki at <u>ic4hstillexhibitauction@gmail.com</u> or 513-7363.

SMALL ANIMAL NEWS

• Thank you to all who helped before, during, and after fair week in the small animal barn. The various levels of assistance were truly appreciated by all of the superintendents. It takes a lot of hands to accomplish everything that needs to happen for our once-a-year event.



• The next Small Animal Association meeting will be Thursday, September 19, at 7:00 p.m. at the Isabella County Building, Room 320.

County 4-H Rabbit Show, September 7, Merchant Barn, Fairgrounds

In partnership with the Western Michigan Rabbit Breeders Association, educational class offerings will be available to 4-H members (all ages, any county). Registration forms will be available at 7:00 a.m., and must be submitted before 8:30 a.m. Classes are \$2 each. You may also register for breed classes (\$3 each) at that time. See show flier on pages 11 & 12.

Please Consider Helping

Volunteers are needed for the county rabbit show as well as a concession being held for/during the rabbit show. Any amount of time you would like to offer on September 7, between 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. will be helpful. It counts as community service, and there are a variety of tasks for a variety of talents/interests. Please email Angie Coldwell at <u>angella.coldwell@gmail.com</u>

2019 Fair Large Animal Livestock Information

Congratulations to all Exhibitors at this year's fair! A HUGE THANK YOU to the Superintendents and volunteers that helped during the set-ups, shows and tear down. THANK YOU to the sale clerks, Jenny's Catering, Mt. Pleasant Rental, Owens Soft Water and to our GREAT Auctioneers at the sale. THANK YOU to all the animal truckers for getting the sale animals delivered. Also, THANK YOU Billsby Lumber for donating sawdust and to Matt Graham for hauling it, and Block Electric for upgrading our electric and brightening our exterior lighting.

The Beef checks were mailed a few weeks ago and the Swine, Feeder and Sheep checks should be mailed the first part of September. If you have any questions about your check or your buyers address please call Deb at 989-400-1082.

We are looking forward to the 2020 Fair July $19 - 25^{\text{th}}$.

2019 LARGE ANIMAL AUCTION AVERAGES

Swine	Average w/ Champions	\$ 4.20
Swine	Average w/ out Champions	\$ 3.91
Beef	Average w/ Champions	\$ 2.75
Beef	Average w/ out Champions	\$ 2.67
Sheep	Average w/ Champions	\$ 5.71
Sheep	Average w/ out Champions	\$ 5.41
Feeders	Average w/ Champions	\$ 2.94
Feeders	Average w/ out Champions	\$ 2.91





4-H Ambassadors

This year's team had a great time during fair week and looks forward to other appearances and service opportunities throughout the year. The members would love to talk more to your club and/or individuals about the program, so please feel free to connect with them or any of the coordinators. Also, if you have an event you'd like them to appear at, or participate in, please let us know. We want them to be very visible in order to promote 4-H to as many as we can. It's never too early to start thinking about becoming part of the team -- let us know you are interested. Contact the Extension office and they will connect you with the appropriate person related to your inquiry.







Youth Dairy Days & Dairy Expo Results

Youth Dairy Days and the Michigan Dairy Expo was held July 15-19 at Michigan State University Pavilion for Agriculture and Livestock Education. Congratulations to all our youth who participated and to Cathy Fry for providing excellent leadership to our dairy members.

Novice Team - Jadyn Herzog

1st Judging 3rd Management 1st Showmanship 1st Quiz Bowl

<u>Junior</u>

3rd Management Team 3rd Megan Wilson 10th Lydia Deters

3rd Oral Reasons - Judging 5th Eli Deters 6th Lydia Deters 8th Ross Kelsey

1st Judging 1st Ross Kelsey 5th Eli Deters 6th Megan Wilson



Senior - 2 teams 2nd Management Team 3rd Katie Wilson 5th Drew Neyer

Oral Reasons Judging

A Team, 3rd B Team, 4th 1st Cristin Theisen 3rd Drew Neyer 9th Katie Wilson

<u>Judging</u>

A Team, 2nd B Team, 4th 1st Drew Neyer 5th Cristin Theisen 8th Katie Wilson 9th Abbie Wilson

All 7 made top 25 to compete for a spot on Michigan's judging team.

