



4-H Family News

June 2025

Welcome to the Month of June

We are gearing up for FAIR!

Fair Entry is open **deadline to enter projects is June 09, 2025 at 5:00pm. DO NOT WAIT**...forgotten passwords, navigation of site, error messages can occur. Do it early so if you need assistance, it can be provided! We want everyone to get into the classes that they want! Help Session Scheduled on June 06, 2025 from 5:00 to 7:00pm in AC.

Please review your entries to ensure accuracy!

YQCA deadline is also June 09, 2025.

Leader's Paperwork turn-in is June 16, 2025



between 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm in the 4-H Activity Center.

Sincerely,

Chelsea & Jean

4-H Staff

This month's content highlights

- Fitting and Showing Clinic 6/3 
- Green Thumb Expo 6/7
- Fair Entry & YQCA Deadline 6/9 
- Fair Board Work Bees 6/10, 6/17, 6/24
 - All welcome to help get fairgrounds ready for fair
- Entrepreneurship Series 6/12
- Slow Spokes & Expo Days 6/15-6/20
- Flat Rock Speedway Tickets Available

Contribute to the Network

Information or Flyers are due by the 20th of Each Month!

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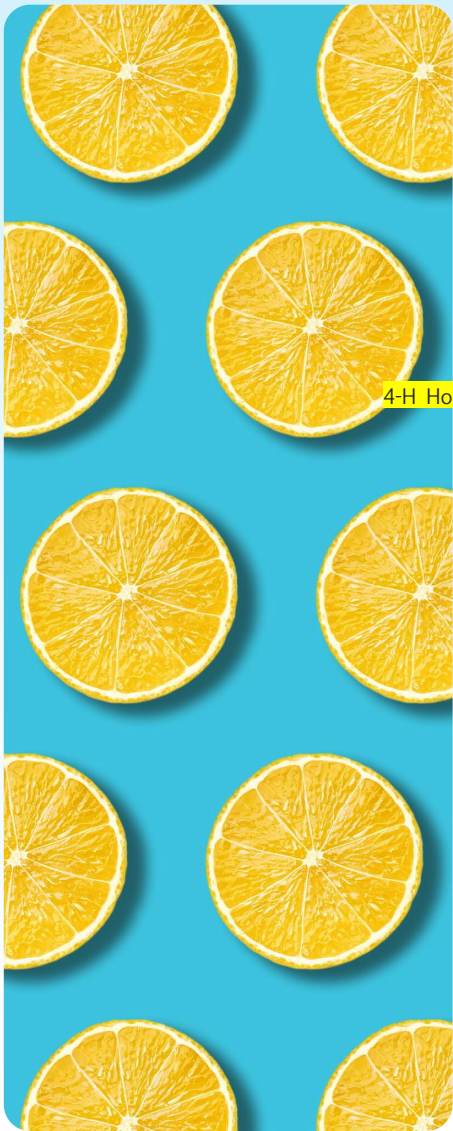
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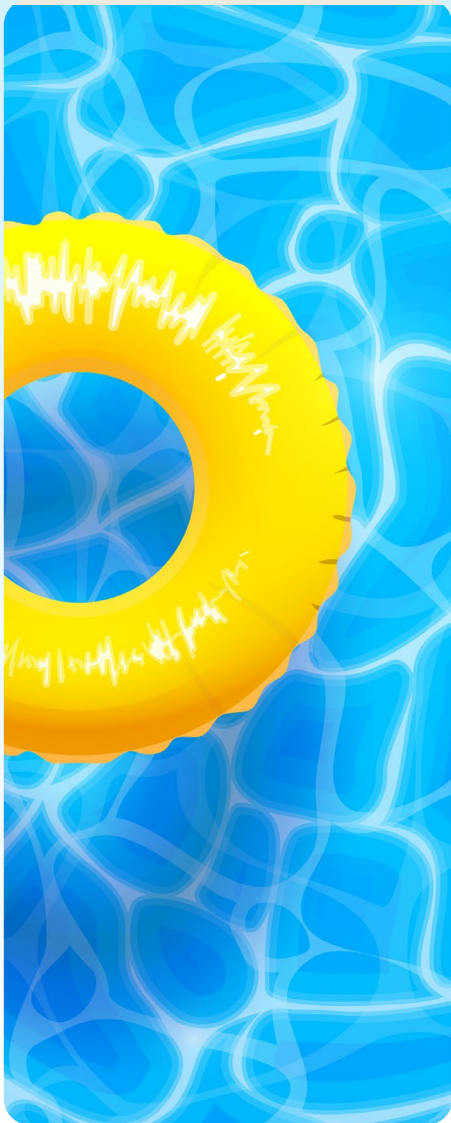
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JUNE 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
01 Communications Day AC 1pm	02 4-H Council; AC 7PM	03 Terra Quest 6pm AC Fitting and Showing Clinic; 6PM	04 Hippology; AC 6PM Dog Board; ELC 6:30PM	05 Faithful Friends; AC 12-4PM Broiler Pick up; Lucky Farmers Ida 3PM	06 4-H Horse and Pony Show Fair Entry Family Assistance; AC 5-7PM	07 Green Thumb Expo; Grass behind SA Barn 9:30AM
08 4-H Horse and Pony Show	09 Fair Entry Deadline YQCA Deadline Horse and Pony; AC 7PM	10 Terra Quest; AC 6PM Fair Board Workbee; 6PM	11 Whispering Spirits Horse Practice; 5PM	12 Entrepreneurship 6:30pm AC	13 Unlimited Horse Power Practice; 5:30PM	14
15 Slow Spokes	16 Leaders Fair Paperwork Turn-In Cat Board; AC 6:30PM	17 Caprine Council; ELC 7PM Fair Board Workbee; 6PM	18 JLA; ELC 7PM	19 Wildlife and Conservation; AC 6PM	20 4-H Horse and Pony Show	21 Flat Rock Speedway
22 4-H Horse and Pony Show Dog Fun Match; Fairgrounds 1PM London Fancy Farmers; AC 3PM	23 Fair Dessert Baking AC 5pm Backyard Chicken Presentation; Ida Library 6PM	24 Fair Board Workbee; 6PM	25 Fair Dessert Baking AC 1PM Whispering Spirits Horse Practice; 5PM TA; AC 7PM	26	27	28
29 Service Project for Oaks; AC 2PM	30	01	02	03	04	05
06	07	08	09	10	11	12



