



Eaton County

# 4-H Family News

June 2017

## Keep your animals safe during show season: Practice good biosecurity!

Following simple steps can help you prevent the spread of diseases to your animal and other animals (and yourself!).

1. **Wash it!** Washing your hands, clothes, and footwear before and after working animals goes a long way!
2. **Clean and disinfect it!** Make sure to keep your equipment clean, disinfecting regularly. If you share equipment, you should clean and disinfect it before and after sharing.
3. **Report it!** Know the signs of when your animal may be sick. If it is sick, please report it to the proper people (at fair—the superintendent of the species, fair board, and 4-H staff).

### Resources on biosecurity:

- Biosecurity for Livestock Exhibitors Tip Sheet [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/resources/biosecurity\\_for\\_livestock\\_exhibitors\\_e2841](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/resources/biosecurity_for_livestock_exhibitors_e2841)
- Animal Science Anywhere: Biosecurity Lesson: [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/uploads/236/65684/4H1661\\_ASA-Biosecurity\\_2016.pdf](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/uploads/236/65684/4H1661_ASA-Biosecurity_2016.pdf)
- Biosecurity—as easy as 1, 2, 3! [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/news/biosecurity\\_easy\\_as\\_123](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/news/biosecurity_easy_as_123)
- MDARD Exhibition Requirements for Livestock Exhibited in Michigan [http://www.michigan.gov/mdard/0,4610,7-125-1571\\_7075-300958--,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/mdard/0,4610,7-125-1571_7075-300958--,00.html)

## Upcoming County Meetings and Events:

\*PMR = Public Meeting Room (basement of Extension office); Kardel = Kardel Hall on the Eaton County Fairgrounds\*

- Fair board, 6/5, 7 pm, Kardel
- Jr Livestock Association, 6/12, 7 pm, PMR
- Fair board, 6/19, 7 pm, Kardel
- Style Revue, 6/20, Eaton Area Senior Center
- Cloverbud Camp, 6/28, Kardel
- 4-H Cooking Matters for Teens, 7/17—8/7, Delta Township Community Center
- 4-H Fresh Food Season, 7/18-8/15, Delta Township District Library
- Cloverbud Junk Drawer Robotics Series, 7/27—August 17, Delta Township District Library
- 4-H Grows a Salsa Garden, 8/9, 10am—noon, Grand Woods Park, Lansing
- 4-H Yoga for Kids, 8/16, 10am—noon, Grand Woods Park, Lansing
- 4-H Council, 8/7, 7 pm, PMR
- Jr Livestock Association, 8/14, 7 pm, PMR
- Fairboard, 8/21, 7pm, Kardel

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## STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### 4-H Workshops

June 2-4: Michigan 4-H Companion Animal Camp  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan\\_4\\_h\\_companion\\_animal\\_camp\\_1](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan_4_h_companion_animal_camp_1)  
 Camp Tuhsmeheeta, Greenville

June 16-18: Southern Michigan Outdoor Recreational Education Symposium (SMORES)  
 Contact Denise Noble ([nobledenise@rocketmail.com](mailto:nobledenise@rocketmail.com))  
 Camp Tuhsmeheeta, Greenville

June 17: Project FISH Instructor Training  
 Contact Mark Stephens ([steph143@msu.edu](mailto:steph143@msu.edu))  
 Camp Tuhsmeheeta, Greenville

### Other 4-H Events

June 3: 4-H Day at Michigan's Adventure  
<https://www.miadventure.com/events/things-to-do/special-events/4H-Day>  
 Michigan's Adventure, Muskegon

June 10: State 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Expo  
<https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=D18688A80648792D>  
 Anthony Hall, MSU, East Lansing

June 18: Michigan 4-H at the Tigers  
<http://m.mlb.com/tigers/tickets/special-events/4h>  
 Comerica Park, Detroit

June 21-23: Michigan 4-H Exploration Days  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4\\_h\\_exploration\\_days](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4_h_exploration_days)  
 MSU, East Lansing

