



Jan 2023

4-H Family News

Kalamazoo County



**Join us for FREE! Sunday, February 12, 2023
as the Spartan Women's Basketball Team takes on
Penn State's Basketball Team
Activities Start at 1:30 pm
Game at 3:00**

You're *ALL* invited to attend the seventeenth annual celebration of MSU Extension and Michigan 4-H Youth Development at the Spartan Women's basketball game, Sunday, February 12, 2023. Game time is 3:00pm. As in year's past, there will be games and activities on the concourse of the Breslin in advance of the game beginning at 1:30 p.m. The Ishbia Gate (formerly SW Harrison Gate), will open for those who wish to take part in those activities. Ticket reservations will begin in the mid-December. Look for additional information in December on the event website.
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-day-at-the-breslin>



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4-H Global Table

The 4-H Global Table is intended to provide youth, 11-18 years old, from Michigan & Kentucky with the opportunity to experience the food cultures of different countries and connect with young people from across the world. This connection will be centered around their common passion for food.

As part of the 4-H Global Table virtual program, young people from Michigan & Kentucky will be exchanging recipes with young people in Taiwan, Papua New Guinea, The Netherlands, or Argentina. Additionally, young people will prepare recipes provided to them by their counterparts from the young person they are paired with and share their experience at the ending celebration via zoom.

Youth will receive weekly prompts to communicate with the other youth to learn about the other youth and their culture.

The cost will be \$15.00 per youth and registration will be open November 15, 2022 in 4-H online. Please contact Veronica at bolhuisv@msu.edu with any questions.

4-H Global Table

**Argentina, The Netherlands, Papua New Guinea, Taiwan,
United States**



Join us in a cultural exchange with other young people across the globe! Trade recipes, cook exciting new meals and meet people from all over the world.



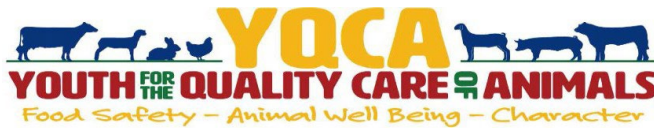
Updates for 2023!



- There will be an all-livestock species meeting on January 19th at 7pm at the fairgrounds. This is a **required** meeting and youth will get credit for all the species meetings that they are a part of.

For the 2023 fair -

- ❖ Youth may sell one carcass per species and all carcasses will sell in the auction (goats, sheep, swine and beef)
- ❖ Youth may sell up to a total of 8 auction sales

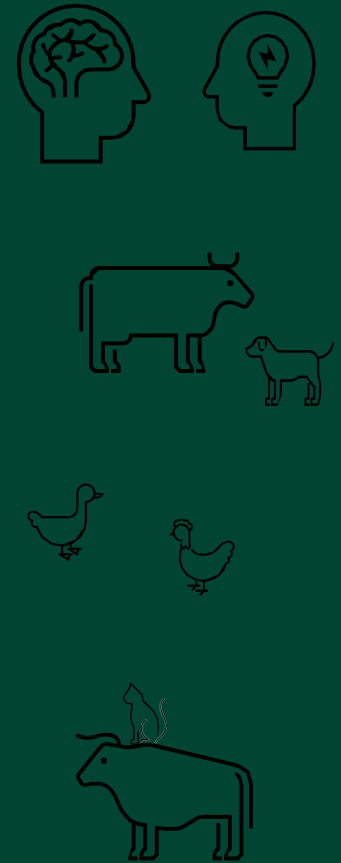


As of this program year, youth are required to attend YQCA (Youth Quality Care for Animals) meetings and will receive a certification to show at the Kalamazoo County Fair and Family Festival. YQCA meetings will be held on :

Feb. 2, March 1, April 5, May 10 at the fairgrounds- all at 6:30 PM. Pre-registration is required at the [YQCA website](#) prior to attending. The registration fee is \$3.00.

There is a YQCA online version, if you prefer. The cost for the online class is \$12.00 per youth. Attending this training will count toward your project meeting requirements.

If you have questions about *any* of these items- please reach out to your project superintendent or 4-H staff



Remember-

Each month we need your

- Club bank statements
- Financial reports
- Meeting minutes

If you do not have a bank account for your club or are not meeting for that month? Please let us know so we can note your file.



Poultry Project Update



Plans for a January poultry meeting have been changed to attend the **All-Species** meeting on

Thursday, Jan. 19th.

The next- and first – **POULTRY PROJECT MEETING 2023** will be on



Thursday, Feb. 15th

at 7pm in room B of the Expo Center.

It's been a long time since we have gathered to talk chicken, so we have a lot to cluck about. Several families have joined our project since we last met!

By now, you should be deciding what chicks/poults you need to order for the market project.

We have a new system for that which will allow Ann to get them reserved - it's a form on the last page at:

https://www.canr.msu.edu/kalamazoo/kalamazoo_county_4_h_1/Poultry%202022.pdf

you will need to fill out the form and return to Ann Hollister by email or snail mail by **FEB. 20th, 2023.**

Any questions about the project?

