

*Kent County*

4-H Family News

JULY 2018

HOT, HOT, HOT!

The month of July certainly ushered in some sweltering heat, but then again, aren't we glad to say good-riddance to the cold temperatures? We hope everyone has managed to cool off with a relaxing day at the beach and swimming in the pool—OR has at least managed to track down some air conditioned spaces. Even in the midst of this warm weather, we hope everyone had a wonderful holiday celebrating the 4th of July!

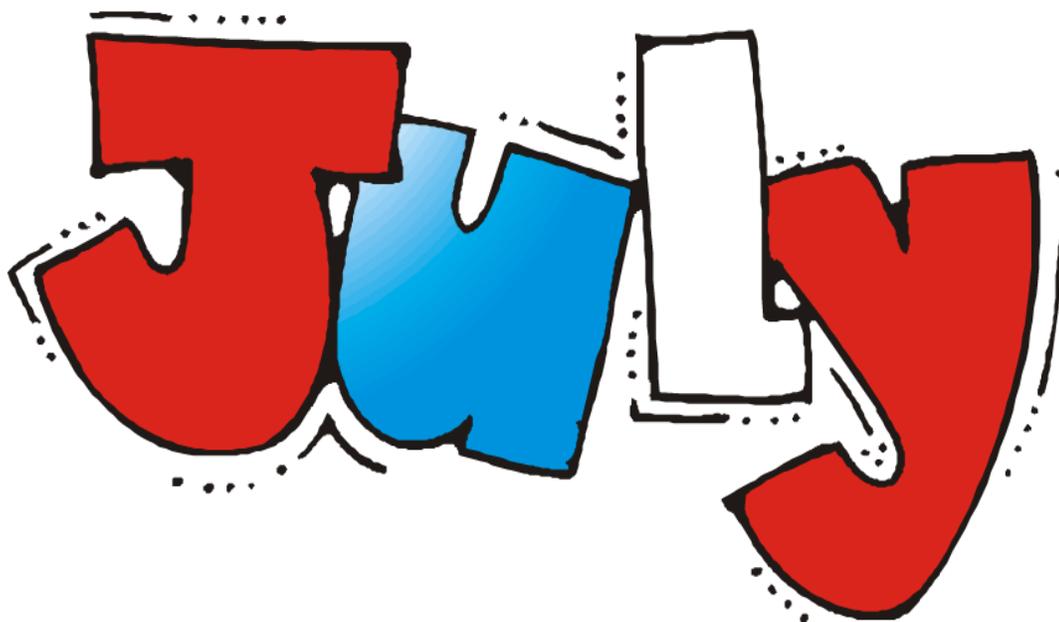
June was definitely a busy month with the start of various program offerings and fun summer activities, and July isn't about to slow us down! We have plenty of news to share with our 4-H Community regarding events that happened in June, and of course lots of wonderful opportunities and upcoming events to look forward to in the coming weeks.

We are excited for all that the month of July has to offer! As always, please feel free to reach out to the 4-H team with any questions, concerns, or suggestions.

Sincerely,

Nana Temple & Mary Newman

4-H Program Coordinators, Kent County



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STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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4-H State Shooting Sports Tournament



Test your shooting sports skills and earn recognition with other 4-H members from across the state at the 2018 4-H State Shooting Sports Tournament on August 4.

4-H members can participate in BB gun, air rifle, skeet, target archery and more. New to 2018, members can also compete in the hunting and wildlife division.

The tournament takes place at Blue Water Sportsman's Association of St. Clair County.

Registration is available until July 15 at https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_state_shooting_sports_tournament/.

4-H Events and Workshops

July 12: Michigan 4-H and FFA Livestock Judging Contest

MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

Enhance your livestock evaluation and selection skills along with improving your communication skills as you judge eight classes at this judging contest. Register by July 2.

http://msue.anr.msu.edu/resources/michigan_4_h_ffa_livestock_judging_contest

July 18: The Great Dairy Adventure

MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

Learn about the dairy industry in Michigan while enjoying free ice cream! Registration is not required for this family-friendly event.

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

August 4: 4-H State Shooting Sports Tournament

Blue Water Sportsman's Association of St. Clair County, Kimball

This tournament gives youth the opportunity to test their skills and earn recognition with 4-H members across the state. Registration closes July 15.

https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_state_shooting_sports_tournament/

August 1: Michigan 4-H Health and Food Science Camp

Michigan State University Morrill Hall of Agriculture, East Lansing

This statewide event is now a one-day experience that will teach youth about food science, nursing, mental health and physical health. Register by July 13.

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/healthcamp2018/>

August 11: 2018 Michigan State 4-H Dog Show

MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

Compete in agility, obedience, rally, brace, team and showmanship classes at this annual dog show. Cloverbud classes are also available. Register by July 25.