Big Awards

Katie Wilson - Overall Supreme Showman Ross Kelsey - Overall Junior Individual Drew Neyer - Reserve Overall Sr. Individual

4-H Club Financial Mandates

- **Current** Administrative Leaders of clubs must be on as an account signatory
- Old administrative leaders must be OFF as a signatory
- Two unrelated leaders as a signatory
- If a club dissolves, dissolution paperwork must be completed and the bank account closed with all remaining funds brought to the Extension office to go to 4-H Council

Reminder: Clubs MUST have at least 5 members from two families, or perhaps combine with another small club to meet membership quota.





The Michigan 4-H Youth Leadership and Global Citizenship Spectacular embodies Michigan 4-H's mission to make the world a better place through collective youth power! Attending this annual conference will help you become an outstanding leader who approaches life with your head, heart, and hands open to new ideas, interesting people, and diverse cultures. Come to the 2019 4-H Spectacular and be part of the movement that has YOUth leading the way! Featuring an incredibly awe-some lineup of sessions and activities focused on youth leadership, global citizenship, international cultures, civic engagement and service, this conference (for youth and adults ages 12+) is one you won't want to miss!

Register to attend the conference at: <u>https://events.anr.msu.edu/spectacular19/</u> (Isabella County 4-H Council will pay the registration fees for any youth or volunteers to attend)

Please also consider FLEXING YOUR YOUTH POWER and BUILDING YOUR LEADERSHIP SKILLS by leading a breakout session at this year's conference!! Youth (and adults!) who would like to lead a workshop session at the 4-H Spectacular are highly encouraged to submit a breakout session proposal form!

THE SPECTACULAR IS AN INCREDIBLY AWESOME CONFERENCE (WITH MANY ACTIVITIES LED BY YOUTH!) FOCUSED ON:

- Youth Power
- Youth Voice
- Youth Leadership
- Civic Engagement
- Global Citizenship
- International Cultures
- Life Skills
- Career Exploration
- Workforce Preparation



STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Georgia Boots partners to support 4-H



Georgia Boot is offering members of the 4-H community a 50% discount on any boots on their website (except clearance items) through Sept. 30.

Georgia Boot will also give part of all 4-H boot sales back to 4-H by donating 5% to the National 4-H Council. To get your discount code, go to <u>www.georgiaboot.com/</u> 4-h/ and register.

4-H Events and Workshops

September 3: Welcome Back MSU 4-H Alumni Reception

Morrill Hall of Agriculture, East Lansing

Join MSU Extension for the third annual Welcome Back MSU 4-H Alumni Reception. Pizza and pop will be provided for participants and MSU Extension staff will be on hand to interact with attendees. <u>https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-welcome-week-4-h-alumnireception</u>

September 9: Youth Fun with Finances

Harvest Time Christian Fellowship, Warren The free and fun event is open for youth, ages 13-19, to participate and learn about how to save money and earn credit. <u>https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/youth-fun-with-finances</u>

September 18: 4-H Children's Garden - Stories for Sprouts and Seedlings 4-H Children's Garden, East Lansing

This program is designed especially for young children, ages 0-4, to experience the wonders of gardening through stories and hands-on projects. <u>https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-children-s-garden-stories-for-sprouts-and-seedlings-september</u>

September 21: Michigan Youth Leadership & Global Citizenship Spectacular

Kettunen Center, Tustin

The workshop features a wide variety of incredibly fun sessions focused on youth leadership, civic engagement, global citizenship, international cultures, life skills, career exploration and workforce preparation. <u>https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/</u> <u>michigan 4 h youth leadership global citizenship spectacularl</u>

October 4: Michigan 4-H Foundation Annual Membership Meeting Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center, East Lansing

All Michigan 4-H Foundation members are invited to attend and vote on all items at the meeting such as trustee elections, audited financial statement report, and more.

https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-foundation-annualmembership-meeting

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

STATEWIDE NEWS AREA



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The 4-H Youth Leadership & Global Citizenship Spectacular will be held September 21-22, at the Kettunen Center in Tustin, Michigan. This workshop is open to current and aspiring leaders and volunteers, ages 12 and up (by Jan. 1, 2019).

Participants must register for the 4-H Spectacular by September 9. Register at <u>https://</u> <u>events.anr.msu.edu/spectacular19/</u>. The registration fee (\$85.00) includes superb lodging, four delicious, home-cooked meals, conference resources and some great surprises!

