



Lapeer County

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4-H Family News

February 2022

Warm Winter Wishes!

Baking, scrapbooking, sewing, photography, crafts and sewing are a few of my personal favorite things to do in the winter. Winter is a wonderful time to stay toasty warm inside and work on some indoor 4-H projects. Spring Achievement is right around the corner on March 19th. This event is a great way to showcase your projects and receive feedback on your skills to improve or make changes to your project before entering it at fair. Did you know that even if you are a member in an animal related club that you can still show other projects at Spring Achievement? Be sure to check out the attached spring achievement information and talk to your leader or call the office if you have any questions.

Winter is also the perfect time to build a snowman, test out your animal science knowledge, apply for state awards, participate in a SPIN Club, and take a friend to a 4-H meeting or event! Look for more information on all of these activities in this newsletter. Also, look for a hidden Valentine Cow image. When you find it, email graversa@msu.edu with its location and if you are the first youth member to find it, you will win a prize!

Important Dates:

- ◆ February 14 Livestock Committee Meeting 7pm
- ◆ February 15 Goat Committee Meeting 7pm—Zoom Only
- ◆ February 19 Snowman Building Contest 12pm
- ◆ February 21 Spring Achievement Planning Meeting 6pm
- ◆ February 21 4-H Council Meeting 7pm
- ◆ February 28 Horse Leaders Meeting 6:30pm
- ◆ March 7 Spring Achievement Registrations Due

If you are interested in attending a committee meeting, contact the 4-H office to be added to the committee's email list to receive meeting reminders and information.

[Face masks are required for all meetings held at the MSU Extension Office.](#)

[All MSUE meetings will also be offered via zoom.](#)

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Spring Achievement:

Spring Achievement is a one day event to provide an opportunity to all 4-H members to enter projects to be judged and displayed. This year's event will be March 19th at Deerfield Township Hall. Judging will take place from 9:30am—12:30pm and the Awards Ceremony and Style Revue will begin at 2:00pm. Registrations are due by March 7th. Please see the attached information. There will be a meeting Monday, February 21st at 6pm at MSU Extension for anyone interested in planning the event.

Lapeer County 4-H Project Exhibit:

Brand New Event This Year! Lapeer County 4-H will be hosting a 4-H Project Exhibit at Gallery 194 in Downtown Lapeer during the month of June. 4-H Youth will be able to enter projects to be displayed at the gallery for 3 weeks. Friends, Family, and the public will be able to view projects at the gallery for the duration of the show. More details will be coming.

Spring Fundraiser Auction:

We are pleased to announce that we are currently planning the 2022 Fundraiser auction to take place in-person on April 29th and 30th. Clubs/Individuals that are interested in completing business visits to earn a percentage of profits should email Sarah at graversa@msu.edu. Clubs may also participate in auction efforts by donating a themed basket of items. Clubs will receive 50% of their basket's profit. Selected basket themes should be submitted to 4-H Staff to avoid duplication of baskets. Clubs can also apply to serve breakfast items and/or lunch concessions as a club fundraiser. For an application please email Sarah. Lunch Concession Applications are due March 7th.

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Family Snowman Building Contest



Saturday

February 19th

12pm-2pm

At MSU Extension

**Bring your family
and gear and race
to build the big-
gest and the best!**

**Call to register
by Feb. 17th**

**In the event of no
snow, there will be
indoor activities.**



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Summer Camp 2022

One full week of specialized day camps. Each day will focus on specific grades that youth have completed in 2022. Watch for more details and registration to come soon.

Looking for teens ages 13 & 14 to be camp counselors Monday and Tuesday. Teens 15 and older may be counselors Monday through Thursday.

Camp theme for 2022-The Olympics

Location: Camp Lael in Lapeer

Times: Monday 9am-7pm Tuesday through Friday 9am-9pm

Counselors 15 years and older will spend Thursday night and enjoy camp all day Friday.

Monday-grades K & 1

Tuesday-grades 2 & 3

Wednesday-grades 4 & 5

Thursday-grades 6-7 & 8

Friday-grades 9-12



Camp activities will include swimming, crafts, science, nature or STEM projects, songs, games, and campfire. Lunch and supper will be served with snacks throughout the day. Everyone to bring their own refillable water bottle.



