



4-H Family News

April 2025



Welcome to the Month of April

Welcome to April! The extension office is jumping with activity 😊. April is one jammed packed month. Make sure you read your Network so you don't miss a thing!

Deadline April 01, 2025... 11:59 pm. Last Chance ...Don't forget to complete your 4-H ENROLLMENT TO SHOW AT Monroe County 2025 FAIR!!!! Link: <https://v2.4honline.com>

Chelsea and Jean



This month's content highlights



2024-2025- 4-H Enrollments- to show at fair **Deadline**
April 01, 2025

- Tom Blanchett Memorial Preview Show
- Last YQCA instructor lead sessions April 09, 2025
- Spring Rabbit and Pocket pet show
- Clinic dates
- Drop-in with Jean Date Change
- Scholarship Applications Open
- TSC Paper Clover Days April 18th - May 5th
- Ag Day May 2nd
- 4-H Graduation Registration
- Paper Clover
- Entrepreneurship Series
- Expo Days & Slow Spokes

Contribute to the
Network
Information or Flyers are due by the
20th of Each Month!

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APRIL 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
30	31	01 Deadline to enroll 4-H online Terra Quest Mtg; AC 6PM Rabbit Cavy Pocket Pet Wksp 7pm AC	02 SET-UP Tom Blanchette Memorial Beef Show 6:00pm Dog Board; ELC 5:45PM Raisinville Wranglers; AC 6:30PM	03 Faithful Friends; AC 12-4PM	04	05 Tom Blanchett Memorial Beef Preview Show Anderson Arena
06 London Fancy Farmers; AC 3-4PM	07 4-H Council Mtg; AC 7PM	08	09 YQCA Training; AC 7PM	10 Wildlife and Conservation AC; 6PM	11	12
13	14 Horse & Pony; AC 7PM 4-H Scholarships Due	15 Caprine Council; ELC 7PM	16 JLA; ELC 7PM E.S.I.; AC 7PM Shooting Sports; ELC 7PM	17 Drop-In with Jean ELC 5:00-6:30 Fair Advisory Board; ELC 7PM	18	19 Rabbit Cavy Pocket Pet Spring Show; Small Animal Barn Dog program Rally Wksp; AC 9AM
20	21 Cat Board; AC 6:30PM	22 4-H Scholarship Interviews; ELC 5PM	23 Dairy Meeting ELC 7:00pm Entrepreneurship Series; AC 6:30PM	24	25	26
27 4-H Day w/ Tigers; 1PM Service Project for Oaks; ELC 2PM	28 Whispering Spirits; AC 7PM	29 Dog Agility Practice; AC 5PM Airport Dist. @ Bob Evans 7PM Broiler Wksp; AC 7PM	30 Teen Ambassador AC 7PM	01	02	03
04	05	06	07	08	09	10



MAY 2025



SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
27	28	29	30	01 Horse Paperwork Deadline Faithful Friends; AC 12-4PM Pre-Fair Mtg; AC 7PM	02 Ag Awareness Day; Fairgrounds 8AM-1PM	03 Sheep and Swine Tagging 8:00am to 10am
04 Terra Quest's Spring Tea; AC 1-3PM	05 4-H Council; AC 7PM	06 Terra Quest Mtg; AC 6PM	07 Dog Board; ELC 5:45PM Raisinville Wranglers; AC 6:30PM	08	09 4-H Horse and Pony Show; Fairgrounds	10
11 4-H Horse and Pony Show; Fairgrounds	12 Horse & Pony; AC 7PM	13 Expo Days Meeting; AC 7PM	14 4-H Graduation; AC 6PM	15 Whispering Spirits Horse Practice; Horse Arena 5PM Fair Advisory; ELC 7PM	16	17
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 MEMORIAL DAY MAY 30	26 Office Closed	27 SAA; ELC 7PM	28 Dog Agility Practice; AC 5PM Teen Ambassadors; AC 7PM	29 Whispering Spirits Horse Practice; Horse Arena 5PM	30	31
01	02	03	04	05	06	07



Enrollment in 4-H online



4-H online enrollments

**** ENROLL TODAY! DO NOT WAIT ****

LEADERS PULL YOUR ROSTERS

Enrollments Continue to Come In!

