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February 2019

Macomb County 4-H News & Events

Snowshoeing: A Michigan Tradition -- Feb. 9th

Join Macomb County MSU Extension 4-H at Stony Creek Metropark at 1 p.m. on February 9th for a [snowshoe hike](#)! Open to the public (adults and youth). Mention that you're with 4-H when calling 586-781-9113 to R.S.V.P. For more information, contact [Seth Martin](#) at 586-783-8163.

Macomb County 4-H Youth Council Craft Day - March 2



The Macomb County 4-H Youth Council Craft Day is Saturday, March 2, 2019 from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the VerKuilen Building, Assembly Rooms A and B, 21885 Dunham Road, Clinton Township. This craft day is open to any youth between the ages of 5 and 19 as of Jan. 1, 2019.

Come and join the Macomb County 4-H Youth Council to learn how to make some crafts that can be entered in the Armada Fair and have lots of fun. The crafts include wood burning, tile art, cupcake decorating, photography, hand sewing, and collages. This event is open to the entire community. Bring a friend!

The cost is \$5 per youth with registration or \$10 at the door. The fee includes craft supplies, pizza, and pop. Register by Monday, February 25th. For more information or to register, visit <https://events.anr.msu.edu/YouthCouncilCraftDay/>.

Happy Days Fishing Camp receives 2018 Friend of 4-H Award

In part, Macomb County 4-H is successful because of the support we get from outside the 4-H community. To show our appreciation each year, we recognize this support by presenting the Friend of 4-H Award to those who have gone above and beyond on behalf of 4-H.

The Stahl family, owners of Happy Days Fishing camp, brought something completely new to Macomb County. *Lake to Table* was an event that brought

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together two neighboring counties and exposed youth to a whole new project area: fishing.

Ron and Donna Stahl have a love of the outdoors, a passion for bringing youth to the outdoors, and the hope of getting them "hooked" on fishing. This is what led the Stahls, owners of Happy Days Fishing Camp, to be key factors in spearheading this wonderful event.

Together with 4-H staff and a 4-H volunteer committee, the Stahls hosted the event on June 23, 2018 at their 150 acres of property in Columbus Township.



Ron and Donna Stahl

There are five well-stocked lakes named after each of their grandchildren. Those who fish catch a lot of fish and have a great time. Fish include large and small mouth bass, catfish, bluegills and crappie. During this 4-H event, youth were able to experience and gain knowledge in the process of fishing, safety while fishing, and how to prepare what you catch. There were stations for filleting the fish and a fire pit for cooking. The Stahls provided everything needed for the experience. The fun event covered several project areas, including Environmental Science and Natural Resources, Outdoor Education/Recreation, and Wildlife & Fisheries. Although we are a Great Lakes state and our own county has many lakes, trails and parks, these project areas are not greatly participated in.

Ron and Donna Stahl have attended many 4-H events and admire the 4-H philosophy and mission of education, family and community. They are kind and caring people who are committed to increasing the interest of youth in the outdoors, specifically wildlife. For this, we are extremely grateful and proud to award the 2018 Friend of 4-H Award to Ron and Donna Stahl of Happy Days Fishing Camp.

Military 4-H Program Assistant wanted, apply by Feb. 12

Macomb County 4-H is looking to hire a part-time employee for the new position of Military 4-H Program Assistant. The program assistant will work closely with Program Coordinator Katelyn Burns and military connected youth DTA 4-H club leader Dave Galer to produce innovative 4-H programming for military connected youth in Macomb County. The position will be open until Tuesday, February 12th. Please email cover letters and resumes to Katelyn at burnska9@msu.edu. The full position description can be found at <https://bit.ly/2MCgTP6>.

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**Macomb County
offices, including
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will be closed on
February 18, 2019
(Presidents Day).**



Beyond the Seed Greenhouse & Gardens

Now accepting volunteers and 4-H project members!