Spring

**Make and Take
Craft Workshop**

March 26th

10am-2pm

**\$10 per person
includes sup-
plies and lunch**

Call

**(810)667-0341
to Register**

**Fee Assistance
Available**



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2022 4-H State Awards Applications Now Available

Due April 1, 2022



**The State 4-H Awards is the highest honor
bestowed on Michigan 4-H youth!**

4-H GROWS HERE

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Welcome
New Volunteers!

Kim
Alyssa
Beth

Are you 11 to 19 years old and interested in
applying for a state award?

Contact Sarah for more information or for
assistance with your application.

Lapeer County 4-H is
excited to have you
come grow with us!



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2022 SKILLATHON Michigan 4-H State Championship

Test your knowledge and comprehension of animal science and livestock management practices.



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REGISTER:

<https://events.anr.msu.edu/skillathon2022/>

INFORMATION PAGE:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/otsego/4-h/2022-Skillathon>

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2022 Michigan 4-H Animal Science Skillathon Championship Qualifiers

March 5 or 12, 2022
via Zoom

Test your knowledge and comprehension of animal science and livestock management in 10 different Market Livestock Categories.

Poultry	Swine
Rabbits/Cavies	Dairy
Dogs	Beef
Sheep	Horses
Goats	General Knowledge

Contestants scoring above the minimum percentile in their respective division will be notified via email within two days of the qualifier contest that they have advanced to the State Championship on March 19, 2022!

Age divisions:

- ◆ Novice (8-11 years)
- ◆ Junior (12-14 years)
- ◆ Senior (15-19 years)
- ◆ Adult (20+)

Youth competitors must be 8, but not yet 20, before January 1, 2022. Those who are 20 years and older are eligible to compete in the Adult Division.

Skillathon Start Times :

March 5, 2022

Seniors & Adults:
Check-in: 9:30 AM
Contest starts: 10 AM

Juniors & Novices:
Check-in: 11:00 AM
Contest starts: 11:30 AM

March 12, 2022

Seniors & Adults:
Check-in: 9:30 AM
Contest starts: 10 AM

Juniors & Novices:
Check-in: 11:00 AM
Contest starts: 11:30 AM





4-H Love Your Money GooseChase Game

Love games? Love prizes? Love money? Michigan 4-H is offering a “Love Your Money 4-H GooseChase Game” in February. The game runs from February 14—21 and is a fun and unique way for youth to learn money management tips.

Funded, in part, through the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, the game is open to youth 13 and up. For those under 13, participation can take place with a parent/guardian or older sibling as part of a team. The scavenger hunt missions through the GooseChase app will allow youth to learn about money, have fun, and potentially win prizes!

Registration and additional details can be found at: <https://events.anr.msu.edu/4HMoneyGooseChase/>.

Improve your financial skills with 4-H Financial Fitness & Fun

Youth ages 12-19 can learn about setting financial goals, saving, budgeting, banking, credit and much more through lessons, activities, and games each Thursday beginning February 24. Topic will include money goals, paying for post-secondary education, keeping yourself out of debt, managing credit wisely, investing and risk, budgeting, your first paycheck and taxes, avoiding money mishaps, saving and banking basics.

All 4-H Financial Fitness and Fun live sessions will be on Zoom and later available on the MSU Extension [4-H Youth Money Management](https://www.msu.edu/extension/4-H-Youth-Money-Management) website. Youth may attend any or all of the sessions, but the first 100 youth to attend all 10 sessions will be eligible for a \$50 savings incentive!

This program is made possible by a grant from the Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs. To register visit <https://events.anr.msu.edu/4HFinFit22/>.



World Food Prize Michigan Youth Institute applications due March 15

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. On May 12, youth will join together to become inspired and prepared as the next generation of global leaders to end world hunger.

Attendees will 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 7-12 and register by the March 15 deadline. As part of the registration process, youth are required to prepare a two- to five-page research paper about a developing country and how it is affected by one of 20 key factors that impact food security. At the event, youth will present and discuss their papers with other attendees and research and industry experts. They will also participate in an interactive session with global challenge experts to learn more about topics related to global food and food security.