**APRIL 1st DEADLINE TO PARTICIPATE IN FAIR
2025**

[HTTPS://V2.4HONLINE.COM](https://v2.4honline.com)

4-H online link: <https://v2.4honline.com>

4-H online family guide: [4-H Online 2.0 Family Guide - 4-H \(msu.edu\)](#)

How to Video create New Family profile: [4-H Online 2.0 Creating A New Family Profile - 4-H \(msu.edu\)](#)

How to Video enrollment Existing families: [4-H Online 2.0 Existing Family Profiles - 4-H \(msu.edu\)](#)

We have exceeded 1,000 youth enrollments 😊

Reminders: select at least one project per club

Horse, Dog and Shooting Sports require a club that is approved in those project areas

Questions Call Jean at (734) 240-3188

Club leaders click below for directions on how to pull your Rosters!

[Directions on how to pull club rosters](#)





Small Animal

SAVE THE DATES:

- YQCA News on page 7
- Rabbit Cavy Pocket Pet Wksp April 1st 7pm AC
- Small Animal RCPP Spring Show: April 19 Small Animal Barn
- Broiler Wksp April 29th 7pm AC

Poultry Orders

- Ducks \$4 Orders to Barbara Siebarth by 4/1
- Broilers \$2.70 Orders to Barbara Siebarth by 4/29



Monroe County 4-H Cat Program

Where do we meet: 4-H Activity Center

When do we meet: Every 3rd Monday
(February – June, September – November)

Upcoming Meetings: September 16th, October 21st, November 18th, February 17th, March 17th, April 21st, May 19th, June 16th

Requirements: Each child needs to attend at least 3 meetings with their cat(s) and work with them at the meeting. **NOTE:** We do not bring cats to every meeting. Watch Facebook page for meeting information.

Who are welcome to attend:

Every 4-H member including Cloverbuds

Need more information:

Contact Kim Cramer at cramergirls09@gmail.com



SPRING SHOW Rabbit Cavy Pocket Pet



MONROE COUNTY 4-H SMALL ANIMAL
APRIL 19TH 2024 8:30AM CHECK-IN
SMALL ANIMAL BUILDING, MONROE COUNTY
FAIRGROUNDS



MONROE COUNTY 4-H DOG PROGRAM

Join us today!



CLUBS

Huckleberry Hounds, Milan Easy Riders, Paws-R-Us, Snoopy's Friends, & Whispering Spirits.



LEADERS

Our leaders are dedicated volunteers who have lots of experience. The program would not be possible without their hard work.



YOUTH

Kids from Clover Buds (5-7 years old), to aging-out members (19 years old) work together to help each other learn and grow.



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Dogs 2025 Important dates

April 2- 1st **Mandatory meeting** and Program meeting for 1st year handlers, start 5:45pm Everyone else starts at 6:15pm. Regular meeting to follow. Extension Office

April 19- Rally workshop 9am at the Activity Center

April 29- Agility practice- Grassy area behind Glenn Stock 6pm set up

May 1- Pre fair meeting Activity Center

May 2-Ag Awareness Day.

May 7-2nd **Mandatory meeting**, Extension Office. 1st year handlers, start at 5:45pm Everyone else start at 6:15pm. Regular meeting to follow

May 28- Agility practice- Grassy area behind Glenn Stock 6pm set up

June 3- **3rd Mandatory** meeting and Fitting and Showing clinic. for 1st year handlers, start- 5:45pm, everyone else start at 6:30pm. Fitting and Showing clinic to follow.

June 4-Regular Program meeting 6:30pm Extension Office

June 22-First Fun Match-Glenn Stock Arena Registration noon show start at 1:00pm

July 2- Regular Program meeting Extension Office 6:30pm Extension Office

July 12- Second Fun Match Glenn Stock Arena. Registration 9:00am, show at 10:00am

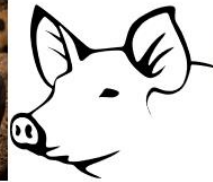
July 26- Fair Show, Glenn Stock Arena Check in at 8:30 Show starts at 9:00am



Junior Livestock Association News

Tagging Dates

Sheep/Swine May 03, 2025, 8:00am- 10:00 am @ Anderson Arena



JLA first time showers must attend species specific clinic

Tom Blanchett Beef Preview Show- April 05, 2025 @ Anderson Arena

see flyer in this network counts as Clinic for Beef



Fitting and Showing June 3, 2025, 6:00pm @ Anderson Arena

Other

Barn Set-up July 08, 2025 @ 6:00pm



2024-2025 JLA Officers
President: Lindsey Roof
Vice President: Sophie Kreps
Secretary: Kayla Pittman
Treasure: Sydney Linn



YQCA TRAINING



Complete YQCA no later than June 09, 2025 *PLEASE READ CAREFULLY*****

YQCA Certification

Youth ages 8-19 showing **MARKET** animals (Beef, Sheep, Swine, Poultry, Rabbits) are **required to complete YQCA training no later than June 09, 2025 to be eligible to show at the Monroe County Fair.**

