



Monroe County

# 4-H Family News

August/ September 2020

## A letter from our state 4-H Directors

After much discussion and study, we have decided to continue to keep all 4-H programming, meetings and events virtual until further notice. We recognize that this is a hardship on those who are eager to engage in in-person activities with their 4-H community. However, we must do everything we can to keep youth and adults safe and healthy. As such, please continue to hold 4-H club meetings and other local events virtually. MSU Extension staff members, including 4-H program coordinators, cannot support in-person activities. Further, funds raised in the name of 4-H cannot be used to support in-person events until further notice.

Although our delivery modes have changed, we are still hard at work for you. Because of our statewide reach, you have access to a number of MSU Extension events. Visit our [MSU Extension Remote Learning and Resources](#) to learn more.

Finally, we recognize that the COVID-19 pandemic and other associated factors have put a financial strain on many families. Therefore, we have opted to waive the Michigan 4-H participation fee of \$20 per person or \$60 per family for the 2020-21 4-H program year which begins September 1, 2020. Some events may continue to have registration fees. You will continue to register through 4-H Online as usual, but no participation fees will be collected or expected next year.

We assure you that this does not diminish our commitment to the 4-H community. We will continue to offer high-quality, virtual programming and experiences, and look forward to the day when we can resume in-person programming.

If you are interested in supporting 4-H in lieu of paying participation fees, please contact your 4-H program coordinator for opportunities. May we all continue to make the best better!

*Sincerely, Jeff Dwyer Director, MSU Extension and Jake DeDecker State Program Leader, Michigan 4-H*

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Monroe County, MI 4-H



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## Registration open until August 23

The Michigan Virtual State Fair is now open for entries. Check out the website and entry information!!!!

Wanna know something awesome?!? You can use the same photos you used for the Monroe County 4-H Virtual Showcase or do new ones.

Didn't participate in the Monroe County 4-H Virtual Showcase?? No problem!!! You can still register to participate in the virtual state fair!



Over \$50,000 in scholarships available to be awarded to recipients. With a small amount of entries so far, this is a great opportunity you don't want to miss!



Please consider participating!! And, we are [informally] competing with Lenawee County for highest number of participants So, lets do this--represent Monroe County 4-H!!

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# September 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3 7PM POST FAIR MEETING	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 JLA BANQUET CANCELLED	14 7PM 4-H COUNCIL MEETING 7PM HORSE & PONY MEETING	15 7PM CAPRINE COUNCIL	16 7PM JLA MEETING	17 7PM FAIR ADVISORY BOARD	18	19
20 SAA BANQUET CANCELLED	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

# THANK YOU!!!

We want to take this opportunity to extend our sincere appreciation to those who participated in the 2020 Monroe County 4-H Virtual Showcase and Auction. Your commitment to

**“Make the Best Better”**

during this unusual season makes us so proud!



# Fine Arts

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Shannon O'Brien  
Kate Secor  
Jacob Wisler  
Sara Wisler  
Seth Jaskot  
Serenity Paschalis  
Cody Staelgraeve  
Emma Wisler  
Alexis Maciejewski  
Michael Maciejewski  
Brooke Gargol  
Grace Gargol  
Ethan McLaughlin  
Molly Thompson  
Kali Wickenheiser

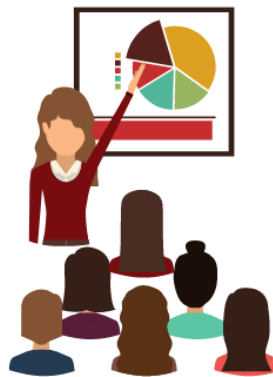
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Boden Aerts  
Amy Grummel  
Celine Alt  
Nolan Aulph  
John Jinks  
Cecelia Aulph  
Emma Laitur  
Matthew Vines  
Sonja Goetz  
Jaxson Gibson  
Stellamia Aerts  
Sophie Calcut

Makenna Wickenheiser  
Elyse Wickenheiser  
Myah Hoppert  
Kalei Hoppert  
Madison Hppert  
Collin O'Brien  
Joslyne Nielsen  
Noah Iott  
Kathy Shaw  
Lily Calcut  
Lukas Freiny  
Alexis Fisher  
Jack Calcut  
Samantha Gibson



# Communications

Congrats to all exhibitors!



