



Monroe County

# 4-H Family News

May 2020

Although our physical office is closed and we are not offering in-person programs at this time due to novel coronavirus mitigation measures, your Monroe County MSU Extension and Michigan 4-H team members are still working remotely to provide you with virtual programs and resources.

**You can now view our google calendar with all the latest updates, including Zoom connection information, on our website.**

[https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=monroecounty4hprogram%40gmail.com&ctz=America%2FNew\\_York](https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=monroecounty4hprogram%40gmail.com&ctz=America%2FNew_York)

Please use this calendar to follow scheduling updates as we work through this unprecedented time together!

## Monroe County Fair UPDATES!

MSU has suspended all face-to-face 4-H programming through September 1st, 2020. This means Monroe County 4-H will not be present at the Monroe County Fair. For updates on the status of the fair, please contact their office directly. Please note that their office will remain closed through our current stay home order of May 28th.

(734) 241-5775

[info@monroecountyfair.com](mailto:info@monroecountyfair.com)

<http://monroecountyfair.com>

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Find us on Facebook at:

Monroe County, MI 4-H



# May 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 AG AWARENESS DAY <b>CANCELED</b>	2 DOG CAMP SHEEP SWINE TAGGING <b>CANCELED</b>
3	4 6PM YLB @ ZOOM 7PM 4-H COUNCIL @ ZOOM	5 7PM BROILER WORKSHOP @ ZOOM <b>LAST DAY TO ORDER BROILERS</b>	6	7 DUCK PICKUP	8	9
10	11 7PM HORSE & PONY MEETING @ ZOOM	12	13 7PM SWINE CLINIC @ ZOOM	14	15	16
17	18 6PM AG BOARD ZOOM <b>CANCELED</b> 7PM SAA @ ZOOM	19 7PM CAPRINE COUNCIL @ ZOOM	20 7PM JLA @ ZOOM	21	22	23 1PM LEGACY 4-H CLUB MEETING @ AG <b>CANCELED</b>
24	25  <b>Memorial Day</b> REMEMBER AND HONOR	26 7PM DOG BOARD @ ZOOM	27 7PM TEEN AMASSADORS @ ZOOM	28	29	30 SPRING GARAGE SALE @ FAIR-GROUNDS <b>CANCELED</b>
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# June 2020

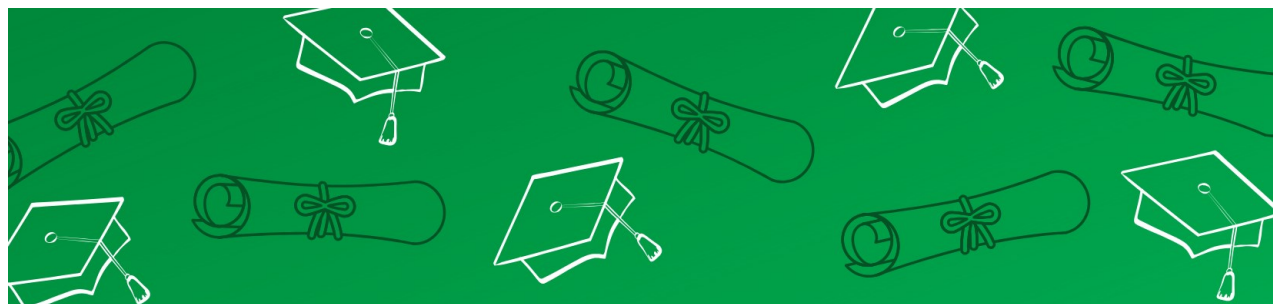
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 6PM YLB @ ZOOM 7PM 4-H COUNCIL @ ZOOM <b>YQCA DUE</b>	2	3 @ TERRA QUEST <b>CANCELED</b>	4	5	6
7	8 6PM FITTING AND SHOWING @ ZOOM 7PM HORSE & PONY ZOOM	9	10 4-H STATE AWARDS INTERVIEWS @ ZOOM	11 4-H STATE AWARDS INTERVIEWS @ ZOOM	12	13
14	15	16	17	18 BROILER PICK-UP	19	20
21	22	23 7PM DOG BOARD ZOOM	24 7PM TEEN AM-BASSADORS ZOOM	25 4-H STATE AWARDS CELEBRATION @ ZOOM (TIME TBD)	26	27
28	29	30				

its time for some . . .



