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Family News



Happy Holidays!



Get Ready for 4-H4All and the Leelanau County 4-H Awards Celebration on January 14th

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We hope to see you and anyone you invite at our third annual 4-H4All mini expo event! Several of our local clubs will be there to showcase what they do and host an activity. If we have snow, we will offer outdoor activities such as quinzee-building! Hot chocolate, snacks, door prizes, and free activities, from 2-4 pm at the Cedar Maple City Lions Club. For all of our 4-H clubs and families, please join us afterwards for the 2023 annual awards celebration, from 4-5:00 pm. We will have our awards presentation with certificates, trophies, and gift cards, and enjoy pizza, pop, treats, 4-H clover cookies, and more!



Come Join in the FUN at...



It's FREE!

4H4ALL DAY!

Prize Drawings



4-H...

The FUN Starts Here!

Families Welcome

Activities

January 14, 2024

2-4:00 pm Cedar Maple City Lions Club

Followed by the 4-H 2023 Awards Celebration

Bring your friends and enjoy presentations by local 4-H Clubs.

All youth who attend will receive a 4-H Goodie Bag!



Activities

• **Animals**

• **Snacks**

• **Crafts**

• **Outdoor Fun**

• **Games**

• **Science**

• **Exhibits**

• **Awards!**

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Fundraiser: Leelanau County 4-H Hoodies for Sale!



Please come into our office at the Government Center (Suite 107) or email Rosali to check on availability of a great selection of our new navy Leelanau County 4-H hoodies! We have a wonderful variety of adult-sized crewnecks, zip hoodies, and pullover hoodies. Each one has a left-chest print of the logo, as well as a back print of the logo (larger). All proceeds go toward supporting our 4-H scholarships with the 4-H Youth Association. Great holiday gifts! All hoodies are \$25 each!





Don't Forget to Enroll or Re-Enroll in 4-H Online for the 2023/2024 4-H Year!



It's that time again: if you are joining a 4-H club, event, or program, please enroll in 4-H Online again for this year. If you have already enrolled, then you click on re-enroll by your name in your family account.

<https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in>

Questions or need a paper enrollment form?
Reach out to our office: 231-256-9888

4-H Scholarships are Available!

Don't forget! We have many scholarships available for all things 4-H: club activities, field trips, clinics, camps, programs, and statewide events. Even travel overseas! Please reach out to Rosali if you are in need of support for your club or just yourself! This includes both our 4-H adult volunteers and our 4-H youth.

**Taking Registrations for the Leelanau
4-H Ski and Snowboard Program in 2024**

We are still taking online registrations for this year's annual 4-H Ski and Snowboard Program out at The Homestead in Glen Arbor and will close registration on January 5th. We have a few Beginner ski spots left, and then more in the Beginner Intermediate and Intermediate groups. We have space in both the Beginner and Beginner Intermediate (more like fully Intermediate) snowboard lessons, as well. When you register, you will see the open lesson groups and times available. This is a great family experience out at the resort—small, safe, welcoming, and beautiful views! Lessons (an hour each Sunday) are a requirement for all youth who are taking part in the 4-H program, and we have coupons for reduced rates on lift tickets and rentals for all immediate family members who are not registered 4-H youth. So, come on out, and enjoy the wintry slopes! Sundays, January 21st through February 11th, with a “free day” on February 25th. Scholarships are available.

Email Rosali at collierr@msu.edu for more information.





The Homestead
A Market Freshwater Resort

4-H SKI & SNOWBOARD PROGRAM



FOUR Sundays in 2024 beginning January 21st through February 11th
 "Free Day" on February 25, 2024 12:00 pm - 4:00 pm
 compliments of *The Homestead*

SKI LESSONS
 12:00 PM OR 1:30 PM

BOARD LESSONS
 12:30 PM OR 2:00 PM

"OPEN SKI" FROM 11:00 AM
 UNTIL THE LESSON STARTS AND
 AFTER THE LESSON UNTIL 4:00 PM



For students in grades 1st - 12th

~Available Lesson Options~
 Beginner,
 Beginner Intermediate
 Intermediate

Sixty-minute group lesson each week
 with a certified instructor

7 Youth maximum each class

LESSON ATTENDANCE IS REQUIRED

Registration is a TWO STEP process!