Corinna Aulph  
Shannon O'Brien  
Austin Arting  
Cecelia Aulph  
Nolan Aulph  
Alana Aulph  
Stephen Wiesler



# Educational

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Shannon O'Brien  
Emma Wisler  
Jacob Wisler  
Sarah Wisler  
Serenity Paschalis  
Corinna Aulph  
Kate Secor  
Elyse Wickenheiser  
Justin Yarger  
Jaxson Gibson  
Boden Aerts  
Austin Arting  
Evan Anderson  
Katherine Sweet  
Stephen Wiesler  
Isabelle Valentine



Kara Staelgraeve  
Cody Staelgraeve  
Seth Jaskot  
Kathy Shaw  
Grace Herkimer  
Joslynne Nielsen  
Lukas Freiny  
Michael Maciejewski  
Alexis Maciejewski  
Alana Aulph  
Alexander Anderson  
Nicolas Anderson  
Samuel Vines  
Amy Grummel  
Celine Alt  
Michael Valentine Jr.

# Folk Arts

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Emma Wisler  
Jacob Wisler  
Alexis Maciejewski  
Michael Maciejewski  
Kate Secor  
Makenna Wickenheiser  
Elyse Wickenheiser  
Myah Hoppert  
Madison Hoppert  
Collin O'Brien  
Joslynne Nielsen  
Lukas Freiny  
Alexis Fisher



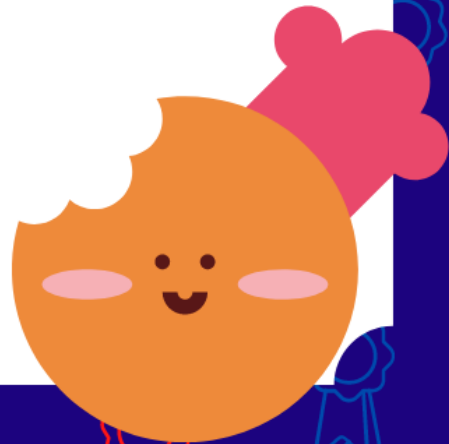
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Daniel Calcut  
Jaxson Gibson  
Stellamia Aerts  
Caia Albain  
Alana Aulph  
Lillian Wiesler  
Stephen Wiesler  
Kara Staelgraeve  
Brandon Fisher  
Austin Arting  
Samantha Gibson

# Culinary Arts

Congrats to all exhibitors!



Sara Wisler  
Alexis Maciejewski  
Emma Wisler  
Jacob Wisler  
Shannon O'Brien  
Collin O'Brien  
Joslyne Nielsen  
Alana Aulph  
Caia Albain  
Corinna Aulph  
Nolan Aulph  
Cecelia Aulph



# Produce & Horticulture

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Austin Arting  
Kara Staelgraeve  
Lukas Freiny  
Ben Winter  
Alexis Maciejewski  
Jaxson Gibson  
Logan Ausmus  
Natalie Ausmus  
Mary Ausmus  
Corinna Aulph  
Nolan Aulph  
Noah Iott  
Gabriel Iott



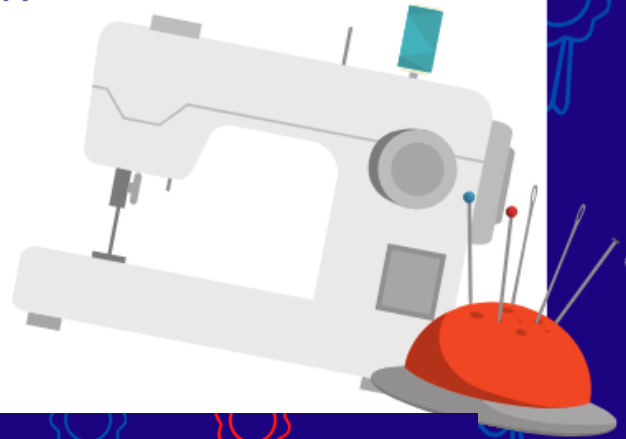
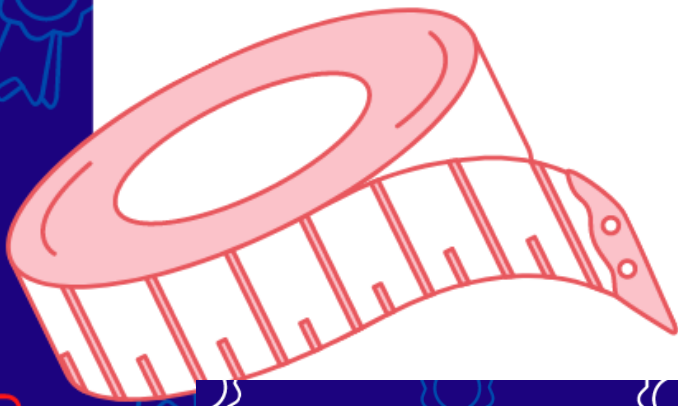
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Nicolas Anderson  
Alex Goetz  
Alana Aulph



