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September 2019

## Macomb County 4-H News & Events

### Dream It, Be It -- September 21



If you can dream it, you can be it. Soroptomist's Dream It, Be It, a one-day career support workshop for girls ages 14-18, is from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on September 21, 2019 at the Verkuilen Building, 21885 Dunham Road, Clinton Township. Program participants will learn about career opportunities, setting and achieving goals, and moving forward after setbacks. Lunch is provided. Register online at <https://bit.ly/2SXITkM> by September 16.

For more information, contact 4-H Program Coordinator Katelyn Burns at 586-469-5979 or [burnska9@msu.edu](mailto:burnska9@msu.edu).

### County Awards

Apply or nominate deserving members and/or volunteers for a Macomb County 4-H award by Sept. 16! Macomb County 4-H'ers work hard on their projects all year, and the 4-H County Awards Program is one way for them to be recognized for their efforts. Members (and volunteers) can apply or be nominated for a 4-H County Award. Consider applying or nominating a deserving 4-H'er.

Michigan 4-H members who are currently enrolled in a Macomb County 4-H program and are 11 to 19 years of age as of January 1 of the current program year are eligible for the Macomb County 4-H Awards Program. The Macomb County 4-H Awards Program is divided into two age divisions: Junior (4-H ages 11-14) and Senior (4-H ages 15-19). The purpose of this awards program is to recognize Macomb County 4-H youth for engaging in rich learning experiences that result in outstanding knowledge and life-skill development. It's worth it! After participating in the County 4-H Awards Program youth will:

- Learn to better communicate and articulate their accomplishments on professional applications such as scholarships, college entrance applications, résumés and cover letters for employment
- Have more experience and be better able to communicate during job interviews
- Build long-lasting friendships and establish connections with industry and academic leaders

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- Be encouraged to set new goals, continue building skills and assets, and broaden interests
- Be eligible to apply for State 4-H awards

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[County Awards](#) applications must be returned to the Macomb County MSU Extension 4-H Office or be postmarked by September 16, 2019. **Please note that the deadline has been changed.** Forms are available online at <https://bit.ly/2P5Ck02>. Award recipients will be recognized at a 4-H County Awards event on October 20th.

For more information about the Macomb County 4-H Awards Program, contact Macomb County Extension office at 586-469-6431 or 4-H Program Coordinator Lizz Duran at 586-469-6090 or [duraneli@msu.edu](mailto:duraneli@msu.edu).

## Village of Armada Sesquicentennial

The Village of Armada is looking for 4-H youth who would like to participate in the parade to celebrate the Armada sesquicentennial (150th). On October 12, 2019 will be a parade celebrating the towns history. In addition to looking for old cars and tractors to participate in the parade, they are looking for participants to ride their horses and old buggies, wagons, drays, and horse drawn farm implements. Doing it in period costumes would make the event even better! Please contact 4-H Program Coordinator Seth Martin at (586) 783-8163 if you or your 4-H club is interested.

## Year-end financial statements due by Oct. 1st

Club and Committee leaders, it's time to turn in your group's [Annual Financial Summary Report](#) for the last 4-H program year (September 1, 2018-August 31, 2019). Each club and committee is required to complete this form, whether it has money and inventory or not.

Please send your group's completed form to Macomb County MSU Extension, Attn: 4-H, 21885 Dunham Road, Suite 12, Clinton Township, MI 48036 or fax it to 586-469-6948 by 5 p.m. on October 1, 2019. Questions about the form should be directed to members of the Macomb County MSU Extension 4-H program staff at 586-469-6431 or [macomb.4h@macombgov.org](mailto:macomb.4h@macombgov.org).

## 2019-2020 club enrollment/re-enrollment

Macomb County 4-H Club Leaders:

The new 4-H program year is here, and it's time to enroll/re-enroll your club for 2020! Materials and the information you need to enroll a new club are listed below and are also online at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/macomb/4-h/club-resources/new-club-registration>. Materials and information for re-enrolling a returning club are online at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/macomb/4-h/club-resources/returning-club-registration>. Printed copies of these materials may be requested from the [MSU Extension 4-H office](#).

