



# MONROE COUNTY

# 4-H Family News

NOVEMBER 2018



## Last call for SAA & JLA

## Auction Checks!

ALL checks must be cashed within 60 Days of the JLA or SSA Banquet! Checks not cashed within 60 days (by November 16th) will become void !!

If you did not attend the JLA or SAA Banquet, you will need to pick up your check at Monroe Bank & Trust Ida Branch. Checks will NOT be mailed out.

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Monroe County, MI 4-H

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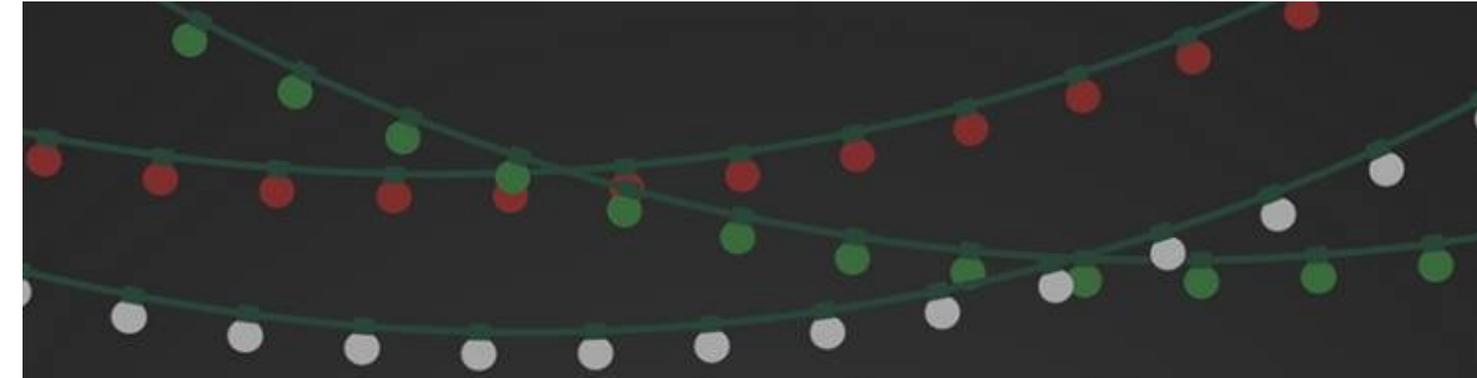
# NOVEMBER 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 4-6PM KIDS DAY/TRUNK OR TREAT @ AC 	29	30	31 Halloween 	1 <i>November</i> 1pm FAITHFUL FRIENDS @ AC 6:30 PM OFFICER TRAINING @ AC	2 7pm HORSE & PONY BANQUET @ AC	3 11AM 4-H CSI
4	5 6PM YLB @ ELC 7PM COUNCIL @ ELCE	6 7PM TERRA QUEST @AC	7 5PM TEEN AMBASSADORS @ AC	8 6:30PM RAISINVILLE WRANGLERS @AC	9 6PM CRAFT SHOW SET UP @ AC	10 8AM CRAFT & VENDOR SHOW @AC
11 4PM HIPPOLOGY PRACTICE @ AC 	12 7PM HORSE & PONY BOARD @ AC	13 6PM YOUTH TREASURER TRAINING @ELC 6PM FEATHERS & FUR @ AC 7PM CUSTER DISTRICT @ ELC	14 6PM SET UP @AC <div style="background-color: green; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 2px;"><b>SPAGHETTI DINNER SET-UP</b></div>	15 1PM FAITHFUL FRIENDS <div style="background-color: green; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 2px;"><b>SPAGHETTI DINNER SET-UP</b></div>	16 9AM-4PM DROP OFF @ AC	17 9AM DESSERT DROP OFF @ AC <b>4PM SPAGHETTI DINNER &amp; HOLIDAY AUCTION @ AC</b>
18 1PM COUNTY SHOOTING PRACTICE@ OTTAWA LAKE SPORTSMAN CLUB	19 6PM CAT BOARD @ AC	20	21 <div style="background-color: green; color: white; text-align: center; padding: 2px;"><b>STEPPING STONES SET-UP</b></div>	22 OFFICE CLOSED THANKSGIVING 	23 EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED	24 STEPPING STONES AUCTION @ AC
25	26	27 6PM 4-H CSI @ AC 7PM DOG BOARD @ IDA METHODIST	28	29	30 <b>DEADLINE TO RSVP FOR YOUTH/LEADER BANQUET</b>	1 <i>December</i>