# Sewing and Needlework

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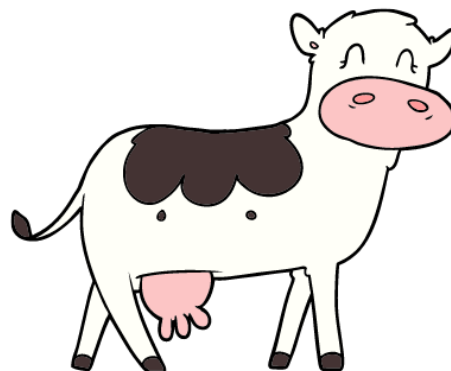
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## Dairy

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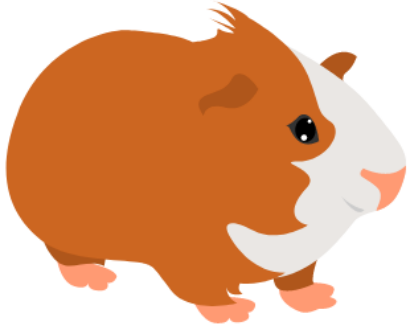
Alexandra Haws





# Cavies

Congrats to all exhibitors!



Cecelia Aulph  
Alexis Fisher  
Brandon Fisher  
JuliAnna Laird

## Cavy Showmanship

Grand Champion Showman: Alexis Fisher

Congratulations!



# Pocket Pets

Congrats to all exhibitors!

## Pocket Pet Showmanship

Grand Champion Showman:  
Alexis Fisher

Congratulations!



Corinna Aulph  
Bishop Serratos  
Alexis Fisher  
Brandon Fisher  
Samantha Gibson  
Jaxson Gibson  
Elianna Serratos  
John Jinks



# Poultry

Congrats to all exhibitors!



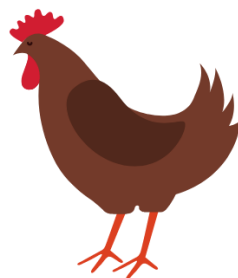
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Emma Dobberstein  
Gus Dobberstein  
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Markus Hewitt  
Owen Sampson  
Shannon O'Brien  
Garrett Diesing  
Jacob Zilka  
Rachel Holliger  
James Holliger  
Lydon Delmotte  
Aaron Dean  
Gracie Dean

Clay Sampson  
Griffin Linn  
Caleb Comstock  
Catherine Jaskulski  
Adrienne Laurain  
Madison Laurain  
Ian Nagle  
Evan Anderson  
Alexander Anderson  
Mason Nagle  
Gabriel Iott  
Noah Iott  
Stellamia Aerts  
Sophia Ford

Madison Lee  
Macie Lee  
Colin Hotchkiss  
Chase Lee  
Courtney Hotchkiss  
Nicolas Anderson  
Lilly Anderson  
Daisy Branham  
Sarah Mitchell  
Jacob Mitchell  
Lillian Wiesler  
Stephen Wiesler

## Poultry Showmanship

**Grand Champion Showman:**  
Shannon O'Brien



# Rabbit Showmanship

**Grand Champion Showman:**

Sydney Linn

**Reserve Champion Showman:**

Julianna Stratton

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Brandon Fisher

Kate Secor

Kara Staelgraeve

Cody Staelgraeve

Isabelle Valentine

Daisy Branham



# Rabbits

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Chase Harvell

Aaron Dean

Gracie Dean

Cody Staelgraeve

Ty Luty

Andrew Herkimer

Benjamin Herkimer

Grace Herkimer

Garrett Schalmo

Griffin Linn

Elianna Serratos

Griffin Linn

Sydney Linn

Alexis Fisher

Brandon Fisher

JuliAnna Laird

Kate Secor

Logan Kastel

Landon Hunter

Lilli Kastel

Makayla Ray

Kara Staelgraeve

Cameron Herkimer

Jacob Becker

Anthony Vandermeer

Isabelle Valentine

Brandon Vandermeer

Michael Valentine Jr.