### Club enrollment/re-enrollment:

[Returning clubs](#) should turn in the following to Macomb County MSU Extension, Attn: 4-H, 21885 Dunham Road, Suite 12, Clinton Township, MI 48036; email them to [macomb.4h@macombgov.org](mailto:macomb.4h@macombgov.org); or fax them to 586-469-6948, Attn: 4-H, so that we may update your club information in the 4-H Online enrollment system:

- [Club Information Sheet](#)
- [Civil Rights Compliance Statement](#)
- Club Bylaws or Club Rules (use [Bylaws Guidelines](#), [Bylaws Worksheet](#), and [Bylaws Worksheet for Cloverbud Groups](#) as guides)
- [Club Officer Information Sheet](#) (turn in when officers are elected)
- [Club Roster](#)

[New clubs](#) should turn in items listed above AND those listed below:

- [Request for Official Approval to Establish a Michigan 4-H Youth Group](#)
- [4-H Group Tax Exemption Authorization & Request for a Charter](#)

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**Macomb County  
offices  
will be closed on  
September 2, 2019.**

- [4-H Club Constitution](#)

**Member and volunteer enrollment/re-enrollment:** Members and volunteers must also enroll or re-enroll online at <https://mi.4honline.com> and pay a \$20 per youth/max. \$60 per family Michigan 4-H participation fee. Cash, check or credit card [payments](#) are accepted. Please make checks out to MSU. Credit card payments are accepted by phone (586-469-6431) or in person at the MSU Extension Office in Clinton Township from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. In lieu of payment, a [scholarship application](#) should be turned for each youth who is requesting a scholarship to cover the State 4-H Participation Fee.

**Enrollment/re-enrollment deadlines:** Remember that youth can enroll in 4-H at any time, however, returning members planning to show 4-H projects at the 2020 Armada Fair must be enrolled by Nov. 1, 2019 and new members by April 1, 2020. Horse project members planning to participate in the County 4-H Point Shows also need to be registered with the Macomb County 4-H Horse Program Committee by May 1, 2020.

**Club disbandment:** If your club is not returning for the 2019-20 4-H program year, please contact the Macomb County 4-H program staff for important information about the required [club disbandment](#) process.

Questions about the Macomb County 4-H club enrollment/re-enrollment process or 4-H Online member and volunteer enrollment? Feel free to contact Macomb County 4-H staff at 586-469-6431 or [macomb.4h@macombgov.org](mailto:macomb.4h@macombgov.org). Regular office hours are 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday.

## 4-H Age Policy

In Michigan, 4-H members ages 5-7 are considered [Cloverbuds](#). Cloverbud programs are more non-competitive and exploratory. Click [here](#) for Cloverbud learning guidelines and [here](#) for Cloverbud resources.

Programs for older youth members can be focused on specific projects with an emphasis on developing and improving skills. For more information about the 4-H Age Policy, visit [https://www.canr.msu.edu/uploads/resources/pdfs/4-h\\_participant\\_age\\_policy.pdf](https://www.canr.msu.edu/uploads/resources/pdfs/4-h_participant_age_policy.pdf).

## Background checks for volunteers are now required annually

MSU Extension is now requiring all of its returning adult volunteers to complete background checks annually. Please complete your national background check by visiting <https://business2.backgroundchecks.com/invitation/welcome/pVPz> by **November 1, 2019**. This link is specific to Macomb County and is secure. Please contact your primary county to request it's specific link if you are not primary in Macomb County.

Your 4-H volunteer re-enrollment will not be approved until your background check has been done. Volunteers who do not complete the background check will need to repeat the 4-H Volunteer Selection Process to maintain their status as 4-H volunteers. Feel free to contact any member of the [Macomb County 4-H](#) program staff if you have any questions.