1-Register and pay online at <https://events.ansu.edu/SkiSnowboard2024/>

2-Register as a 4-H member in 4-H Online at <https://v2.4honline.com/#/user/sign-in> and
 choose the "4-H Ski and Snowboard Program"

The registration deadline is 1/5/24

If you don't have online access, stop by the Leelanau MSU Extension Office located at 8527 E. Government Center Dr., Suttons Bay.
 Questions? email Rosali Collier, 4-H Program Coordinator, at rcollier@msu.edu OR call the MSU Extension / 4-H Office @ 231-256-9888

Immediate families of participants are invited to ski or board at a reduced rate! Lift tickets are \$15 Adult or \$10 Youth (under 17). Equipment rental is \$20. Pre-registration is not required. Pick up a voucher at the 4-H desk.



Leelanau County 5th Graders get a free lift ticket voucher from The Homestead

Lessons ONLY \$93.00
Lessons PLUS Lift Ticket \$133.00
Lessons PLUS Equipment \$135.00
Lessons PLUS Lift Ticket and Equipment Rental \$173.00
scholarships available



Five Leelanau 4-H Teens Attended 4-H Spectacular Leadership Institute in East Lansing

We were very excited to have five of the 39 participants for 4-H Spectacular Youth Leadership Institute be from Leelanau! Congratulations to Ella Frixen, Everett Howell, Annabelle Macdonald, Lili Migazzi, and Isabelle Plamondon for attending this weekend-long event, and for representing our small county in such a big and positive way! This leadership event allows youth to experience the campus of MSU, take part in team-building activities with youth and MSU Extension staff from all over the state, have some campus adventures (museum or hockey, anyone?), take part in community service projects, and eat at campus cafeterias. I was able to attend the conference and got to watch all our teens have a great time and share their opinions, while connecting with new people and experiences. Everett Howell also helped to lead a session called "Leadership Around the World!" with another teen, and they focused on providing information about their experiences in Japan over last summer. They ran stations with hands-on learning, such as learning how to use the Japanese toy called a Kendama, making and tasting a simple Japanese dish, creating origami clovers, working with calligraphy brushes and ink to write characters and create art, and choosing some free giveaways (souvenirs, chopsticks, Kendama toys, stickers, and information about our States' 4-H International Exchange Programs. It's always exciting to see teens successfully teach and lead their own sessions during 4-H experiences like this. The next leadership experience will be down in Lansing during 4-H Capitol Experience. If you are interested, please reach out to me for more information, and scholarships are available.



Spectacular ice breaker



Spectacular team building





Five Leelanau 4-H Teens Attended 4-H Spectacular Leadership Institute in East Lansing continued...



4-H Spectacular Chopsticks Practice Game



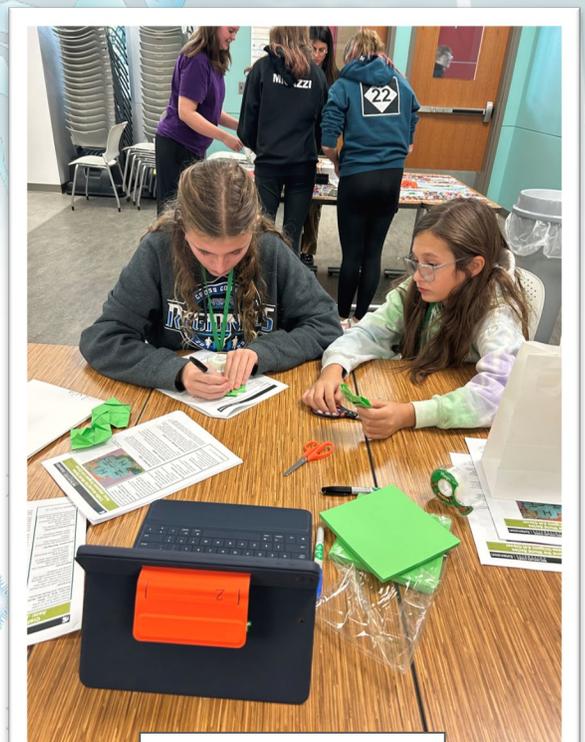
Ella and Lili practicing with chopsticks