Daisy Branham

Ashlynn Hunter

Sarah Fogarty

# Market Beef

Kennedy Albring

Taylor Albring

John Becker

Lyndon Delmotte

Garrett Diesing

Gus Dobberstein

Jordyn Fitch

Kylie Jaworski

Ruby Kamprath

Brooke Kuzala

Madison Lee

Amanda Leicht

Nicholas Leicht

Emily McLaughlin

Ezra McLaughlin

Hanna Muir

Kayla Muir

Kayla Pittman

Luke Pittman

Allen Roof

Owen Sampson

Keegan Sieler

Ryan Sieler

Sophie Stanger

Zoe Stanger

Robby Turner



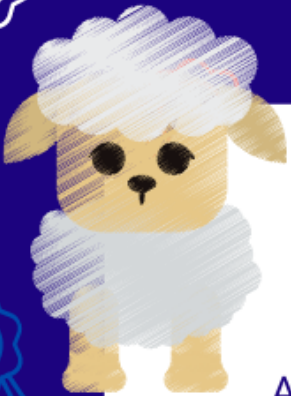
## Sheep Showmanship

**Grand Champion Showman:** Logan Lievens  
**Reserve Champion Showman:** Hannah Vincent

Congrats to all showmen!

Isabel Lievens  
Jillian Lievens  
Grace Herkimer  
Kara Staelgraeve  
Sydney Linn

Clara Iott  
Chase Harvell  
Kyle Harvell  
Paige Hunter



## Market Sheep

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Autumn Anastasoff  
Isabel Lievens  
Jillian Lievens  
Logan Lievens  
Grace Herkimer  
Andrew Herkimer  
Benjamin Herkimer  
Cameron Herkimer  
Kara Staelgraeve  
Gracie Dean  
Hannah Vincent  
Chase Harvell  
Sydney Linn  
Emily Leonard

Ava Delmotte  
Jacob Delmotte  
Natalie Delmotte  
Ashlynn Hunter  
Ryan Sieler  
Clara Iott  
Keegan Sieler  
Noah Anastasoff  
Levi Couch  
Kyle Harvell  
Emily McLaughlin  
Trusten Adams  
Sarah Adams  
Paige Hunter



# Market Swine

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Gavin Albring	Gabriel Cadle	Markus Hewitt
Kennedy Albring	Jannah Cadle	Brody Hillard
Taylor Albring	Dylan Cooley	Lainey Hillard
Patrick Antosik	Owen Cooley	Levi Hillard
Austin Bauman	Ryan Cooley	Kalei Hoppert
Noah Bauman	Mason DeBarr	Madison Hoppert
Zoe Bauman	McKenna DeBarr	Myah Hoppert
Cyanna Bauman	Hunter DeBarr	Colin Hotchkiss
Jacob Becker	Sierra DeBarr	Courtney Hotchkiss
John Becker	Emma Dobberstein	Anna Hosler
Noah Bird	Madison Fackelman	Evelynn Huber
Auden Blaisdell	Kipp Fisher	Landon Hunter
Thomas Blanchett IV	Ella Fowler	Jackson Iott
Briley Bordine	Lydia Fowler	Jacob Iott
Philip Buechele	Jack Funchion	Christian Jaskulski
Emalie Cadle	Alexandra Haws	Aleah Jaworski

# Market Swine

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Austin Jaworski	Ellianah Kuehnlein	Rachel Moore
Carson Jaworski	Adrienne Laurain	Ajay Morelli
Katelyn Jaworski	Ethan Laurain	Mason Morelli
Brett Juckette	Madison Laurain	Benjamin Motylinski Jr.
Ruby Kamprath	Chase Lee	Lillian Motylinski
Lilli Kastel	Macie Lee	Maximus Motylinski
Logan Kastel	Madison Lee	Meredith Motylinski
Olivia Kastel	Alaina Leicht	Natalie Motylinski
Madeleine Kreps	Amanda Leicht	Owen Motylinski
Samuel Kreps	Nicholas Leicht	Sydney Motylinski
Sean Kreps	Camden Lewis	Kayla Muir
Seth Kreps	Griffin Linn	Lily Nowak
Sophia Kreps	Aiden Massingill	Dennis Root
Ava Kuehnlein	Alana Massingill	Hailey Root
Blake Kuehnlein	Gabe Massingill	Carter Ruehle
Brooke Kuehnlein	Owen McLaughlin	Cooper Ruehle

