



WEXFORD WEEKLY WRAP-UP

SEPTEMBER 22, 2023

Join 4-H

Volunteer with 4-H

Enrollment for the 2023-24 4-H year is now open! As long as your child turns 5 by January 1st, they can participate in Michigan 4-H.

Here are the clubs currently open in Wexford County 4-H:

The Business of Baking SPIN Club: Baking & Entrepreneurship
Ages 12-19. Fridays, 5-7 pm in Cadillac, Sept 15 - Oct 20. **FULL.**

The Wexford Whatever's: Large Animals
Ages 5-19. Mondays. Start date TBD.

The Grands: Small Animals
Ages 5-19. Mondays. Start date TBD.

Model Railroad: Mixed Media Arts
Ages 9-19. Mondays. Start date TBD.

Sewing Club: Arts & Crafts
Ages 9-19. Beginning in October. Details TBD.

Wild Ones: Outdoor Recreation & Nature

Ages 5-19. 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 4:30pm. Carl T Johnson Center. *Seeking New Leaders*

General 4-H Experience

This is a holding place for youth who haven't found the right fit with a club being offered or who participate in special events like Explorations Days or camps. Volunteers who are not club leaders should enroll here.

Enroll
Now!

Enrollment
Guide



Member Celebration October 14, Noon

We're excited to bring back our annual member celebration and awards ceremony this year. Please join us October 14th at Noon at NanBop Farm (9&10 News Property) for games, awards, and NanBop's Fall Festival! New 4-H Families are welcome to join but will not get awards until after the first year. Please RSVP by October 6.

More Info &

2023 Photo Dump

Do you have photos from 4-H you'd like to share? We'd love to have them available for success stories, media, and promotion. Please upload them to our google drive. Please do not email or text them - it reduces the quality.

Upload
Program
Photos

National 4-H Week

National 4-H Week will be celebrated Oct 1-7, 2023 with the theme "I 4-H".

We will be sharing more details about plans for this week soon. In the meantime, you can download the flyer and display in your business, school, community bulletin board, or anywhere else to help promote 4-H!

Download
Flyer

SPOOKY SEASON IS HERE!

Seeking Donations

Wexford 4-H is planning to participate in 3 community celebrations and would appreciate any donations of decorations, candy, or non-food treats. Please bring to the MSU Extension office in Baker College



Accepting Halloween Donations

Wexford 4-H will be participating in 3 Halloween events this year. We are accepting donations of decorations and candy/toys to give out at these events. Please drop them off at our MSU Extension Office inside Baker College.

Save the dates:

Halloween House at Duggans Hill - October 21

Cadillac Downtown Trick or Treat - October 25

Tractor Supply Trunk or Treat - October 29 (Led by Wexford Whatever's 4-H Club)

We are looking for 4-H families to help with these events. Please email Kate to sign up. Kingka26@msu.edu



Wexford County 4-H BAKE SALE

SATURDAY, OCT 7 | NOON-3 PM

Cadillac Tractor Supply

Proceeds benefit Wexford County 4-H and help offset program costs.

Baked goods can be dropped off on Friday to the Wexford County MSU Extension office before 4 pm or brought to TSC on Saturday at 11:30 am.



Our Fall Tractor Supply Fundraiser runs October 4-15 and overlaps with National 4-H Week! To help promote our program and raise funds to support future programs, we will be hosting a Bake Sale on October 7th, noon - 3 pm. We held a bake sale during the spring fundraiser and raised an additional \$300 beyond the TSC donations.

We had tons of pets go by the table, so we would love to have human and animal treats/toys are our sale and also need 4-H members to be there to tell people about all of the cool things they have learned or experienced. Please label your goods with ingredients to avoid any allergy issues.

Goods can be dropped off at the MSU Extension office on Friday by 4pm or to Tractor Supply on Saturday at 11:30 am. Please email Kate to sign up. Kingka26@msu.edu

WEXFORD COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL PRESENTS:

2023 PLAT BOOK

ONLY \$30!

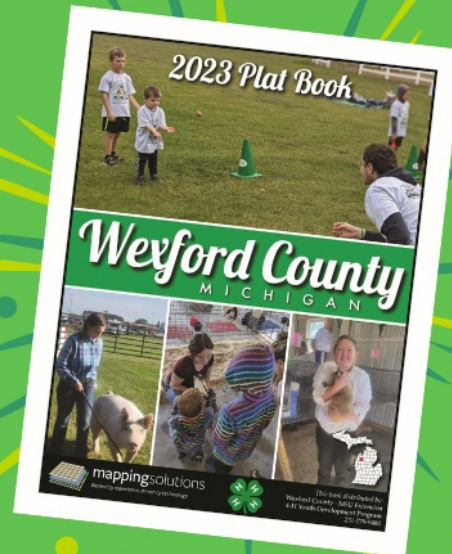
AVAILABLE NOW AT

**Wexford County
MSU Extension Office**

9600 E 13th St, Cadillac
Inside Baker College

or

**Northwoods Feed
Horizon Books - Cadillac**



Plat book sales directly support 4-H programming in Wexford County. Thank you for your support!