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/4HDogShow18/>

August 17-19: 4-H State Horse Show

MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

For youth over the age of 13, the 4-H State Horse Show lets 4-H members compete in gymkhana, dressage, trail, showmanship and more. Register by July 12.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/state-4-h-horse-show>

Michigan Youth Institute: Building Young Food Leaders

Author: Alex Tekip



There's no minimum age for making a difference. The Michigan Youth Institute, a yearly event held at Michigan State University (MSU), encourages students in grades 8–12 to research and share solutions to global food security issues, giving them the skills and confidence so that they can influence resolutions for such problems.

“The idea of it is to engage Michigan youth as active global citizens in understanding and solving critical global challenges, especially as they relate to food security, and to

provide opportunities for young people to explore academic and career pathways to end global hunger, poverty and other interrelated challenges,” said Brian Wibby, MSU Extension educator and co-director of the Michigan Youth Institute.

This year's Michigan Youth Institute took place on May 10. A total of 54 students from around the state participated in the event, which, for the first time, was split between two sites: MSU's main campus in East Lansing and the MSU Upper Peninsula Research and Extension Center in Chatham. Students, MSU experts and facilitators at the two sites communicated via video conference. The MSU College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, MSU International Studies and Programs, MSU Extension, Michigan 4-H and Michigan FFA sponsored the event.

Participants in the Michigan Youth Institute are asked to select a food security issue and developing country from a predetermined list. The students write an essay about how their chosen issue affects citizens in that country. They discuss their essays in roundtable format, where they engage in conversation designed to help them think deeper about their topic.

The Michigan Youth Institute is part of the World Food Prize's Global Youth Institute, a three-day summit that occurs every October in Des Moines, Iowa. Selected students from the Michigan Youth Institute are chosen as delegates for the Global Youth Institute based on essay scores given by the World Food Prize board of reviewers, feedback from MSU experts during the event and their level of interest.

Although it's an honor and achievement to represent Michigan at the Global Youth Institute, the goal isn't to foster competition — it's to teach the value of meaningful, purpose-driven conversation.

Michigan 4-H Teen Spokesperson Training



Build your public speaking skills, learn dining etiquette and practice interviewing at the Michigan 4-H Teen Spokesperson Training on July 31.

This communications workshop is designed for 4-H members, teen leaders, ambassadors and community issue advocates that want to better themselves.

The training will be at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi, Michigan. Registration is required by July 20 and available at <https://events.anr.msu.edu/TeenSpokesperson18/>.

Michigan
4-H International
Exchange

HOST FAMILIES
wanted

<https://www.states4hexchange.org/>

Attention... 4-H Event!

Join
Millbrook
Tack for a
4-H Youth
Night! This
event will
include
demonstra-
tions, show
preparation,
and more!

When

JULY 9, 2018

@

4pm-7pm

Where

Millbrook Tack
510 68th St SW
Grand Rapids
49548



4-H County Workshops and Events

4-H Horse Leaders Meeting	7.5.18
Teen Cuisine (First Meeting)	7.9.18
4-H Dog Project Meeting	7.12.18
Kent County 4-H Explorer Day Camp (Day 1).....	7.16.18
Kent County 4-H Council Meeting	7.16.18
Kent County 4-H Explorer Day Camp (Day 2).....	7.17.18

4-H Council Updates

Did you know that you can help support Kent County 4-H just by shopping on Amazon? The council would like you to know that the next time you order with Amazon, be sure to shop with Amazon Smile using the following link: <https://smile.amazon.com/>. Once there, you can select Kent County 4-H Council as a charity to donate to!

Feel free to join us at the next Kent County 4-H Council Meeting which will be held on July 16th, 2018 at 5:30pm. Meetings take place at the Kent County MSU Extension Office (775 Ball Ave. NE, Grand

***NOTICE:

On August 5th, 2018, MSU Extension 4-H will be hosting a recognition event for 4-H Explorers, our youngest 4-H members. This Explorer Recognition Event will take place at the Kent County Youth Fair during fair week. Please be sure that your 4-H Explorer is enrolled with 4-H online and has paid their participation fee so that we can be sure to count them in and congratulate them on all their hard work this year.



Kent County 4-H Explorer Summer Day Camp

July 16 & 17 8:30am-1:00pm

Fallasburg Park, Lowell, MI

Price:

\$5 per day for 4-H Members & \$20 (one time fee) + \$5 per day for Non-members

Mid-morning snack provided

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This summer day camp experience is for youth ages 5-8 years old. Come join us at Fallasburg Park for an AWESOME opportunity to participate in activities that include:

- Arts & Crafts
- Outdoor Exploration
 - Gardening
- Food & Nutrition
 - Science
 - Animals
- Sports & Recreation

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Please complete the registration forms and submit by mail or in-person to the

Kent County MSU Extension Office:

775 Ball Ave

Grand Rapids, MI 49503

****For more information, please contact Nana Temple, 4-H Program Coordinator, at 616-632-7888 or templedi@anr.msu.edu.****



Kent County 4-H Explorer Day Camp

REGISTRATION FORM

(Required for Participation)



CAMP DETAILS:

