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Dear 4-H Families,

Even though the snowpocalypse is here, all of our committees have been working hard this winter to make changes and plan lots of opportunities for the rest of the 4-H program year. Check out the many neat opportunities available in the county, the region, at the state level, and maybe even outside of the state! 4-H offers so many opportunities to grow and learn if you are willing and able to venture outside of your local club sometimes. If you do, please let us know and be sure to share the new information you learn with your fellow club members.

There are also many dates that are creeping up to register for statewide events such as Capital Experience, World Food Prize, and Citizenship Washington Focus. There are also many statewide horse and livestock events that are coming up as well. Make sure you check out the entire newsletter to learn about these opportunities.

Here are a few reminders to stay in the know about Washtenaw County 4-H:

- Like us on Facebook  
<https://www.facebook.com/WashtenawCounty4H/>
- Read the newsletter
- Check the Website  
[https://www.canr.msu.edu/washtenaw/washtenaw\\_county\\_4\\_h/](https://www.canr.msu.edu/washtenaw/washtenaw_county_4_h/)
- Contact us!
- Check out out-of-county opportunities and events at  
<http://4h.msue.msu.edu/>

We hope that you all stay safe and warm during all of this cold weather!

Sincerely,

Sheri and Kathleen

## 4-H SPOTLIGHT

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### **4-H Member of the Month: Mason Trinkle**

This month we are very excited to recognize Mason Trinkle as the 4-H member of the month! Mason is 18 years old and is a member of Rogers Corners Herdsman. Mason has been in 4-H for 10 years and enjoys showing beef cattle and hogs. Mason is on his second term as youth president for the Washtenaw 4-H Livestock and Dairy Committee and is also a very active member of Junior Livestock. Each year Mason has also gone above and beyond with the Cloverbud Livestock mentoring program where he helps cloverbuds learn how to work various types of livestock and show them at the 4-H Youth Show. Last fall, Mason

received a 4-H Advisory Council Scholarship and also received the Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions Scholarship earlier this month. Mason has also been very active with the Washtenaw 4-H Interstate Exchange. He has traveled to Kansas, Oregon, and Colorado. Mason is very helpful with fundraising for these trips by volunteering to work shifts for concessions at University of Michigan football and basketball games, serving ice cream at the Chelsea Fair, and helping plan the trips. Mason says, "My most memorable moment in 4-H was the first time I got to stay up all night in the barns. I enjoy staying overnight because it's a great time to hang out with people you might not always hang out with. My favorite part about 4-H is haul in day because once the animals are hauled in that means it's fair time and it's going to be a great week! 4-H has taught me a lot about myself. It has taught me to be a leader, and I have met so many different people. Now that I'm older I like to be a role model to the younger kids so they can get as involved as I am in 4-H." Thanks for all you do for 4-H, Mason!

### **4-H Volunteer of the Month: Katelyn Packard**

Katelyn Packard is a Washtenaw 4-H alumni and has jumped into about every volunteer role imaginable it seems. Currently, Katelyn is the adult President of Washtenaw 4-H Livestock and Dairy Committee, Treasurer of Advisory Council, and Washtenaw 4-H Dairy Superintendent. In addition to this, Katelyn is also one of our key volunteers in helping to plan Project RED (Rural Education Days), she coaches a 4-H Dairy Judging/Quizbowl team with her dad, and she is very active with the 4-H Youth Show Leadership Team. Honestly, a lot of 4-H programs wouldn't be possible without Katelyn. Katelyn currently works on her family's dairy farm, "Horning Farms" and is also extremely involved with Washtenaw and Michigan Farm Bureau, Washtenaw Young Farmers, and Michigan Milk Producers just to name a few. When asked about her favorite thing about 4-H she said, "My favorite part of 4-H is watching the kids develop into leaders. I enjoy watching the kids grow up and take on leadership and mentoring roles to younger members." We could go on and on about how much Katelyn does for Washtenaw 4-H, but we will sum it all up with a huge THANK YOU!