Flowers ~ Vegetables

- ❖ 30 x 90 greenhouse
- ❖ 42 raised-bed vegetable garden
- ❖ 70 x 70 floral garden



Themed Tea Parties ~ Events

- ❖ Mother's Day Tea
- ❖ Princess Tea
- ❖ Teddy Bear Tea
- ❖ Frozen Tea
- ❖ Super Hero Tea
- ❖ Dairy Days
- ❖ Harvest Fest
- ❖ Heritage Holidays
- ❖ School Trips
- ❖ Farmers Markets



Hydroponics ~ STEM

- ❖ Hydroponics system (growing plants with no soil)
 - Strawberries, Cucumbers, Peppers, Herbs, Tomatoes, Swiss Chard, Edible Flowers
- STEM education
- * One of six hydroponic farms in Michigan and the first in any Michigan Metropark *



Volunteer Today!

Located at Wolcott Mill Metropark Farm Center
65775 Wolcott Rd.
Ray, MI. 48096

Email us if you are interested:
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[Flyer](#)

Other Local News & Events

Show Me the Money Day events offered in February

Show Me the Money Day financial resource fairs will be held in Mount Clemens on Feb. 16th and in Warren on February 22nd. They are free and open to the public! Attend financial workshops, take advantage of free tax preparation, connect with resources and enjoy children's activities. Contact Mallory Jones at 586-469-5374 or mallory.jones@macombgov.org for more information.

Saturday, February 16, 2019

10 a.m.-2 p.m.
196 North Rose
Mount Clemens, MI 48043

Friday, February 22, 2019

10 a.m.-2 p.m.
11370 Hupp Avenue
Warren, MI 48089

For more information, locations and a list of all statewide and local sponsors, visit ShowMeTheMoneyDay.org.

Armada Fair News

Bill Hahn Memorial Scholarship: The Armada Agricultural Society sponsors the Bill Hahn Memorial Scholarship in memory of former president and longtime board

member, Bill Hahn. The scholarship is awarded yearly to two high school graduating seniors. The applicant must have been a volunteer, employee, Open Class exhibitor or Youth Organizations exhibitor at the Armada Fair to apply. This would include Miss Armada and her court. Applications must be postmarked no later than April 15th and may be mailed to the Armada Agricultural Society, P.O. Box 507, Armada, MI 48005, dropped off at the Armada Fair Office during normal business hours or emailed to the fair office by 11:59 p.m. on April 15th to office@armadafair.org. More information about the scholarship can be found online at <https://armadafair.org/scholarship>.

Youth Livestock Tagging Dates: Market livestock must be tagged on the scheduled date and times. Check the Armada Fair website, <http://www.armadafair.org>, for posted dates and times.

Tagging Dates

Steer - Sunday, February 3, 2019 from 12-2 p.m.

Swine - Sunday, June 2, 2019 from 8-10:30 a.m.

Goat, Sheep & Prospect Beef - Sunday, June 2, 2019 from 10:30 a.m. -12 p.m.

All Poultry & Rabbits - Sunday, July 21, 2019 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Miss Armada: Miss Armada: Nomination/application forms will be available soon for Miss Armada 2019. Candidates must: 1) be single females between the ages 17 and 24; 2) attend, have graduated from or live in the Armada Area School District; 3) be personable, articulate, mature, confident and sincere; 4) possess knowledge of the Armada Fair and her community. The Miss Armada Pageant is Friday, April 12, 2019 at 7 p.m. at the Armada High School Auditorium. More information about [Miss Armada](#) and the 2019 application will be available soon on the Armada Fair website.

Sources: [Armada Fair Newsletter](#)-January 2019, and <https://armadafair.org>

Apply by Feb. 8: Your family's migration story could earn Breakfast of Nations' \$500 award toward your education

Breakfast of Nations is an annual event held in Macomb County to celebrate migration stories and help forge relationships among residents. It is a collaborative event from the Chaldean Community Foundation, Sterling Heights Regional Chamber of Commerce and Industry, One Macomb, Vibe Credit Union, CAPA Michigan, and Welcoming Michigan.

The Breakfast of Nations planning team is offering a \$500 award to a local student in Macomb County. The award's purpose is to celebrate migration stories, embrace diversity, and foster mutual respect and understanding among all residents. The application deadline is 5 p.m. on February 8, 2019.

Applicants must 1) complete the application form, 2) write a short essay about their family's migration story, 3) be enrolled or planning to attend college or a post-secondary training program, 4) be a senior in high school OR no more than 25 years old at the time of application, and 5) reside in Macomb County or attend school in Macomb County. See <https://bit.ly/2DwYi47> for additional information or to apply.