June 23-25: State 4-H Trail Ride & Family Camp Weekend  
[http://www.ans.msu.edu/uploads/files/Packet\\_of\\_Info\\_2017.pdf](http://www.ans.msu.edu/uploads/files/Packet_of_Info_2017.pdf)  
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June 24-July 1: Citizenship Washington Focus  
<http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=8B79FA950153A0AF>  
 National 4-H Conference Center, Chevy Chase, Maryland

June 25-June 30: National 4-H Shooting Sports Championships  
<http://4h.unl.edu/4hshootingssportsnationalchampionships>  
 Grand Island, Nebraska

June 26-30: 4-H Animal and Veterinary Science Camp  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4\\_h\\_animal\\_veterinary\\_science\\_camp](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4_h_animal_veterinary_science_camp)  
 MSU, East Lansing

June 27-28: MMPA 4-H Milk Marketing Tour  
<https://www.mimilk.com/events/mmpa-4-h-milk-marketing-tour>  
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For the most up-to-date events listing, go to <http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events>

### 4-H Participation Fee Change

With the busy summer months quickly approaching, Michigan State University (MSU) Extension would like to take this opportunity to inform you of some changes to the Michigan 4-H participation fee that will be implemented this fall. Beginning Sept. 1, 2017, the annual participation fee will be \$20 per youth or \$60 per family, whichever is lowest, for any youth ages 5-19 who participates in any type of on-going or in-depth 4-H program. This is the first increase in 4-H participation fees in 10 years. Even with this increase, I am sure you will continue to find Michigan 4-H is one of the best investments you can make in your child's growth and development as a result of the many diverse opportunities and benefits available to our state's 4-H members.

As always, a portion of the participation fee will remain in the county to support local efforts and the remainder will continue to be managed by the MSU Extension State 4-H Office. The funds that are managed through the State 4-H Office will be used to support the 4-H participation fee grant program (which funds various county and state 4-H programs across Michigan), the purchase of American Income Life supplemental accident insurance for all 4-H youth and volunteers enrolled in 4HOnline, resources for centralized and more rigorous Volunteer Selection Process (VSP) background checks, and more. These new and enhanced statewide resources will not only provide county 4-H programs with a time and financial savings – allowing them to redirect those resources to other local 4-H efforts – but will provide parents with an added level of safety and security when their child is engaging in 4-H programs.

It is important to note that with these changes, MSU Extension remains committed to ensuring that participation fees will not be a barrier to 4-H participation for any youth. Scholarship grants are available to families unable to pay the participation fee. Please contact your local 4-H program coordinator with questions about these scholarships or other matters related to your county 4-H program.

Thank you for your on-going support of and participation in Michigan 4-H and for understanding the need for these important changes. We look forward to growing 4-H across the state, as well as providing additional resources that will benefit all of the state's 4-H'ers.

Yours in 4-H,

Julie Chapin

State Leader, Michigan 4-H Youth Development

### **NEW Healthy living programs this summer!**

Are you interested in health, foods, nutrition, and fitness? Check out the variety of activities this summer, provided by Power of We Consortium AmeriCorps member Lauren Blais!

#### **4-H Fresh Food Season**

Nothing beats Michigan's fresh produce! Learn about Michigan's growing season, focusing on peak times to plant and pick produce. In each session, teens will be making fresh snacks with an emphasis of locally grown produce. This series is aimed to give youth a better understanding of the importance of eating locally, and of course, trying some delicious food! Come join us at the Delta Township District Library on Tuesdays, July 18—August 15 from 2:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. for youth ages 13-18. Register in the "4-H Fresh Food Season" club in 4-H Online and submit payment of \$5 for 4-H members and \$15 for non 4-H members to the office.

#### **4-H Cooking Matters for Teens**

Learn how to become a chef this summer! Cook with real chefs that will teach you how to make delicious healthy meals. Try new recipes every class and enjoy the dishes you create! This fun cooking class takes places at the Delta Township Community Center on Mondays and Wednesdays, July 17—August 7 from 4:30 p.m.— 6:30 p.m. for youth ages 12-18. Register in the "4-H Cooking Matters for Teens" club in 4-H Online and submit payment of \$5 for 4-H members and \$15 for non 4-H members to the office.