## Thanks to Armada Fair volunteers

Special thanks to all of the 4-H members, leaders, parents and businesses who volunteered so much of their time or supported 4-H in some other way at the 2019 Armada Fair. Your time, talents and support helped to make this year's event a success. You exemplify the head, heart and hands of 4-H!

## Volunteer Training Day - September 21

Save the date for 4-H Volunteer Training Day. A day of volunteer training will be held September 21 at MSU Extension, 21885 Dunham Road, Suite 12, Clinton Township from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Details will be announced soon.

## Macomb County 4-H Horse Project Recognition Banquet - October 27th

The [Macomb County 4-H Horse Project Recognition Banquet](#) is Sunday, Oct. 27, 2109 at Zuccaro Banquets & Catering, 46601 N. Gratiot, Chesterfield Township. Doors open at 1 p.m. and dinner is at 3 p.m. The cost is \$17 per adult and \$15 each for youth ages 5-19. Order tickets from your 4-H leader by Oct. 11. Late ticket orders will be charged an additional \$5 per ticket. No tickets will be sold after Oct. 22. For more information, contact Crystal Pollock at (810) 397-5240.

## Macomb County 4-H Youth Council Meeting - September 12

Interested in expanding your 4-H involvement in Macomb County? Come to the Macomb County 4-H Youth Council's first meeting of the year on Thursday, September 12th at 6:30 p.m. at MSU Extension, 21885 Dunham Road, Suite 12, Clinton Township. The Macomb County 4-H Youth Council is made up of Macomb County 4-H members from various clubs around the County. The youth are tasked with providing leadership to the Macomb County 4-H program. The Macomb County 4-H Youth Council holds fundraisers to provide scholarships for educational opportunities to both adult volunteers and youth members. The group also holds countywide events to engage members and volunteers to strengthen the Macomb County 4-H community. Elections for officer positions are held at the beginning of each program year. Macomb County 4-H Youth Council meetings are always open to 4-H members who would like to serve as a delegate for their club. We hope to see you there!

## 4-H invited to exhibit at People, Pets & Vets - October 26



Veterinary United is partnering with the Macomb Community College Vet Tech program to host [People, Pets and Vets \(PP&V\)](#) from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. on October 26th at Macomb Community College, 44575 Garfield Road, Building E, Clinton Township. [PP&V](#) is a free community event that showcases all things pet/animal related. It's well attended and always a lot of fun.

The 4-H community is invited to be an exhibitor. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Jennifer Richmond, DVM, at Macomb Center Veterinary Hospital: 586-781-8770.

## TSC 4-H Paper Clover Campaign - Oct. 9-20

Mark your calendars for the next Tractor Supply Company 4-H Paper Clover Campaign. From October 9-20, 2019, Tractor Supply Company (TSC) shoppers can support Macomb County 4-H by purchasing a paper clover at the register at TSC stores in Washington Township, Richmond, or New Haven.

For more information about the TSC 4-H Paper Clover Campaign, visit <https://bit.ly/2NFu3xi>.

## Statewide 4-H News & Events

### Apply now for the 2020 4-H Youth in Action Awards



Every 4-H'er has a story, and those stories are worth telling! Apply for the 4-H Youth in Action program, where sharing your 4-H story could earn you a \$5,000 scholarship and a trip to Washington, D.C. for National 4-H Council's Legacy Awards!

The program recognizes four confident young leaders in our core pillar areas of Agriculture, Civic Engagement, Healthy Living and STEM, giving pillar winners the chance to share how 4-H changed their lives and how they have used the skills they gained in 4-H to change the lives of others.

One national winner will be selected from the four pillar winners to receive an additional scholarship and recognition! Applications open on through October 21. Visit [www.4-h.org/youthinaction](http://www.4-h.org/youthinaction) to learn more or email any questions to [YouthInAction@4-h.org](mailto:YouthInAction@4-h.org).