Please join OneMacomb at



OneMacomb is proud to host its first-ever Celebration of Black Excellence, a daylong event to honor and recognize Macomb County's black community.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2019

Macomb County Family Resource Center - 196 N Rose St, Mt Clemens

DAYTIME VENDOR & RESOURCE EXPO

10am - 2pm - Local businesses and organizations will be promoting and selling their wares
Free to attend and open to the public

EVENING AWARDS GALA

Doors open at 5pm; Awards announced at 6pm - Dinner and entertainment to follow
Ticket cost: \$35 | To purchase tickets, click here

HOSTED BY:



PRESENTED BY:



Questions? Contact Alescia at alescia.hollowell@macombgov.org or at (586) 469-7190

Statewide 4-H News

Host an International Exchange Student

MSU Extension is now accepting application for families to host international exchange students.

This opportunity offers:

- One month exchanges during the summer, 2019. We have 10 Korean delegates and 20 Japanese delegates looking forward to meeting your family.
- 2019-2020 Academic year-long students from Japan, Korea and Eurasia.
- Month-long HOSTING PERIOD 4 weeks: July 27 - Aug. 21, 2019
- Japanese & Korean delegates are ages 12-16 (most are 12-14) or adult chaperones
- Youth have limited English language skills, so host families should be prepared to communicate imaginatively.

Host family requirements include:

- Japanese & Korean youth will be the same gender and within 3 years of age of your child.
- Delegate needs their own bed but can share a room with delegate the same gender and close in age.

- Three meals per day.
- A chaperone can be hosted for two weeks by an individual or any family. Chaperones can be college interns or age 60+.
- No special activities needed. The youth want to experience American culture, make new friends, and improve their English by staying with your family.
- Volunteer to participate. Previous 4-H involvement not required.
- Delegates can attend summer camp (we cover cost up to \$250 for Japanese youth) with your child.

Yearlong hosting period is July 26, 2019 to mid-June 2020.

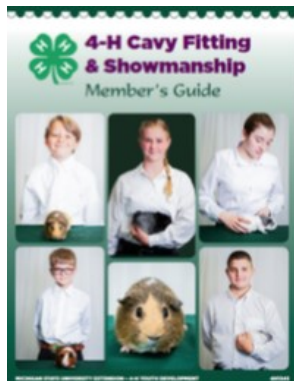
- Delegates are ages 15-18.
- English is good, since they will be taking classes in our schools.

Host Family Requirements:

- Delegate needs their own bed but can share a room with someone the same gender and close in age.
- Family will provide three meals a day.
- Family will arrange transportation from after school activities.
- Family can host with no youth in the home.
- Single parent families also allowed.

Applications are found at www.states4hexchange.org, or contact State Coordinator D'Ann Rohrer, at drohrer@msu.edu or 231-845-3361.

New Michigan 4-H Cavy Fitting & Showmanship Guide



Michigan 4-H cavy showmen now have a new resource! The Michigan 4-H Cavy Fitting & Showmanship Guide contains objectives and guidelines for the 4-H participant in cavy fitting and showing contests.

Information covered in the resource includes feeding, care, handling and conditioning. The bulletin provides full color, step-by-step instructions with photo illustrations for completing the contest examination. Also included is a cavy showmanship scorecard.

Download your free copy today at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/cavy-fitting-showmanship-member-s-guide-4h1345>.

4-H Robotics Workshop - March 16-17

Enhance your engineering skills at the hands-on [4-H Robotics Leaders Workshop](#) at the Kettunen Center in Tustin from March 16-17, 2019! Adult and teen volunteer leaders ages 13 and up (as of January 1, 2019) who are interested in developing and growing a robotics 4-H club are invited to participate. Participants will be introduced to and learn basic robotic skills, learn about different types of robotic projects within each track and how to use them at the club level. Available tracks (participants select one specific track): LEGO Mindstorms EV3, VEX Robotics, LEGO Wedo, or Junk Drawer Robotics. All participants who start a STEM 4-H Club around their training are eligible to receive up to a \$200 reimbursement for supplies used by their club. For more information, contact Tracy D'Augustino at daugustt@anr.msu.edu or 989-724-6478. Register online at <https://events.anr.msu.edu/robotics19/> by February 20.