Wexford County Plat Books

Our Wexford County Plat Books serve as our Leaders' Council's main source of income and fund clubs, family activities, and scholarships for youth and volunteers. These are available at our MSU Extension Office, Horizon Books, and Northwoods Feed for \$30. They make great gifts for all of you outdoors-people in your life and even your real estate agents!

We are looking for additional locations across the county to sell these books. Please contact Kate if you would like to discuss a resale opportunity. Kingka26@msu.edu | 231-779-9480

Teen Topics

Announcing the Wexford 4-H Teen Committee

Wexford 4-H Members ages 13-19 are invited to join the new teen committee of the Leaders Council! This committee will focus on developing leadership skills and youth-adult partnerships to expand the youth voice in our decision making for the county program. Any teen interested in participating should email Kate (kingka26@msu.edu). We are hoping to have the first meeting before Thanksgiving.



Scholarships Available!

Outstanding Michigan 4-H members who are involved at county, regional, state, national or international levels



Wild Spartans Oct 10

Online Participants will meet Dr. D. Bruce Means, adjunct professor at Florida State University



Why You Should Join 4-H! Video Contest

Youth ages 9-19 are invited to create short videos (under 60 seconds) promoting

are eligible to apply for Michigan 4-H scholarships to help fund their college experience. A number of scholarship opportunities exist, ranging in value from \$500 to \$10,000 (over the course of four years). Each scholarship has specific eligibility, be sure to read the requirements to see if you qualify. All applications are due by November 1.

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and biologist with the Coastal Plains Institute and Land Conservancy. Learn about his field work, and the education and career path he followed to get there.

[Pre-Registration Required](#)

4-H to their peers. Videos should address the question, "Why You Should Join 4-H!" Be a 4-H spokesperson by using your voice and sharing your 4-H story with others! This contest is open to Michigan 4-H youth. Those not currently registered for 4-H can do so prior to entering this contest. The deadline for registration and video submissions is January 31, 2024. If you're interested, our friends at CTC are willing to mentor with video and editing! Contact Kate.

[Learn More](#)

EXPLORE YOUR FUTURE WITH 4-H FUTURE SQUAD

Are you 12-19 years old? Want to learn more about preparing for your future? YOU are invited to join 4-H Future Squad, a club created to meet new people and learn life skills for a successful future!

The club will meet virtually, October 2023-May 2024, covering a variety of topics! Joining unlocks access to all 4-H benefits and programs.

JOIN US NOW!

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Join the 4-H Future Squad!

Figuring all this "adulting" out can be hard! If you are a 12-19 year old youth throughout Michigan, join 4-H Future Squad in learning more about

TEEN "CHOPPED" NOVEMBER 4, 2023

October 9, 2023: Applications due

October 16: Mandatory Meeting

WITH CHEF: JARED MILLER

Prizes fun friends

For more information: 989-317-4079 or lynchka4@msu.edu

Teen "Chopped" Competition Returns!

Sign up now for Teen "Chopped", a fun and challenging way to learn more about food and create a unique dish as you compete against other teams. Will you be the next local "Chopped" champion? Application deadline is 10/9/23.

4-H SPECTACULAR YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

November, 10-12, 2023

Campus based leadership conference for youth ages 13-19

REGISTRATION DETAILS WILL COME OUT SOON!!

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Spectacular Youth Leadership Institute

Nov 10-12 Youth ages 13-19 are invited to this leadership program that will focus on service, community leadership, global

important life skills for YOUR future. The FREE club will meet October 2023 through May 2024. Club meetings will be virtual through Zoom. Club meetings for the 2023-2024 year will take place twice monthly with Monday or Thursday meeting dates on alternating months.

*To register for the event:
Watch these clips of past competitions to find out more:
<https://vimeo.com/299279199> and
<https://vimeo.com/245234991>*

leadership and more. Youth will stay at a Lansing area hotel, attend classes on MSU's campus and take part in service projects around the Lansing area. Registration coming soon.

Learn More

Learn More

County Calendar

SEPT 26-
OCT 2

Wexford 4-H Office Closed

Kate will be away at a conference and will return to the office on October 3. Communications will be minimal.

