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4-H Family News

Livingston County

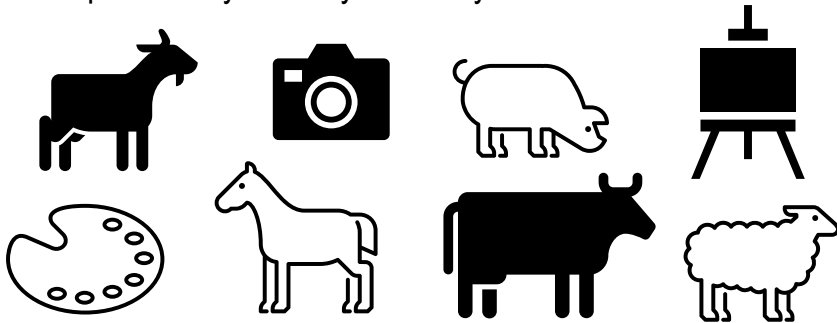


Exhibitor Entry Meeting June 4th at 6:30 pm

Are you planning to sign up for the Fowlerville Family Fair? Join the Fowlerville Family Fair Volunteers on June 4th at 6:30 pm at the Fowlerville Family Fairgrounds to learn how to sign up in Fair Entry and take advantage of fun, educational activities available to help prepare for the Fair! There will also be a buyer letter clinic to help youth improve their skills!

There need to be at least 25 youth signed up to attend, so please RSVP now but emailing fair@fowlervillefamilyfair.com.

We hope to see you and your family there!



UPCOMING EVENTS & MEETINGS:

Exhibitor Entry Meeting for Fowlerville Family Fair

June 4th at 6:30 pm at the Fowlerville Family Fairgrounds, 8800 West Grand River, Fowlerville, MI

Night Run Series Horse Shows

June 5th, 12th, 26th and July 10th at the Fowlerville Family Fairgrounds

4-H Clicker Training Workshop

June 15th at 12 pm Livingston County Conservation District, 9585 Roberts Rd, Gregory, MI

Deadline for Fowlerville Youth Show Registration

June 15th at Midnight

4-H Council Meeting

June 18th at 7 pm at the MSU Extension Office

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COUNTY 4-H NEWS

4-H Clicker Training Workshop on June 15th at 12pm at the Livingston Conservation District



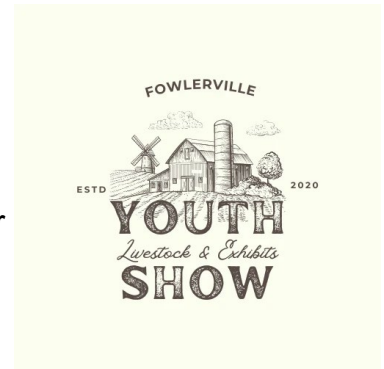
Most people have heard about clicker training their dogs, but have you heard of clicker trained goats? How about zoo animals? Join us to learn all about how clicker training is used for many different species of animals, and how you can apply these skills to your 4-H livestock or companion animal project! For this hands-on workshop, no animals will be present.

The address for this program is: 9585 Roberts Rd, Gregory, MI 48137.

Pre-registration is required for this event: https://msu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_2ipzLVv8BtB26ea
 Questions? Reach out to Kat at Krollkat@msu.edu or 517-552-6903.

2024 Fowlerville Family Fair Book Now Available

The [2024 Fowlerville Family Fair Book](#) is now available digitally on the Fowlerville Family Fair Website. This includes rules for each species and will be used to help you plan and sign up for classes through Fair Entry. Please note that changes for 2024 have been highlighted in the book. Please contact the Fowlerville Family Fair if you have questions about the book, rules, or registration in Fair Entry. You can reach them by email at fair@fowlervillefamilyfair.com or by phone at (517) 223-8186.



Thank You From the Fowlerville Family Fair Youth Show Fundraising Committee



Thanks to you, 2,000+ pairs of donated shoes are not only providing funds toward new swine, sheep and goat pens to support the Fowlerville Family Fair Youth Show, but they are also cutting down on landfill space needed while providing a business opportunity for the underserved in other countries. The shoes donated will be given to families across the world to be used to start their own income-generating businesses to support their families while also getting much needed shoes to their communities. Your help is making a difference in the lives of so many others! And for all of your support, we THANK YOU!

It truly takes a VILLAGE, and we appreciate all you did to support the 2024 Shoe Drive.