JULY 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
29	30	01 Terra Quest; AC 6PM	02 Dog Board; ELC 6:30PM	03	04 Independence Day!! Office Is Closed	05
06	07 Council Workbees; AC 6PM	08 Hippology; AC 6PM Barn Set Up; 6PM	09 Whispering Spirits; 6PM	10	11 Dog Fun 2 Match; Glen Stock 9AM Shooting Sports Fair; Monroe Rod and Gun 8:30AM	
13	14 Horse & Pony; AC 7PM	15 Hippology; AC 6PM Caprine Council; ELC 7PM	16 Council Workbees; AC 6PM JLA; ELC 7PM SSA; ELC 7PM	17 Superintendents meeting; AC 7PM	18 Horse & Pony Show	19 Council Workbees; AC 9AM
20 Horse & Pony Show	21 Council Workbees; AC 6PM	22	23	24 Pre Fair Project Check-In; Fairgrounds 2PM	25 See Fair schedule in premium catalog on page 50-51	26
27	28	29	30	31	01	02
Monroe County Fair						
03	04 Static Project Pick-Up; 2-6:30PM	05	06	07	08	09



Fair Entry

FAIR ENTRY

Families- All 4-H projects that youth plan to take to Fair will need to be entered into

Fair Entry before it closes.

Fair Entry opens on **May 15, 2025** and

Fair Entry Closes on **June 09th at 5:00 pm.**

DO NOT WAIT TO COMPLETE

Start on May 15, 2025 so if support is needed it can be provided

After registering you **MUST** print/ forward your confirmation e-mail to your Leader!

Review your entries to ensure they are complete and accurate

[2025 Monroe County Fair - FairEntry.com](https://www.fairentry.com) is the website.

Log into fair Entry using 4-H Online link See video blow

*** A 2-minute video discussing [how to log in to FairEntry with 4-H Online](#) ***

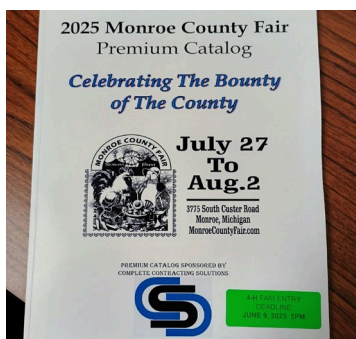
A 3-minute video that demonstrates the entry process for families. [How to Register with FairEntry](#)

Here is a link to some tips and tricks of Fair Entry:

<https://fairentry.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/articles/217431057-Families-Resources-for-Exhibitor-Entries-9-1-2021>

Electronic Premium

<https://monroecountyfair.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/2025-Premium-Catalog-FINAL.pdf>





June 06, 2025 5-7 pm Fair Entry Assistance



**Helping
hand**

Fair Entry Assistance

Do you need Help and Assistance with Fair Entry?

Gace Herkimer will be hosting Drop-in Sessions on

May 29th and June 6th

5:00-7:00pm

at the 4-H Activity Center

Please bring a list of your questions

Project list so we can help you get started

Remember some projects you'll need picture of
animals, tag numbers, YQCA cert number, Etc.