## DIGITAL HOUSEKEEPING!

Due to the stay-home-stay-safe, order we are using email communication more than ever. It is important **your** information is up to date! Please double check your email, phone number and address on 4-H online!



## Class of 2020 Seniors

We want to recognize YOU!!

Please email your senior photo to Sara at [seitzsa1@msu.edu](mailto:seitzsa1@msu.edu)



Be sure to include



- Your Name
- Your High School
- Future Plans (i.e. work or school)
- A Fun Fact

We want to hear from YOU!

# Virtual Fair Survey

As many of you know MSU Extension has suspended all face to face youth interaction until September 1st. As of 4/16/2020 the Monroe County Fair plans to move forward, however there will be no 4-H presence this year. We have received many questions as to what alternatives may be offered for our 4-H youth. As of now MSU Extension is planning to create an online format for virtual programming that will be released for preview to staff in May. Should the Monroe County Fair announce a cancellation, we will look into the possibility of hosting a virtual fair on this platform. In order to get a better idea of what our Virtual Fair would look like we would appreciate if you took the time to fill out our short survey. Please let Sara and I know if you have any questions, and as always thank you for your patience and support.

Link for survey: [https://msu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_bQQxDIz80zmWRVj](https://msu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_bQQxDIz80zmWRVj)



# Virtual Workshops!



Previously scheduled species workshops will now be held virtually. On the next page, you will find connection information for each of the workshops that we are going to be offering as an online presentation to attend.

Since we are unable to meet in person, please use this time to contact our superintendents if you have any questions or concerns regarding your animal project(s).

## **General Livestock**

Rick Rozanski 734-845-6679

Justin Rozanski 419-277-8696

### **Beef**

Lee Chapman 734-586-2179

### **Sheep**

Mark Chapman 734-755-3158

### **Swine**

Eric Kuehnlein 734-777-1422

### **Dairy**

Sarah Mathe 734-915-4544

### **Goats**

Joyce Lewis 734-915-0924

## **General Small Animal**

Ron Bash 734-347-4916

Jerry Vandermeer 734-625-7901

Tim Henes 419-367-6552

### **Dogs**

Lorie Shaw 734-243-4478

### **Cats**

Becky Lomas 734-775-7992

### **Rabbits**

Jerry Vandermeer 734-625-7901

### **Cavies & Pocket Pets**

Kevin Martin 734-854-1503

### **Poultry**

Barbara Siebarth 419-350-9482

## **A few things to announce/note:**

- YQCA is STILL required to be completed by **June 1, 2020**. Visit [yqca.org](http://yqca.org) to register and pay for the online course. \$12/youth payable via credit card. All exhibitors of market poultry, market rabbits, goats, sheep, beef cattle, dairy cattle, and swine are required to complete this certification.
- Large Animals– We will need you to complete our livestock pre-registration form(s) found by clicking [here](#). This information is crucial to verify possession dates and to better prepare ourselves in the event a virtual livestock show and auction is needed. Please complete and return this form to Sara Lewis (seitzsa1@msu.edu) no later than **June 1, 2020**.



# Virtual Workshops!



**Swine Clinic: May 13, 2020 @ 7pm**

Please click this link to join the webinar:

<https://msu.zoom.us/j/827877975>

Or Telephone:

US: +1 646 876 9923

Webinar ID: 827 877 975

**Fitting and Showing Clinic: Large Livestock (Beef, Sheep, Swine) –June 8, 2020 @ 6pm**

You will need to register [here](#) for this clinic. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting, including connection link and password.

**Fitting and Showing Clinic: Small Animals (ALL)-June 8, 2020 @ 6pm**

You will need to register [here](#) for this clinic. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting, including connection link and password.

**Fitting and Showing Clinic: Goats-June 8, 2020 @ 7pm**

Meeting and connection information will be shared soon!