# DECEMBER 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 12PM SCRUB PARTY @ AC 4PM HIPPOLOGY PRACTICE @ AC	3 6PM YLB @ ELC 7PM COUNCIL @ELC	4 7PM TERRA QUEST @ AC	5	6 1PM FAITHFUL FRIENDS @ ELC 6PM SCRUB PARTY @ AC (IF NEEDED)	7 5PM MAYBEE MUSKRATS @ AC	8 9AM TEEN SPOKESPERSON WORKSHOP @AC
9 5PM YOUTH RECOGNITION & LEADER BANQUET @ AC	10 7PM HORSE & PONY BOARD @AC	11	12 7PM STATE AWARDS ORIENTATION @ELC	13 7PM ANNUAL FAIRBOARD MEETING @AC	14 5PM TERRA QUEST COOKIE DECORATING CLASS @ AC	15 9AM BREAKFAST WITH SANTA @ AC 4PM TEEN MOVIE NIGHT @ AC
16	17 6PM CAT BOARD @ AC	18 7PM CAPRINE COUNCIL @ AC	19	20	21	22
23	24 EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED	25 EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED	26	27	28	29
30	31 EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED	1 JANUARY EXTENSION OFFICE CLOSED	2	3 1PM FAITHFUL FRIENDS @AC	4	5

happy holidays!



*Monroe County 4-H*

SPAGHETTI DINNER &  
HOLIDAY AUCTION

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2018

4-H Activity Center-Monroe County Fairgrounds  
Dinner Served: 4:00-7:00pm

Adults: \$10 Kids 3-9 years: \$5 2 & under: **FREE**

★ Live Auction begins as 6:30pm

**\*\*Bake Sale\*\*** **\*\*Pick-A-Prize\*\*** **\*\*Kids Grab Bag\*\***

open to the public

All profits benefit youth members of Monroe County 4-H through  
scholarships, recognition, and year-round programming!



September 2018

To Whom It May Concern:

Monroe County 4-H youth and volunteers are seeking donations for their annual Spaghetti Dinner and Holiday Auction. This year our auction will be held on Saturday, November 17, 2018 at the Activity Center located on the Monroe County Fairgrounds.

4-H is the largest positive youth development and youth mentoring organization in the country. The Monroe County 4-H Program has over 1,500 4-H members enrolled in 120 clubs and organizations across the county.

Each year we host a Spaghetti Dinner and Holiday Auction to raise funds to assist in our programming efforts with the youth of Monroe County.



**MSU EXTENSION**

Your donation is tax deductible. Our 501(c)(3) non-profit # is 38-6005984. Any support that you can provide to us would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be mailed to:

Monroe County 4-H Program  
Attn: Katie Seitz  
963 South Raisinville Rd  
Monroe, MI 48161

963 S Raisinville Rd  
Monroe, MI 48161-9754

Phone: 734-240-3170  
Fax: 734-240-3183  
[www.msue.msu.edu](http://www.msue.msu.edu)

If you have any questions, please contact Katie Seitz, our Holiday Auction chairperson, at 419-708-7773 or e-mail her at [kseitz22206@my.monroeccc.edu](mailto:kseitz22206@my.monroeccc.edu).

Sincerely,

Sara Lewis  
Monroe County  
4-H Program Coordinator

Katie Seitz  
Chairman

# THANK YOU 2017-2018 4-H COUNCIL MEMBERS FOR YOUR SERVICE!!

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## WELCOME NEW & RETURNING 2018-2019

**President:** Amy Harbaugh  
**Vice President:** Scott Wiesler  
**Secretary:** Norm Grey  
**Treasurer:** Ruth Ruehs

### **Airport:**

2019– Norm Grey  
2020– Brandy Werner  
2021– Amy Harbaugh  
Youth– Anna Hutchison  
Awards 2019- Becky Lomas  
Awards 2020—Patsy Hancz

### **Bedford:**

2019– Nancy Kittendorf  
2020– Brandon Lewis  
2021– Butch Williams  
Youth– Daniel Brockman  
Awards 2019– Bethany Martin  
Awards 2020– Nancy Kittendorf