WHEN: July 16&17, 8:30am-1:00pm (PLEASE NOTE TIMES BELOW)

(Drop-off @ 8:30am until 9am; Pick-up @ 12:30pm until 1pm)

WHERE: Fallasburg Park—Lowell, MI

WHO: Youth ages 5-8 years old

HOW: Register with this form BY July 6

PRICE: \$5/day for 4-H members & \$20(one time fee)+\$5/day for non-member (price for non-members includes 4-H membership)

ACTIVITIES:

* Arts & Crafts

* Gardening

* Science

* Animals

* Outdoor Exploration

* Food & Nutrition

* Sports & Recreation

Please read and complete the form below. Registration payments must be sent or turned into the Kent County MSU Extension Office BY JULY 6th. No refunds will be granted after this date.

PLEASE SELECT THE DATES YOU PLAN TO ATTEND:

JULY 16 _____ JULY 17 _____ BOTH DAYS _____

PLEASE CHECK ONE:

4-H Member _____ Non-Member _____

PAYMENT (Please make checks payable to MSU):

CHECK _____ CASH _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION:

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION:

Emergency Contact: _____

Relationship to child: _____

Phone Number: _____

HEALTH INFORMATION (Please list and describe any allergies/dietary restrictions/health considerations/medications we should be aware of); PLEASE NOTE-- Any personal medication is the responsibility of the individual:

RELEASE FOR AUDIO, VIDEO, AND PHOTOGRAPHS

I authorize Michigan State University to record the image and voice of the subject named below and give MSUE and all persons or entities acting pursuant to MSUE's permission or authority, all rights to use of these recorded images and voice. I understand that said images and/or voice will be used for educational, advertising and promotional purposes in all conventional and electronic media, including but not limited to the internet, and any future media. I also authorize the use of any printed material in connection therewith.

I understand and agree that these images and recordings may be duplicated, distributed, with or without charge, and/or altered in any form or manner without future or further compensation or liability, in perpetuity.

Name of Youth: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Check here to Decline: Date: _____

Kent County 4-H Explorer Day Camp

There is still a short window of time to sign up for the Kent County 4-H Explorer Day camp happening on July 16 and July 17. Youth participants will have the opportunity to explore a wide range of activities and will get a small taste of ALL that 4-H has to offer. PLUS, the camp is open to both members AND non-members, so feel free to invite someone who is new to 4-H. HURRY!!!!..The last day to register is July 6th. (See page 5 & 6 for the camp flyer and registration form).

2018 4-H Exploration Days

The 2018 Kent County 4-H Exploration Days delegation had a GREAT time attending this year's Exploration Days on Michigan State University campus in East Lansing. Everyone had a blast attending a variety of career and activity sessions, exploring MSU's campus, meeting new people from around the state, and having the opportunity to experience college life. Congratulations to all of our State Award Delegates (Ivy Stoller, Elli Stoller, Lena Stoller, Shannon Good, Sydney Gladding, and Haley Loehfelm) who worked extremely hard and did a wonderful job representing our county. Shout-out to Haley (Junior Healthy Lifestyles) and Shannon (Senior Dairy) who won their award areas!



ATTENTION 4-H Clubs, Members, and Volunteers

Looking for Sportsmanship Resources?

In Michigan 4-H we work to promote positive behavior and sportsmanship both in and out of competition. With fair season and other competitions quickly approaching, take some time to check out this awesome sportsmanship video created by Michigan 4-H:

Michigan 4-H Sportsmanship: It is our responsibility

(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XAo-RsguQSk>)

This is a great resource to share at club meetings with 4-H members and volunteers!

Congratulations Boondockers 4-H Club!

Congratulations to the following 4-H members from Boondockers 4-H Club who took 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in Intermediate Showmanship at the Rabbit and Cavey Show in June:

1st: Noah Terpstra
2nd: Carman Jones
3rd: Jessie Bartholomew

4-H State Horse Show Delegates

Congratulations to the following individuals who were selected to represent Kent County at the 4-H State Horse show in August. We wish you all the best of luck in your competitions!

Ashley Beiber

Tori Bonnema

Bridgett Clay

Zoe DeHaan

Kimberly Garner

Megan Haagsma

Kyra Hanna

Allison Klein

Brooke Looman

Aubrey Meiderstsma

Isabelle Misner

Chloe Myers

Allie Quendag

Mary Ricards

Abby Tichelaar

Alyssa Woern

Showmanship Workshop 2018

On June 16th, 2018, Kent County MSU Extension 4-H hosted a Showmanship PLUS Workshop at the Kent County Youth Fair. A total of one-hundred youth participated in this educational opportunity and were able to work with live animals to help refine showmanship skills. This is an event that Kent County MSU Extension 4-H hopes to continue annually, with the goal of adding more species and classes as requested. Thank you to all who participated and volunteered their time to make this a wonderful event!



If you have a photo or story to share of your club and 4-H members, please submit to Kent County 4-H Program Coordinators. We would love to put it in our newsletter!