Ella and Lili creating Japanese dish



Japanese calligraphy station



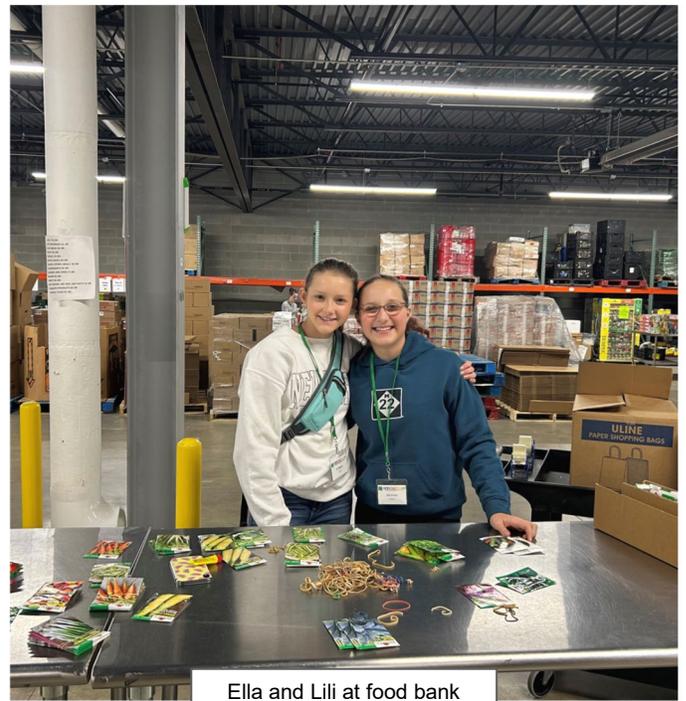
Origami clover activity



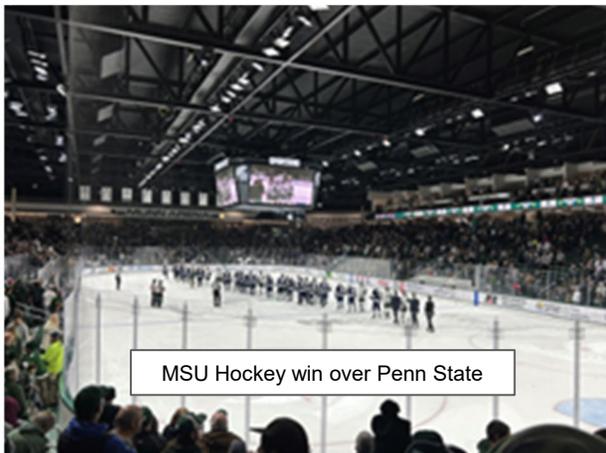
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Everett co-leading global leadership session



Ella and Lili at food bank community service



MSU Hockey win over Penn State



Everett leading Kendama and Japanese toys station



Annual Lake Leelanau Community Association Holiday Arts and Crafts Show 2023 was Festive and Fun!



A huge shout-out to the Association for welcoming Leelanau County 4-H again this year to their annual holiday craft show at St. Mary so that we could offer some fun and free craft activities for young folks. Getting to catch a glimpse of Santa and Mrs. Claus was a magical plus! Thank you to our 4-H Cloverbud Crafts Chair Kathy Swinney for organizing so many different crafts for everyone, and for bringing a great fundraiser for cloverbud activities during fair—those holiday arrangements were beautiful! Thank you also to 4-H teens Maddy Caldwell and Everett Howell for helping at the hot glue table—lots of extra attention needed there! Tree and reindeer ornaments, skiing pinecone gnomes, painted snowmen rocks, snowmen tea lights, holiday corkies, pinecone trees with all the ornaments and glitter you could ask for, and even some fun dragonflies, just to keep things interesting! We had such a nice time visiting with families and helping children make some wonderful holiday treasures. We hope to be back again next December!



Christmas tree ornament crafts



Crafting a corkie holiday creature



Family creating make and take crafts



Holiday Arts and Crafts Show was Festive and Fun! Continued...



