

December 2022

4-H Family News

Lapeer County



Congratulations!

Congratulations to the award recipients that were honored at the Fall Awards Ceremony! The passion and dedication that our volunteers and youth members demonstrate is astounding! It is truly amazing to hear about your hard work, leadership, and growth and to celebrate your accomplishments with you.

I hope that those of you that were able to attend the awards and family skate had a great time. I know I saw a lot of smiles and laughter. I am looking forward to planning another county wide family event in the future! If you have any ideas or would like to help plan something, let me know.

-Sarah

Check out some of the pictures from the Awards Ceremony and Family Skate inside this newsletter. ☺



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COUNTY 4-H NEWS

Save the Date - Spring Achievement – March 11th



Spring Achievement is a one-day event to provide an opportunity to all 4-H members to enter projects they have been working on over the last year to be judged and displayed. This year's event will be March 11th at the American Legion in North Branch.

I will be hosting two zoom sessions to share more information about spring achievement including an overview of what the day looks like, provide examples of projects, and answer questions. Both new and returning members can attend these informational sessions. Anyone in attendance will receive an extra raffle ticket for prizes at Spring achievement.

December 20th at 7:00pm or January 3rd at 3:00pm

Zoom Meeting ID: 304 166 6569

There will be more information soon so watch your email and facebook!

2023 Spring Fundraiser Auction

The 2023 Lapeer County 4-H Annual Fundraiser Auction will be held April 14th and 15 at the Lapeer Center Building. Put your thinking caps on and start brainstorming themes for your club basket,

We are looking for volunteers that are interested in helping with office tasks, mailings and online donation requests. If you can help, please contact Sarah.

The next auction committee meeting is February 7th at 5:30pm.

Find Lapeer County 4-H on Instagram and Snapchat



Want to know what is happening in Lapeer County and around the state in 4-H?

Want quicker up-dates about events?

Would you like to connect with members of other clubs?

Do you have pictures from 4-H events to share?

Join Lapeer County 4-H on Instagram and Snapchat!

Instagram: Follow 4HLapeercounty

Snapchat: Add Lapeercounty4h or use the snapcode



Please note that we do not have access to the previous Instagram account (LapeerCounty4h) so be sure to follow the new one (4hLapeerCounty).

2022 Awards Ceremony and Family Skate



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STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Opportunity to teach at 4-H Exploration Days 2023

Annually, MSU Extension holds <u>4-H Exploration Days</u>, a pre-college program for more than 1000 youth (ages 12-19 years old) from across the state. This exciting program allows youth to try new things, gain confidence and independence through hands-on learning, and make friends that can last a lifetime. The 2023 event is set for June 21-23 on the campus of MSU.

This exciting event is a team effort and we need you! We're currently seeking inspiring and fun educational and free time session proposals. Think outside the box for ideas! Youth like sessions on career paths, cutting edge research/work, animals, life skills for their future, recreational activities and new and emerging activities/topics. Some of the areas requested by youth also include: robotics,



drones, music, outdoor activities like biking, rappelling, kayaking and nature sessions.

Session and free time proposal requests are now open until December 5. More information on the adult instructor role and the youth co-instructor role, as well as details about proposal requirements, can be found at www.canr.msu.edu/4 h exploration_days/Volunteer-Information/.



Travel abroad with States' 4-H International Exchange Programs

Want to see another part of the world? Michigan 4-H is accepting applications for the Summer 2023 outbound international exchange program! Explore a new country and culture via an immersive international exchange experience.

Michigan 4-H has been in a partnership with States' 4-H International Exchange Programs for many years and through this collaboration, American 4-H youth have the opportunity to travel to foreign countries for a month-long cultural immersion experience. Delegates live with volunteer

host families and engage in experiential learning about a new way of life. Enrich your 4-H experience and apply today to travel abroad in the summer 2023! Michigan 4-H is currently planning to offer trips to Japan, Costa Rica and South Korea. Visit https://www.states4hexchange.org/ to learn more and apply by January 1, 2023.

Support Michigan 4-H with holiday shopping!

Get ready for the holidays AND support 4-H with purchases on AmazonSmile, SHOP 4-H Online and at JOANN's Fabric.