With Sincere Gratitude,

The Fowlerville Family Fair Youth Show Fundraising Committee

Kelly Turner, Matt & Melissa Williams, Jody Pollok-Newsom, Jen Esch



COUNTY 4-H NEWS

4-H Kitchen Sign Up Coming Soon!



We will soon be sending out a sign up for volunteers for the 4-H Kitchen. Each 4-H Club is expected to help staff the 4-H Kitchen during the Fowlerville Family Fair. We encourage 4-H Club leaders to discuss this at their upcoming club meetings and start planning on dates and general times that will work for your club families.

The 4-H Kitchen is one of our only county wide 4-H fundraisers and assists in our ability to maintain and improve the 4-H building, provide 4-H camp and program scholarships to youth, and to fund county wide 4-H events and programs. It takes many hands to make this fundraiser possible!

Youth who are helping in the 4-H kitchen should be at least 8 years old and able to follow directions independently.

Reminder: Adults who sign up do need to complete the SILVER level volunteer screening. This DOES NOT require an interview, references, or trainings. If you completed this screening last year, you do NOT need to redo the screening. You can start the application [here](#). Make sure to choose **Silver level, 4-H Youth Development** as the program and **Livingston** as your county. You will only need to complete an application and consent to a background check. If you have questions about the process, please email Kat at krollkat@msu.edu.

Fowlerville Family Fair Looking for Volunteers to Help at Auction and Grounds Clean Up

The Fowlerville Family Fair Auction Committee is looking for 2-3 volunteers per auction to make the popcorn and keep water bottles stocked during the auctions. The auctions are:

- Small Animal- Thursday, July 25th at 2:00
- Large Animal - Friday, July 26th at 2:00
- Still Auction- Saturday, July 27th at 10:00

If you are interested, please contact Molly Moulton at 517-294-7687 or moultonfamily94@gmail.com.



The Fowlerville Family Fair is also looking for volunteers willing to help with Fairgrounds clean up and repairs on Tuesday and Thursdays in the evenings. If you are interested in helping, please contact the Fair Office at by calling (517) 223-8186 or emailing fair@fowlervillefamilyfair.com.



COUNTY 4-H NEWS

Livingston County 4-H Horse Committee 2024 Night Run Series Horse Shows

The Livingston County 4-H Horse Committee is excited to once again offer the Night Run Series Horse Shows this June and July 2024. This year's Night Run Series will be held at the Fowlerville Family Fairgrounds, 8800 Grand River Ave, Fowlerville MI 48836, on the following dates:

- Wednesday June 5: Barrel Clinic 5 pm, Show starts at 6 pm
- Wednesday June 12: Pole Clinic 5 pm, Show starts at 6 pm
- Wednesday June 26: Show starts at 6 pm
- Wednesday July 10: Show starts at 6 pm



For the show bill please see: <https://bit.ly/24NightRun4H>

Questions? Please contact our Show Manager: Lynn Perry 517.376.1164

Grand Equestrians Therapeutic Riding Program Needs You! If you love working with horses and children, this could be for you!

Grand Equestrians Therapeutic Riding Program helps children with special needs through therapeutic horseback riding, and there are volunteer opportunities available to help bring in horses on the day of classes, grooming, tacking, and helping children get ready to ride.

Once the rider is mounted, up to three volunteers are needed per horse:

- One or Two side walkers who walk alongside the horse and rider to offer support, and one person who leads the horse.
- Side walkers and horse leaders need to be 14 years old, younger volunteers are able to help with grooming, tacking, assisting with games, etc.

Riders are put through patterns of walking, trotting, reversing, changing directions, and stopping. We also play games on horseback like Egg and Spoon, and Red Light Green Light. The Grand Equestrians riders also show at Fair, which is especially awesome!

It is so rewarding to see the smiles on the kid's faces and see the progress they make! We also sign for community service hours



2024 Riding Classes start June 4th and run through July 16th on Tuesdays only from 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. There will be no class the week of July 4th. Email grandequestrians@gmail.com to sign up or for further information!