### **4-H Club of the Month: JR Livestock**

Are you sensing a trend yet? This month we are excited to recognize Washtenaw County 4-H Junior Livestock Committee. The leaders of Junior Livestock are Kathy Grau and Mary Hammer. This group is open to 4-H teens who raise/show livestock animals. The youth in this group go above and beyond. Over the course of the year the youth partake in many community service opportunities, mentoring roles, and make many big decisions regarding the 4-H Youth Show. Many Junior Livestock members help out with Project RED by helping set up, leading groups, or teaching sessions. Junior Livestock has also helped out with Farm Safety Day, Young Farmer Harvest Picnic, and other community fair events. Some of the youth

also help out with livestock weigh-ins as well. In the spring, many of the teens will come forward to mentor cloverbuds on how to raise and show livestock. The teen will get matched with a cloverbud (a lot of times more than one) and they will spend the summer working together with the animals. Then, at the Youth Show, the cloverbud gets to show that animal in their own showmanship class along with the mentor. This program has put Washtenaw 4-H on the map, and there are many other counties who framed their mentoring programs around this one. This fall Michigan Farm Bureau recognized Kathy and Mary for all of their hard work and dedication to Junior Livestock. They received the Michigan Farm Bureau 4-H Excellence in Agriculture Award (article can be found here: [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)). What a true testament to how impactful Junior Livestock is to Washtenaw 4-H.

## WASHTENAW 4-H NEWS

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### Like us on Facebook

If you haven't already done so, make sure to like us on Facebook! We often share important details about deadlines, upcoming state/regional events, county 4-H events, and other available opportunities. Also, we hope that you would be willing to like, comment, and share our posts to help our page gain more visibility. We are only 100 people away from having 1,000 followers! Also, please feel free to share posts, pictures, or videos of things you are doing with 4-H locally, regionally, or even nationally. Like us here:

<https://www.facebook.com/WashtenawCounty4H/>.



### Farm Safety Day is Back!

Farming is one of the most dangerous occupations there is in this country, and it involves many families. Farms are great places for children to play, visit and work, but they can also be places where kids are injured or even killed. In the U.S. every three days a child dies in an agriculture related incident and every day about 33 young people are injured in agriculture-related incidents. It is very important that young people and adults are educated about the potential hazards on a farm so that they can be safe while working and playing around a farm and are better prepared if an accident does occur.

To help those who live and work on farms stay safe and learn the basics of farm safety, the Washtenaw County Farm Bureau and Washtenaw County 4-H program, in partnership with local Farm Bureau Insurance agents and the Manchester, Milan and Saline FFA Chapters, is hosting the Washtenaw Farm Safety Day. This educational program will be held on **Saturday, April 6** in Buildings A & B at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds, 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Road, Ann Arbor. Sign-in begins at 12:30 p.m. and the program will be held from 1 to 3 p.m. The program will be family focused and for all ages. Topics to be covered include tractor safety, grain and wagon safety, animal safety, first aid, fire safety and small equipment safety. Those interested in attending are strongly encouraged to pre-register at <https://washtenaw-farm-safety-day.eventbrite.com>. For more information call 734-428-8610 or email [WashCoPandE@gmail.com](mailto:WashCoPandE@gmail.com).

### Project RED Volunteers needed

Project Rural Education Days will again be held in mid-April, this year from Tuesday April 16 to Thursday, April 18 at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds. Set up and tree wrapping will be April 15. Volunteers will be needed for tree wrapping, animal exhibits, tour guides, commodity displays, and other

educational exhibits. Contact Kellie to be put on the volunteer list. Thousands of 3<sup>rd</sup> graders across the county enjoy this event each year, and it takes many hands to pull the event together. Don't miss out on this wonderful community event. Thanks for your help!

### **Remember to add 4-H Marketing Opportunities to our list**

We need your input! The county 4-H database of area events can be added to at any time. Just click the link and type any details you know into the questionnaire. You can go back at add things anytime and you can leave lots of things blank! Just enter your email and we can follow up if we have questions later. The link is: <https://goo.gl/forms/PwnX9ueWGuhOgGbj2> This includes school open houses, festivals, resource fairs, etc. (Vague details are invited and welcome!!) Once we have this list, we will publicize the upcoming opportunities to see what individuals or clubs are able to host a 4-H information table during the event. This is great practice for becoming a 4-H Ambassador! Thanks for your help with this exciting new marketing project!

## **YOUTH SHOW**

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### **4-H Youth Show Dates**

4-H Youth Show Dates are on the Washtenaw County 4H Calendar: July 21-26, 2019.