4-H Extension Staff will also be present



Small Animal

SAVE THE DATES:

Last Chance Clinic Fitting & Showing – Youth are required to attend a SAA Clinic to Show in the Small Animal Barn Annually **SAA Building June 3rd 6pm**

Premium Correction: Pocket Pet Show: 8:30am check-in & 9am show Saturday 7/26 – Dog Tent

Downloadable NEW Rabbit Fitting & Showing Member's Guide [Link](#) – Congratulations Morgen Schmidt for representing Monroe County on this new publication



Michigan 4-H Rabbit Fitting & Showing

Member Guide



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Backyard Chicken Keeping

June 23, 2025 at 6:00 pm

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3016 Lewis, Ida, MI (734) 269-2191
mymcls.com

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REGISTER ONLINE! bit.ly/idachicks



4-H Cat Show



Show Date: Sunday, July 20th

Where: Prince of Peace Lutheran Church
1920 Lewis Ave.
Ida, MI 48140

Time: Registration at 1:00 PM, Show starts at 2:00 PM
Showmanship - Judging - Agility - Breed I.D. - Cat Dress Up
Concessions will be available

Dog Dates

June 3- **3rd Mandatory** meeting and Fitting and Showing clinic. for 1st year handlers, start- 5:45pm, everyone else start at 6:30pm. Fitting and Showing clinic to follow.

June 4-Regular Program meeting 6:30pm Extension Office

June 22-First Fun Match-Glenn Stock Arena Registration noon show start at 1:00pm

July 2- Regular Program meeting Extension Office 6:30pm Extension Office

July 12- Second Fun Match Glenn Stock Arena. Registration 9:00am, show at 10:00am

July 26- Fair Show, Glenn Stock Arena Check in at 8:30 Show starts at 9:00am

Follow Us on Social Media

[Monroe County Small Animal Association](#)

[Monroe County 4-H Dog Program](#)

[Monroe County 4-H Cat Program](#)



Small Animal Master Stockman Funding Request

April 2025

Re: Small Animal Association Master Stockman Funding

The Small Animal Master Stockman Contest is looking for some help from our clubs this year to continue with this program. The contest was designed to encourage members to learn more about their small animal project by participating in several divisions. The most exciting part of the program is members are awarded with a monetary gift in each small animal category. This program operates on about \$600 per year. This year I'm asking all of our clubs if they could donate a small amount to help out the Master Stockman Contest. Any amount will help! Thank you in advance!

I would also like to send out an invitation to attend one of your club meetings to explain/encourage your members to participate in the Master Stockman Contest this year at the fair. If you're at all interested in the program, please feel free to contact me.

Thank You,
Julie Linn
Superintendent of Small Animal Master Stockman
(734) 735-6809
jlinn96@gmail.com

Any donations may be sent to:
Small Animal Association/ Master Stockman
c/o Julie Linn
2247 Corkins Road
Carleton, MI 48117





Junior Livestock Association News



JLA first time showers must attend species specific clinic

Last chance to attend Clinic:

Fitting and Showing June 3, 2025, 6:00pm @ Anderson Arena

Dairy and Goat at 7:00pm

Other

Fair Board Work Bees start in June every Tuesday at 6:00pm

Many hands make light work lets show are appreciation and assist the Fair Board in getting the grounds and buildings ready for fair. All Are welcome both animal and static projects participants.



Barn Set-up July 08, 2025 @ 6:00pm



Beef Haul-in Correction Sat July 26, 2025 Noon to 2:00pm

2024-2025 JLA Officers
President: Lindsey Roof
Vice President: Sophie Kreps
Secretary: Kayla Pittman
Treasure: Sydney Linn



YQCA TRAINING



Complete YQCA no later than June 09, 2025 *PLEASE READ CAREFULLY*****

Submit Certification to link or bring to Office Link: <https://forms.gle/wY23xBgeJ4AyrT3a8>

YQCA Certification

Youth ages 8-19 showing **MARKET** animals (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Poultry, Rabbits) are **required to complete YQCA training no later than June 09, 2025 to be eligible to show at the Monroe County Fair.**

YQCA :

1. \$12.00 **Web based training** Go to [YQCA - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals \(yqcaprogram.org\)](http://YQCA - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (yqcaprogram.org)) and log in using the account you created last year, if you are new to YQCA you will need to create an account.
After logging in, you will need to select the correct YQCA class depending on age.

*19 year olds must take online course

*****Once YQCA is Completed youth must provide a copy of certificate to the extension office!**

Options to submit: electronically at

<https://forms.gle/wY23xBgeJ4AyrT3a8> (preferred) or hand deliver a copy to extension office. ***

Clickable Links:

- "Help video" specifically for students enrolling in Web Based trainings
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qC5n5YWx1rI>
- "Help Video" How to find your certificate
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BwpyyWWYf64>



Dairy Board / Goat Board

Dairy Board next meeting Fitting and Showing Clinic June 03, 2025 7:00pm at the fair grounds***



