



Eaton County

4-H Family News

November 2018

Reminder to reenroll by November 15!

Have you submitted your reenrollment for this year yet? The deadline for reenrollment is November 15!

All youth and volunteers need to reenroll in 4-H each year. Youth members need to submit their reenrollment via 4-H Online and submit the \$20 participation fee to the Extension office. Volunteers need to submit their reenrollment via 4-H Online and for volunteers with birthdates between January 1 and April 30, complete the online background check (see email from 4-H Online that was sent on 9/5). All reenrollments are not complete until they have been approved by the Extension office (marked as "Active" in 4-H Online).

If you have problems with the online system, please contact us! Emails from 4-H Online will be switched to only sending to current active and pending members on November 15. Reenrollment information, including the link to 4-H Online, can be found at: http://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/michigan_4_h_enrollment

Upcoming County Meetings and Events:

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

- Small Animal Association, 11/1, 7 pm, PMR
- 4-H Participation Celebration, 11/3, Kardel
- 4-H Council, 11/5, 7 pm, PMR
- Dog Committee, 11/7, 6:30 pm, PMR
- Extension office CLOSED 11/12 and 11/13
- Fairboard, 11/12, 7 pm, Kardel
- Horse Development Committee, 11/14, 6:30 pm, PMR
- 4-H Fashion Show Committee (formerly Style Revue), 11/28, 6 pm, Extension office
- Officer Training, 12/3, 6-8pm, PMR *Please RSVP by 11/30*
- Jr Livestock Association, 12/10, 7 pm, PMR
- Youth Adult Partnerships Training, 12/13, 6-8pm, PMR *Please RSVP by 12/12*
- Fairboard, 12/17, 7 pm, Kardel

Follow our Google calendar for a calendar layout of events!

http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/eaton/eaton_county_4_h/4_h_events_calendar

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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

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

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

Bruce Township Hall, Dafter

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

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

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>.

Shooting Sports Informational Meeting

Are you interested in participating in the 4-H Shooting Sports club this year? You won't want to miss the informational meeting on 12/8 at 10 a.m. at Kardel Hall. The meeting will go over sign-up information, schedule, and more!

Officer Training

Have you been elected as an officer of your club or 4-H group? Want to know how to perform your role? How do you make a motion and run a meeting? Learn about officer roles and parliamentary procedure at the Officer Training on Monday, December 3, from 6 p.m.—8 p.m. in the PMR (basement of Extension office). RSVP for this FREE training by November 30 to the Extension office! Pizza will be available at 5:30 p.m.

Help grow the Eaton County 4-H Endowment through December 31, 2018!

Support our county program and your gift is doubled! The Michigan 4-H Foundation is continuing to match all eligible gifts to the Eaton County 4-H Endowment until December 31, 2018. Gifts that are made to the endowment are matched 1:1 through the end of this year. Help grow our endowment, which will provide a long lasting gift for our county 4-H program! Endowment funds are used to support a variety of county 4-H educational offerings, such as the 2018 4-H Cloverbud Camp. You can help contribute by visiting <https://mi4hfdtn.org/make-the-match-county-4-h-endowment/>.

Eaton County 4-H alumni change the world!

Eaton County 4-H alumna and now 4-H volunteer Rosalyn Brummette from Goldiggers 4-H Club was recently featured by the MSU Department of Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics for her contributions to the agriculture community. Rosalyn works with the U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry after graduating from MSU in 2016. Read more about Rosalyn at <http://www.canr.msu.edu/news/brummette>.

Small Animal Association Corner

- Next meeting: 11/1 at 7 p.m. in the PMR. All those in rabbit/cavy, poultry, and goat projects are encouraged to attend.

4-H Council Corner

- Next meeting: 11/5 at 7 p.m. in the PMR. Council serves an important function for guiding our county program as a whole, including offering educational opportunities, scholarships, and organizing our awards banquet and food shack. **Council is in need of YOUR help!** Due to declining attendance, Council may experience restructuring. Your voice at this meeting is very important to help shape these efforts! All clubs are encouraged to send at least one volunteer and one youth representative.

Dog Committee Corner

- Next meeting: 11/ 7 at 6:30 p.m. in the PMR. Share your thoughts on how the dog program went this past year and your ideas for the future! All those in the dog project are encouraged to attend.

Fair board Corner

- Next meeting: 11/12 at 7 p.m. at Kardel Hall.

Horse Development Committee Corner

- Next meeting: 11/14 at 6:30 p.m. in the PMR. HDC is discussing restructuring to fewer meetings per year and focusing on educational development at meetings and through a workshop. Come share your thoughts and help shape the future of the county horse program! All those in the horse project are encouraged to attend.

Jr Livestock Association Corner

- Next meeting: 12/10 at 7 p.m. in the PMR. All those in beef, sheep, and swine projects are encouraged to attend.
- Bylaw change approved at last meeting include age changes to follow 4-H age (youth who are 4-H age 8 are included in all sale rules). Sale order remains beef, sheep, swine and not rotating. Changes to carcass through the sale were discussed and will be voted on at the December meeting.

4-H Fashion Show Committee

- Next meeting: 11/28 at 6 p.m. at the Extension office. Formerly Style Revue Committee, this meeting will discuss rebranding the event and combining entries to make a fun, competitive event for those in the clothing/textile project areas. All are welcome to share input for this event!
- Save the date! The show will be on March 23 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Charlotte.

Youth-Adult Partnerships Training

Volunteers, do you want to strengthen your skills when working with youth on youth voice, leadership, and involvement in your club? Learn how to work with youth as partners to build a better club! Three trainings on youth-adult partnerships will be held throughout the 2018-2019 program year. **ALL VOLUNTEERS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND ONE TRAINING!** Volunteers who attend this training will count toward the Training category in the Club Standards Award. Trainings are free and dinner or refreshments will be served 30 minutes prior to the start of the training. All trainings are located in the Public Meeting Room (basement of the Extension office). Please RSVP to the Extension office by the day prior to the training you want to attend. Youth are welcome to attend as well!

- Thursday, December 13, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Thursday, January 24, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
- Third date TBD.

Prospective Volunteers

Have you considered becoming a volunteer? All prospective volunteers must go through the Volunteer Selection Process in its entirety prior to being accepted as a volunteer. Any adult who is involved in a club activity on an ongoing basis (more than 4 meetings) must go through this process. The full process can be found at http://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/msu_extension_volunteer_selection_process.

One of the steps to become a new 4-H leader is to complete an interview with 4-H staff. If you know someone who wants to volunteer, the next scheduled interview dates are 11/26 for time slots available between 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Interviews take approximately 30 minutes. Call the Extension office to RSVP for a time slot.

Upcoming volunteer orientation dates are 11/26 at 6:30 p.m. The orientation will take about 1 & 1/2 to 2 hours and you must RSVP to the Extension office. All volunteers must attend an orientation within their first year of becoming a registered leader.