Livingston County 4-H June 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thur	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4 	5 5pm - Night Run Horse Show at Fowlerville Fairgrounds 	6	7	8
9	10	11 	12 5pm - Night Run Horse Show at Fowlerville Fairgrounds 	13	14	15 *Tentative* Clicker Training Clinic
16	17	18 7pm - 4-H Council Meeting *Tentative* 	Exploration Days! 4-H Staff out of office.			22 ARBA Rabbit show at Fowlerville Fair Grounds 
23	24	25 	26 6pm - Night Run Horse Show at Fowlerville Fairgrounds 	27	28	29
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Fair ground cleanup - Volunteers needed!. Contact them at: Fair@Fowlervillefamilyfair.com or (517) 223-8186







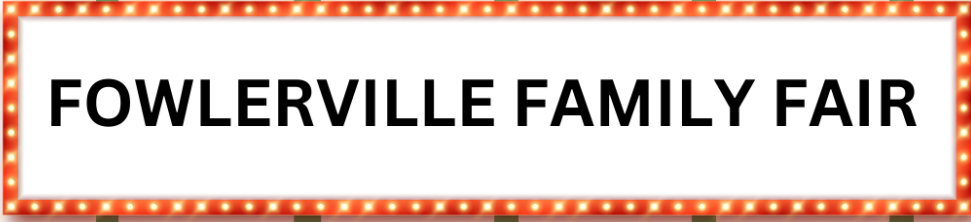



For more information, see: <https://msrba.net/>





Livingston County 4-H July 2024

Sun	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thur	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4  Extension office closed	5	6
7	8	9 	10 6pm - Night Run Horse Show at Fowlerville Fairgrounds	11 	12	13 8am- Leaders Day Horse Show at Cohoctah Park
14	15	16 5-8 pm- Fowlerville Family Fair Clean Up 	17	18	19	20 9am - Fowlerville Family Fair - Still Exhibit Project Judging 
21 8am-6pm Fair Animal Check In 	22	23	24	25	26	27
 FOWLERVILLE FAMILY FAIR						
28 Fowlerville Family Fair Clean Up 	29 4-H staff out of office	30	31			



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STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Register now for the Michigan 4-H State Dog Show!



The 2024 Michigan 4-H State Dog Show is now open for registration! This year's show will take place on August 10, at the Michigan State University Pavilion.

The show is open to enrolled Cloverbuds, and any Michigan 4-H'er age 8-19.

To register, visit: <https://events.anr.msu.edu/2024StateDogShow/>.

Questions? Please reach out to Kat at Krollkat@msu.edu.

June 17: 4-H Beginner's Sewing Camp

Grand Rapids

4-H Sewing Camp for beginners. American Sewing Guild Sewing Camp for school aged youth 11-15 years of age.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-beginner-s-sewing-camp

June 22: Missaukee County Sheep Clinic

Missaukee Agricultural Youth Show, Falmouth

Learn from Jenna Pohl Davis, an experienced sheep showman at the state and national level. Jenna will break down show day preparations, teaching advanced showmanship with tips and tricks. and giving a customized feed and nutrition plan for your lamb.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/sheep-clinic

June 25: Kayaking Days

Paddles & Pedals, Bellaire

Youth participants learn water safety, paddle techniques, navigation, and receive an introduction to stewardship of inland waterways. This free event is open to youth in Antrim, Otsego, Grand Traverse, Leelanau and Charlevoix counties.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/2024-kayaking-days-presented-by-antrim-county-4-h

June 27: Digger Day

Michigan 4-H Children's Garden, East Lansing

Come to the garden and explore the world of diggers. Front-end loaders, dump trucks and back hoes – all of these tools help with projects both big and small in our communities.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/digger-day

June 27: Explore the Farm Through the Seasons Workshop Series: June Event

Schomaker Farms, Saginaw

Schomaker Farms and Saginaw 4-H are teaming up to offer a 12-month farm education learning series. Each month will offer a different learning topic and hands-on activity.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/explore-the-farm-through-the-seasons-workshop-seriesjune

June 29: 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl

MSU Anthony Hall, East Lansing

The 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl allows youth to put their dairy knowledge to the test! Please note the new date for 2024.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-dairy-quiz-bowl





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Michigan 4-H and FFA State Livestock Judging Contest moves to a new date!

The Michigan 4-H and FFA State Livestock Judging Contest is returning this year at a new date! Participants can demonstrate their livestock evaluation and selection skills, as well as improve their communication and decision-making skills at this fun statewide contest. The day will include both individual and team competition with classes of beef cattle, Boer goats, sheep and swine.