**Fitting and Showing Clinic: Horses-June 8, 2020 @ 7pm**

Meeting and connection information will be shared soon!



## **Workshop Recordings**

Recordings of the previously hosted workshops (Sheep, Broilers, and Rabbits/Cavies/Pocket Pets) are now available for viewing and listening on our [website](#). Feel free to visit our website to access the recordings.

## What is it?

Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) is a national multi-species quality assurance program for youth ages 8 to 21 with a focus on three core pillars: food safety, animal well-being, and character development.

## Who is required to participate?

YQCA includes information for youth showing the following animals:

- Pigs
- Beef Cattle
- Dairy Cattle
- Goats (Meat and Dairy)
- Market Rabbits
- Market Poultry
- Sheep

## Participation Options

### ONLINE:

- \$12.00/youth
- visit [yqca.org](http://yqca.org) (can create login or use 4honline login information)
- MUST COMPLETE BY JUNE 1, 2020

### IN PERSON (all held at 4-H Activity Center on Monroe County Fairgrounds):

- \$5/youth
- register and pay online using the unique link for each date
  - March 11: [https://events.ahr.msui.edu/YQCA\\_March\\_11\\_2020\\_MonroeCounty/](https://events.ahr.msui.edu/YQCA_March_11_2020_MonroeCounty/)
  - April 7: [https://events.ahr.msui.edu/YQCA\\_April\\_7\\_2020\\_MonroeCounty/](https://events.ahr.msui.edu/YQCA_April_7_2020_MonroeCounty/)
  - April 16: link to be shared
  - May 5: link to be shared
  - June 1: link to be shared

**In person classes canceled.**

**Online only**

\$5 scholarships are available on an 'as needed' basis. Contact Sara Lewis at [seitzsa1@msu.edu](mailto:seitzsa1@msu.edu) for more information



# I show an animal not listed. What am I required to do?

- Dogs
  - Youth and/or parent must attend at least 1 of 2 mandatory meetings **AND**
  - Youth must attend at least 1 of the following:
    - 1 of the 2 fun matches (First-year youth required to attend 1 fun match)
    - Ag Awareness Days
    - Fitting and Showing Clinic
    - Dog Camp
    - Agility practice
- Cats
  - Youth must attend at least 1 cat program meeting **AND/OR** Fitting and Showing Clinic
- Breeding Rabbits, Cavies, Pocket Pets, Breeding Poultry
  - First-year youth required to attend a species-specific workshop

## I am showing a species for the first time.

- Any exhibitor showing **ANY** animal--beef, sheep, swine, any poultry, any rabbits, cats, dogs, goats, dairy, cavies, pocket pets--for the first time, **MUST** attend an in-person, species-specific workshop.
- First-time exhibitors attending a species-specific workshop may also need to complete the YQCA training if required by the species--beef, sheep, pigs, dairy cattle, market poultry, market rabbits, meat and dairy goats.

## Workshop/Important Dates

7pm 4-H Activity Center (unless noted)

- ~~Poultry Workshop: March 11~~
- Rabbit, Cavy, Pocket Pet Workshop: April 2 [RECORDING NOW AVAILABLE. SEE PAGE 7 FOR LINK.](#)
- Sheep Workshop: April 7 [RECORDING NOW AVAILABLE. SEE PAGE 7 FOR LINK.](#)
- ~~SAA Spring Show: April 26 (details to be announced)~~
- Broiler Workshop: May 5 [RECORDING NOW AVAILABLE. SEE PAGE 7 FOR LINK.](#)
- Swine Workshop: May 13 [Moved to Zoom \(connection information on pg. 7\)](#)
- Fitting and Showing Clinic-all species: June 8 [Moved to Zoom \(connection information on pg. 7\)](#)

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# Now Showing: Floral City Circuit

Virtual  
Summer Series  
Horse Shows

## Show Dates:

April 1-May 1  
Showin' Off Showmanship

May 15-June 15  
All About Equitation

July 1- August 1  
Surprise Show!

All Classes FREE to enter!

