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Dear 4-H Families,

Thank you to everyone who contributed to making the 4-H Youth Show happen! A special thank you to Superintendents of all project areas, the 4-H Service Club Food Booth volunteers and coordinators, everyone who clerked and served as helpers for still projects and livestock shows all week, show ring setup and tear down, gate cleaning, washrack duty, livestock haulers, and everyone who volunteered in the 4-H office, and as building A Guards! I know lots of clubs sent lots of people to work lots of shifts in lots of different areas of the Youth Show, so thank you for doing your jobs and keeping the wheels of the event turning. We gathered information from the suggestion box and are still accepting suggestions on our online survey. Here is the link if you haven't had a chance to fill it out: https://forms.gle/WD1jo39UTQCpsTYZA. Now, that information will go to the committees for the teen and adult leadership to consider for future year changes.

4-H Members, please remember to take a few minutes to write any remaining Thank-You notes to trophy sponsors, ribbon sponsors, animal buyers, and other individuals and businesses you may know of who supported our event in some way. Your words mean a lot to them. Members, if your club leader or other 4-H volunteer adults in your club are outstanding, consider nominating them for county recognition as a Leader of the Year, or Alumni of the year. Also, if there are any businesses or community members who helped in significant ways, perhaps they could be a Friend of 4-H award nominee!

4-H Club leaders, please keep in mind that August 31 is the end of the 4-H Fiscal year, so save bank statements, and meet with your club officers for your end-of-year wrap-up processes and conversations. Also, any adults interested in becoming an official 4-H volunteers must contact our office to complete the Volunteer Selection Process.

Beginning September 1, everyone can newly enroll, or re-enroll at <u>www.4honline.com</u> using the same login email and password from last year. Once enrolled, give \$20 to your club leader as soon as possible (Checks written to MSU). Have your health information handy when you begin! We encourage re-enrollments to be done ASAP, and not wait until

later in the 4-H year. Any trouble with re-enrollment, contact Kellie at 222-3815 or jordankj@msu.edu.

Read on for more 4-H opportunities. Sincerely, Kathleen Noggle

# **4-H SPOTLIGHT**



## 4-H Members of the Month: Washtenaw 4-H Livestock Judging and Dairy Days Participants

State 4-H Livestock Judging Participants: Lee Blumenauer, Syndey Masters, Jaycee Brown, Bailey Welshans, Cami Ford and Luke Blumenauer. This year, Washtenaw county was represented well by a bright group of 4-H youth! The team has been working very hard all spring and summer preparing for various livestock judging contests; one of them being the State 4-H Contest. At this contest youth are broken down into teams of 4 in a

Junior and Senior Division. At this contest, they evaluated 3 cattle classes, 2 hog classes, 2 sheep classes, and 1 goat class. Each class consists of 4 animals that they must rank 1-4. There were 4 classes that they had to answer questions about (without using notes) and 4 classes that they gave oral reasons on. At the end of the day, the Senior Team placed 4<sup>th</sup> overall. Jaycee Brown was 9<sup>th</sup> overall, Lee Blumenauer was 11 overall, and Bailey Welshans was 16 overall. Good job Washtenaw County!

# Dairy Days Participants: Katie Polzin (not pictured), Sofia Rose, Jared Bunn, Jacob Bunn, Harper Jane Adkins, and Lizzie Pantolin

The 2019 Michigan Dairy Expo was also very well respresented by Washtenaw County this year! Juniors and Seniors also competed in the various Dairy Days events. These included Quiz Bowl and Dairy Judging. These youth have been working all winter, spring, and summer to prepare for these contests. Katelyn Packard and Jeff Horning coach the kids all year and work very hard to help the kids learn more about the dairy industry. This year, Harper Jane Adkins, Lizzie Pantolin, and Jayden Herzog (Isabella County) were the Novice Dairy Quiz Bowl winners! Good job on all of your hard work this year!