### **Custer:**

2019– Jerry Vandermeer  
2020– Angela Funchion  
2021– Michelle Grider  
Youth– Evan Harbaugh  
Awards 2019– Angela Funchion  
Awards 2020– Sarah/Mark Mathe

### **Dundee:**

2019–Courtney Sessoms  
2020– Lee Ann Comstock  
2021– Justin Rozanski  
Youth– Michael Valentine Jr  
Awards 2019– Lisa Manwell  
Awards 2020– Patti Donnelly

### **Appointed Adults:**

Jeff Linn  
Scott Paddy  
Ruth Ruehs  
Carter Paddy  
Scott Wiesler  
Sheri Iacoangeli

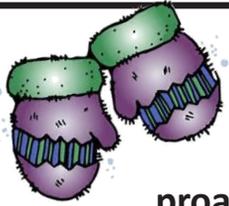
### **Appointed Youth:**

Devin Finnerty  
Noah Doederlein  
Sarah Ouellette



## 2018 Spaghetti Dinner Club & District Auction Challenge

The 4-H Council is challenging clubs and district associations to donate auction items to the annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser! As an incentive, 4-H Council will donate back 50% of the proceeds (max of \$250) on the item that sells for the highest amount back to the club who donated it for use in the club's general funds. The same incentive is being offered up to the District Associations.



## Annual Mitten Tree



The Holiday Season is quickly approaching, and that means we are again preparing to decorate the Mitten Tree. Pat Webb, Project Chairman will set the tree up on November 12th, in the lobby of the MSU Extension Office. We encourage all clubs, families and interested community members to donate hats, scarves and mittens to decorate the tree.

Items must be dropped off to the MSU Extension Office no later than December 12th, as that is the day the tree comes down. The gifts will then be wrapped, and distributed to youth across the country.

### Rabbits:

- Alexis Fisher-1
- Sydney Linn-2
- Anthony Vandermeer-3
- Jaren Schmidt-4
- Brandon Fisher-5
- Camden Schmidt-6
- Elianna Serratos-7

### Pocket Pets:

- Paige Sweet-1
- Kayleigh Adams-2
- Nathan Voyles-3

### Cavy:

- Kayleigh Adams-1
- Austin Arting-2

### Poultry :

- Kerrie Kraftchick-1
- Elizabeth Whiteaker-2
- Arjay Rhodes-3
- Samantha Whiteaker-4

### Dogs:

- Rachel Breitner-1
- Mason Shipe-2
- Grace Herkimer-2

### Cats:

- Joshua Marimpietri-1 (highest score overall)
- Gabby Flowers-2

**Great job to all who participated!  
Special thanks to Marisa Mahon  
for her hard work putting this pro-  
gram together!**

**Masterstockman Results**

**Small Animal**

## Junior Livestock Association Elects New Members

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### Board Members:

Jordyn Fitch  
Brooke Kuehnlein  
Faith Hosler  
Jenna Pittman  
Logan Lievens  
George Salenbien  
Aleah Jaworski  
Garrett Diesing  
Hannah Vincent  
Grace Herkimer  
Sydney Janssen  
Kayla Muir  
Levi Couch



## Small Animal Association Elects New Members

### Board Members:

Jessica Charles  
Paige Sweet  
Griffin Linn  
Katrina Lomas  
Makayla Ray  
Anthony Vandermeer  
Jaren Schmidt  
Alexis Fisher  
Ethan Harbaugh  
Sarah Ouellette  
Jeff Linn (elected adult)

### Elected Officers

**President:**  
Anthony Vandermeer  
**Vice President:**  
Ethan Harbaugh  
**Recording Secretary:**  
Katrina Lomas  
**Corresponding Secretary:**  
Paige Sweet  
**Youth Treasurer:**  
Griffin Linn  
**Historian:**  
Sarah Ouellette  
**Adult Treasurer:**  
Therese Ouellette



## 4-H Treasurer Training

*Learn by doing and make the most of the experience.*

### WHAT, WHEN, & WHERE:

November 13, 2018  
6-8pm  
Monroe County MSU Extension  
963 S. Raisinville Road  
Monroe, MI 48161

**COST:**  
Free

### TO REGISTER:

More information and to register by **November 5**, go to:

### SPONSOR:

This training is provided with generous funding from Chemical Bank to the Michigan 4-H Foundation, Inc.