### **Important Updates for Swine and Beef Exhibitors**

#### Swine Exhibitors:

As many swine showman know, last year was the last year that the National Pork Board offered Youth Pork Quality Assurance certifications. If you went through the certification last year, that will still be accepted this year. However if you have never been certified, or are up for recertification this year we are offering Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) certification.

#### Beef Exhibitors:

On January 1, 2019 Tyson Foods announced that starting in 2019 they are requiring ALL beef producers who market their cattle with Tyson to receive a Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) certification. A large number of our cattle who are sold at the 4-H Youth Show are resold to Tyson through Napoleon Livestock Commission Company. Tyson has announced that they will be accepting YQCA for youth instead of BQA.

#### What's Next:

You can take the YQCA certification online at <http://yqca.org/>. As of right now, the only way to go through the certification is online, as Agriculture teachers and veterinarians are the only folks who can become YQCA instructors in the state of Michigan. Extension staff are trying really hard to A) find local instructors to teach an in person training, B) work with YQCA to allow Michigan Extension staff to become certified instructors. We realize that many folks in rural areas of the county do not have the greatest internet services, so we are more than willing to allow you to go through the online certification at the Extension Office. We also understand that right now this is confusing, and a big change so if you have questions you can call/email Kathleen at (734)222-3936 or [nogglek1@msu.edu](mailto:nogglek1@msu.edu). In the next couple of months we will have more answers about where Extension Staff stand and what we will be requiring for Washtenaw County, so please stay tuned.

### **Livestock Weigh-In and Tagging Dates**

**Beef** weigh-in and tagging will be March 2<sup>nd</sup> and **Lamb, goat, and feeder calf** weigh in and **swine** tagging will be **May 4<sup>th</sup>**. Both weigh-ins will be held at the Farm Council Grounds and will go from 8:00 – 11:00 AM. Here are a few reminders about weigh-in/tagging rules:

- ALL cattle must have an RFID tag in their ear at weigh-in and at the Youth Show
- Animals MUST be tagged in at the spring weigh-in in order to be shown at the Youth Show.
- Exhibitors are allowed to tag in up to 4 animals, but can only exhibit 2 at the Youth Show
- All males must be castrated before tagging
- All sheep and goats must have a Scrapies tag or tattoo at weigh-in and at the Youth Show
- Lambs cannot exceed **110** pounds at the spring weigh-in
- All market hogs must be tagged at the spring weigh-in, but they will NOT be weighed. Hogs are not allowed to leave the trailer



### Youth Show Registration for 2019

This year we will be opening the 2019 4-H Youth Show Registration on Martech Blue Ribbon on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Registration will be closed June 23 at 11:59 PM. This is moved up by one week, so please plan accordingly.

## HORSE NEWS AND UPDATES

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### Washtenaw 4-H Horse Association

The Washtenaw 4-H Horse Association is open to ALL 4-H members, parents, and volunteers who are active or interested in the 4-H Horse and Pony Project. The Horse Association is responsible for handling many of the decisions regarding horses for the Youth Show. The meeting scheduled for January 22<sup>nd</sup> was postponed until January 29<sup>th</sup> due to weather. In February, the Horse Board (officers) will meet 2/12 and the Association will meet 2/26. At the meeting on February 26, Cari Althouse from Tribute Feeds will be presenting on horse nutrition. There will also be pizza provided at this meeting!



### Tack Sale Date is Set!

The Horse and Pony Association Tack Sale is booked for February 24<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds. This year 10x10 spaces will be sold for \$35 to non 4-Hers and \$25 to 4-Hers. Additional tables/spaces will be \$25 for non 4-Hers and \$10 for 4-Hers. Reservations must be made by February 15<sup>th</sup> or there will be a \$5 late fee per table/space. All of the proceeds from the tack sale will go to the Washtenaw County 4-H Horse Program. Registration forms can be found here: [https://www.canr.msu.edu/washtenaw/washtenaw\\_county\\_4\\_h/councils-and-committees](https://www.canr.msu.edu/washtenaw/washtenaw_county_4_h/councils-and-committees)