World Food Prize Michigan Youth Institute registrations due April 1

As millions across the globe deal with food insecurity, the World Food Prize Michigan Youth Institute (WFP MIYI) offers young people an opportunity to be part of the solution. Held May 9, the event seeks to inspire and prepare the next

generation of global leaders to end world hunger.



Occurring in two locations, East Lansing and Marquette/Chatham, attendees have the opportunity to share their ideas related to global food security with experts and other Michigan youth while learning how university faculty and staff members, researchers and students are working to address world hunger.

To participate, youth should be in grades 8-12 and register by the April 1 deadline. As part of the registration process, youth are required to prepare a two- to five-page research paper about one of twenty grand global challenges which are related to food, hunger and poverty. At the event, youth present and discuss their papers with other attendees and research and industry experts. They also participate in interactive activities related to global food challenges and engage with area experts to discuss solutions to global hunger and poverty.

The top performing students at the WFP MIYI will be selected to attend the World Food Prize Global Youth Institute in Des Moines, Iowa, in October. For more information, visit <https://www.canr.msu.edu/wfpmiyi/>. Registrations and papers are due April 1.

Start planning your 4-H Exploration Days adventure!



A fun summer favorite for Michigan 4-H'ers across the state, plans are well underway for the 2019 4-H Exploration Days! This signature MSU precollege program, to be held June 19-21, allows youth to stay on the campus of Michigan State University while attending classroom and field trip sessions throughout their stay. In addition to enjoying fun and learning on campus, attendees build the skills they need to successfully transition to college and to life as an adult.

The event features more than 200 session choices. Begin planning your stay when the 4-H Exploration registration books become available mid-February! Topics include animal science, business and entrepreneurship, international language and culture, performing and visual arts, and science, engineering, and technology.

Use the registration book to make your top session selections in advance of registration opening on March 12 (also be on the lookout for session age restrictions). Sessions will fill up quickly and all registration information is due to your county's MSU Extension office at the end of April, although specific dates vary.

For more information, contact your local MSU Extension office or visit https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days/.

Michigan 4-H Miniature Horse Show Guidelines now available



The new Michigan 4-H Miniature Horse Show Guidelines allow Michigan 4-H mini showmen to understand the rules governing their shows. It is also a great resource for leaders and show managers, as well as 4-H members!

Included in the document is information for all classes, including: jumper, hunter, costume, driven dressage, gymkhana, pole bending and more.

Download your free copy today at https://www.canr.msu.edu/horses_ponies/uploads/files/Miniature-Horse-Rule-Book-

Camps and Leadership Program offered at Tollgate

Join us in 2019 for an exciting outdoor farm-based learning season for youth ages 6-19 at MSU Tollgate Farm, 28115 Meadowbrook Road in Novi.

MSU Tollgate Farm Stewards Teen Leadership Program 2019

Tollgate Farm Camp is a fun place for teens to make new friends and develop life skills. The Tollgate Camp Teen Steward (15-19 years) and Tollgate Steward-in-Training (13-14 years) positions are for teens interested in gaining experience working with campers in the outdoors in education, agriculture, and the natural sciences.

This experience offers a chance for teens to enrich, mentor, and lead campers while gaining valuable leadership experience. In a positive educational environment, teens gain community service hours and exercise responsibilities associated with potential career paths before entering college. Orientation training with campus speakers, mid-summer celebration, and camp closing celebration with career development and teambuilding. Leadership opportunities June 24 - August 23rd. [Learn more or register here.](#)

MSU 4-H Tollgate Farm Wild Winter Camp

Option A: Monday, Feb. 18 & Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2019

Option B: Monday, Feb. 18 - Friday, Feb. 22, 2019

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Aftercare available 4 - 6 p.m. with preregistration

For ages 6 - 12

Drive away the winter blues and embark on outdoor adventures with camp friends at [Wild Winter Camp](#)! Spend time on the winter farm as a farmer-in-training. Engage in daily animal chores, feeding and caring for our goats, sheep, rabbits, and chickens. Explore how plants, animals, and people cope with the cold on the winter farm. Warm up in Garden Kitchen while cooking delicious snacks. Cook over an open fire, build a track trap, investigate the science of cardboard sleds, and try your hand at ice fishing (weather permitting.) We have a different theme each day, making for new adventures to apply science learning to everyday life! A typical camp day includes Garden Kitchen snacks, animal chores, STEM learning, and hikes. Low child to adult ratios make this camp fill quickly, so [register early](#).