The top performing students at the WFP MIYI will be considered as possible delegates to attend the World Food Prize Global Youth Institute in October. For more information, visit www.canr.msu.edu/wfpmiyi/. Registration will open on February 1; registration and papers are due by March 15.

4-H Youth in Action Awards Applications Now Open



Apply now for the 2023 4-H Youth in Action Awards! Each year, the program recognizes four confident young leaders with diverse backgrounds and unique perspectives in the pillar areas of agriculture, civic engagement, healthy living and STEM.

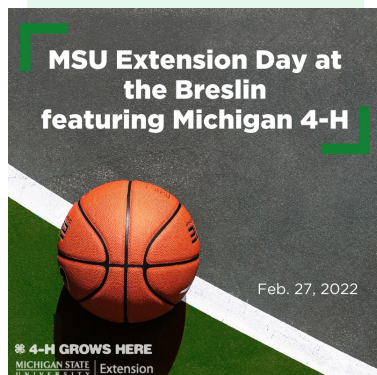
Winners will have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to share their stories along with unforgettable experiences, celebration on the national stage, recognition in the media and a \$5,000 college scholarship.

This opportunity is open to youth age 15-19. The deadline to apply is March 28. Learn more and apply at <https://4-h.org/parents/4-h-youth-in-action-awards/>.

STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Free tickets now available for MSU Extension Day at the Breslin !



Tickets are now available for the 2022 MSU Extension Day at the Breslin featuring Michigan 4-H! Gather with 4-H friends, families, volunteers and staff to cheer on the MSU women's basketball team as they take on the Ohio State University Buckeyes on Sunday, Feb. 27 at MSU's Jack Breslin Student Events Center.

Order your free tickets by Feb. 6 to receive your tickets by mail; ticket orders received after this date will be available for pick-up at the 4-H Will-Call table the day of the game.

To reserve your tickets, visit <https://events.anr.msu.edu/dayatthebreslin2022/>.

4-H Events and Workshops

February 2: Adulting 101—Wealth Building

Online

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

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting2-2-22>

February 8: Wild Spartans Series

Online

Are you a Wild Spartan? Join us for this free monthly fisheries and wildlife research webinar series for families interested in exploring science, careers, and conservation.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/wild-spartans-series-february-2022>

February 9: Adulting 101—Workplace Professionalism

Online

Gain tips on how to better manage your time, workspace, relationships and boundaries.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting2-9-22>

February 14: The Wizarding World of 4-H 4.0 SPIN Club

Online

The Wizarding World of 4-H SPIN club is back for round 4! Participants will read Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire, the fourth book in the Harry Potter series, during this SPIN club that meets the second and fourth Mondays of February, March and April.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/the-wizarding-world-of-4-h-4-0-spin-club>

February 16: Adulting 101—Taxes and Your Paycheck

Online

Explore what taxes are and why we pay them. See how taxes affect your take home pay.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting2-16-22>

February 23: Adulting 101—Food Safety

Online

We all love to eat! Learn how to properly store, cook, and handle food with safety in mind.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/adulting2-23-22>

February 26: 4-H in the Kitchen—Second Breakfast Edition

Online

A virtual cooking workshop preparing dishes from JRR Tolkien's Lord of the Rings and exploring writing fantasy literature. This two-day event takes part on Feb. 26 and March 12.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-in-the-kitchen-second-breakfast-edition>

February 28: 2021 Shooting Sports Instructor Recertification Deadline

A deadline extension was granted to individuals holding a 2021 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification. Impacted individuals may continue working with clubs until Feb. 28, 2022.

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/2021-shooting-sports-instructor-recertification-deadline>

March 5: Shooting Sports Trainer Workshop

Demmer Shooting Sports and Education Center, Lansing

Become a trainer for the 4-H Shooting Sports program! Trainers facilitate instructor certification workshops for teen and adult volunteers in the 4-H shooting sports area.

https://www.canr.msu.edu/events/ss_trainer_workshop

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