## The Keys to Success: A Symposium on Educating Youth and Adults about Swine Influenza and Other Zoonotic Diseases - September 12

MSU Extension in partnership with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services will be providing a one-day training opportunity focused on zoonotic disease education. The Keys to Success: A Symposium on Educating Youth and Adults about Swine Influenza and Other Zoonotic Diseases will be held at the Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center at Michigan State University on Thursday, September 12, 2019 from 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.

There is no cost to attend the event. Parking and lunch will be provided.

If you cannot attend the event in person but would like to participate via Zoom, please register for the event and select the box under "cannot attend in person."

Click on the link to register! [https://events.anr.msu.edu/CSTE\\_Grant\\_SEP\\_12\\_2019\\_MSU/](https://events.anr.msu.edu/CSTE_Grant_SEP_12_2019_MSU/)



Funding for this training opportunity is provided by the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists.

## Michigan 4-H represented by two youth at 4-H Shooting Sports National Championships



Michigan 4-H was represented by two youth in the [4-H Shooting Sports National Championships](#) held in Grand Island, Nebraska, June 23 through June 28.

The 4-H Shooting Sports National Championship is open to youth across the country to compete and present their skills in compound archery, recurve archery, air rifle, air pistol, smallbore rifle, smallbore pistol, shotgun, muzzle loading and hunting.

"We're really proud of our two 4-H'ers who attended this national event," said Laura Quist, Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports coordinator with MSU Extension. "Competing at the national level takes a lot of commitment, time and effort."

Preparation for youth to attend the national championships begins months in advance of the competition. The youth selected to participate put in considerable practice time in their chosen events in order to compete at their best.

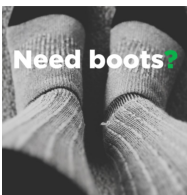
The Michigan 4-H youth that attended and competed are:

- Joe Balkema, a 15 year-old Kalamazoo County 4-H'er, who received a gold medal in 3-D archery and third place overall in compound archery.
- Jackson Sokel, a 16 year-old Monroe County 4-H'er, who competed in shotgun.

"Congratulations again to these two youth on a great contest," continued Quist. "We also want to acknowledge and thank the parents of these 4-H'ers who helped to make their success possible."

Applications for youth wishing to attend the event in 2020 are due to Quist by September 22. For information about the competition or [Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports](#) in general, contact Quist at [quistla1@msu.edu](mailto:quistla1@msu.edu).

## Georgia Boots partners to support 4-H



Georgia Boot is offering members of the 4-H community a 50% discount on any boots on their website (except clearance items) through Sept. 30.

Georgia Boot will also give part of all 4-H boot sales back to 4-H by donating 5% to the National 4-H Council. To get your discount code, go to [www.georgiaboot.com/4-h/](http://www.georgiaboot.com/4-h/) and register.

## Apply for a 2019 MAFE Youth Scholarship by October 1

Each year Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions (MAFE) awards six (6) scholarships of \$1,000, with one of the scholarships being in memory of the MSU Extension family's Neil Kentner. The scholarship is open to high school seniors or applicants who are currently enrolled in an institution of advanced learning. The [application](#) deadline is October 1st.

## Michigan 4-H Youth Leadership & Global Citizenship Spectacular



The Michigan 4-H Youth Leadership and Global Citizenship Spectacular embodies Michigan 4-H's mission to make the world a better place through collective youth power. Attending the annual conference will help you become an outstanding leader who approaches life with your head, heart and hands open to new ideas, interesting people, and diverse cultures. Come to the 2019 4-H Spectacular and be part of the movement that has YOUth leading the way!

The workshop features a wide variety of incredibly fun sessions focused on youth leadership, civic engagement, global citizenship, international cultures, life skills, career exploration and workforce

preparation. Sessions for the workshop have been planned, and will be led, by youth and adult volunteers and MSU Extension staff.