In order to participate in the 4-H Spectacular, youth participants must also enroll (or re-enroll) in Michigan 4-H for the 2019-2020 4-H program year (which begins on September 1), and pay the \$20 4-H participation by September 15, 2019. Contact the 4-H staff at the <u>MSU Extension office in your county</u> to learn about the availability of scholarships that may reduce or completely cover your registration fee for this event.

Michigan 4-H represented by two youth at 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships

Michigan 4-H was represented by two youth in the <u>4-H Shooting Sports National Championships</u> held in Grand Island, Nebraska, June 23 through June 28.

The 4-H Shooting Sports National Championship is open to youth across the country to compete and present their skills in compound archery, recurve archery, air rifle, air pistol, smallbore rifle, smallbore pistol, shotgun, muzzle loading and hunting.

"We're really proud of our two 4-H'ers who attended this national event," said Laura Quist, Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports coordinator with MSU Extension. "Competing at the national level takes a lot of commitment, time and effort."

Preparation for youth to attend the national championships begins months in advance of the competition. The youth selected to participate put in considerable practice time in their chosen events in order to compete at their best.

The Michigan 4-H youth that attended and competed are:

- Joe Balkema, a 15 year-old Kalamazoo County 4-H'er, who received a gold medal in 3-D archery and third place overall in compound archery.
- Jackson Sokel, a 16 year-old Monroe County 4-H'er, who competed in shotgun.

"Congratulations again to these two youth on a great contest," continued Quist. "We also want to acknowledge and thank the parents of these 4-H'ers who helped to make their success possible."

Applications for youth wishing to attend the event in 2020 are due to Quist by September 22. For information about the competition or <u>Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports</u> in general, contact Quist at <u>quistlal@msu.edu</u>.

Apply now for the 2020 4-H Youth in Action Awards



Every 4-H'er has a story, and those stories are worth telling! Apply for the 4-H Youth in Action program, where 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!

The program recognizes four confident young leaders in our core pillar areas of Agriculture, Civic Engagement, Healthy Living and STEM, giving pillar winners the chance to share how 4-H changed their lives and how they have used the skills they gained in 4-H to change the lives of others.

One national winner will be selected from the four pillar winners to receive an additional scholarship and recognition! Applications open on through October 21. Visit <u>www.4-h.org/</u> <u>youthinaction</u> to learn more or email any questions to YouthInAction@4-h.org.



MICHIGAN STATE

Teen "Chopped" Competition

A cooking competition among teams using locally grown food.

WHO: Teens ages 13-19 (teams of 2-4)

DATES: October 18, 2019 (5 pm) Application Deadline

October 24, 2019 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. Mandatory Meeting at the Isabella County Building

November 9, 2019 Competition at Sacred



Application deadline: October 18, 2019 Showcase your culinary skills and learn some new techniques and tricks while preparing for this local cooking competition. Chef Jared Miller from the Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort, will help mentor students as they develop a recipe using mandatory ingredients grown locally. Be prepared for a challenge as you incorporate a mystery ingredient the day of the competition.

Will you be the next Teen "Chopped" Champion?

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 Food
 Friends

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

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SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY



Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions Procedures & Guidelines

- 1. Each year six (6) scholarships of \$1,000 may be awarded, one being the Neil Kentner memorial scholarship.
- 2. Scholarship is open to applicants that are **high school seniors** or **currently enrolled** in an institution of advance learning such as a college, university or trade school. (If applicant is a high school senior they must have submitted an application to an advanced leaning institution.)
- 3. Application must be RECEIVED by October 1.
- 4. Scholarships winners will be announced at the Annual MAFE Convention.
- 5. Recipients may apply each year he or she is enrolled in the Institution, but shall not be eligible to receive a scholarship more than 2 years.
- 6. The scholarship can be used for any and all expenses related to the applicants' continued education.
- 7. The full amount of the scholarship will be paid at the MAFE Annual Convention. If attendee is not present at the convention, the scholarship will be mailed to the address listed in the application.
- 8. The applicant must be involved in a MAFE member fair or festival for the prior 3 years. This can include exhibiting, volunteering, etc.