Youth making holiday gnome ornament



Having fun with crafts



Pinecone tree making



4-H teens helping with craft table



Holiday crafts with Everett and Maddy



Snowman painted rocks at make and take



Fundraiser with holiday arrangements



NW MI 4-H Livestock Council Information

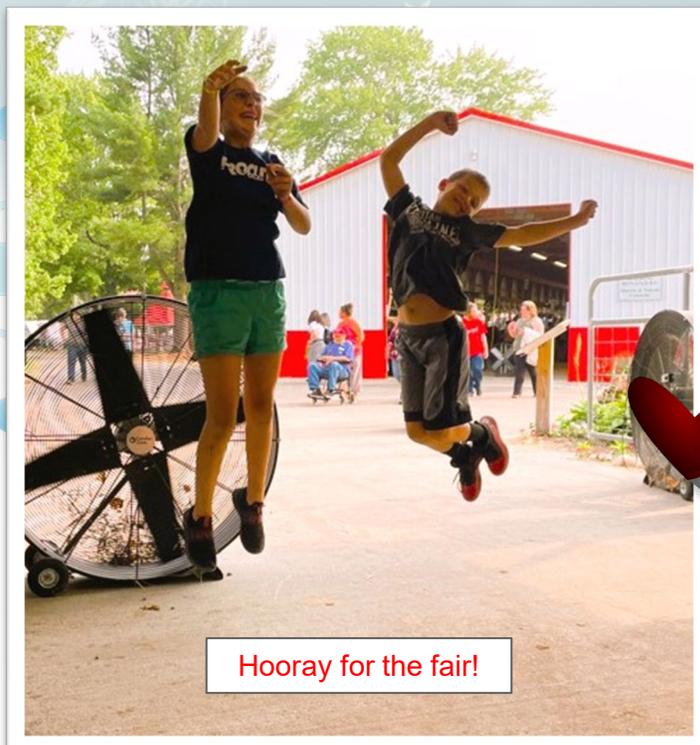
Next Northwest Michigan 4-H Livestock Council Meeting: Monday, January 8th, 2024 at 6:30 pm at the Redeemer Lutheran Church in Grawn. Large Beef and Dairy Beef Registrations are due!!

All livestock project registration links are active on the homepage of the website:

<http://www.northwestmichiganlivestockcouncil.org/>

Please welcome our new board members and our ten new 4-H teen reps that evening, ask questions, and take part in making decisions that will help our 4-H youth and volunteers have a fantastic Fair 2024!

Interested in helping out with the Tanner 4-H Exhibit Building Committee this year? Please reach out to Rosali. We are making more changes in the building this year, and are fully focusing on club booth displays (first, second, and third place prizes), interviews (ribbons by age group), and demonstrations (ribbons by age group). This includes our cloverbuds—for participation ribbons. We will also have our usual 4-H Clover Award top-three finalist interviews. We will **not** be hosting 4-H independent projects this year. Any 4-H youth wanting to have a project (separate from a club display) judged will need to register with the fair and take part in the Evelyn Heim Exhibit Building. We have a new theme for the club booth displays this year: **“Oh, the Places You’ll Go with 4-H!”**, with each club showing their interpretation of that through their own club display. Every club is unique and approaches 4-H in a different way!



Hooray for the fair!





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LIVESTOCK COUNCIL MEETINGS		
DATE	TIME	DUE
JANUARY 8 TH	6:30 pm	Large Beef and Dairy Beef Registrations
FEBRUARY 5 TH	6:30 pm	Swine Registrations
MARCH 4 TH	6:30 pm	Dairy Feeder, Goat, Junior Beef, Lamb, & Poultry Registrations
APRIL 1 ST	6:30 pm	
MAY 6 TH	6:30 pm	Horse, Llama & Alpaca, and Rabbit & Cavy Registrations
JUNE 3 RD	6:30 pm	Dog Registrations
JUNE 24 TH	6:30 pm	
JULY 22 ND	6:30 pm	
SEPTEMBER 9 TH	6:30 pm	Record Books
OCTOBER 7 TH	6:30 pm	Thank You Notes
NOVEMBER 4 TH	6:30 pm	** Annual Meeting**

Education Expo
March 3, 2024

2024 WORK BEES	
DATE	TIME
MAY 4 TH	9:00 - 11:30 am
	2:00 - 4:30 pm
MAY 15 TH	6:00 - 8:30 pm
JUNE 11 TH	6:00 - 8:30 pm
JULY 24 TH	6:00 - 8:30 pm

Northwestern Michigan Fair
August 3RD-11TH

**SAVE THE DATE!**

Northwest Michigan 4-H Livestock Council Education Expo will be held on Sunday, March 3, 2024 at the Grand Traverse Resort in Acme. We will have about 20 sessions, so you will easily be able to complete your two educational requirements in preparation for fair.

Note the four dates for the upcoming 4-H Work Bees! All of these will be held on the Northwestern Michigan Fairgrounds. Every 4-H'er should plan to attend one to complete this requirement.