Prizes for 1st-6th,  
1st: Floral City Membership  
2nd-6th: Free \$6.00 Class  
Voucher (redeemable at any  
FCC future Horse show

## Featuring:

Both Video and Photo entry classes



# Stay Connected with



## Video Conferencing

Are you looking for a way to check in with your club members, provide updates, or deliver programming? Consider hosting a virtual 4-H club meeting via Zoom! Use this form to request a virtual meeting space.

Please allow 1 business day for staff to complete your request! Let us know if there are other ways we can support you, your club and other programming efforts.

<https://forms.gle/LG1kuNCNMBUx6tHT9>



Check out next week's calendar of online programs and DIY activities to help you plan out your week. Choose your own adventure with childhood development, career exploration, STEM, healthy living and leadership options:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/.../Weekly-Activities-for-Youth/index>

## M-F Daily Plan



**early childhood development**



**science, tech, engineering, math**



**leadership & civic engagement**



**career exploration**



**healthy living**



# WHAT ARE YOU UP TO?

**Raked the neighbors yard?  
Baked something new?  
Painted a picture?  
Did something cool?**

We want to see what you've been up to during  
quarantine!

Please send any photos or stories of how you've been  
spending your time on quarantine to [misiaksa@msu.edu](mailto:misiaksa@msu.edu).  
We would love to share them on our Facebook page.





# Virtual Expo

Have a craft or project that  
you love doing? Share it  
with us!

We need your creative and fun ideas for  
our Virtual Expo!

Due to the recent cancellations of the  
Exploring, Mini and Teen Expos, we want  
to bring a fun and exciting way to  
participate at home.

## Interested?

Record a tutorial and send it to  
[misiaksa@msu.edu](mailto:misiaksa@msu.edu). Videos will be posted  
on our Facebook page for everyone to  
do at home.



**I PLEDGE MY HANDS TO LARGER  
SERVICE...**

# **WANTED: LETTER WRITERS AND CARD MAKERS**

Many senior assisted living and rehabilitation facilities are not accepting visitors at this time for the safety of their residents and patients. This can cause a lot of people to feel very alone. Let's brighten someone's day by sending a letter, card, or drawing!

**STEP 1: WRITE A LETTER, MAKE A CARD, OR DRAW A PICTURE**

**STEP 2: MAIL TO ADDRESS BELOW. OR ANOTHER FACILITY OF YOUR CHOOSING**

**STEP 3: FILL OUT THIS SURVEY SO WE CAN TRACK OUR IMPACT:**

**[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/DYCZIWGCCHWWXSBJFB](https://forms.gle/dycziwgchwwxsbjfb)**

**Advantage Living Center  
25375 Kelly Rd, Roseville, MI 48066**

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### 4-H Mini-Grants Now Available!



Each year, the Michigan 4-H Foundation Board of Trustees approves grant opportunities for 4-H programs across the state.

These grants are designed to encourage program planning and participation by 4-H members and volunteers in partnership with MSU Extension 4-H program staff. The grants will be eligible for use in the 2020-2021 program year.

Several grant opportunities exist, ranging in value from \$400-1,000. Applications are due June 1. To learn more information about the grants visit <https://mi4hfdtn.org/grants/>.

## 4-H Events and Workshops

May 7: Adulting 101 Series– Spending Plan

*Online Zoom*

Learn quick tips for navigating life and college. In this session, learn how to develop a spending plan by budgeting and tracking your money. Preregistration required.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting-101-mayseries-spendingplan>

May 7: Ocean Explorers with Madison

*Online Zoom*

Join your 4-H friends and marine educator Madison Dix as we explore sea life! Learn about amazing creatures, their habitats and stewardship issues surrounding ocean life.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/ocean-explorers-with-madison-may-7>

May 12: MSU Extension’s Family Yoga with Kylie

*Online Zoom*

Help keep your family moving! Join MSU Extension for yoga, breathing and mindfulness. All ages and abilities welcome!