YQCA two Completion Options:

1. **\$3.00 Instructor Led/ in-person training** ages 8 to 18

Go to [YQCA - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals \(yqcaprogram.org\)](http://yqcaprogram.org) . If you created an account last year, log into your account, select a child, select the age and instructor led training. Search Michigan and select the training you wish to register for (Monroe County Instructor led YQCA training). If you are new to YQCA, you will need to first create an account in YQCA. Monroe County instructor led training to be held at the 4-H Activity Center on

~~YQCA Training Feb. 27th 7:00 pm @ AC Completed~~

~~YQCA Training March 27th 7:00 pm @ AC Completed~~

YQCA Training April 9th 7:00 pm @ AC (Last instructor Lead Training)

***** for instructor led training, Youth must register online at least two days prior to the training.**

Trainings are on a first come, first serve basis until full. No walk-ins will be accepted on site. All payments must be made in advance through the YQCA website. Youth must complete the pre-test prior to attending the class and then the post- test after the training.

OR

2. **\$12.00 Web based training** Go to [YQCA - Youth for the Quality Care of Animals \(yqcaprogram.org\)](http://yqcaprogram.org) and log in using the account you created last year, if you are new to YQCA you will need to create an account. After logging in, you will need to select the correct YQCA class depending on age.

Youth can complete the course online each module takes 15-20 minutes with there is a total of five (5) modules.

*19 year olds must take online course

*****Once YQCA is Completed youth must provide a copy of certificate to the extension office! Options to submit: electronically at <https://forms.gle/wY23xBgeJ4AyrT3a8> (preferred) or hand deliver a copy to extension office. *****

Clickable Links:

- YQCA Instructor Led training [Help Documents](#)
- “help video” specifically for students enrolling in instructor-led trainings <https://youtu.be/wZHW2qtMIOc>
- YQCA Web-based [Help Documents](#)



Dairy Board / Goat Board

Dairy Board next meeting April 23, 2025 7:00pm at Extension office * Please attend so officer elections can be held.*****



Congratulations 2024 Dairy Board Officers

President: Isaac Haws

Vice President: Alex Haws

Secretary: Kylee Buchanan

Treasure: Mason Eagle

JLA rep./ Historian: Lauren Mathe



Next Meeting April 15, 2025 7:00pm Extension Office PLEASE ATTEND!

Caprine Council

Congratulations 2024-2025 Caprine Officers

President- Danielle Pienta

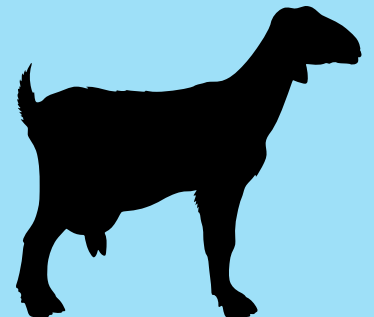
Vice President- Elizabeth Gomez

Secretary- Stewart Funk

Treasurer- Celine Alt

Historian- Aiden Chase

JLA Goat Representatives- Stewart Funk & Danielle Pienta





2025 MI 4-H STATEWIDE DAIRY EVENTS

March
1-2 **MI 4-H Dairy Conference**
Michigan State University

 June
28 **State 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest**
Anthony Hall, Michigan State University

July
14-17 **MI 4-H Dairy Days**
Michigan State University

Sept. 28- **National 4-H Dairy Conference**
Oct. 2 Madison, WI


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MI 4-H DAIRY EDUCATOR

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Horse and Pony News

 Show season is coming! Have you booked your vet for spring shots and Coggins?

- May 01, 2025 Horse paperwork due....Leaders will collect information prior to this date.
- Members Follow the Members only page to get detailed information and registration links

Horse and Pony info

Main communication is through Facebook: Monroe County 4-H Horse and Pony Members Only

and

Monthly meetings 2nd Monday of the month 7:00 pm Activity Center (Except Aug & Dec)

H&P has mandatory meetings and volunteer hours make sure you are meeting the requirements





Hippology Fundraisers

Your Contact person: Hippology Team coach: Elizabeth Kotus schedule pick up via email: ekotus@hotmail.com or text: 734-604-4951

Monroe County 4-H Hippology Team
Tribute Feeds Proofs of Purchase
Collection Drive Fundraiser
Now -August 31, 2025

We need help from our community to be successful. Do you know someone who uses Tribute feeds? Please save us the stamps off the bag. The proofs will be turned in Tribute in exchange for \$. These will help us pay our educational contest expenses.