# Market Swine

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Olivia Ruehle  
Ellie Salenbien  
Eve Salenbien  
Jack Salenbien  
Caroline Sargent  
Kate Secor  
Braxton Shaffer  
Rylee Shaffer  
Cody Staelgraeve  
Noah Swope

Matthew Vann  
Taylor Vann  
Elizabeth Vincent  
Jackson Wertenberger  
Ashlyn Williams  
Austin Williams  
Logan Williams  
Reese Woelmer  
Reid Woelmer  
Garrett Worden

# Swine Showmanship

**Grand Champion Showman:** Lilli Kastel

**Reserve Champion Showman:** Griffin Linn

Congrats to all showmen!

Rylee Shaffer  
Braxton Shaffer  
Reagan Shaffer  
Ayden Blaisdell  
Kalei Hoppert  
Briley Bordine  
Cody Staelgraeve  
Thomas Blanchett IV  
Delaney Williams

Ella Fowler  
Noah Bird  
Madison Fackelman  
Noah Swope  
Jackson Iott  
Dennis Root  
Hailey Root  
Jackob Iott  
Kate Secor

Elizabeth Vincent  
Patrick Antosik  
Cyanna Baumann  
Philip Buechele  
Evelynn Huber  
Myah Hoppert  
Madison Hoppert  
Caroline Sargent  
Kayla Muir

## Goat Showmanship

**Grand Champion Showman:**

Shannon O'Brien

**Reserve Champion Showman:**

Collin O'Brien

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Aaron Ostrander

## Pack Goats

**Champion Pack:** Elizabeth Gomez

**Reserve Champion Pack:** Shannon O'Brien

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Mackenzie Grider  
Austin Williams  
Logan Williams  
Ashlyn Williams

## Goats: LaMancha

**Champion:** Shannon O'Brien

**Reserve Champion:** Shannon O'Brien

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Collin O'Brien

## Goats: Nubian

**Champion:** Aaron Ostrander

**Reserve Champion:** Aaron Ostrander

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Seth Zahuranec

## Goats: Nigerian Dwarf

**Champion:** Maliah Baxter

**Reserve Champion:** Maliah Baxter



# Dog Showmanship

**Grand Champion Showman:**

Kathy Shaw

**Reserve Champion Showman:**

Carson Andrews

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Grace Herkimer  
Connor Andrews  
Celine Alt  
Amy Grummel



# Dog Agility

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Connor Andrews  
Natalie Burkheiser  
Grace Herkimer  
Carson Andrews  
Logan Williams  
Celine Alt  
Ashlyn Williams  
Stellamia Aerts



# Dog Obedience

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Connor Andrews  
Grace Herkimer  
Carson Andrews  
Stellamia Aerts



# Rally Obedience

Congrats to all exhibitors!