# **WASHTENAW 4-H NEWS**

### Leader Recognition and County Medals Applications

Each year we take nominations from youth members for several awards given to outstanding leaders each year. Additionally we take nominations for many Club Spirit awards, county medals for all the project areas in which youth participate, and State Awards. We are extending the deadline to turn those in by Friday, <u>August 9</u>. Teens nominated for County Medals will be sent an application to be returned by the end of September! New this year, Committee



volunteers can also nominate active teens AND teens can self-nominate but will have to get a brief support statement from their club leader on the final application. Talk with your club leader if you feel you may qualify for a county medal in any project area, and if you have already won a couple county medals over the years, also discuss with your leader the possibly of completing a State Award application for 2019. 4-H staff can help with the State 4-H Award form which will be due in late January 2020, and which does come with a cash award for state winners! If you have any questions please contact Kathleen.

# Farm Bureau Excellence in Agriculture

Tick Tock! Time is running out (just a few more hours) to apply for the Farm Bureau Excellence in Agriculture Award! Winners will be recognized at the 2019 Washtenaw County Farm Bureau Annual Meeting on September 16 as well as the Washtenaw 4-H Recognition program this fall. Award winners will receive a 1 year paid Farm Bureau membership. To apply contact Kathleen at nogglek1@msu.edu or Katelyn Packard at klhorning14@gmail.com.

# Successful YOUth Workshops Offered in August

Get more out of your 4-H membership! Youth ages 12 and up are invited to join 4-H Extension Educators to gain skills to prepare them for life- resumes, interviews, personality types, and budgets. Each 2.5 hour session will be filled with interactive activities, snacks, prizes, and fun! You can attend one session or all three. Registration and more information is available at <a href="https://events.anr.msu.edu/successfulyouth/">https://events.anr.msu.edu/successfulyouth/</a>

- Resumes and Interviews that Rock- August 8, 1:00-3:30 p.m., Chelsea Library
- Appreciating Personalities with Real Colors- August 15, 1:00-3:30 p.m., Ann Arbor Library-Pittsfield Branch
- Budgeting with Mad City Money- August 22, 1:00-3:30 p.m., Dexter Library

# Scholarships available

Several College Scholarships are available now. Contact Sheri or Kellie for details. Deadlines are as listed below and will continue to be updated as we are able. Please remember that if you need recommendations from adults in your life, they often need at least a few days to provide that support. Leave yourself plenty of time for a quality application as well. Check the application for where they are to be mailed.

September 9 4-H Advisory Council and Service Club Scholarship

August 18 Michigan State Fair LLC <u>https://www.michiganstatefairllc.com/scholarship-programs</u>

October 1 \* Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions (MAFE) – <u>www.mifairs.com</u>

Nov 4 Michigan Junior Livestock Society Scholarship (MJLS) –

http://www.mijrlivestocksociety.com

\*=estimated or still confirming

# Calling all Washtenaw County 4-H Teens!

Are you interested in traveling to another state? Meeting new people? Seeing different parts of the country? Having an amazing time?

The Washtenaw County 4-H Exchange Group may be for you!

<u>Who</u>? Youth 13 & up (in 4-H years, as of 1/1/20) are encouraged to join.

<u>What</u>? The Exchange Group is a two-year commitment. We usually travel the first summer and host the following. The group for the 2020-2021 rotation is forming now.

*When*? We generally host/travel the last week of June for six to eight days.

Where? Depends on what state we choose!

<u>How</u>? Almost all the money we need is raised by working a concession stand at both U-M Football and Men's Basketball home games. We have also scooped ice cream at the Chelsea Fair. Participation will commence in August, 2019.

Washtenaw County resurrected the exchange program in 2012. Since then, we have traveled to and hosted youth from Texas, Kansas, Oregon and, most recently, Colorado.

When we host, what we do varies some but typically we take a tour bus to Mackinac Island and take a carriage tour, see Arch Rock, the Butterfly House, Fort Mackinac and spend some time exploring on our own. From there, we travel over to Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore where we climb some and

take a driving tour. We ride a dune buggy at Silver Lake along beautiful Lake Michigan. We spend two nights "up north." We also take a bus and spend a day at Cedar Point, the Roller Coaster Capital of the World. We go to The Henry Ford and tour the Ford Rouge Plant, where the F-150s are made and have the option of visiting both Greenfield Village and The Henry Ford Museum. We have two family dinner nights and have a local day when we might do things like: pick blueberries at Kapnick Orchard, tour the Jiffy Mix factory, tour a sawmill, get ice cream, play miniature golf, go canoeing on the Huron River, or tour Horning's dairy farm.