Applications must be <u>received</u> by October 1. Send by mail or email to: Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions P.O. Box 554, Manchester, Michigan 48158 michiganfairs@gmail.com



In conjunction with Western Michigan RBA double show

Enter the 4-H show for various educational classes including: Educational Exhibit*, Showmanship, Breed ID, Skill-a-Thon, and Brain Challenge (classes subject to change as deemed necessary)

All classes: \$2 per entry

Enter by 8:30am - participation in classes will be based on exhibitor's availability between 9am - 3pm

Age divisions determined by exhibitor's age @ 1/1/19

Junior (8 - 11 years old) Intermediate (12 - 14 years old) Senior (15 - 19 years old)

Show Secretary:	Angie Coldwell - 989/330-1106
	angella.coldwell@gmail.com
Show Superintendents:	Alissa Davis - 989/465-7279
	Tammy Brecht - 989/828-6394

<u>Rabbit Showmanship</u>: Trophies for 1st place each age division Rosettes for 1st through 10th place each age division

<u>Educational Competitions:</u> Awards for top placings Certificates for all participants

<u>*Educational Exhibit</u> is a project you bring with you to the show, and should be focused on educating first-year members and/or the general public. (Only one exhibit per person)

<u>Cloverbuds (ages 5 - 7 yrs @ 1/1/19)</u> may participate in showmanship for evaluation only.

Exhibitors are asked to use the <u>far south-end driveway/entrance</u> off Baseline Road and use the parking area south of the buildings. Show will be held in Merchant Barn.

DIRECTIONS:



North

FROM THE NORTH -

Exit US-127 at the <u>Rosebush</u> exit (#149). Turn right (west) onto Rosebush Road. Travel approximately four blocks to the 4-way stop at Mission Road (Shell gas station on left). Turn left (south) and travel 3.5 miles; fairground is on your left. Go past fairgrounds to Baseline Road, turn left, then left into fairgrounds entrance – park in grassy area south of barns.

FROM THE SOUTH -

Exit US-127 at the <u>Rosebush</u> exit (#149) – it's the exit past both Mt. Pleasant exits. Turn left (west) onto Rosebush Road. Travel approximately four blocks to the 4-way stop at Mission Road (Shell gas station on left). Turn left (south) and travel 3.5 miles; fairground is on your left. Go past fairgrounds to Baseline Road, turn left, then left into fairgrounds entrance – park in grassy area south of barns.

FROM MIDLAND -

Follow M-20 into Mt. Pleasant, it becomes Pickard Street. At Mission Street (Meijer on right) turn right (north) get into the left lane. Take Mission/Old-27 at the roundabout to the left (do not get on Hwy 127); travel 2 miles to Baseline Road; turn right and enter fairgrounds on the left. Park in grassy area south of barns.

FROM REMUS -

Enter Mt. Pleasant on M-20. Travel east to Mission Street (Shell on left). Turn left (north) onto Mission; travel 1.5 miles, crossing Pickard Street, stay in left lane. Take Mission/Old-27 at the roundabout to the left (do not get on Hwy 127); travel 2 miles to Baseline Road; turn right and enter fairgrounds on the left. Park in grassy area south of barns.

SEE YOU THERE!!!

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Rejuvenate your Mind Scrapbooking, Crafts, Fabric Projects, etc.

Saturday, November 2, 2019

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
- * 4 Make and Take Projects
- Handmade Gifts
- Morning Snacks, Lunch, and Dinner
- * Your Own Table Space

BRING YOUR OWN PROJECTS AND SUPPLIES TO WORK ON!

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

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE ISABELLA COUNTY YOUTH AND FARM FAIR SOCIETY'S MULTIPURPOSE BUILDING PROJECT

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 October 24 as space is limited — get your spot held soon!

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

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SAVE THE DATES

Administrative Leader's Meeting September 16 - 6 PM

TSC Fall Paper Clover Campaign October 9 - 20, 2019

National 4-H Week

October 6 - 12, 2019

4-H Recognition Banquet

Thursday, October 10 at 6:30 p.m. Sacred Heart Parish Hall

Small Animal Banquet

Tuesday, October 29 at 6:30 p.m. Sacred Heart Parish Hall

Spa Gift Workshop

November 5

Isabella County Youth & Farm Fair

July 19 - 25, 2020

Isabella County 4-H Calendar

September 2	OFFICE CLOSED	
3	Teen Horse Leaders @ MSUE	6 PM
3	Horse Leaders @ MSUE	7 PM
7	County 4-H Rabbit Show @ Fairgrounds	8:30 AM
16	Administrative Leader Meeting @ MSUE	6 PM
19	Small Animal Association @ MSUE	7 PM
24	4-H Council @ MSUE	7 PM

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