Congratulations 2024 Dairy Board Officers

President: Isaac Haws

Vice President: Alex Haws

Secretary: Kylee Buchanan

Treasure: Mason Eagle

JLA rep./ Historian: Lauren Mathe



Mandatory Meeting June 03, 2025 7:00pm at the Goat Barn

Caprine Council

Congratulations 2024-2025 Caprine Officers

President- Danielle Pienta

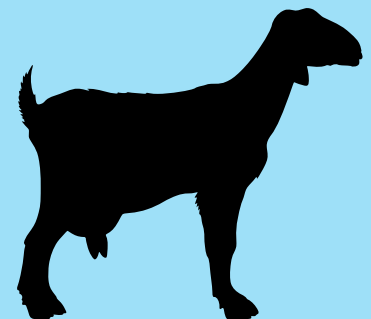
Vice President- Elizabeth Gomez

Secretary- Stewart Funk

Treasurer- Celine Alt

Historian- Aiden Chase

JLA Goat Representatives- Stewart Funk & Danielle Pienta





2025 MI 4-H STATEWIDE DAIRY EVENTS

March
1-2

MI 4-H Dairy Conference

Michigan State University



June
28

State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest

Anthony Hall, Michigan State University

July
14-17

MI 4-H Dairy Days

Michigan State University

Sept. 28- **National 4-H Dairy Conference**
Oct. 2 Madison, WI

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Horse and Pony News

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- Members Follow the Members only page to get detailed information and registration links

Save The Dates

- ● Point Show 1: June 6-8
- ● Point Show 2: June 20-22
- ● Rain Day: June 28th
- ● July 20th Clinic
- State Horse Show August 14-17 (6 Volunteers needed)

Horse and Pony info

Main communication is through Facebook: Monroe County 4-H Horse and Pony Members Only

and

Monthly meetings 2nd Monday of the month 7:00 pm Activity Center (Except Aug & Dec)

H&P has mandatory meetings and volunteer hours make sure you are meeting the requirements

Hippology Fundraisers

Monroe County 4-H Hippology Team
Tribute Feeds Proofs of Purchase
Collection Drive Fundraiser
Now -August 31, 2025

We need help from our community to be successful. Do you know someone who uses Tribute feeds? Please save us the stamps off the bag. The proofs will be turned in Tribute in exchange for \$. These will help us pay our educational contest expenses.



Here is an example of what is needed off the feed bag

We can schedule a pick up or They can be mailed to:

Contact: Monroe County 4H Hippology Team c/o
Elizabeth Kotus 19965 Southwick Rd. Milan, MI 48160
Or Schedule pick up email: ekotus@hotmail.com or text 734-6044951

Your
Contact
person:
Hippology
Team coach:
Elizabeth
Kotus
schedule
pick up via
email:
ekotus@hotmail.com or
text: 734-604-4951

Monroe County 4H Hippology Team



Pop Can Collection Fundraiser!



Now--August 31, 2025!

Available at your porch or mine!
Arrangements for porch pick up can be made!

The proceeds from bottles collected will go to offset the expenses for educational materials/contest fees for the Hippology Team.

When your returnables are ready for collection, please contact me to arrange a safe porch pick up/drop off.





Monroe County 4-H



HELP A Shelter Animal Donation Supply Drive



Ottawa Lake Servers 4-H club would like you to join us by collecting and donating much needed items to help Monroe County animal shelters and rescues.  

Wish List items:

canned/dry animal food - blankets/towels - cleaning supplies
toys - litter/bedding - hay/straw - feed bowls/buckets
collars/grooming supplies - livestock items - office supplies

Drop off locations:
Monroe Cty. 4-H Extension Office
Dundee Senior Center-Dundee
The Walnut - Petersburg

Information contact and/or pick up:
Roni Worden 419-779-3499
Mindy Townsend 734-693-1887
Ottawa Lake Servers 4-H Club





INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE

Monroe County 4-H and First Merchants Bank are partnering to bring the Spring 2025 Entrepreneurship Series! This valuable program offers education and program completion based scholarships to the youth participating. RSVP Today to save your seat at this one of a kind workshop series!

**3/25
6:30PM**

FINANCIAL LEADERSHIP: 13-19

4-H Activity Center Monroe County Fairgrounds Raisinville Entrance

SR ENTREPRENEUR: 13-19

4-H Activity Center Monroe County Fairgrounds Raisinville Entrance

**4/23
6:30PM**

**5/22
6:30PM**

FINANCIAL FUTURES: 8-12

4-H Activity Center Monroe County Fairgrounds Raisinville Entrance

JR ENTREPRENEUR: 8-12

Extension Office, 963 S Raisinville. Rd Monroe MI 48161

**6/12
6:30 PM**

RSVP TODAY



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Monroe County 4-H Entrepreneurship Program &
First Merchants Bank Partnering to Help Our Community Prosper



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First Merchants Bank
Helping you prosper





Calling all 4-H Clubs in Monroe County. Beginning Sunday, January 26th a community service project began. Once a month we will meet to prepare a Sunday meal for the Oaks Shelter in Monroe. Leaders will be needed to help members plan, purchase and prepare the aprox. 80 meals monthly. Clean up and delivery will also be needed. Please call the extension office 734-240-3182 and ask for Chelsea to sign up for your Sunday. If we have a great turnout we will consider adding more days for meals in the Fall.

Last year the shelter fed over 91,000 meals for those in need



Club Leaders



Fair Paperwork turn in June 16th

2pm to 7 pm in the AC. All fair paperwork will be turned in at stations in the AC. Club Leaders or Representative must come to paperwork turn in.