Contest divisions include:

- 4-H Juniors - Ages 8-13 as of January 1
- 4-H Seniors - Ages 14-19 as of January 1
- FFA Junior High - Youth that recently completed seventh or eighth grade
- FFA High School – Youth that recently completed grades 9-12
- MLE - Ages 8-21 as of January 1 and not a member of 4-H or FFA
- Cloverbuds - Age 7 as of January 1, non-competitive

**4-H and
FFA
Livestock
Judging
State
Contest**

**Wednesday,
June 26**



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Please note that the date of this contest is no longer in conjunction with Michigan Livestock Expo (MLE), however participation in the contest will still count as an educational experience for the Premier Stockman Award. Registration is due by June 10. Find registration information at www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-and-ffa-state-livestock-judging-contest-2024. Contestants and coaches are responsible for reading and adhering to the rules.

2024 Michigan 4-H Mark of Excellence Award winners

Every year, counties across Michigan offer 4-H youth, ages 11 and 12, the opportunity to participate in Michigan 4-H State Awards' 4-H Mark of Excellence essay contest. The essay theme is "Because of 4-H, I can..." and the youth referred to a variety of memorable experiences in their time as 4-H'ers.

As part of the contest, up to two 4-H youth essays from each county are selected to be recognized as award winners. In 2024, the following 14 4-H members from 12 counties were selected as the 2024 Mark of Excellence county winners.

- Heidi Barrington, St. Joseph County
- Jordan Davis, Berrien County
- Lauren Eichhorn, Menominee County
- Brooklyn Hetrick, Oakland County
- Ainsley Karvinen, Alger County
- Lorelai Kowalski, Oakland County
- Molly Lake, Gratiot County
- Alice Long, Washtenaw County
- Sophia Mason, Monroe County
- Ethan McLaughlin, Monroe County
- Natalie Milford Chippewa County
- Emma Rasch, Kent County
- Kylie Smith, Ionia County
- Sydney Specht, Saginaw County

Each recipient will receive a medal, and their winning essays will be added to the Mark of Excellence history book at the Michigan 4-H Foundation and State 4-H Office at MSU Extension. Congratulations to our winners!

To learn more about the Michigan 4-H State Awards, visit www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_scholarships_and_recognition_program/4-h-awards-and-recognition-program/Youth-Recognition/index.



MSU Extension Child and Family Development

MSU Extension has a wide range of free online classes for parents and caregivers of children of all ages and early childhood professionals.

Extension Extra's Parenting Hour

These free online parenting workshops will provide guidance for parents of young children as they navigate the challenges, concerns, and joys of parenting. Participants may register for as few or as many workshops as they wish. The workshops are on Tuesday evenings from 8:00 to 9:30PM EST as follows:

Class dates:

- 06/04/2024: Together We Can: Co-Parenting
- 06/11/2024: Essential Skills for Learning and Life
- 06/18/2024: Introduction to Positive and Adverse Childhood Experiences
- 06/25/2024: How Children Develop

Registration: https://msu.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_YboL-GkQT522eCkEf_qxaQ

For more information contact Courtney Aldrich at aldric82@msu.edu

Guiding Principles for Highly Successful Parenting

Are you wondering how to gain greater cooperation from your children? Struggling with chores or routines? Not sure how to handle discipline issues? Join us for this five week parenting education series for parents with children of all ages will explore developing routines, emotional control, rules and relationships, and being a calm, assertive parent. Certificates of attendance are available.

Class Dates: Wednesdays, May 29, June 5, 12, 19, 26

Class Times: 11:30am-1:00pm EST

Registration: https://msu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0VpZf3ks77yZZGu

For more information, contact Courtney Aldrich, aldric82@msu.edu

Building Early Emotional Skills

Are you having trouble with biting, tantrums or the "terrible twos?" Building Early Emotional Skills (BEES) is a four-week class for primary caregivers of children 0-3 that teaches about how young children develop social emotional skills and helps give caregivers skills to deal with the stress of caring for children and to help their children develop strong social emotional skills. BEES will help you learn about your child's temperament and stress, your triggers and how to manage them, being reflective about feelings and emotion coaching, reducing biting, conflict and frustration, handling tantrums, and building a solid foundation for tomorrow.

Certificates of attendance are available.

Class dates: Mondays, June 3, 10, 17, 24

Class times: 8:00pm-9:30pm ET

Registration:

https://msu.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_8JqqilgVG8lInoW

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