**Snacks provided!**



FINANCIAL MANUAL FOR 4-H TREASURERS:



### WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Young people who **are** serving as a 4-H treasurer or other group treasurer
- Young people who **want** to be a 4-H or a group treasurer in the future
- 4-H volunteers **working with youth** who are 4-H treasurers



### DESCRIPTION:

Being a 4-H treasurer is an important role. 4-H youth treasurers learn valuable life skills of benefit to their future, including—responsibility, decision-making, leadership, attention to detail and record-keeping.

Because 4-H is a public group, a 4-H treasurer's responsibilities are quite different from those of a private company's treasurer or an individual. A 4-H group treasurer is responsible to other officers, members, adult volunteers, Michigan State University and to the public.

By attending this workshop, 4-H treasurers can learn:

- Current procedures and forms; and why we do it this way.
- To connect the role of treasurer with other officers, adult 4-H leaders and MSU Extension staff members.
- Money handling expectations including the use of receipts, timely deposits and timely bill payments.
- The importance of budgeting.
- Appropriate use of funds and fund-raising do's and don'ts.

For questions or registration support, contact Sara Lewis at 734-240-3174 or [seitzsa1@msu.edu](mailto:seitzsa1@msu.edu).

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# Monroe Hippology Team Travels to Nationals In Tulsa, Oklahoma!

## Places 4th overall!!



**WHAT IS HIPPOLOGY?** Hippology is an activity that allows 4-H members to exhibit their knowledge and understanding of equine science and husbandry in a competitive setting.

### WHAT DO YOU DO IN HIPPOLOGY?

Participants demonstrate their experience and knowledge gained in horse judging, quiz bowl, speeches, and practical horse management. Phases of the contest include a written exam, identification of items, judging, ID stations including feedstuffs, and team problems.

Pictured L to R: Madison Laurain, Amy Grummel, Alicia Bondar, Rachele Cate & Coach: Elizabeth Kotus

#### HIPPOLOGY INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Alicia Bondar: 7th written test, 5th stations, 3rd hippology judging, 5th hippology individual overall

Rachele Cate: 8th written test, 8th stations

**MONROE COUNTY 4-H HIPPOLOGY TEAM:** 4th team written test, 5th team stations, 2nd team problem, 4th team overall

*First informational meeting and 2019 intro: December 2nd @ 4pm in 4-H Activity Center*

## TEEN SPOKESPERSON WORKSHOP

Ice Breakers  
Dinner Etiquette  
Elevator Speeches  
Thank You Notes  
Interview Training  
and More...

December 8, 2018  
9:00AM-2:00PM @ 4-H Activity Center  
\$10 fee  
Open to youth 13 yrs and older  
Please wear business attire for event

**Register: <https://goo.gl/forms/g0taskDQ1WiUmdyl1>**



# The Cat Corner

At the October Cat Board meeting we elected our new board for the 2018-2019 year. So here is a congratulations to the following members: President- Hannah, Vice President- Jewell, Secretary- Katrina, Treasurer- Brianna, Corresponding Secretary- Jessica, Historian- Olivia, and Cat Representative- Ethan.



This meeting we learned about fleas and how to prevent them, we were shown how to use a flea comb on your cat and different methods on bathing and products to use. We also got to practice agility with our cats, which is a series of jumps, walking across boards, weaving through poles, and going through hoops.



**If you're interested in joining, come meet us at our next meeting, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 6pm at the Activity Center.** We will be making cat boxes for the winter at our next meeting as well!

*Submitted by Hannah Vincent*





# 4-H SPIN CLUBS

A new way to roll with 4-H!