Give Jackie Stasevich a "ring" at stasevichjackie@gmail.com.





TACK SALE

SPONSORED BY KALAMAZOO COUNTY 4-H HORSE LEADERS
MONDAY MARCH 20TH, 2023 5:00-9:00PM

Location: Kalamazoo County Expo and Fairgrounds, 2900 Lake Street, Kalamazoo, MI

***40,000 SQUARE FEET full of items for everyone

***Food Concessions and Dining Areas

\$1.00 per person admission donation for all attendees, including vendors

Children 5 and under FREE. **RESERVE EARLY! Spaces fill up fast**

CUBES 8ft wide X 8ft deep, includes a table that you are welcome to remove for your display.

(May be along an exterior wall or in the main section) Cube set up **ONLY** begins at 2pm

(Each person entering pays \$1 admission)

INTERIOR SPACES 8 ft. wide by table depth of 2 feet. Interior set up begins at 3:30pm

(Each person entering pays \$1 admission)

Email inquiries to kalamazoo4horse@yahoo.com

No spaces held without payment in full prior to tack sale. Sorry, no refunds.

MAIL BOTTOM PORTION OF FORM BY March 6, 2023 for discounted rates

Kalamazoo 4-H Tack Sale Registration form

Vendor/Business Name _____ Phone _____

Contact Name _____ Email _____

Address _____

#Cubes (8' x8') _____ x\$35= _____ total (\$40 after 3/6/2023)

#Interior spaces (8'X2') _____ X\$20= _____ total (\$25 after 3/6/2023)

Mail the bottom portion of this form with check payable to:

Kalamazoo County 4-H Horse Leaders Council

% Christina Chase, 7095 N. 32nd street, Richland, MI 49083

Our apologies we are unable to accept PayPal as payment



Cloverbud Day

January 21, 2023

Join us for a day of games, activities, and crafting fun including:

- Arts and crafts
- Reading makes Cents
- Sweet treats
- Hands on science
- Helping those in need
- And lots of fun!



Ages 5-7 years old

Cost: \$10.00 for Kalamazoo County 4-H Members

Not a member? We can help you get registered.

~ Please Bring a great attitude—Lunch Provided~

Register in 4-H online under events



Date: January 21, 2023

Time: 10am—3pm

Place: Kalamazoo County
Fairgrounds, 2900 Lake St.

Registration Deadline:
January 18, 2023



Shooting Sports dates for 2022-2023 – *more on the way!*

Training (Level 1) in 2023

- January 7 – [Archery and Hunting & Wildlife Instructor Certification Workshop](#) (Jeddo, MI)
- February 11 – [Hunting & Wildlife Instructor Certification Workshop](#) (Paw Paw, MI)
- March 4 – [Shotgun and Hunting & Wildlife Instructor Certification Workshop](#) (Roscommon, MI)
- April TBD – Rifle, Archery, and Shotgun Instructor Certification Workshop (Clare, MI)
- September TBD – Shotgun and Archery Instructor Certification Workshop (Alcona, MI)

Training (Level 2 – workshop facilitators/Trainers) in 2023

- May– National 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training (40-hr professional development) (Kansas)
- Fall - National 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training (40-hr professional development) (Kentucky)

Events

- December 15, 2022 – January 2, 2023 [Hunting & Wildlife Quiz Bowl](#)
- Spring 2023- Mail-In Match – statewide competition without travel
- June 11 2023- [SW Michigan 4-H Regional Shooting Sports Tournament](#)
- June 2023 – National 4-H Shooting Sports Championships, Grand Island, NE
- August 18 2023– [Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports Tournament](#) (aka State Shoot)
- Fall 2023- Mail-In Match – statewide competition without travel
- Consider forwarding regional competitions, for support promoting

Ambassadors

- December 2022 – Program details & application released
- March 3 2023– Ambassador event (Roscommon)
- August 2023 – National 4-H Shooting Sports Ambassador Leadership Institute

Questions?

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Visit us on our [website](#).

Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports [Facebook page](#).



STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS



2023 4-H Day at the Breslin Center

Make plans to join us for the seventeenth annual celebration of MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development at the MSU Women's Basketball game. The Spartans will host the Penn State Nittany Lions on Sunday, February 12, at the Jack Breslin Student Events Center on MSU's campus. Tip-off is 3 p.m. with gates opening to the public at 1:30 p.m.; come early to enjoy all the fun activities going on around the concourse.

Gather with 4-H friends, families, volunteers and staff for this annual event! Tickets will soon be available at: www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-extension-day-at-the-breslin-featuring-michigan-4-h.

Registration is now open for 4-H Animal Science Career Quest!

Are you interested in a career working with animals? Join us for 4-H Animal Science Career Quest to learn more about career paths in animal science and veterinary medicine, as well as the MSU programs that can get you there! This program is a joint effort between Michigan 4-H, the MSU Department of Animal Science, and the MSU College of Veterinary Medicine, and its focus is introducing youth to the wide variety of career options available to them within these fields.