MSU 4-H Tollgate Farm Spring Break Camp

Monday, April 1 through Friday, April 5, 2019

9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Aftercare available 4-6 p.m. with preregistration

For ages 6 - 12

Every day at [MSU Tollgate Spring Break Farm Camp](#) is an exciting adventure as we move through daily themes to care for baby kids and lambs, hatch chicks, take afternoon hikes in the woods, harvest early produce for nutritious Garden Kitchen snacks, engage in a creative week-long STEM project, and experience lots of real science and hands-on fun! A typical camp day will include making yummy and nutritious snacks, caring for our farm animals, sowing seeds in the garden, and investigating the natural world of field, forest, and pond. This camp fills quickly. [Learn more or register here.](#)

MSU 4-H Tollgate Farm Summer Camp

Eight weeks of summer camp themes for ages 6 - 19 run June 24 - Aug. 23, 2019

Monday through Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Aftercare available 4 - 6 pm with preregistration.

Ages 6 - 14

Every day at Tollgate Farm summer camp is an exciting adventure with a different theme. A typical day includes making nutritious snacks in Garden Kitchen, caring for our farm animals, sowing seeds in the garden, engaging in a creative week-long STEM project, and investigating the natural world of field, forest, and pond. Iconic Tollgate camp weeks include Green Science Adventure, Farm Animal Camp, Water Camp, Top Chef Food Camp. Exciting new themes include Time Travelers History on the Farm Camp, Red Planet Survival Camp, Wildlife Animal Adventure. Teen Specialty Camp Track this year offers teens 13-14 years camp opportunities including Winged Wonders Traveling Camp, Advanced Outdoor Adventure Challenge, Vet Science, and Eco-Challenge. Some weeks include field trips or overnights. For youth ages 9 - 14, there are 4 weeks of Horse Camp including Equine Science, Colonial Horse Camp, and Western and English Horse Camps!

Michigan 4-H Capitol Experience - March 17-20

At [Michigan 4-H Capitol Experience](#), teens learn how to change the world for the better through engagement in Michigan's state government and public policy process. The [4-H Capitol Experience](#) program, scheduled for March 17-20, 2019 in Lansing, Mich., has been described by past participants as "amazing", "live-changing", and "an opportunity unlike any other". The four-day event, open to high-school aged youth, includes tours of the Michigan State Capitol, meetings with their state legislators, and time to find and strengthen their voice in the legislative process. Registrations must be completed online at <https://events.anr.msu.edu/4HCapEx/> by February 10 in order to participate.

Michigan 4-H Dairy Conference

Increase your knowledge of the dairy industry in Michigan, develop self esteem, self awareness, and leadership skills, while learning about the issues affecting agriculture! Registration for the 2019 Michigan 4-H Dairy Conference is open! Youth and adults can register online at <https://events.anr.msu.edu/dairy2019/>. The event is March 15-17 at Kettunen Center in Tustin, MI. Programming begins after dinner on Friday night and continues until lunch on Sunday. The theme this year is dairy nutrition, thus educational programming will focus on the digestive tract, how to feed cattle from calf through adulthood, and related topics. There will be a farm visit Saturday afternoon off site with transportation provided.

Certified Pullorum Testers Workshop - March 5

Registration for the [2019 Michigan Certified Pullorum Testers Workshop](#) that will be held on March 5th at the MSU Pavilion is now open.

Pullorum Disease (Salmonella pullorum-typhoid), which is caused by the bacteria Salmonella, is one of the most important poultry diseases. Pullorum Disease has been eradicated in U.S. commercial poultry, and it is critical to maintain this disease-free status by monitoring the Pullorum status in commercial, backyard and exhibition poultry.

In order for youth and adults to exhibit poultry at a show, poultry must be either certified pullorum-typhoid free through the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) or test negative for Pullorum within 90 days of exhibition. For additional information please see the [flyer](#) from the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

This training will provide adults, aged 18 and older the ability to perform the certified pullorum tests. The certification training fee is \$35; those wishing to audit the workshop for informational purposes may do so for a fee of \$5.