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**4-H Spin Clubs are a new thing we are trying this year. It's a like our regular clubs but with a different "spin" on it. 4-H SPIN Club stands for Special Interest Club.**

**Here's how they work:**

- ⇒ **Spin Clubs last just 6 weeks (instead of being a year long club commitment)**
- ⇒ **They meet once a week for at least 1 hour**
- ⇒ **They can be on any topic as long as it can fit into one the 4 H's (Head, Heart, Hands, Health)**

## Calling All Volunteers

**We are looking for volunteer leaders to help with these SPIN clubs. Volunteers are the key to a successful program and are important role models for our youth. If you see one you are interested in or have ideas for another club please contact Sara or Ashley at the MSU Extension Office 734-240-3170.**

### Spin Club Ideas:

**Cloverbud Chefs-** Basics of cooking for 5-7 yr olds

**Get Up, Get Moving!** - Focus on staying active and making healthy choices

**Babysitting 101-** Learn the skills necessary to be a top notch babysitter

**Yoga/physical activity** – Learn to incorporate healthy activity into your daily lives

**Art of Clowning-** Bring laughter and joy to the world by learning the comedic art of clowning

**Sewing Basics-** Learn the basics of sewing, operating a sewing machine and dive into several beginner projects

**Got a great idea?! Don't be afraid to share with the office-we want to know what YOU would participate in!!**



## **Trunk r' Treat & "All Star" Kids Day**

Teen Ambassadors held their 3rd annual Trunk or Treat in conjunction with Kids Day on October 28th. We had an awesome turnout of 4-H Clubs, 4-H Members, Leaders and volunteers.

Despite the rainy weather, we welcomed many trunk or treaters that afternoon and recognized many youth at the conclusion of the afternoon. A good time was had by all!

A special THANKS to the Teen Ambassadors for planning such a cool event and thank you to 4-H Council for providing support for the recognition of each of these members.



# Pennies for Turkeys

## Calling All Clubs!

Monroe County 4-H clubs are invited to participate on a county wide competition to raise the most money to buy turkeys for underprivileged families.

How to Participate: Each club will collect pennies or any other types of money

What You Win: A Special Prize

Why Should You Participate: A fun, competitive way to raise money for a great cause

Money is due by Thanksgiving to the Extension Office

Sponsored by:  
Teen Ambassadors

Any questions call Sarah at 240-3174

We would appreciate if the money  
could be rolled ahead of time

Thank-You





# **Craft and Vendor**



## **Show**

**Sponsored By:**

**Monroe County Terra Quest 4-H Club**  
(Fundraiser)

**Where: 4-H Activity Center**  
(Monroe County Fairgrounds)



**When: Saturday, November 10th, 2018**  
**9:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.**

**\*\*\*\*\*Door prizes\*\*\*\*\***  
**Food Concessions Available**

**\$1 Admission FREE PARKING!**

**For more Information Contact**  
Becky Lomas  
3667 N. Custer  
Monroe, MI 48162  
(734)775-7992

# Men's Basketball



## 4-H Day with Michigan Basketball!

Come out and see Michigan Men's Basketball take on Binghamton!



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Sunday, December 30 @ 12:00 PM at Crisler Center



All 4-H'ers, friends, and families can take advantage of a special discounted ticket of only \$10 a person, normally \$15.

The first 20 4-H'ers (in 6th grade or younger) to sign-up will be able to stand on the court pre-game with the Michigan Basketball team during the National Anthem and will receive a FREE t-shirt.

Purchase your tickets online at  
<https://www.fevo.com/edp/Mens-Basketball-vs-Binghamton-gUW4WCi>

Questions? You can email or call Andrew Snyderman in the Michigan Ticket Office at (734) 615-7900 or [aesnyder@umich.edu](mailto:aesnyder@umich.edu)

Please note that tickets are subject to availability. Tickets are extremely limited. Offer not valid at the Michigan Box Office.



Andrew Snyderman – Ticket Sales Representative | 1000 S. State St. | (734) 615-7900

**TERRA QUEST 4-H CLUB PRESENTS  
CHRISTMAS COOKIE DECORATING CLASS**



**Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**6pm until 9pm in the 4-H Activity Center**

**\$25 per person ages 10+**

**RSVP by Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**or for any questions contact Kerrie Kraftchick at**

**[Kerrie.Kraftchick@rockets.utoledo.edu](mailto:Kerrie.Kraftchick@rockets.utoledo.edu)**



*Monroe County  
4-H Terra Quest  
Invites you to  
our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual*