This event will be on February 18-19 on MSU's main campus in East Lansing. It is open to youth ages 12-19 and 4-H volunteers, and participants can choose to attend one or both days. Space is limited, so don't delay! Register now at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/animal-science-career-quest>.

Resolve to have a great 4-H year

Authored by Christine Heverly, MSU Extension.

Adapted from an article originally published by Sandy Risedorph.

As we start to think ahead to the New Year, how can 4-H clubs resolve to improve in the year ahead? Here are ten suggestions to make the upcoming year a successful one.

Resolve that:

1. Club meetings will start and end on time.
2. Business meetings will follow Robert's Rules of Order and that all club paperwork, such as minutes, club inventory and financial statements, will be completed in a timely manner.
3. All members will take part in discussions and have a say in decisions that are made. Keep a chart with each members' name and when they speak at business meetings.
4. The club meeting place will be a safe, comfortable and welcoming environment for all club members.
5. Fun will be included in each meeting.
6. A learning activity will be included in each club meeting. Ideas include exploring a new 4-H curriculum, having members volunteer to do a demonstration, doing a show and tell about each members' favorite project, or bringing in a guest speaker.
7. The club will pursue at least one community service project chosen, planned and celebrated by the club.
8. New members will have a buddy they may talk with about any 4-H questions.
9. The 4-H pledge will be said at every meeting.
10. Every club member will be recognized in some way to let them know they are cared about.



The Michigan State Fair Youth Council

ages 13 - 19

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What is the MSF Youth Council?

For any youth ages 13-19 (by January 1, 2022) interested in rural and urban agriculture. Must be available for monthly Zoom meetings and occasional in person activities and projects throughout the year.

The council is a youth led 4-H group with a mission to increase their knowledge of rural and urban agriculture, improve leadership skills, and share their experiences and knowledge with others.



Annual goals include:

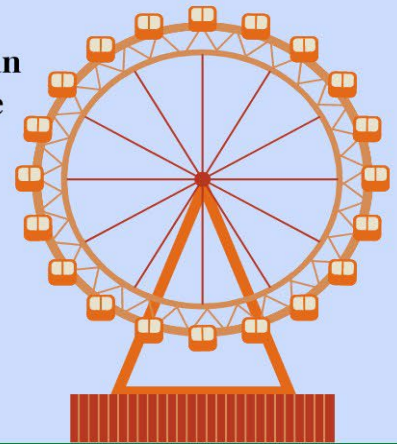
- Improving leadership skills via workshops and team activities
- State Fair planning, including Steering Committee meetings
- Connecting urban and rural youth with conversations about agriculture and food
- Enhancing personal growth in a fun and creative environment
- Creating opportunities for project coordination and hands-on learning

If you are interested in joining the Michigan State Fair Youth Council, please complete the application below.

Scan the QR code with your camera!



<https://suburbancollectionshowplace.wufoo.com/forms/michigan-state-fair-youth-council-application/>



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STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Save the date for
Michigan 4-H
equine events



Michigan 4-H equine programs are gearing up for a busy year! If you are an equine enthusiast, be sure to mark your calendar for these dates and look for additional information in the weeks and months ahead.

- February 3-4:
Horse Judging Workshop and Practice Contest
- March 18:
Michigan 4-H Hippology Contest
- April 15:
Hairy Horse Show
- April 16:
Michigan 4-H/FFA Horse Judging Contest
- August 18-20:
State 4-H Horse Show

For more information on events,
www.canr.msu.edu/horses_ponies/registration-information.

January 10: Wild Spartans - Working Towards a Career as a Wildlife Biologist

Online

Meet Erin Johnston, wildlife biologist - wildlife and habitat section lead for the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community with the Michigan Natural Resources Department. Learn about researching, managing and protecting species with cultural significance, as well as Johnston's field work, and the education and career path she followed.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-series-january-2023

January 14 – 15: Michigan 4-H Horse Judges and Show Volunteers Conference

MSU Pavilion, Lansing

This annual event is open to all judges, horse show managers and adult volunteers.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-horse-judges-and-show-volunteers-conference

January 16-20: 2023 National 4-H Shooting Sports Quiz Bowl

Online

4-H members test their shooting sports and natural resources knowledge with peers across the nation. Registration should open around Jan. 1.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/2023-national-4-h-shooting-sports-quiz-bowl

January 28: State 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Show

MSU Pavilion, Lansing

This one-day event is open to participants aged 8 to 19. To enter, exhibitors must be Michigan 4-H members and own the rabbits or cavies they enter.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/state-4-h-rabbit-cavy-show-2023

January 31: Adulting 101- International Conversations

Online

Join us for an engaging cultural conversation live and learn about another county. Gain new knowledge and ask questions that interest you with an international guest.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting-101-international-conversations

February 11: 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Workshop

Paw Paw Conservation Club, Paw Paw

Interested in leading Hunting & Wildlife shooting sports with a 4-H club? Become a Certified Instructor at this one-day, hybrid workshop! Registration closes Feb. 1.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-shooting-sports-instructor-certification-workshop-pawpaw