Upcoming 4-H Horse Contests

The [2019 4-H & FFA State Horse Judging Contest](#) is March 24 and the [2019 4-H Hippology Skills & Communications Contest](#) is March 23 at MSU in East Lansing. Entry information is available online at www.canr.msu.edu/horses_ponies/registration-information.



Overall Outstanding 4-H Equine Science Contestant

Awarded in each division (JR Novice, JR Regular, SR Novice, SR Regular), based on individual cumulative scores from all contests. To be eligible, a contestant must enter a minimum of two 4-H contest areas (Hippology, Public Speaking, Ind Demo, Team Demo and Judging).

NEW! There will be a new award recognizing the overall outstanding 4-H equine science contestant in each division (Junior Novice, Junior Regular, Senior Novice, Senior Regular). This award will be based on individual cumulative scores from all contests. To be eligible, a contestant must enter a minimum of two 4-H contest areas. All eligible contest areas are: Hippology, Public Speaking, Individual Demonstration, Team Demonstration, and Judging. All the contests will be happening on the same weekend at MSU.



4-H Teen Leaders in Action Workshop

February 23-24, 2019
Kettunen Center, Tustin, MI
for 4-H teens ages 13-19 (4-H age)
\$45

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/TeenTeachers19/>

Registration deadline: 2-14-19

Contact your local MSU Extension office for
questions and local scholarship information.

Agriculture Literacy (native bees)
Global Citizenship
Healthy Living
Money Management

4-H teen leaders are being sought to help meet the
challenge of educating the next generation of young
people!! You will have the opportunity to build your
own leadership skills while teaching a fun lesson to
other young people on one of these important and
timely topics.

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Michigan 4-H Dog Program

Learning Workshop

March 9, 2019

Michigan State University, Anthony Hall

Description: Youth aged 8 to 19 in a dog project and adult
volunteers are invited to learn from seasoned professionals
about various aspects of dog care, management and training.

Tentative Agenda:

8:30-9 Check In

9-9:30 Welcome/Opening Session

9:45-10:30 Session Block #1 (all sessions will be repeated so
that attendees can participate in them all.)

- Nutrition--Jessica Fescemyu DVM
- Essential Knowledge—First Aid for your Companion--Mary Fischer
- Developing a proper warm up exercise program--Anna Schloff
- A look into Nosework--Nancy VonKoeppen

10:45-11:30 Session Block #2 (Repeat of Session Block #1)

11:45-12:30 Lunch

12:45-1:30 Session Block #3 (Repeat of Session Block #1)

1:45-2:30 Session Block #4 (Repeat of Session Block #1)

2:45-3:30 Panel Discussion with Instructors and Closing

Registration: To register visit, <https://events.anr.msu.edu/DogProjectWorkshop/>



**Cost: \$25 per person
which includes lunch
and materials.**

The Michigan 4-H Dog
Project Learning
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Save the dates for TSC 4-H Paper Clover



Save the dates! Each spring and fall, Tractor Supply Company (TSC) helps raise money for 4-H programs through the sale of Paper Clovers in its stores. Ninety percent of funds raised go back to state and local 4-H programs to support scholarships for camp and leadership activities. **Dates for the 2019 campaigns are March 27-April 7 and October 9-20.**

During these campaigns, people can support 4-H by purchasing a paper clover at the checkout of their local TSC store or donate by phone or when shopping online at tractorsupply.com. Contact the 4-H staff at your local MSU Extension Office for information about ways you and/or your club can volunteer at your local TSC store. Clubs helping in-store during the campaign will be eligible to enter the Paper Clover Participation Sweepstakes for a chance to win a TSC gift card.