# Breakfast with Santa

**SATURDAY**  
December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018  
9:30 – 11:30 am

**Event Includes:**

**Sausage & Pancake Breakfast, Door  
Prizes, Fun Activities, Arts & Crafts**

**Tickets:**

**Pre-Sale - \$ 5  
At the Door - \$ 6**

Please bring  
unwrapped toys to  
donate to the  
Toys - For - Tots  
program

**Location of event is at the 4 - H Activity Center  
3775 S Custer Rd, Monroe MI, 48161  
(Please use Rasinville Rd entrance)**

**Questions please call: 734 - 240 - 3170**



# Monroe County New & Used Tack Sale

Sunday, January 13, 2019 10am—3pm

MBT Expo Center

3775 South Custer Rd., Monroe, MI 48161

\$3 Admission

Free Admission for Active Duty Military Personnel and Veterans with valid ID.

Heated facility with plenty of parking!

All Proceeds Benefit the Monroe County 4-H Horse and Pony Program!

Tons of Vendors!

Concessions!

Come out and support Monroe County 4-H Horse & Pony Board!

If interested in becoming a vendor please contact Christin Gordon by email at christinnowland@gmail.com or at 734-430-5377. Vendor tables are available on a first come first serve basis.

# Monroe County New & Used Tack Sale

Sunday, January 13, 2019 10 AM to 3 PM

\*\*\*\*MBT EXPO CENTER\*\*\*\*

3775 South Custer Road, Monroe, MI 48161

\$3 Admission

All spaces will be reserved upon receipt of payment and will be subject to availability based on the date of payment received. NSF checks will void your reservation. If necessary to go to a waiting list, only reservations with payment will be considered. If you are on the waiting list, notification of available space will be given after January 1, 2019.

*It is mandatory for you to check in before set up*

**ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE MONROE COUNTY 4-H HORSE & PONY BOARD**

A confirmation letter for confirmed spaces will be emailed to you upon receipt of registration forms with payment. Set-up will be held on January 12 between 5-8 PM, there will also be set up on January 13 at 8am. We encourage vendors to stay the duration of the tack sale hours and that tear down not take place until 3pm on Sunday, January 13.

Please return the bottom of this form along with payment to:

MCH&P  
215 W Substation Rd.  
Temperance, MI 48182

Email: christinnowland@gmail.com or Phone: 734-430-5377

**ABSOLUTELY NO TACK SALE RESERVATIONS WILL BE TAKEN OVER THE PHONE**  
Space will be reserved upon receipt of payment and will be subject to availability based on date payment is received

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

10'x10' Commercial Space (includes 2 Free passes per spot) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$50 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
10'x10' Non-Commercial Space (includes 1 Free pass per spot) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$40 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
5'x7' Non-Commercial Space (includes 1 Free pass per spot) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
EXTRA TABLE(S) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$5 each = \_\_\_\_\_ EXTRA WRISTBAND(S) \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$3 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*\*FOR OFFICE USE ONLY\*\*\*\*\*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Payment Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

## New 4-H Money Management Snapshot



Curious what the 4-H money management project area is all about? This new snapshot sheet covers what 4-H'ers can learn about money management, ways to get involved and resources for learning more.

The 4-H money management project provides opportunities to learn about and practice ways to use money, set financial goals and explore career connections. Each of these facets is further broken down in the new snapshot sheet.

This resource is one in a series of Michigan 4-H snapshot sheets on a variety of topics that can be found in the Michigan 4-H Project Snapshot Sheet series at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/michigan-4-h-project-snapshot-sheets>.

## 4-H Events and Workshops

November 3: Club Leadership Workshop

*VerKuilen Building, Clinton Township*

Learn how to be successful club leaders and club members by preparing to take on leadership roles. Registration due Nov. 2.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/club\\_leadership\\_workshop\\_1](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/club_leadership_workshop_1)

November 7: Alcona 4-H Makerspace Grand Opening!

The Alcona 4-H makerspace will provide a space for 4-H leaders and volunteers to engage youth in 4-H SPIN and year-round STEM opportunities. Join in the grand opening fun!