Connor Andrews  
Natalie Burkheiser  
Grace Herkimer  
Carson Andrews



# Doggy Dress-Up

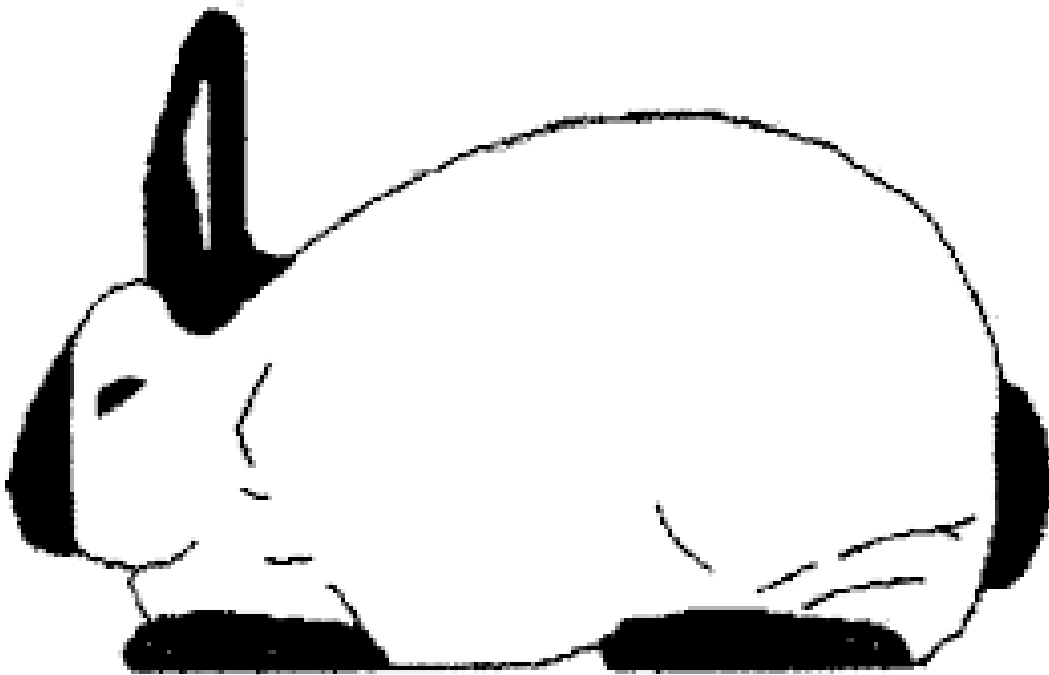
Congrats to all exhibitors!

Carson Andrews  
Delaney Williams  
Ashlyn Williams  
Stellamia Aerts



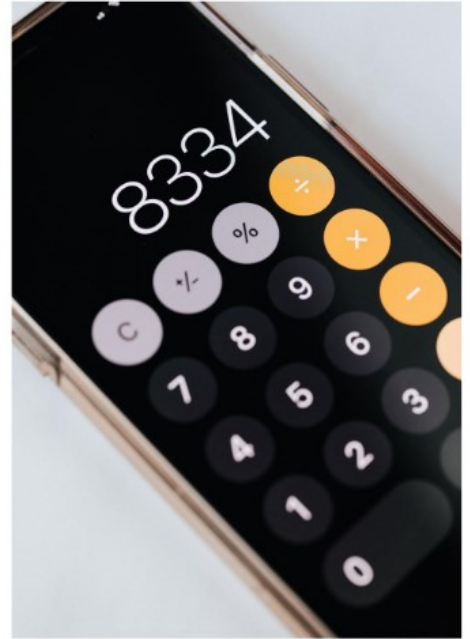
# Rabbits

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We have 3 California Rabbits in need of a new home. Mr. Jim Wing who has help many 4-H kids with rabbits in the past is in need homes for these.

Please contact Cheryl McDowell at 419-356-5561 if you are interested in rehoming these rabbits.



Join Us Online

# APPLYING FOR STUDENT LOANS

September 2 | 3 - 4 PM

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**UNIVERSITY**

We know many of you are starting your journey into higher education. This online class will help you financially prepare for college. Register: <https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/applying-for-student-loans-webinar-september-2>

### 4-H Bog Boots Now Available!



Love Bogs boots? You can now wear them and support 4-H! Not only do the boots have fun 4-H clover designs, but Bogs will donate \$5 for each pair sold to National 4-H Council to support 4-H outdoor education programs.

Women and children boots are currently available for purchase in stores and online at [BOGSfootwear.com](http://BOGSfootwear.com). Men's boots will be available in early August.

## 4-H Events and Workshops

### August 5: 4-H Cow Time Learning Seminars

#### Zoom Webinar

MSU Extension staff, volunteers, and university faculty will be leading educational seminars each Wednesday to help youth refine dairy management and life skills learned through 4-H.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-cow-time-learning-seminars-august-5th>

### August 6: 4-H at 4 on Thursdays—Setting Up a Mini Golf Course for Fun and the Future

#### Zoom Webinar

An indoor mini golf course can be a lot of fun and it can also assist you in your future career. Youth are encouraged to join this session to learn more! Exploratory sessions for youth ages 8-12 are offered each Thursday at 4 p.m.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/august-6-setting-up-a-mini-golf-course-for-fun-and-for-the-future>

### August 6: Life of the Straits 2020

#### Zoom Webinar

This program will take place each Thursday. Each session will be a fun-filled look at features of the Straits of Mackinac, including the Mackinac Bridge, local nature preserves and more.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/life-of-the-straits-2020-a-virtual-program-aug6>