Calendars of Events

Macomb County 4-H Events

February 9

[Snowshoeing: A Michigan Tradition](#)

1 p.m., Stony Creek Metropark, Shelby Township

March 2

[4-H Craft Day](#)

11 a.m.-2 p.m., VerKuilen Building, Clinton Township

June 3

4-H Exploration Days Orientation

6:30-8 p.m., VerKuilen Building, Clinton Township

June 4

4-H Exploration Days Orientation

6:30-8 p.m., Macomb Family Resource Center, Warren

Other Local Events

February 3

Steer Tagging

12-2 p.m., Armada Fairgrounds, Armada

February 8

[Breakfast of Nations](#) Scholarship application deadline

February 16

[Show Me the Money Day](#)

10 a.m.-2 p.m., Macomb Family Resource Center, Mount Clemens

February 22

[Show Me the Money Day](#)

10 a.m.-2 p.m., MSU Extension, Warren

February 23

[Macomb's Celebration of Black Excellence](#)

Macomb Family Resource Center, Mount Clemens

April 15

[Bill Hahn Memorial Scholarship](#) application deadline, Armada Fair Office

Statewide 4-H Events

February 1-2

[Michigan 4-H Horse Judging Workshop and Practice Contest](#)

MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

Participants will have the opportunity to judge high quality Quarter Horses and deliver a set of reasons after learning more about evaluating horses from Extension experts.

February 1

[4-H State Award](#) application deadline

Online

February 2

[Michigan 4-H Horse Programs 42nd Annual Benefit Clinic](#)

MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

Learn more about form, function, improving patterns and lead changes from experts Brian Bannerman, September Croel and Karen Waite during this day of interactive sessions.

February 2-3

4-H Winterfest

Kettunen Center, Tustin

February 15-16

[4-H Veterinary Science Teen and Adult Leaders Workshop](#)

Kettunen Center, Tustin

Explore animal systems and learn about animal health for a broad array of animals species. Come prepared to learn from experienced veterinarians and others.

February 16

[Michigan 4-H at the Griffins](#)

VanAndel Arena, Grand Rapids

Come out to VanAndel Arena for an exciting night of hockey with the Grand Rapids Griffins! A portion of each ticket will support Michigan 4-H programming.

February 16-17

[4-H Beef, Sheep and Swine Teen and Adult Leaders Workshop](#)

Kettunen Center, Tustin

This workshop is designed for both teen and adult leaders who are involved with beef cattle, sheep and swine projects. Topics include animal health, management, care and nutrition.

February 18-22

[MSU 4-H Tollgate Farm Wild Winter Camp](#)

9 a.m.-4 p.m. daily, Tollgate Farm, Novi

February 23

[4-H Teen and Adult 4-H Horse Leaders Conference](#)

Anthony Hall, East Lansing

Attend this conference to explore topics such as horse judging, equine first aid, and veterinary care for horses. Information shared will assist leaders in youth development and more.

February 23-24

[4-H Teen Leaders in Action Workshop](#)

Kettunen Center, Tustin

Teens attending this workshop will learn how to teach an educational lesson to other youth in their local community.

February 24

[4-H Alumni Tip-Off Reception](#)

MSU Spartan Stadium, East Lansing

The Michigan 4-H alumni community is invited to an alumni reception prior to the 4-H Day at the Breslin event.

February 24

[4-H Day at the Breslin](#)

MSU Breslin Center, East Lansing

Show your Michigan 4-H pride while cheering on the MSU Women's Basketball team during this annual event.

March 5

[Certified Pullorum Testers Workshop](#)

MSU, East Lansing

March 9

[Michigan 4-H Dog Program Learning Workshop](#)

Anthony Hall, MSU, East Lansing

March 15-17

[Michigan 4-H Dairy Conference](#)

Kettunen Center, Tustin

March 16-17

[Michigan 4-H Robotics Leaders Workshop](#)

Kettunen Center, Tustin

March 17-20

[Michigan 4-H Capitol Experience](#)

Lansing

March 23

[4-H Hippology Skills and Communication Contest](#)

MSU

March 24

[4-H & FFA State Horse Judging Contest](#)

MSU, East Lansing

April 1-5

[MSU 4-H Tollgate Farm Spring Break Camp](#)

9 a.m.-4 p.m. daily, Tollgate Farm, Novi

May 9

[World Food Prize Michigan Youth Institute](#)

Two locations: East Lansing or Marquette/Chatham

June 19-21

[Exploration Days](#)

MSU, East Lansing

June 24-August 23

[MSU Tollgate Farm Summer Camp](#)

9-4 p.m. daily, Tollgate Farm, Novi

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National 4-H Events

March 27-April 7

[TSC 4-H Paper Clover Campaign](#)

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