### Washtenaw 4-H Hippology Team

We currently have several 4-H Youth in Washtenaw County who are practicing for the Michigan State 4-H Hippology contest being held on March 23 at the MSU Pavillion. The Hippology contest is broken out into six phases: 1) written examination, 2) stations (identification), 3) slide test, 4) skills, 5) judging, 6) team problem. If you are interested in learning more about the Washtenaw 4-H Hippology team reach out to Sherry Kollien at [skollein@gmail.com](mailto:skollein@gmail.com). State contest rules can be found here: [https://www.canr.msu.edu/horses\\_ponies/registration-information?fbclid=IwAR3WtT445cV1jzqaHsh-4EgpcFRTX05oR6rDHbUon3Fy88uaFajahKgatll](https://www.canr.msu.edu/horses_ponies/registration-information?fbclid=IwAR3WtT445cV1jzqaHsh-4EgpcFRTX05oR6rDHbUon3Fy88uaFajahKgatll).

### **Spring Round-Up Dates Set**

This year Spring Round-Up will be a weekend affair! On Saturday May 18th there will be a gymkhana clinic and on Sunday, May 19th there will be the actual SRU open show. More information will be coming, but mark your calendars for these great opportunities!

## **LIVESTOCK AND DAIRY NEWS**

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### **Livestock and Dairy Committee**

The next Livestock and Dairy Committee meeting is scheduled for February 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Extension Office. This will be a **mandatory** meeting for all Livestock clubs. Please send at least 1 representative per club. Also, ALL superintendents are invited as well. At this upcoming meeting we will be discussing Youth Show duties, weigh-in, and many other important items of business.

### **Livestock and Dairy Tack Sale**

Extra! Extra! Read all about it! Keep your Saturdays in March open! A Livestock and Dairy sub-committee is planning a Livestock Tack Sale to be held at the Dexter Mill on a Saturday in March. Day and time are TBD. This is open to the public! If you have some livestock equipment that you aren't using, or are a new 4-Her and need some equipment come check this out. For more details email Mary Schloss at [mtschloss01@gmail.com](mailto:mtschloss01@gmail.com). Keep your eye out for a Facebook update once a date is selected. This will also be further discussed at the next Livestock and Dairy Committee meeting on 2/14.

### **Interested in Livestock Judging?**

We are hoping to start up Livestock Judging practices and are looking for more members for our team! Livestock Judging consists of evaluating sheep, hogs, beef cattle, and goats in classes of 4 animals. Animals are ranked 1-4 and some of the classes you are able to talk to a judge to give them "reasons" why you placed the class that way. This is a great way to improve your selection decisions for your own livestock purchases. This is also a great way to further develop your public speaking skills. If you are interested please contact Matthew Noggle at [matnog11@gmail.com](mailto:matnog11@gmail.com).

### **Dairy Quiz Bowl Practices Set**

The next Dairy Quiz Bowl will be meeting on Monday, February 18. They will meet at 7:00 pm at Horning Farms in Manchester. They will be learning various facts about dairy science and dairy production to prepare for the statewide dairy quiz bowl competition in July. Ages 9 to 19 are welcome! If you are interested come check out this kick off meeting! Contact Katelyn Packard if you are interested or have any questions, [klhorning14@gmail.com](mailto:klhorning14@gmail.com) or 734-367-3147.

## SMALL ANIMAL NEWS

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### **Small Animal Committee**

The Small Animal Committee meeting scheduled for January 22 was postponed due to weather and will be meeting January 29 at 6:30 PM at the Extension Office. Final Youth Show book revisions will be voted on at this meeting. The next meeting will be scheduled for March 26<sup>th</sup>. As a reminder, this group is open to any youth, parents, or volunteers who are active or interested in goat, llama, poultry, rabbit, dog, cat, cavy, or pocket pet 4-H projects. This group works very hard on planning for the Youth Show, arranging small animal related workshops, and recruiting new 4-H members. The Small Animal Committee meets every other month on the 4th Tuesday of odd months at 6:30 PM at the Extension Office.

### **Seeking Small Animal Mentors**

Are you excited about pocket pets, guinea pigs, rabbits, or poultry? Then we need you! We are looking for teens 13 years and older to help start a new mentoring program for small animals. If you are interested in helping to mentor a younger 4-H member in one of these breed classes, please contact Rhea W. at ([rhealmw57@gmail.com](mailto:rhealmw57@gmail.com)) or Kathleen Noggle at ([nogglek1@anr.msu.edu](mailto:nogglek1@anr.msu.edu)).