AmazonSmile will give 0.5% of eligible purchases to the Michigan 4-H Foundation when you shop at <u>http://smile.amazon.com/ch/38-1539997</u>. Buy your 4-H essentials at the SHOP 4-H Online Store (<u>https://shop4-h.org/?rfsn=871792.16dd0</u>) and 5% of the purchase will go back to Michigan 4-H! JOANN's Fabrics shoppers who use their free 4-H loyalty card (<u>http://www.joann.com/4-h/</u>) will save 15% while also giving 2.5% back to the National 4-H Council.



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COUNTY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Camp Volunteer and Counselor Meeting (Virtual)	6:30pm: 12/02
MI 4-H Spectacular! Youth Leadership Institute	12/03–12/04
Ambassador Meeting (Virtual)	5:30: 12/05
Auction Committee Meeting	5:30pm: 12/06
Virtual Christmas Around the World SPIN Club	7:00pm: 12/7
Winter Wonderland SPIN Club	9:00am: 12/10
Virtual Christmas Around the World SPIN Club	7:00pm: 12/14
What is Spring Achievement? Info. Meeting (Virtual)	7:00pm: 12/20
Virtual Christmas Around the World SPIN Club	7:00pm: 12/21
Extension Office Closed	12/23 & 12/26
Extension Office Closed	12/30 & 01/02
What is Spring Achievement? Info. Meeting (Virtual)	3:00pm: 01/03
Livestock Committee Meeting	7:00pm: 01/09
Winter Wonderland SPIN Club	9:00am: 01/14
Extension Office Closed	01/16
Ambassador Meeting	5:30pm: 01/16
Spring Achievement Planning Meeting	6:00pm: 01/16
Council Meeting	7:00pm: 01/16
Livestock First Aid Clinic	3:00pm: 01/22
Horse Committee Meeting	6:30pm: 01/23



SAVE THE DATE!

Michigan 4-H Dairy Conference



Michigan 4-H Dairy Conference returns in 2023!

March 3rd – 5th

Keep an eye on <u>https://www.facebook</u> <u>.com/MichiganDairyYo</u> <u>uthProgram/</u> and <u>https://www.canr.msu.</u> <u>edu/dairy_cattle/</u>

> for updates and registration information.

Contact Melissa Elischer (elischer@msu.edu) with

questions.



Shop the Michigan 4-H store this holiday season



Buy your favorite Michigan 4-H apparel and essentials at the SHOP 4-H Online Store!

Offered in collaboration with National 4-H Council through Shop 4-H, the Michigan 4-H store offers Michigan 4-H branded apparel and other gifts. Visit the store online and find the perfect item for your favorite 4-H'er, volunteer, alumni, professional or fan! The shop is open to the public and a percentage of all proceeds will be donated to Michigan 4-H.

To order Michigan 4-H specific items, visit https://bit.lv/30pdNJw. The

store will remain open beyond the holiday season to continue offering Michigan 4-H branded gear to the Michigan 4-H community.

December 3: Family Holiday Craft Day

Arthur Center Church of God, Clare Bring the family and get crafty! This event is \$5 per participant. <u>https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/family-holiday-craft-day</u>

December 13: Wild Spartans – Special Education to Wildlife Biologist Online

Take a closer look at charismatic microfauna and hop along to uncover the hidden world of herpetology. Meet Erim Gómez, assistant professor of wildlife biology at the University of Montana. Learn about his field work and the education and career path he followed to get there. Youth will partake in a live Q&A. This free series is open to youth ages 12-19 years. https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-series-december-2022

December 14: Cloverbud Fun Night

Kalamazoo County Expo Center, Kalamazoo Join us for a day of games, activities and crafting fun! https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/cloverbud-fun-night-december-2022

December 15 – January 2: Hunting & Wildlife Quiz Bowl Online

4-H members are encouraged to test their knowledge of wildlife and natural resources in the 2022 Hunting & Wildlife Quiz Bowl. Ages 5-19 welcome to play. https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/hunting-wildlife-quizbowl

December 31: 2022 Re-Certification for Shooting Sports Instructors Online

Deadline for instructor re-certification efforts. Policy and application available online. https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/2022-re-certification-for-shooting-sports-instructors