SEPT 29

The Business of Baking 4-H SPIN Club

5-7 pm | Cadillac

Full. In this 6-week program, youth ages 12-19 learn to bake various goods while calculating costs along the way. They discuss Michigan Cottage Food Laws and how to sell goods at local markets as their own business.

This SPIN club was offered without cost to participants thanks to a sponsorship from Cadillac Meijer.

OCT 1-7

National 4-H Week

Show your 4-H Pride during National 4-H Week! This year's theme is "I 4-H". You can purchase 4-H gear at the [4-H Shop](#).

OCT 6

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OCT 19



FRIENDS OF EXTENSION APPRECIATION OPEN HOUSE

WE WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ALL OF
YOUR SUPPORT!

DATE: THURSDAY OCTOBER 19TH, 2023
TIME: 5:00 - 7:00 PM
LOCATION: 9600 E 13TH ST
CADILLAC, MI 49601

PLEASE RSVP BY OCTOBER 12, 2023
TO JESSICA AT 231-779-9480

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MARITAL STATUS, FAMILY STATUS OR VETERAN STATUS.

Wexford Friends of MSU Extension Open House

5-7 pm | MSU Extension
Office

If you participate in MSU Extension programs or use our services, we'd like to thank you for your support with an informal, drop-in style open house and free Primos BBQ. Meet our staff and see some of the impacts we've been making. Please RSVP by Oct

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OCT 20

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State Calendar

A Balancing Act: School, Work, and Social Life

SEPT 28



Zoom | 5 pm

Do you need tips to help you keep your life balanced? Are you looking to stay ahead of your obligations related to school, work, and your social life? How do you make sure you take time for yourself?

In this FREE, virtual class, you will learn how to

organize and prioritize your life in order to achieve success. Presented by two recent college students, "A Balancing Act" will offer you a framework for success in your day-to-day responsibilities, and how to use the resources out there to blend them into a system that works for you. This is a great virtual class, being held on September 28, 2023 from 5-6pm ET, is perfect for students starting a new school year! Anyone looking to maintain balance in their lives is encouraged to attend! Pre-registration required.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/balancingact>

National 4-H Week: I ☐4-H

OCT 1-7

For over 100 years, 4-H has inspired families, shaped careers, and impacted communities. During this week, celebrate the impact of 4-H during National 4-H Week.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/national-4-h-week

Fall Tractor Supply Co Paper Clover Campaign

OCT 4-15

Support 4-H by purchasing a \$1 paper clover at your local Tractor Supply Co. (TSC) store or online! A portion of the proceeds raised at the Cadillac location support Wexford and Missaukee 4-H Leadership Development.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/tractor-supply-co-paper-clover-campaign

4-H Day at the Wild Pumpkin in Beaverton

OCT 7



Celebrate National 4-H Week! 4-H families and friends will receive a discount of \$2 off admission, a fun fall prize, a free donut and cup of cider! Sign up required.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-day-at-the-wild-pumpkin

Wild Spartans: Snakes & Frogs: Fieldwork in the Tropics

OCT 10



Online

Participants will meet Dr. D. Bruce Means, adjunct professor at Florida State University and biologist with the Coastal Plains Institute and Land Conservancy. Learn about his field work, and the education and career path he followed to get there.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-series-2023-2024

Adulting 101: Wealth Building

OCT 18

Online

This workshop will provide tips, tools and goal-setting strategies. Learn about different types of savings and investment products, evaluate your risk tolerance and explore investment timelines.

Adulting 101 Series

Wealth Building

Build your wealth by exploring different types of saving and investment products, evaluating your risk tolerance, and setting goals.

Wednesday October 18, 2023

6:00 PM

Zoom



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www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting10110-18-23

OCT 23

Volunteer Webinar Series: Helping Youth Find Their Spark

Online

Explore ways 4-H volunteers can help youth find their spark within their 4-H experience. This session will be offered twice for the convenience of volunteers.

12-1 p.m. session: www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-helping-youth-find-their-spark

7-8 p.m. session: www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-helping-youth-find-their-spark7pm

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Now is the time to Volunteer!

Wexford County needs new volunteers to offer exciting program to our youth. Our clubs work on your schedule and meet as often as you'd like. We will start you off with a short-term program (6-8 meeting) to see how it works, then can move toward something more permanent, if you choose.

We've also had several parents interested in helping more with clubs. Now is the time to apply so that we can have all hands on deck as we move into fall. Remember, our screening process is for the safety of YOUR children. If you are interacting with any other children that are not yours, we would like you to be screened.

To learn more about volunteering, contact Kate: Kingka26@msu.edu | 231-779-9480

[Apply to Volunteer](#)

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