



OCTOBER 2022

4-H Family News

Montcalm



4-H Families and Volunteers,

A message from Rachel, on 9/28 I transitioned from the 4-H program coordinator role in Montcalm County to the 4-H program coordinator role in Ingham County. Thank you for a great program year, and I look forward to seeing many of you at statewide events in Ingham County such as Capitol Experience, Exploration Days, and various shows at the MSU pavilion! You can always reach me at ochylski@msu.edu with questions, comments, or concerns. Thank you for your patience as the interview committee selects your next program coordinator.

Best Wishes,

Rachel

If any of you have any questions, comments, or concerns please feel free to contact Vicki at the Extension office.

**** PLEASE NOTE**** We still have clubs and committees that need to get their year end paperwork into the Extension office ASAP.

10/4: Advisory Council, 6:30 PM, Montcalm MSUE Office (211 W. Main Street, Stanton) and via zoom

10/5: Dog Leaders Committee Meeting, 6:30 PM, Ash Building

10/7 & 10/8: Crash Bash (4-H Doggie Dash & 4-H Bake Off), Montcalm County Fairgrounds

10/12: Horse Leaders Committee Meeting, 7:00 PM, Ash Building

10/16: Fall Banquet (Details on pg. 4), 4pm, MCC

10/17: Community Connection Committee, 7:15 PM, online via Zoom

10/24: Small Animal Committee, 6:00 PM Ash Building

- Youth Livestock Committee, 6:30 PM Ash Building

- MCFAAC Meeting, 7:00 PM Ash Building

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STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Support 4-H with the TSC Paper Clover Campaign



IT'S PAPER CLOVER TIME!

OCTOBER 5-16TH 2022

Funds support 4-H camp and leadership activities.



Tractor Supply Company (TSC) customers across the nation will have the opportunity to support 4-H youth by purchasing a \$1 clover at checkouts when shopping both in stores or online at www.TractorSupply.com from Oct. 5-16.

Funds raised will support county, state and national 4-H programming. To learn more regarding the campaign, visit <https://www.tractorsupply.com/tsc/cms/4h>.

October 1-6 : National 4-H Dairy Conference

Madison, Wisconsin

World Dairy Expo is the place where the dairy industry meets. Much in the same vein, the National 4-H Dairy Conference is the place where leading dairy youth from across North America can come to interact with one another and build industry bridges that will last well into the future.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/national-4-h-dairy-conference>

October 3-24: Adulting 101 Webinar Series

Webinar

Michigan State University Extension's FREE Adulting 101 programs help teenagers and young adults demystify the obscure reality of being an "adult" through engaging educational sessions. Each FREE session is packed full of important life skills and tools necessary to live independently. Join us every Monday during October 3-24, 2022, 6-7 p.m. Eastern Time.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/adult101fall22>

October 7: Michigan 4-H Foundation Annual Membership Meeting

East Lansing, MI

Michigan 4-H Foundation members are invited to attend and vote on all items at the meeting. Members are individuals or organizations that donated \$25 or more to Michigan 4-H in the past year. <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-foundation-annual-membership-meeting>

October 11: Wild Spartans Series

Webinar

This month's 4-H Wild Spartans Series will take a leap into wetlands and riparian areas and climb to the high desert grasslands to take a closer look at plant biodiversity.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-series-october-2022>

November 11-13: Michigan 4-H Creative Arts Celebration!

Ralph A. MacMullan (RAM) Center, Roscommon, MI

Join this popular overnight 4-H workshop with sessions in sewing, textiles, visual arts, performing arts, crafts, art of cooking, photography, poetry, music, folk art, and much more!

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-creative-arts-celebrate>





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

NATIONAL 4-H WEEK Michigan 4-H Photo/Video Contest

Michigan State University Extension 4-H Youth Development is offering a photo/video contest to help celebrate National 4-H Week – October 2-9, 2022!

We are asking 4-H volunteers, youth and alumni to share a photo or video highlighting “What you love about 4-H.”

Contest Details

- Contestants will share a photo or video highlighting “What you love about 4-H” on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, or TikTok including the hashtag #iloveMI4H. (Make sure the post is public.)
- For members of the Michigan 4-H community without social media access, submissions may also be sent by email to Gwyn Shelle at heyboerg@msu.edu.
- Ten prizes will be awarded randomly to those who share a photo or video, either through social media or by email, during National 4-H Week. Prizes include MSU Extension 4-H swag!
- The contest will go live on Oct. 2 and submissions are due by 11:59 p.m. ET on Oct. 9, 2022.

For video guidelines/support and full contest rules, visit <http://www.canr.msu.edu/4h/contest>.



4-H scholarships available; apply by Nov. 1

Outstanding Michigan 4-H members who are involved at county, regional, state, national or international levels are eligible to apply for Michigan 4-H scholarships to help fund their college experience.



A number of scholarship opportunities exist, ranging in value from \$500 to \$10,000 (over the course of four years).

All applications are due by November 1.

Learn more and access applications materials at: http://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_scholarships_and_recognition_program/4_h_scholarships.



COUNTY 4-H NEWS

Volunteers needed!



OCT. 7TH & 8TH
Montcalm Co. Fairgrounds

2ND ANNUAL FALL CRASH BASH

Join us for: Still Wandering Band -
Craft Show- Bake Off- Doggie Dash- Bounce House- Petting Zoo-



The Crash Bash Committee needs anyone interested in volunteering in the haunted barns. There will be two haunted barns, one for children ages 8 years old and younger and another one for older children and adults. The Topper Shop is bringing their haunted barn to Montcalm County Fairgrounds.

The haunted barn will take place October 7th & 8th and October 14th & 15th from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

Volunteers who sign up for two shifts will receive a 2023 Grand Stand ticket voucher.

Volunteers are needed to either work inside within the haunted barn or outside with the crowd. Dress in dark or black weather appropriate clothing. Black thin gloves are also advised. There are some costumes available, if you have a costume you would like to use, please feel free to bring it. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Tammy (owner of Topper Shop) by call or text at 231-250-2587.

Fall Awards Banquet

The Montcalm 4-H Advisory Council will be offering an open swim from 1-4pm on 10/16 at MCC! Our Fall Banquet will start at 4:00 PM at MCC. Bring a side dish to pass, and the council will supply barbequed meat. We will introduce the new council members, announce youth award recipients, and recognize our amazing volunteers for their years of service!

More info about MCC's pool can be found here: <https://www.montcalm.edu/pool>

FALL BANQUET
OPEN SWIM AT MCC

10/16/22
1-4PM

Bring a dish to share and a swimsuit!
Apply for an award on our website!
Questions? Email ochylski@msu.edu

4-H GROWS HERE

The poster features a dark blue background with white circles of varying sizes. It includes three circular images: a young girl looking up, a child holding a camera, and a group of people in green aprons. The 4-H logo is in the bottom right corner.