### **Dog Obedience Practices**

4-H Dog obedience and showmanship practices will be starting up on March 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at the Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds. There are going to be many changes to the Dog program this year as we are wanting to make it stronger and available for more kiddos to participate. If you can't wait to start working with your pooch and want to get involved reach out to Monique Lasky, [dandelion532015@gmail.com](mailto:dandelion532015@gmail.com).

## STILL PROJECT UPDATES

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### **Still Projects Committee Meeting Met**

We met in January on that icy evening and met via Zoom web-based video meeting, and it was pretty handy! Topics included Cloverbud camp and Youth show final plans. We will be seeking judges for Still projects pretty soon, so share names and helpful feedback if you have any. Future meetings are on the 4th Tuesday of each ODD month at 6:30 at the MSUE offices, but we did discuss adjusting meetings so some small animal volunteers could attend both, so watch for changes if you are interested in this committee. This committee is made up of any aged 4-H member or leader who participates in still projects at the 4-H Youth Show. That means you! Please join in the discussion to make our 4-H event even better! Contact Sheri if you want to attend a meeting or have questions. [montoyes@msu.edu](mailto:montoyes@msu.edu) or 734-222-3905.

### **Winter 4-H Still Projects Workshop**

Registration is now open for the 4-H Still Projects Workshops on February 23. Three sessions will be offered from 9-noon at the Farm Council Grounds with 13 different classes available. Registration information went out via facebook and email in late January. Topics of available classes include: dogs,

pocket pets and caviars, glasscraft, poultry, papercraft, poultry mentoring, rabbits, plants decorated clothing, and a new class called “How to get ‘SOLD’ with your market project.” Reach out to Sheri at [montoyes@msu.edu](mailto:montoyes@msu.edu) if you have questions.

## REGIONAL AND STATE 4-H OPPORTUNITIES

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### **World Food Prize Michigan Youth Institute registrations due April 1**

As millions across the globe deal with food insecurity, the World Food Prize Michigan Youth Institute (WFP MIYI) offers young people an opportunity to be part of the solution. Held May 9, the event seeks to inspire and prepare the next generation of global leaders to end world hunger.

Occurring in two locations, East Lansing and Marquette/Chatham, attendees have the opportunity to share their ideas related to global food security with experts and other Michigan youth while learning how university faculty and staff members, researchers and students are working to address world hunger.

To participate, youth should be in grades 8-12 and register by the April 1 deadline. As part of the registration process, youth are required to prepare a two- to five-page research paper about one of twenty grand global challenges which are related to food, hunger and poverty. At the event, youth present and discuss their papers with other attendees and research and industry experts. They also participate in interactive activities related to global food challenges and engage with area experts to discuss solutions to global hunger and poverty.

The top performing students at the WFP MIYI will be selected to attend the World Food Prize Global Youth Institute in Des Moines, Iowa, in October. For more information, visit <https://www.canr.msu.edu/wfpmiyi/>. Registrations and papers are due April 1.

### **Start planning your 4-H Exploration Days adventure!**

A fun summer favorite for Michigan 4-H'ers across the state, plans are well underway for the 2019 4-H Exploration Days! This signature MSU precollege program, to be held June 19-21, allows youth to stay on the campus of Michigan State University while attending classroom and field trip sessions throughout their stay. In addition to enjoying fun and learning on campus, attendees build the skills they need to successfully transition to college and to life as an adult.

The event features more than 200 session choices. Begin planning your stay when the 4-H Exploration registration books become available mid-February! Topics include animal science, business and entrepreneurship, international language and culture, performing and visual arts, and science, engineering, and technology.

Use the registration book to make your top session selections in advance of registration opening on March 12 (also be on the lookout for session age restrictions). Sessions will fill up quickly and all registration information is due to your county's MSU Extension office at the end of April, although specific dates vary.

For more information, contact your local MSU Extension office or visit [https://www.canr.msu.edu/4\\_h\\_exploration\\_days/](https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days/).





## **Michigan 4-H Miniature Horse Show Guidelines now available**

The new Michigan 4-H Miniature Horse Show Guidelines allow Michigan 4-H mini showmen to understand the rules governing their shows. It is also a great resource for leaders and show managers, as well as 4-H members!

Included in the document is information for all classes, including: jumper, hunter, costume, driven dressage, gymkhana, pole bending and more.