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/grand\\_opening\\_alcona\\_4\\_h\\_makerspace](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/grand_opening_alcona_4_h_makerspace)

November 16: Michigan 4-H Embryology Staff, Teacher and Volunteer Training

*Bruce Township Hall, Dafer*

This training is designed for educators who would like to learn how to implement an embryology program through classroom activities or 4-H SPIN clubs.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan\\_4\\_h\\_embryology\\_staff\\_teacher\\_and\\_volunteer\\_training\\_upper\\_peninsul](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan_4_h_embryology_staff_teacher_and_volunteer_training_upper_peninsul)

November 27: Giving Tuesday

*Online*

Giving Tuesday is a day to give back! Support Michigan 4-H and help provide 4-H participation fee scholarships for those in need.

<https://givingday.msu.edu/>

## Save the Date

January 26: State 4-H Rabbit Show

*MSU Pavilion, East Lansing*

This one day event is open to Michigan 4-H members. Exhibitors may enter as many breeds as they wish. Spectators are welcome!

February 24: 4-H Day at the Breslin

*Breslin Center, East Lansing*

Join us for the 14th annual celebration of MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development at the MSU Women's Basketball game against the University of Michigan Wolverines.

<http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-day-at-the-breslin>

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

## Michigan 4-H to participate in Giving Tuesday

On Nov. 27, Michigan 4-H is once again teaming up with the Michigan 4-H Foundation and Michigan State University for their Give Green Day campaign held in conjunction with Giving Tuesday. As a global day of giving, Giving Tuesday is annually held on the Tuesday after the retail-focused days of Black Friday and Cyber Monday. During Giving Tuesday, Michigan 4-H will be raising funds to support 4-H participation fee scholarships for those in need.



From 12 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. EST, Michigan 4-H members, volunteers and supporters will have the chance to give to the campaign and spread the word via social media channels and word of mouth. Follow along online and use #GiveGreenDay on your social media channels to help Michigan 4-H earn bonus funds and compete in fun challenges through the day!

Learn more about Giving Tuesday and Give Green Day at <https://givingday.msu.edu/projects/michigan-4-h-foundation>.

## Outstanding Michigan 4-H alumni and volunteers recognized at 4-H Emerald Awards ceremony

Nineteen Michigan 4-H alumni and volunteers were recognized Oct. 5 during the Michigan 4-H Foundation's 4-H Emerald Award Ceremony in East Lansing. The awards presented at the event are among some of Michigan 4-H's highest honors for 4-H alumni and volunteers.

The Salute to Excellence awards, which honor remarkable 4-H volunteers who have contributed substantially to both their county and state 4-H programs, were presented to Brenda Alverson of Genesee County, Gordon Ridenour of Cass County and Cheryl Barton of Shiawassee County.

The Michigan Farm Bureau 4-H Excellence in Agriculture awards, which recognize 4-H volunteers who exhibit excellence in 4-H youth education and leadership in agriculture-related areas, were presented to Mary Hutka of Oakland County, Diane Keinath of Saginaw County, and Kathy Grau and Mary Hammer of Washtenaw County.

The Michigan 4-H Emerald Clover Society honors former alumni whose professional leadership and community service reflect the ultimate outcome of 4-H membership. Inducted into the society were Darwin Booher, Evart; Domonique Clemons, Flint; Ronald Hendrick, East Lansing; Barbara Haynes Heyboer, Hudsonville; W. G. (Mac) McPherson, Lowell; Thomas Nugent, Clarksville; Maggie Sans, Clarkston; and Gretna Van Fleet, Frankenmuth.

The Citation awards, which recognize significant contributions to Michigan 4-H programs, were awarded to GreenStone Farm Credit Services and Dale and Sara Stuby, of St. Joseph County.

Learn more about the award winners at [www.canr.msu.edu/news/outstanding-michigan-4-h-alumni-volunteers-and-partners-recognized-at-4-h-emerald-awards-ceremony](http://www.canr.msu.edu/news/outstanding-michigan-4-h-alumni-volunteers-and-partners-recognized-at-4-h-emerald-awards-ceremony)

## New Teaching Science When You Don't Know Diddly-Squat Lessons



Two new "Teaching Science When You Don't Know Diddly-Squat" lesson plans are now available. The new lessons are titled "Can kids hear things adults can't?" and "Do you run faster with or without shoes?"

The Teaching Science When You Don't Know Diddly-Squat series focuses not on teaching specific content, but teaching the process of science by asking questions and discovering answers.

Download the lesson plans at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/teaching-science-when-you-dont-know-diddly-squat-series>.