#### **4-H Grows a Salsa Garden**

Interested in making salsa from scratch? Come and help us make some delicious fresh salsa at the Grand Woods Park Shelter in Lansing on Wednesday, August 9th from 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. for youth ages 8—13! Youth get the chance to make fresh salsa from scratch as well as decorate pots to start their own salsa garden. Register in the "4-H Grows a Salsa Garden" club in 4-H Online and submit payment of \$5 for 4-H members and \$15 for non 4-H members to the office.

#### **4-H Yoga for Kids**

Start the morning with some relaxing yoga! Feel refreshed and ready to conquer the day as we focus on different yoga poses and mindfulness exercises in the park. We will also spice it up with adding games to get your heart pumping! Come join the fun at Grand Woods Park Shelter in Lansing on Wednesday, August 16th from 10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. for youth ages 8—12. Register in the "4-H Yoga for Kids" club in 4-H Online and submit payment of \$5 for 4-H members and \$15 for non 4-H members to the office.



### DEADLINE SOON: 4-H Cloverbud Camp

This year's Cloverbud Camp will be on Wednesday, June 28 from 8:30am - 4:30pm at the Eaton County Fairgrounds (Kardel Hall). Join us as we explore A Rainbow of Food, Fitness, and Fun! Cloverbud Camp is open to youth ages 5-8 as of January 1, 2017. Cost for 4-H members is \$20 and non 4-H members is \$30, which includes materials and a t-shirt. We also welcome youth ages 12 and older to help as camp counselors; there is no cost for counselors. Counselor training is on Tuesday, June 27 at Kardel Hall at 6pm along with set-up. For more information and for the registration forms, visit [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/eaton/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h\\_associations\\_and\\_committees/cloverbud\\_camp\\_committee](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/eaton/eaton_county_4_h/eaton_county_4_h_associations_and_committees/cloverbud_camp_committee). Registration deadline is Friday, June 9.

### DEADLINE SOON: Style Revue

The 2017 Style Revue will be held on Tuesday, June 20, at the Eaton Area Senior Center. Check-in will begin at 5:30 p.m., judging starts at 6:00 p.m., cloverbuds check-in at 6:30 p.m. and the show will begin at 7:00 p.m. Open to all youth participating in the clothing/textile project areas for garments. Find out more information at [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/eaton/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h\\_associations\\_and\\_committees/style\\_revue\\_committee](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/eaton/eaton_county_4_h/eaton_county_4_h_associations_and_committees/style_revue_committee). Registrations due June 9!

## More information for the Eaton County Fair!

### 2017 Eaton County Fair

July 10—15

**Fair Theme:** Caution: Future Leaders Under Construction

#### Jr Livestock Association Sale

Thursday, July 13

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/eaton/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h\\_associations\\_and\\_committees/junior\\_livestock\\_association](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/eaton/eaton_county_4_h/eaton_county_4_h_associations_and_committees/junior_livestock_association)

- NEW Frequently Asked Questions document is up on the website! You can also find forms such as the buyer's brochure, premium, and proxy forms.
- HELP NEEDED! Sale shifts are now available on the website via SignUp Genius. As a reminder, youth (or a representative) who help with the sale or lunch shifts and sign in on the day of will be able to pick up their sale check a week earlier once checks are ready.
- Next JLA meeting is 6/12 and we will be stuffing the buyer's mailing! Please arrive at 6:30pm to help stuff the mailing prior to the meeting beginning at 7pm.

#### Small Animal Association Sale

Saturday, July 15

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/eaton/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h\\_associations\\_and\\_committees/small\\_animal\\_association](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/eaton/eaton_county_4_h/eaton_county_4_h_associations_and_committees/small_animal_association)

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### Goat Showmanship Workshop

June 17 at 11am, cattle arena on the fairgrounds

Rabbit, poultry, goat cage/pen set up is on June 28 at 6pm—help is needed!

### State 4-H Horse Show Selection

Reminder for youth ages 13 and older who participate in the 4-H horse project! To be eligible for the State 4-H Horse Show, you must complete the selection requirements found at [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/eaton/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h/eaton\\_county\\_4\\_h\\_associations\\_and\\_committees/horse\\_development\\_committee](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/eaton/eaton_county_4_h/eaton_county_4_h_associations_and_committees/horse_development_committee). The last eligibility show is June 10. Points from last year's fair will be available on the website.