May 4th from 9-11:30 am and 2:00-4:30 pm

May 15th from 6-8:30 pm

June 11th from 6-8:30 pm

July 24th from 6-8:30 pm

To sign up for a work bee on the fairgrounds, go to this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080C4CADA622ABF85-46436297-2024#/>

Happy New Year!





STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Reserve your tickets for Michigan 4-H Day with the Detroit Tigers



Join Michigan 4-H and MSU Extension for a fun day at Comerica Park to watch the Detroit Tigers take on the Kansas City Royals! 4-H youth, volunteers, staff and their families will enjoy discounted tickets. In addition, Michigan 4-H guests will receive:

- A dual-branded Michigan 4-H and Detroit Tigers item (details to be released shortly).
- An exclusive pregame on-field opportunity.
- A portion of each ticket sold donated to Michigan 4-H.

Tickets are available in a variety of locations throughout the stadium, with prices ranging from \$27 - \$59. To order your tickets, visit www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-day-with-the-detroit-tigers.

January 9: 4-H Wild Spartans - Anishinaabe Perspectives in Natural Resources Management *Online*

This month's 4-H Wild Spartans Series will delve into how tribes use traditional knowledge and values (giikendaasowin) in natural resources management. Meet Brad Silet, biologist with the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, learn about his field work, and the education and career path he followed to get there. This free series is open to 4-H and non-4-H youth ages 12-19.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-series-2023-2024-jan

January 17: Adulting 101 - Psychology of Spending and Saving *Online*

The 4-H Adulting 101 series helps young people prepare for college or life on their own through free online sessions. Join this session to reflect on your personal financial journey, your emotional connection to money, and gain budgeting resources to help you along the way.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/psychology

January 22: The Parent Talk System Webinar Series *Online*

The Parent Talk System is a FREE online course for parents of toddlers to teens to improve communication and provide strategies for raising confident, caring, responsible children.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/the-parent-talk-system-webinar-series-january-2024

January 23: Michigan 4-H Volunteer Webinar - Teaching Science When You Don't Know Diddley-Squat *Online*

Explore ways 4-H volunteers can utilize a series of science lessons from MSU Extension that can be taught with no science background and household materials. This series will provide volunteers with a variety of learning opportunities to help them grow as a volunteer and support Michigan 4-H'ers. This session will be offered twice, once as a daytime option and once as an evening option.

- **12 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-teaching-science-when-you-don-t-know-diddley-squat
- **7 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-teaching-science-when-you-don-t-know-diddley-squat7pm

February 17: 4-H Animal Science Career Quest *MSU Campus, East Lansing*

Interested in a career working with animals? 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 of Michigan 4-H, the MSU Department of Animal Science, and the MSU College of Veterinary Medicine. It is open to youth ages 12-19 and 4-H volunteers. Registration closes Feb. 1.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-animal-science-career-quest-2024





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS



2024 4-H Day at the Breslin Center

MSU Extension invites 4-H members, families, volunteers and staff members to join them Feb. 24 for Michigan 4-H Day at the Breslin. This fun family event will be held at the Jack Breslin Student Events Center as the MSU women’s basketball team takes on the Rutgers Scarlet Knights.

The 18th annual event celebrates the 4-H and MSU Extension community. Attendance is free for MSU Extension friends, Michigan 4-H members and their families, MSU Extension and 4-H volunteers, as well as MSU Extension professionals. Make ticket reservations at extension.msu.edu/4HDayatBreslin2024.

“Our 4-H programs reach every county in the state and 4-H Day at the Breslin is a fun way to bring that community together for a day of comradery and celebration,” said Julie Chapin, director of MSU Extension children and youth programs. “We can’t wait to join with the youth, families, volunteers and staff that make these programs possible.”

4-H Day at the Breslin participants are encouraged to come early to partake in MSU Extension games and activities throughout the concourse. Doors will open at 12:30 p.m., with tip-off scheduled for 2 p.m. Participants are encouraged to show their pride and wear green and white 4-H or MSU Extension apparel. Michigan 4-H will be showcased during the halftime show as a group of 4-H youth will lead the crowd in reciting the 4-H pledge.

Visitors to Breslin Center events must comply with MSU’s [clear bag policy](#). For more information on this event, contact your local MSU Extension office.

Resolve to have a great 4-H year

Adapted from: https://www.canr.msu.edu/news/resolve_to_have_a_great_4_h_year.

As we start 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.