The 4-H Youth Leadership & Global Citizenship Spectacular will be held September 21-22, at the Kettunen Center in Tustin, Michigan. This workshop is open to current and aspiring leaders and volunteers, ages 12 and up (by Jan. 1, 2019).

Participants must register for the 4-H Spectacular by September 9. Register at <https://events.anr.msu.edu/spectacular19/>. The registration fee (\$85.00) includes superb lodging, four delicious, home-cooked meals, conference resources and some great surprises!

In order to participate in the 4-H Spectacular, youth participants must also enroll (or re-enroll) in Michigan 4-H for the 2019-2020 4-H program year (which begins on September 1), and pay the \$20 4-H participation by September 15, 2019. Contact the 4-H staff at the [MSU Extension office in your county](#) to learn about the availability of scholarships that may reduce or completely cover your registration fee for this event.

## Calendars of Events

### Macomb County 4-H Calendar of Events

#### September 1

4-H Enrollment/Re-enrollment begins for the 2019-2020 program year.

#### September 2

County offices closed

#### September 12

Macomb County 4-H Youth Council Meeting  
6:30 p.m., VerKuilen Building, Clinton Township

#### September 16

[County Awards](#) application deadline

#### September 21

[Dream It Be It](#)

10 a.m.-3 p.m., VerKuilen Building, Clinton Township

#### September 21

4-H Volunteer Training Day  
10 a.m.-2 p.m., VerKuilen Building, Clinton Township

#### October 1

4-H Annual Financial Summary Reports due from clubs and committees  
MSU Extension, Clinton Township

#### October 20

County Awards Event  
1 p.m., MSU Extension, Clinton Township

#### October 27

[Macomb County 4-H Horse Project Recognition Banquet](#)  
1 p.m., [Zuccaro Banquets and Catering](#), Chesterfield Township

#### November 1

4-H member re-enrollment deadline for returning 4-H members who plan to show 4-H projects at the 2020 Armada Fair

#### November 1

Online background checks due for returning Macomb County 4-H volunteers.

### Other Local Calendar of Events

#### October 26

[People, Pets & Vets](#)

10 a.m.-3 p.m., Macomb Community College, Building E, Clinton Township (Garfield & M-59)

### State 4-H Calendar of Events

**September 3****[Welcome Back MSU 4-H Alumni Reception](#)**

5:30-7 p.m., Morrill Hall of Agriculture, East Lansing

*(Join MSU Extension for the third annual Welcome Back MSU 4-H Alumni Reception. Pizza and pop will be provided for participants and MSU Extension staff will be on hand to interact with attendees.)*

**September 9****[Youth Fun with Finances](#)**

4-5:30 p.m., Harvest Time Christian Fellowship, Warren

*(The free and fun event is open for youth, ages 13-19, to participate and learn about how to save money and earn credit.)*

**September 12****[The Keys to Success: A Symposium on Educating Youth & Adults about Swine Flu & Other Zoonotic Diseases](#)**

8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center, MSU, East Lansing

**September 18****[4-H Children's Garden - Stories for Sprouts and Seedlings](#)**

10-11 a.m., 4-H Children's Garden, East Lansing

*(This program is designed especially for young children, ages 0-4, to experience the wonders of gardening through stories and hands-on projects.)*

**September 21****[Michigan Youth Leadership & Global Citizenship Spectacular](#)**

Kettunen Center, Tustin

*(The workshop features a wide variety of incredibly fun sessions focused on youth leadership, civic engagement, global citizenship, international cultures, life skills, career exploration and workforce preparation.)*

**October 4****[Michigan 4-H Foundation Annual Membership Meeting](#)**

Kellogg Hotel & Conference Center, East Lansing

*(All Michigan 4-H Foundation members are invited to attend and vote on all items at the meeting such as trustee elections, audited financial statement report, and more.)*

For the most up-to-date statewide 4-H events listing, go to <http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events>.