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/msu-extensions-family-yoga-with-kylie-may-12>

May 14: Ocean Explorers with Madison

*Online Zoom*

Join your 4-H friends and marine educator Madison Dix as we explore sea life! Learn about amazing creatures, their habitats and stewardship issues surrounding ocean life.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/ocean-explorers-with-madison-may-14>

May 28: Adulting 101 Series— Cooking 101

*Online Zoom*

Learn quick tips for navigating life and college. In this session, learn tips and tricks for easy cooking. Preregistration required.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting-101-mayseries-cooking101>

For the full event listing of virtual events for youth audiences, visit <https://bit.ly/3dqPffl>.





### Help Fight COVID-19 with the Michigan 4-H Mask Project

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues, the Michigan 4-H community has stepped up to help. CDC guidelines encourage the use of cloth face coverings to protect against disease spread; 4-H families across the state have sewn homemade cloth face coverings to protect the public, essential workers, and healthcare workers. By mid-April, more than 2,400 cloth face coverings had been donated to over 25 organizations. These cloth face coverings were created in 32 counties

by more than 40 4-H youth and adult volunteers.

Though an amazing feat, the need is still great. Fortunately, the Michigan 4-H community is as great as the need; by working together, we can help to address this need and more.

The newly launched [Michigan 4-H Mask Project website](https://extension.msu.edu/MI4H Masks) ([extension.msu.edu/MI4H Masks](https://extension.msu.edu/MI4H Masks)) has instructions for making and donating to these efforts, using basic sewing skills and a few simple supplies. Join in making a difference in the fight against COVID-19.

Questions about this project? Contact MSU Extension Staff: Anne Kretschmann at [kretsc11@msu.edu](mailto:kretsc11@msu.edu) or Gary Williams at [will1009@msu.edu](mailto:will1009@msu.edu).

### Update on Face-to-Face 4-H Programming

On April 2, 2020, MSU made the decision to modify or suspend youth events scheduled to take place this summer on MSU's campus. This, combined with Gov. Whitmer's announcement that in-person K-12 instruction is suspended for the remainder of the academic year, has informed changes to MSU Extension's youth programming. These changes include:

- All on-campus MSU youth events scheduled to occur before September 1, 2020 will be modified to an online space, postponed or cancelled.
- No face-to-face MSU Extension youth events or programs will take place anywhere in the state, including summer camps, until September 1, 2020. This applies to events and activities scheduled through September 1 that are led by Michigan 4-H volunteers as well.

Given the fluid nature of this situation, it may be a few weeks before decisions are reached about which programs will become virtual versus which will be postponed or canceled; information will be shared as soon as it is available. Regardless, all program participants will receive a full refund for any out-of-pocket event fees already paid for affected programs. Staff will be in contact regarding this matter in the coming weeks; we appreciate your patience with this process.

This decision has implications on 4-H classes and activities at county fairs. MSU Extension is working with the Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions, as well as local fair boards, to pursue new delivery methods for these 4-H events. Please watch for more information in the coming weeks.

Youth safety and security are a guiding principle of Michigan 4-H; this decision is a reflection of that and our ongoing commitment to helping Michigan youth be physically and emotionally safe. Although the right thing to do for the health and wellbeing of MSU Extension staff, volunteers, program participants and all Michiganders, this is still a heartbreaking decision for us.

Now more than ever, MSU Extension remains committed to delivering meaningful experiences to youth and volunteers through a variety of supplemental offerings that support the educational development of Michigan youth. We will continue to update our [Remote Learning and Resources](https://extension.msu.edu/Remote Learning and Resources) space ([extension.msu.edu/Online4MI](https://extension.msu.edu/Online4MI)) with online programs, so be sure to visit the site frequently.

### Managing Youth Stress



The novel coronavirus pandemic has been stressful for everyone. Families and youth are navigating new challenges, including social distancing, uncertain health outcomes and "a new normal." These new stressors may spill over into their relationships and compound other stressful conditions in the family.

To help families better understand this stress and how to cope, MSU Extension has developed a new resource, "Managing Youth Stress."

To access the resource, visit [www.canr.msu.edu/resources/managing-youth-stress](https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/managing-youth-stress).