Volunteer/ leader Corner

Link to Volunteer Central become a 4-H volunteer

<https://msu.samaritan.com>

Leaders, please take the time to review updated Financial Manuals. These manuals will answer many of your club questions related to finance.

[Financial Manual for 4-H Volunteers - 4-H Volunteering & Mentoring \(msu.edu\)](#)

[Financial Manual for 4-H Treasurers - 4-H \(msu.edu\)](#)



Michigan 4-H

**WINTER/
SPRING 2025
VOLUNTEER
WEBINAR
SERIES**

For more information:
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/volunteering/mi-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series>

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Please visit:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/volunteering/mi-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series> for full details on the series and registration links. The titles and dates are below:

- The Heart of 4-H: Cultivating Developmental Relationships with Youth: March 18, 2025
- 4-H Club Fundraising 101: April 16, 2025
- Fueling or Squashing the Rumor Mill: May 15, 2025
- Engaging Parents in 4-H Experiences and Implement Shared Leadership in 4-H Clubs



MONROE COUNTY 4-H
CAPRINE COUNCIL
PRESENTS

GOAT YOGA FOR BEGINNERS

THURSDAY JUNE 5TH
6PM AND 7PM

FLYING FISH FARM
3010 GEIMAN RD MONROE, MI 48162

\$25 PER PERSON



TO SIGN UP
PLEASE SCAN QR CODE
OR GO TO LINK:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1V20FId0dG8kCTPIp2roku52T3bdt-LenBMVb2M0B8wU/edit>



Registration completed see you at the event

WE NEED YOU 😊 We are looking for gardeners and crafters to help/teach our classes

Registration
opens May 5th.

Monroe County 4-H



Green Thumb Expo

Learn how to grow
vegetables, plant
flowers, make yard art
and more!

**SATURDAY
JUNE 7**

9:30am - 11:30am

South Exhibit Building - Grass area

**4
COMPLETED
PROJECTS
Only
\$20**



**Each class is limited to 15 kids
Sign up early.**

**Sign up's are open
May 5 - May 28, 2025**

**4-H youth and Cloverbuds
can participate.**

**Sponsored by Monroe County 4-H Council
Refreshments will be provided**

Classes offered are:

**A1. Patio Vegetable Planter
Potted Geranium/Marigold
B1. Hanging Basket & Tomato
Plant**

C1. Patio Pot & Tomato Plant

**A2. Terrarium or Dish Garden
B2. Fairy Garden
C2. Catus or Succulent Garden**

**A3. Stepping Stone
B3. Wind Chime/Mobile
C3. Small Yard Art**

**You may choose 1 class from
each area in 1,2 and 3**





Backyard Chicken Keeping

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**FLAT ROCK
SPEEDWAY**
THE MOTOR CITY SPEEDWAY

**4-H NIGHT AT THE FLAT
ROCK SPEEDWAY JUNE 21ST**

**FREE TICKETS FOR 4-H FAMILIES!!
PICK THEM UP AT THE EXTENSION
OFFICE! CALL BEFORE YOU COME TO
CONFIRM AVAILABILITY 734-240-3182!**



2025 4-H Schedule

Thursday, July 24 th	
2:00-6:30 PM	Set-up all 4-H exhibits including candy and decorated cakes, baked goods, microwave, dry grains, dry sheaves, scarecrows, patio pots, herb gardens, hanging baskets and geraniums, Artistic seed design, indoor gardening living plants, dish gardens, tack boxes.
2:00-6:30 PM	Judging of all food divisions.
2:00-6:30 PM	Small Animal Record Keeping entered.
2:00-6:30 PM	Submit hard copies of Communications projects (see details in the Communications section) and sign up on the east side of Activity Center.

Friday, July 25 th	
9:00-11:00 AM	Deadline for signing in for Communications projects.
9:30-12:00 PM	Judging of Communications projects. Judging will continue for participants signed in by 11:00 am for as long as necessary.

Saturday, July 26 th	
8:30 AM	Rabbits brought in
8:30 AM	Dog judging - Glenn Stock Arena
8:30 AM	Registration of Pocket Pets
9:00 AM	Rabbit exhibits judged
9:00 AM	Judging of Pocket Pets – Dog Tent
9:30-2:00 PM	Vegetables, live stalks, flowers, Produce Art, tomato plants
12:00-4:00 PM	Livestock exhibits brought in (except swine and poultry)
12:30 PM	Cavy exhibits judged
1:00 PM	4-H Bake-Off
2:00-5:00 PM	Dairy brought in
4:00-8:00 PM	Horses brought in
5:00-9:00 PM	Poultry project entered
4:30-8:30 PM	Swine exhibits entered

Sunday, July 27 th	
8:00 AM	Poultry Judging - Poultry Barn
9:00 AM	4-H Horse Show - Horse Show Arena
1:00 PM	Parade in Downtown Monroe
3:30-5:00 PM	Livestock Master Stockman & Skill-A-Thon 4-H Activity Center
4:30 PM	Opening Ceremonies & Dedication of Bricks – 4-H Activity Center
6:00 PM	Sheep Showmanship - Anderson Show Arena
7:00 PM	Dog Dress-up – Dog Demonstration Tent