### August 7: International Conversations—Brazil

#### Zoom Webinar

Join this webinar to learn more about Brazilian culture from a native! Come with any questions you may have about Brazil and daily life.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/international-conversation-august-7-brazil>

### August 25: 4-H Teen Tuesday - All About Chocolate

#### Zoom Webinar

Current 4-H members ages 13-19 can connect each Tuesday with their peers across the state while learning about a wide array of 4-H project areas.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/august-25-4-h-teen-tuesday-100-cocoa-all-about-chocolate>

### August 25-27: Turn Your Passions Into Profits Entrepreneurship Camp

#### Zoom Webinar

Find the entrepreneur in you with this free virtual camp. Interactive activities introduce the 4-H entrepreneurship project while you develop your business ideas and learn how to market.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/turn-your-passions-into-profits-entrepreneurship-camp>

### August 27: 4-H at 4 on Thursdays - Crafts Around the World

#### Zoom Webinar

Youth will explore simple cultural traditional crafts from around the world. This session will feature yarn art from North America.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/august-27-crafts-around-the-world-north-america-yarn-art>

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to <http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events>.





## Join the Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase!

MSU Extension is excited to partner with the [Michigan State Fair](#) to launch an exciting new program for Michigan youth: the Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase. This statewide showcase will provide a virtual platform for Michigan 4-H'ers and other youth to exhibit their work in all project areas and apply for \$10,000 in scholarships. Michigan youth ages 5-19 are encouraged to participate.

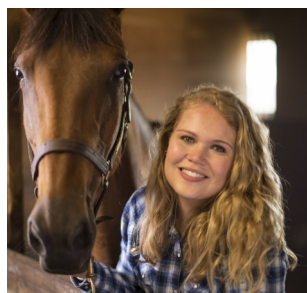
Registration will be opening soon! While classes are still being finalized, MSU Extension and the Michigan State Fair hope to celebrate all the projects and programs in which youth have developed skill and mastery. This includes livestock and companion animal classes such as showmanship, breeding and market classes, as well as still exhibits, educational projects and more.

Once open, registration will be available until August 23. There is no cost to participate and youth may engage in as many classes as they wish. Project evaluation will begin on August 24 with winners announced during the Michigan State Fair, September 3-7. Begin working on your [project photos and videos](#) now to ensure you're ready to submit when registration opens!

In addition to the opportunity to showcase their skills, recognize their accomplishments and receive constructive feedback for growth and development, participants in the Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase will also have the opportunity to apply for \$10,000 in scholarships. Applications and criteria are still being developed - more details about the scholarships and Michigan State Fair 4-H & Youth Virtual Showcase will be shared online at [extension.msu.edu/MSF4HShowcase](http://extension.msu.edu/MSF4HShowcase) as details become available. We hope you will consider participating in this exciting new opportunity!

## Free Summer Horse Care Online Course

Horse owners around the country look forward to summertime equestrian activities to get them through the winter months. Due to the 2020 COVID-19 pandemic, many shows, trail rides and clubs have cancelled their live events. In a heartfelt effort to support horse enthusiasts, the MSU Extension Equine Team has put together a Summer Horse Care online course series and is offering it free of charge during 2020. Participants can earn a certificate for each of the following units:



- Unit 1: Routine Health Care – covers vaccinations, deworming, and dental care.
- Unit 2: Pasture Management – covers pasture planning, renovation, forage species, grazing management, and toxic plants.
- Unit 3: Manure Management – covers water quality, manure management options, and composting.
- Unit 4: Biosecurity – biosecurity protocol for equine and people, wildlife and insect control, and COVID-19 resources.

To learn more, go to [www.myhorseuniversity.com/summer-horse-care-101](http://www.myhorseuniversity.com/summer-horse-care-101).

## Michigan Forestry Scavenger Hunt



From August 7-12, families with youth ages 5-19 are welcome to join in the Michigan Forestry Scavenger Hunt! This self-paced experience will have families taking part in forestry-themed missions and sharing their progress with other teams in this online GooseChase scavenger hunt.

Participate from your backyard, campground, or wherever your family will be during this time! All you need is a smart phone or tablet with a camera.

The top placing U.P. and Lower Peninsula teams will be awarded a prize package that includes a camp hammock. In addition, other prize packages will also be awarded to teams throughout the scavenger hunt.

For more information and to register, visit [www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-forestry-scavenger-hunt](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-forestry-scavenger-hunt).