If you have questions about the exchange group or want to join – Please contact Emma Rose. <u>emma.rose1324@yahoo.com</u>

# **YOUTH SHOW**

## 4-H Youth Show Thanks you!

Again, we would like to thank everyone who helped to make our 4-H Youth Show such a success! If you have ideas or comments on how we can make next year's Youth Show even better feel free to fill out our online survey here: <a href="https://forms.gle/WD1jo39UTQCpsTYZA">https://forms.gle/WD1jo39UTQCpsTYZA</a>. If you are interested in serving on a youth board for the Livestock and Dairy Committee, Small Animal Committee or Horse Association get in touch with Kathleen to learn more. There will be official dates of meetings in the next newsletter. We would also like to thank the truck loaders and people who hauled livestock to the processors very early Saturday morning after the 4-H Youth Show. This is a much needed role and requires time, gas, wear and tear on trucks and trailers, and we greatly appreciate what you and your families do for the 4-H exhibitors.

### Post-4-H Youth Show Clean-up and the 4-H Motto

Thank you to everyone who helped clean up the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds after our recent 4-H Youth Show. It takes many hands and lots of hours to put chairs back on racks, pile tables on pallets correctly, clean gates, clean out barns, take down signs, pack boxes, collect lost and found, and load trucks. We do also want to remind you that this is YOUR 4-H program, and when we leave jobs undone and decide we have done "enough" and think other people can do the rest, it reflects on our whole program. Please continue to put in 100%, and work hard not to rely on a few hard working families. Feelings can get hurt in these situations, angers can flare, and new 4-H participants will wonder why we are not all living up to the 4-H motto, "To Make the Best Better." Please continue to positively represent 100+ years of 4-H in the US, and work every day to set great examples to each other as we move into a new 4-H year.

### Lost and Found

If you are searching for an item that you lost at the Youth Show please contact the 4-H Office. Also if you have found any items that need to return to their owners, please let us know that as well. We do have a youth who lost her western spurs. If you found them please bring them to the Extension Office!

### **Congratulations!**

We would like to wish a warm congratulations to all of those who received an award, ribbon, trophy, or pat on the back for all of the hard work that they showed at this year's Youth Show. It takes a lot of preparation, hard work, and TIME to get ready to exhibit an animal or still project at any fair. We are very proud to see everyone's accomplishments and cannot wait to see everyone next year! Here are some of the winners that were announced at the Awards Ceremony Friday evening in case you missed it:

## Sweepstakes Showmanship

Reserve Grand Champion: Jayden Humphrey Grand Champion: Sofia Rose

## **Herdsmanship Winners**

Dairy: Country Expressions Beef: Townline Workers Swine: Townline Workers Poultry: Rogers Corners Herdsman Llama: Ann Arbor Llama Lovers Rabbit: All Around 4-H Goat: Silver Leaves Sheep: Rogers Corners Herdsman Horse, Dirt Floor: Challengers Horse, Cement Floor: Cowboy U



## **Premier Livestock Exhibitors**

Bill Ames Memorial Sheep Award: Raiden Kipfmiller Premier Swine Exhibitor sponsored by the Herrst Family: Karissa Rasch Herb Diuble Memorial Beef Award: Karissa Rasch Bill Lutz Memorial Dairy Award: Katie Polzin Geiger Memorial Holstein Dairy Award: Katie Polzin

# Sportsmanship Award Winners

Dairy: Sofia Rose Poultry: Rhea Warren Rabbit: Eric Rice

# **REGIONAL AND STATE 4-H OPPORTUNITIES**

# 4-H Club Officer Guides

Every successful 4-H club has a good team of officers. But how do you know what your roles and responsibilities are if you've never served as an officer before?

These newly released, free downloadable resources are a great resource for youth elected to leadership positions in their 4-H club. Guides are available for the officer roles of president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and reporter.