Monday, July 28 th	
8:00 AM	4-H Sheep Judging – Anderson Show Arena
9:00 AM	4-H Horse Show – Horse Show Arena (Speed Event after dinner break)
12:00 PM	Swine Showmanship - Anderson Show Arena
2:00 PM	Poultry Showmanship - Small Animal Barn
4:00-8:00 PM	Dog Demonstrations - Dog Tent
5:00 PM	Large Animal Record Keeping Entered
6:00 PM	Shooting Sports Awards – 4-H Education Building
7:00 PM	Goat Milking Contest - Goat barn

Tuesday, July 29 th	
8:00 AM	Swine Judging
9:00 AM	Dairy Goat Judging - Goat Tent
9:00 AM	4-H Horse Show – Horse Show Arena (evening show after dinner break)
10:30 AM	Silver Ribbon Presentation – Entertainment Tent
1:00 PM	Goat Showmanship - Glenn Stock Arena
4:00 PM	Dog Rally – Dog Tent
6:00 PM	Beef Showmanship

Wednesday, July 30 th	
9:00 AM	4-H Horse Show – Horse Show Arena (evening show after dinner break)
9:00 AM	Steers followed by Beef breeding animals
9:00 AM	Rabbit showmanship & Rabbit Breed ID
10:00-2:00 PM	4-H Mini Horse Show - Glenn Stock Arena
10:30 AM	Silver Ribbon Presentation – Entertainment Tent
2:00-3:00 PM	Small Animal Master Stockman
4:00 PM	4-H Talent Showcase – Free Stage
4:00 PM	Dog Demonstrations – Dog Tent
4:00 PM	Livestock Judging Contest - Andersons Show Arena
5:00 PM	Sheep lead Class – Andersons Show Arena

Thursday, July 31 st	
8:30 AM	Judging of Pack Goats & Carts – Glenn Stock Arena
9:00 AM	Judging of dairy cattle and showmanship
9:00 AM	4-H Modeling - Free Stage
9:00 AM	4-H Horse Show - Horse Show Arena
10:30 AM	Small Animal Dress-up - Small Animal Barn
4:00-8:00 PM	Dog Demonstrations – Dog Tent
4:00 PM	Cloverbud Recognition Ceremony - Andersons Show Arena
5:30 PM	Small Animal Showmanship Sweepstakes
7:00 PM	4-H Large Animal Showmanship Sweepstakes

Friday, August 1 st	
9:00 AM	4-H Horse Show – Horse Show Arena
10:30 AM	Silver Ribbon Presentation – Entertainment Tent
10:30 AM	Dog Rally Judging – Glenn Stock Arena
4:00 PM	4-H Sale of Dairy Cattle Milk followed by 4-H Market Livestock Auction (Sheep, Beef, Swine)

Saturday, August 2 nd	
10:00 AM	4-H Small Animal Auction Sale
2:00-6:00 PM	Dog Demonstrations – Dog Tent
8:00 PM	Fair Celebration Dance – Andersons Show Arena
11:00 PM	4-H Horses released

Sunday, August 3 rd	
6:00 AM-8:00 AM	Horses and SAA Released
5:00-8:00 AM	Livestock Exhibits Released Clean pens and outside barn area. Times can be changed by species superintendent. Beef - Nothing to be released before midnight Sheep - self-haul released discretion of the superintendent Must be out by 8:00 am

Monday, August 4 th	
2:00-6:30 PM	All other exhibits released



Fair Barn to Barn Competition

BATTLE OF THE BARNS

Purpose: To promote healthy competition and interaction between barns at fair in a fun, safe way.

Who can compete: Any 4-H youth who has/shows livestock at the fair.

Prize: Bragging rights and a traveling trophy.

Each barn (Goat, Horse, Small Animal, Dairy, etc.) will have a team of no less than five members. All youth who wish to participate may. If a youth shows more than one species, they must choose only one barn to compete with.

Youth will compete with a stick animal that represents their barn.

All times for all members of an individual barn will be added together, and then an average will be calculated.

The course will consist of 5-8 jumps.

Members will walk or canter the course with a maximum of 5 running steps.

The barn with the fastest average time wins.

After the fair, the trophy will be displayed in the Activity Center.

In Anderson Arena before the 4-H dance on Saturday a Google form will be sent out for those wanting to participate



Donations Needed

Teen Ambassadors is looking for donations to help support the Oaks of Righteousness during Monroe County Fair Week

July 27th – Aug 2nd



Drop Off Donations At:

Teen Ambassadors's
Office at the Monroe
County Fairgrounds

Give a little, help a lot

***We Need
Help With***

- ✓ Men's shower shoes
- ✓ Tissues
- ✓ Paper towels
- ✓ Deodorant
- ✓ Other toiletries
- ✓ Anything helps!