Download your free copy today at [https://www.canr.msu.edu/horses\\_ponies/uploads/files/Miniature-Horse-Rule-Book-Final-2019.pdf](https://www.canr.msu.edu/horses_ponies/uploads/files/Miniature-Horse-Rule-Book-Final-2019.pdf).

## **State Calendar of Events**

### **Citizenship Washington Focus registration available**

Washington, D.C.

Registration for the 2019 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) program, taking place June 22-29, is now available. Program participants learn about the nation's government by participating in hands-on leadership workshops and touring historical sites in Washington, D.C. The cost of the 2019 4-H CWF program is \$1,500 and includes all meals (except seven meals in transit), lodging and transportation. There are only 15 more spaces available! Register now!

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/CWF2019/>

### **February 1: National 4-H Conference Registration Deadline**

*Washington, D.C*

National 4-H Conference will be held April 6-11 at the National 4-H Conference Center in Chevy Chase, MD. This is the pinnacle experience in civic engagement, providing the opportunity for young people to connect, learn, engage, lead and impact their communities, their nation and their world. For questions contact Sara Keinath at [skeinath@msu.edu](mailto:skeinath@msu.edu).

[National 4-H Conference website](#)

### **February 1: 4-H State Award Deadline**

*Online*

Submit your State Award application on time for careful review by the selection committee. The application may take several weeks to finalize, so be sure to get an early start.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4\\_h\\_state\\_awards](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_state_awards)

### **February 1-2: Michigan 4-H Horse Judging Workshop and Practice Contest**

*MSU Pavilion, East Lansing*

Participants will have the opportunity to judge high quality Quarter Horses and deliver a set of reasons after learning more about evaluating horses from Extension experts.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan\\_4\\_h\\_horse\\_judging\\_workshop\\_practice\\_contest](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan_4_h_horse_judging_workshop_practice_contest)

### **February 2-3: 4-H Winterfest**

*Kettunen Center, Tustin*

Registration is now open! Spaces are limited, so if you are interested contact Renee Carroll at [carro188@msu.edu](mailto:carro188@msu.edu) ASAP! Attendees will spend 2 days learning about all sorts of different project areas while meeting youth from across the state. Visit the winterfest page to learn more

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4\\_h\\_winterfest16](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_winterfest16)

**February 2 : 4-H Benefit Clinic**

*MSU Pavilion, East Lansing*

Learn more about form, function, improving patterns and lead changes from experts Brian Bannerman, September Croel and Karen Waite during this day of interactive sessions.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-benefit-clinic>

**Now recruiting for 4-H Capitol Experience 2019**

*Lansing, MI*

4-H Capitol Experience is now recruiting for 2019 participants! This annual statewide program, occurring March 17-20, helps prepare youth for active citizenship by focusing on civic engagement and public policy. More than 100 teens from around the state converge on Lansing to experience state government in action and learn how they can influence policy issues. Participants interact with legislators, state agency staff, and other resource people to learn how policy is made. Cost for this event is \$360 and includes most meals, lodging and materials. Must register by February 10<sup>th</sup>.

[https://www.canr.msu.edu/4\\_h\\_capitol\\_experience/](https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_capitol_experience/).

**February 15-16: 4-H Veterinary Science Teen and Adult Leaders Workshop**

*Kettunen Center, Tustin*

Explore animal systems and learn about animal health for a broad array of animals species. Come prepared to learn from experienced veterinarians and others.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-veterinary-science-teen-and-adult-leaders-workshop>

**February 16: Michigan 4-H at the Griffins**

*VanAndel Arena, Grand Rapids*

Come out to VanAndel Arena for an exciting night of hockey with the Grand Rapids Griffins! A portion of each ticket will support Michigan 4-H programming.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-at-the-griffins>

**February 16-17: 4-H Beef, Sheep and Swine Teen and Adult Leaders Workshop**

*Kettunen Center, Tustin*

This workshop is designed for both teen and adult leaders who are involved with beef cattle, sheep and swine projects. Topics include animal health, management, care and nutrition.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-beef-sheep-and-swine-teen-and-adult-leaders-workshop>

**February 23: 4-H Teen and Adult 4-H Horse Leaders Conference**

*Anthony Hall, East Lansing*

Attend this conference to explore topics such as horse judging, equine first aid, and veterinary care for horses. Information shared will assist leaders in youth development and more.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/mi-4-h-teen-adult-4-h-horse-leaders-conference>