January 7: 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Workshop

Four Square Sportsman's Association, Jeddo

Interested in leading shooting sports with a 4-H club? Become a certified instructor at this one-day, hybrid workshop! Registration deadline is December 15. 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Workshop - 4-H Shooting Sports (msu.edu)



Christmas Around the World

Virtual Program For Youth Ages 5-10

WEDNESDAYS December 7, 14, and 21 7:00pm

Travel around the world through stories, activities, and delicious recipes to learn all about how Christmas is celebrated in Australia, Mexico. Brazil, Germany, Sweden, and Italy. Participants will be able to join a live "Listen and Learn Story Hour" on Zoom each week and will be emailed activities and recipes to try with their families. This program is designed for youth ages 5-10 and there is no cost to participate. Attend one or all 3 Live sessions.

Email Sarah at <u>graversa@msu.edu</u> to attend one of the remaining days!

For More Information





Contact Sarah at graversa@msu.edu or (810)667-0341

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Winter Wonderland Two Days of Fun

DATE & TIME: Saturday, Dec. 10, 2022 & Saturday, Jan. 14, 2023 9 am-12 pm

LOCATION: 1800 Imlay City Rd., Lapeer

Sponsored by: Lapeer County MSUE 4-H Youth Programs





Activities:

Come have fun while making winter and Christmas crafts, doing some experiments and enjoying some yummy snacks.

- 1. Centerpieces and snowglobes
- 2. STEM activities
- 3. Canvas painting, ornament making
- 4. Snacks and recipes

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

5-14 yr.olds

Cost: \$10.00 each workshop or \$20 for both. Workshop fee assistance available if needed.

HOW TO REGISTER:

Limited spots available so please register by calling 810-667-0341 to reserve a space. Must be registered by December 1, 2022

CONTACT:

For more information or questions please call Jean or Tina at 810-667-0341

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Learn how to Prevent, Prepare for, and Treat an Animal Emergency.

Livestock First Aid Workshop

With Dr. Laura Schapman, DVM

JANUARY 22, 2023 3:00PM - 5:00PM

Deerfield Township Hall 30 East Burnside Road North Branch, MI 48461

Youth Participants will receive free first aid kit supplies. Gain skills and confidence to safely provide temporary urgent care to small and large livestock animals including dogs and horses until professional help can be sought.

- Clinic is free for Current Lapeer County 4-H Members
- \$10 fee for non-members and members from other counties
- Youth 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult.
- Space is limited to 50 participants

Register Online by January 16th at: https://tinyurl.com/4Hfirstaidworkshop

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STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS



Learning about our nation's history empowers today's youth to forge a brighter future. What better place to do that than Washington, DC! Youth ages 14-19 have the opportunity to experience our nation's capital like never before or ever again!

"CWF was absolutely a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity! I experienced new places and learned about their importance to our nation's history. I met 4-Hers from all around the country, discovered differences and similarities between our 4-H experiences, and strengthened my resolve to use my voice to help others," Halle Graves- 2022 CWF Delegate.

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is a premier week-long 4-H citizenship and leadership experience. CWF brings 4-H delegations from around the country together to experience our Nation's Capital!

The Michigan 4-H Delegation will leave by bus on Saturday, June 24 with the first stop at the Flight 93 Memorial in Pennsylvania. Traveling on, the delegation will stay Saturday night in Gettysburg. Sunday the group will tour the battlegrounds and then travel on to the Hyatt Regency in Bethesda, MD for 6 days of eventful programming, including meetings with our Senators and Representatives, tours of many monuments provided by a licensed DC tour guide, and incredible workshops that teach life skills like civil discourse and critical thinking.

The total cost is \$2,000.00 (includes transportation from East Lansing or Coldwater, all lodging, conference costs, and most meals) plus 7 meals and spending money per participant. A \$500 deposit per delegate is due by January 9, 2023.

For additional information, go to the website at: https://www.canr.msu.edu/citizenship_washington_focus/index

To sign up, contact your county MSU Extension 4-H Program Coordinator. You can find your staff person at: http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county or Liana Pepin at deisenro@msu.edu.

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