Early Donations? Contact: 734-915-0250



Gift Cards will be available for purchase: \$20 for \$22 value is BACK

Monroe County 4-H Council

Invites you to join us

Open to the Public



Air-Conditioned

Breakfast - Daily Specials - Grilled Items

Beverages, Desserts & More

Good Food & Great Prices



4-H ACTIVITY CENTER DINING HALL

Monroe County Fairgrounds

July 27 - August 2, 2025 7:30am-7pm

Monroe County Fair "Michigans Finest"



GRANDSTAND CLEAN-UP



Join us for one hour
of community service
and win Fun Fair
Prizes. Let's unite to
keep Our Fairgrounds
Michigan's Finest!



**BRING A
FRIEND!**



Daily Prizes Include:
Grandstand Event Tickets
Fair T-shirt / Sweatshirt
Activity Center Treat Tickets

Weekly Prizes Include:
Rev'd Up Fun Tickets
and More!

**MONDAY -SUNDAY
8:30 AM AT
GRANSTANDS**

**PRIZES
DRAWN DAILY**



Contact Volunteers for Questions

Mandy Cadle: 734-735-7588
Tamithy Jackson: 734-693-3270
Cara Bischoff: 734-915-3409



PARKING LOT FUNDRAISER



**PROJECT AREA SCHOLARSHIPS
\$15 PER HOUR TO YOUTH & FAMILIES**

**MATCH FUNDS GIVEN TO SUPPORT
YOUTHS CLUB OF CHOICE**

**WHERE: M-50/RAISIN. BANK PARKING LOT
WHEN: FAIR WEEK
DETAILS & SIGN UP [HTTPS://BIT.LY/4DICDIV](https://bit.ly/4DICDIV)**





STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Showcase your photography, videography and graphic design skills at 4-H Dairy Days!



New for 2025, Michigan 4-H Dairy Days will have feature three new contests! These contests are open to any Michigan 4-H youth ages 8-19, regardless of their enrolled project area.

Showcase your creative skills by submitting your entries to:

- Photography
- Graphic design
- Videography

So grab your cameras, get those creative juices flowing and show us what you've got!

Submissions are due June 5. Learn more at tinyurl.com/DDcreative.

June 6: Fairy Garden Workshop

Britton

Youth ages 5-19 will learn the basics of miniature gardening and some fairy lore.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/fairy-garden-workshop25

June 7: Garden Geocache Event

Michigan 4-H Children's Gardens, East Lansing

Cache veterans and new enthusiasts are welcome at this geocaching adventure. Bring your picnic lunch and enjoy a day of caching in the gardens. We will be finding new caches, trading travel bugs, exploring the gardens and much more.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/garden-geocache

June 13: 4-H Terrarium Workshop

Britton

Youth ages 8-19 will create a miniature, self-sustaining ecosystem, in a controlled indoor environment.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-terrarium-workshop

June 20: Garden to Table Summer Workshop Series

Taylor Community Library, Taylor

In this hands-on program, youth will explore the journey of food from seed to plate! Participants will learn how to plant and care for a garden, harvest fresh produce, and turn their homegrown ingredients into simple, healthy meals.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/garden-to-table-summer-workshops

June 24: Digger Day

Michigan 4-H Children's Garden, East Lansing

Come to the garden and explore the world of diggers. Front-end loaders, dump trucks and back hoes – all of these tools help with projects both big and small in our communities.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/digger-day

June 28: Michigan 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl

Anthony Hall, East Lansing

Come test your dairy industry knowledge against other 4-H'ers! This free event is open to any 4-H youth ages 8-19. Youth may enter as individuals or as teams.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/2025-mi-4-h-dairy-quiz-bowl>





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Register for the Michigan 4-H and FFA State Livestock Judging Contest

Registration is now open for the Michigan 4-H and FFA State Livestock Judging Contest! Participants can demonstrate their livestock evaluation and selection skills, as well as improve their communication and decision-making skills at this fun statewide contest. The day will include both individual and team competition with classes of beef cattle, Boer goats, sheep and swine.

Contest divisions include:

- 4-H Juniors - 4-H youth ages 8-13 as of January 1
- 4-H Seniors - 4-H youth ages 14-19 as of January 1
- FFA Junior High - FFA members that recently completed seventh or eighth grade
- FFA High School – FFA members that recently completed grades 9-12
- MLE - Youth ages 8-21 as of January 1 that are competing in the Michigan Livestock Expo but are not a member of 4-H or FFA
- Cloverbuds - 4-H youth age 7 as of January 1, non-competitive



While the dates for the contest no longer coincide with Michigan Livestock Expo (MLE), this contest does still count as an educational experience for the MLE Premiere Stockman Award!. Registration is due by June 12. Find registration information at www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-and-ffa-livestock-judging-state-contest-2025.

Ten Michigan 4-H volunteers honored for 50 years of service in 2025

For the fifth year, MSU Extension is celebrating outstanding volunteers who have given a half-century of service to Michigan 4-H. These individuals have pledged their heads, hearts, hands and service to improving the lives of youth and their communities through Michigan 4-H for the past 50 years.