**February 23-24: 4-H Teen Leaders in Action Workshop**

*Kettunen Center, Tustin*

Teens attending this workshop will learn how to teach an educational lesson to other youth in their local community.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-teen-leaders-in-action-workshop>

**February 24: 4-H Alumni Tip-Off Reception**

*MSU Spartan Stadium, East Lansing*

The Michigan 4-H alumni community is invited to an alumni reception prior to the 4-H Day at the Breslin event.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-alumni-tip-off-reception>

**February 24: 4-H Day at the Breslin**

*MSU Breslin Center, East Lansing*

Show your Michigan 4-H pride while cheering on the MSU Women's Basketball team during this annual event.

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

## Save the Date!

**March 9: Michigan 4-H Dog Youth and Adult Training**

*MSU, Anthony Hall*

4-H Youth and Adults are invited to learn more about various aspects of dog care, management and training from seasoned professionals. Cost is \$25 per person which includes lunch and materials.

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/DogProjectWorkshop/>

**March 15-17: Michigan 4-H Dairy Conference**

*Kettunen Center, Tustin*

This year's theme is dairy nutrition, so there will be sessions focusing on the ruminant digestive tract, how to feed cattle from calf through adulthood, and related topics. There will be a farm visit Saturday afternoon.

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/dairy2019/>

**March 16-17: Michigan 4-H Robotics Leaders Workshop**

*Kettunen Center, Tustin*

The workshop is open to adult and teen volunteer leaders ages 13 and up interested in developing and growing a 4-H robotics club. Participants will be introduced to and learn basic robotic skills, as well as explore different types of robotic projects within LEGO Mindstorms EV3, VEX Robotics, LEGO Wedo and Junk Drawer Robotics.

[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan\\_4\\_h\\_robotics\\_leaders\\_workshop\\_2019](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan_4_h_robotics_leaders_workshop_2019)

**March 23-24: 4-H Horse Judging, Hippology, & Communications Contest**

*MSU Pavillion, East Lansing*

Entry forms for the Horse Judging, Hippology, and Communications contests are now available. In addition, a new award of "Overall Outstanding 4-H Equine Science Contestant" will be awarded in each division. To be eligible you must enter in at least two contest areas.

[www.canr.msu.edu/horses\\_ponies/registration-information](http://www.canr.msu.edu/horses_ponies/registration-information)

# WASHTENAW 4-H CALENDAR

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## February

- 11 - Washtenaw Farm Council - 7:30 PM
- 12 - Horse Board - 6:30 PM
- 14 - JR Livestock - 6:00 PM
- 14 - Livestock and Dairy Committee - 7:00 PM
- 22 - 4-H Staff Calendar Work Day - 4-H Staff out of the office
- 23 - Still Project Winter Workshop - FCG
- 24 - 4-H Horse & Pony Tack Sale – FCG
- 26 – Horse Association – 7:00 PM

## March

- 2- Beef Weigh In – 8:00-11:00 – FCG
- 5 – Dog Obedience – 6:30 PM - FCG
- 7 – 4-H Staff District Meeting – 4-H Staff out of the office
- 11 – Washtenaw Farm Council – 7:30 PM
- 12 – Horse Board – 6:30 PM
- 14 – Advisory Council – 7:00 PM
- 21 – Livestock and Dairy Board – 6:00 PM
- 21 – Youth Show Leadership Team – 7:00 PM
- 26 – Small Animal Committee – 6:30 PM
- 26 – Horse Association – 7:00 PM
- 29 – 4-H Staff Calendar Planning Day – 4-H Staff out of the office

## April

- 8 – Washtenaw Farm Council – 7:30 PM
- 9 – Horse Board – 6:30 PM
- 11 – JR Livestock – 6:00 PM
- 11 – Livestock and Dairy – 7:00 PM
- 15 – Project RED Set Up
- 16-18 – Project RED
- 23-25 – MSUE Children and Youth Institute Spring Conference – 4-H Staff out of the office
- 30 – Horse Association – 7:00 PM

[https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=msu.edu\\_q1m041it45rpupo2apth9a2htk@group.calendar.google.com](https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=msu.edu_q1m041it45rpupo2apth9a2htk@group.calendar.google.com)

### 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](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/topic/events/4_h)