Download your "So Your Are an Officer in Your 4-H Club" guides at

<u>https://www.canr.msu.edu/leadership\_citizenship/so-you-are-an-officer-in-your-4-h-club-series</u> to learn more about the role your officer position plays in a successful 4-H club.

# **State Calendar of Events**

# August 2: 4-H Healthy U at MSU

*MSU, East Lansing* 4-H Healthy U at MSU is a fun hands on learning for youth aged 13 years old and up. Visit the campus of Michigan State University and gain skills that will help you stay healthy now as well as in the future. Cost is \$35 for 4-H members and \$50 for nonmembers. Deadline to register is July 12<sup>th</sup>. <u>https://events.anr.msu.edu/HealthyUatMSU/</u>

# August 4-10: 4-H Great Lakes & Natural Resources Camp

The 2019 4-H Great Lakes & Natural Resources Camp is now accepting applications! Designed for youth aged 13 to 15, this program is held at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle. Campers explore dunes, hike forest trails, wade through wetlands, fish, snorkel and sail on Lake Huron while educators and scientists teach them about the Great Lakes ecosystem.

https://www.canr.msu.edu/4\_h\_great\_lakes\_natural\_resources\_camp/

## August 6: 4-H Children's Garden Camp Monet

Michigan 4-H Children's Garden, East Lansing This event is for everyone, ages 7 and up. Attendees of the event will have the opportunity to spend three days creating various art projects. https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-children-s-garden-camp-monet

# August 10: 2019 Michigan State 4-H Dog Show

MSU Pavilion for Agriculture and Livestock Education, Lansing This event is for 4-H members to showcase and present their abilities with their dogs. Come and observe the agility, teamwork and showmanship of these members and dogs. <u>https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/2019-michigan-state-4-h-dog-show</u>

## August 12: Super Seed Fun

Rollins Christian Fellowship Church, Manton This event is open to youth, ages 5 to 7, to gain exposure to herbs and plants. The youth will be decorating pots, planting herbs, tasting food flavored with herbs and so much more. https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/super-seed-fun

### August 16: State 4-H Horse Show

*MSU Pavilion for Agriculture and Livestock Education, Lansing* Come and join us in watching the State 4-H Horse Show that brings together roughly 600 4-H'ers from counties across Michigan.

https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/state-4-h-horse-show

### August 19: 4-H Day Camp Summer 2019

Max Thompson Family Resource Center, Warren This event is open for youth ages 5-12. Youth will have the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities in the area of STEAM and healthy living. <u>https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-day-camp-summer-2019</u>

# Save the Date!

### September 3: Welcome Back MSU 4-H Alumni Reception

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. <u>https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-welcome-week-4-h-alumni-reception</u>

#### November 29-December 3: National 4-H Congress

#### Atlanta, GA

During 4-H Congress, participants attend workshops about leadership development, character education, agriculture, cultural awareness and diversity education, workforce preparation, environmental stewardship, science and technology literacy, and communication skills development. This is a wonderful leadership and personal growth opportunity for youth.

# WASHTENAW 4-H CALENDAR

# August

7 – Horse Board – 6:00 PM
12 – Washtenaw Farm Council – 7:30 PM – FCG
15 – Advisory Council – 7:00 PM
No Committee Meetings this month

# September

1 – 4-H Enrollment Begins
9 – Washtenaw Farm Council - 7:30 PM – FCG
10 – Horse Board – 6:30 PM
13 – District 4-H Staff Meeting – 4-H Staff out of the Office
16 – Washtenaw Farm Bureau Annual Meeting
19 – Livestock and Dairy Board Meeting – 6:30 PM
19 - Youth Show Leadership Team – 7:00 PM
24 – Small Animal Committee – 6:30 PM
24 – Horse Association – 7:00 PM

# October

- 8 Horse Board 6:30 PM
- 10 JR Livestock 6:00 PM
- 10 Livestock and Dairy Committee 7:00 PM
- 14 Washtenaw Farm Council 7:30 PM FCG
- 22 Horse Association

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### STATEWIDE 4-H CALENDAR OF EVENTS

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to http://msue.anr.msu.edu/topic/events/4\_h