“Simply put, our Michigan 4-H programs would not be possible without the help of caring volunteers who give their time and talent,” said Quentin Tyler, director of MSU Extension. “MSU Extension is grateful for every volunteer in every program, but these ten individuals deserve special recognition. They have given so much to 4-H over their five decades of service and we offer our heartfelt thanks for all they have given to support 4-H youth.”

The Michigan 4-H 50-year volunteers being recognized in 2025 are:

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| • Cheryl Barton, Shiawassee County | • Vanessa Powell, Jackson County |
| • Linda Bogue, Cass County | • Diane Shepherd, Sanilac County |
| • Lisa Coe, Barry County, | • Paul Shoup, Mason County |
| • Janel Horrocks-Boehmer, Ingham County | • Bernadette Strahl, Menominee County |
| • Sharon Mitchell, St. Joseph County | • Marla Wedge, Allegan County |

In recognition of their service, 50-year volunteers received a gift of appreciation from MSU Extension leadership, as well as a personal note of thanks. Tribute gifts in honor of any or all of these 4-H volunteers may be made to support 4-H at: <https://mi4hfdtn.org/memorial-tribute-gifts/>.



2025 Schedule of Events

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| Jan. 26- 4-H Tack Sale & More | June 21-22- Gun & Knife Show |
| Feb. 1-2- Oddities & Horror Fest | July 4-6- Ann Arbor Kennel Club Dog Show |
| Feb. 8-9-Gun & Knife Show | July 12-13- FCHA Horse Show |
| March 9- The Vintage Market | July 2 Fireworks |
| March 15- Ducks Unlimited Banquet | July 27-Aug 2 MONROE COUNTY FAIR |
| March 22- Garage Sale & Flea Market | Aug. 16-17- Gun & Knife Show |
| March 29- Winter Storage Removal | Aug. 23-24- FCHA Horse Show |
| April 5- Tom Blanchette Memorial Beef Show | Sept. 7- Auto Swap Meet |
| April 6- FCHA Tack Sale | Sept. 12-13- Monroe Comic Con |
| April 11- Soll Conservation Tree Sale | Sept. 26-28- Monroe Kennel Club Dog Show |
| April 13- Auto Swap Meet | Oct. 4 - Winter Storage begins |
| April 19- 4-H Spring Rabbit Show | Oct. 5 - Wicked Plckin' |
| April 27- Monroe Bike Show | Oct. 11-12- FCHA Horse Show |
| May 2- Ag Awareness Day | Oct. 18- Garage Sale & Flea Market |
| May 2-4- Fair Food Drive-Thru | Oct. 2 Grand Day of Tournaments |
| May 9-11- Scout-O-Rama | Nov. 1-2- Shipshewana on the Road |
| May 9-11- 4-H Horse Show | Nov. 7-9 - Michigan Tattoo Convention |
| May 11- Flower & Garden Show | Nov. 15- 4-H Spaghetti Dinner & Auction |
| May 18- Motorcycle Swap Meet | Dec. 14- The Vintage Market |
| May 24- Bedford Fire Explorer Training | |
| May 30-June 1- FCHA Horse Show | |
| June 6-8 -4-H Horse Show | |
| June 8 - The Vintage Market | |
| June 12- Hot Rod Power Tour | |
| June 15- Monroe Hamfest | |
| June 20-22- 4-H Horse Show | |



Entrepreneurship – Welcome Bailey Biniecki



Please help us Welcome Bailey Biniecki as the Monroe County 4-H Financial Literacy Instructor! Bailey has worked previously for MSU Extension as Support Staff and is a diligent 4-H & Farm Bureau Volunteer! She runs her family farm, photography business, aids in her husbands Redline Equipment business and has a family of her own. We are so happy to have her here in this program educator and coordinator capacity as her professional and volunteer experience lend so well to this position! This position is fully funded by First Merchants Bank gift funds! If you have summer programs that may enjoy having an interactive financial literacy 1 hr. session please reach out, we are scheduling now!

Please Welcome Bailey by email at: Binieck4@msu.edu

Last 4-H Entrepreneurship Class to Qualify for this years Fair Project will be held at 6/12 @ 6:30pm Extension Office



Monroe County 4-H Entrepreneurship Program & First Merchants Bank Partnering to Help Our Community Prosper

Embryology



5 Monroe County Schools were able to participate in the Embryology project this year! Generous gift donations were made to purchase the supplies and Lajiness Farms supplied the eggs. This 21 day in class project exposed nearly 600 youth to embryology and to Monroe County 4-H! If you would like to support this project in the future, we would love to be able to reach even more local youth with this great experience!

4-H Graduation



Terra Quest's Spring Tea





May 4-H Leveling Show



Communications Day





Recap

Drop-In With Jean- Duct Tape Art



Sponsorships

Monroe Community Credit Union - Council Sponsorship



Since 1953, MCCU has been committed to serving you—your dreams, your goals, your community. Stay local. Be local.

First Merchants Bank – Entrepreneurship Sponsorship



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