Here is an example of what is needed off the feed bag

We can schedule a pick up or They can be mailed to:

Contact: Monroe County 4H Hippology Team c/o Elizabeth Kotus 19965 Southwick Rd. Milan, MI 48160
Or Schedule pick up email: ekotus@hotmail.com or text 734-6044951



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Monroe County 4H Hippology Team



Pop Can Collection Fundraiser!



Now--August 31, 2025!

Available at your porch or mine!
Arrangements for porch pick up can be made!

The proceeds from bottles collected will go to offset the expenses for educational materials/contest fees for the Hippology Team.

When your returnables are ready for collection, please contact me to arrange a safe porch pick up/drop off.

Your Contact person: Hippology Team coach: Elizabeth Kotus schedule pick up via email: ekotus@hotmail.com or text: 734-604-4951

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Drop-in with Jean

Registration link: <https://forms.gle/MnTGXgmLjG4XhSsi6>



Date change

Drop-in activity Macrame Feather
Bring sharp scissors I will have 3 pair at office
APRIL 17 at the extension office

5:00 to 6:30pm

Please Register so supplies can be purchased

May,20 2025 5:00 to 6:30

Drop- in activity to TBD

Calling all 4-H Clubs in Monroe County. Beginning Sunday, January 26th a community service project began. Once a month we will meet to prepare a Sunday meal for the Oaks Shelter in Monroe. Leaders will be needed to help members plan, purchase and prepare the aprox. 80 meals monthly. Clean up and delivery will also be needed. Please call the extension office 734-240-3182 and ask for Chelsea or Dot to sign up for your Sunday. If we have a great turnout we will consider adding more days for meals in the Fall.

Last year the shelter fed over 91,000 meals for those in need





**SATURDAY
APRIL 5 @ 11 AM**

**MONROE, MICHIGAN
MONROE CO. FAIR GROUNDS
JUDGE: JEFF MILLER**

**DAY-OF CHECK IN 6:30-8:30 AM
FRI. APRIL 4 WEIGH IN 6-8 PM**

MARKET PAYOUT

GRAND	500
RESERVE	400
THIRD	300
FOURTH	200
FIFTH	100

HEIFER PAYOUT

GRAND	250
RESERVE	200
THIRD	150
FOURTH	100
FIFTH	50

REGISTRATION FEES

**\$50 BEFORE APRIL 3
\$100 DAY OF SHOW
\$5 SHOWMANSHIP
PEEWEE AVAILABLE**

SHOW CONTACTS

**STACY 734.755.8455
AMANDA 734.755.7222**

**REGISTER BY
MARCH 14 FOR
A FREE SHIRT**



VISIT US ON FACEBOOK



Monroe County 4-H



HELP A Shelter Animal Donation Supply Drive



Ottawa Lake Servers 4-H club would like you to join us by collecting and donating much needed items to help Monroe County animal shelters and rescues.



Wish List items:

canned/dry animal food - blankets/towels - cleaning supplies
toys - litter/bedding - hay/straw - feed bowls/buckets
collars/grooming supplies - livestock items - office supplies



Drop off locations:
Monroe Cty. 4-H Extension Office
Dundee Senior Center-Dundee
The Walnut - Petersburg

Information contact and/or pick up:
Roni Worden 419-779-3499
Mindy Townsend 734-693-1887
Ottawa Lake Servers 4-H Club





\$5 photos with live animals
and free petting zoo



Spring Photos and Bake Sale



hosted by Monroe County 4-H Caprine
Council

Saturday April 12, 2025

10am-2pm

@Family Farm and Home

205 N Telegraph Rd,
Monroe, MI, 48162





TSC Paper Clover Days

Three Locations to shop Monroe, Dundee, Lambertville

IT'S PAPER CLOVER TIME!

April 18–May 5, 2025

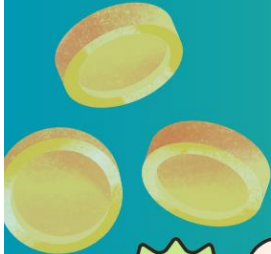
Funds support scholarships to 4-H camp and leadership activities.

TSC TRACTOR SUPPLY CO.
TractorSupply.com



INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE

Monroe County 4-H and First Merchants Bank are partnering to bring the Spring 2025 Entrepreneurship Series! This valuable program offers education and program completion based scholarships to the youth participating. RSVP Today to save your seat at this one of a kind workshop series!



**3/25
6:30PM**

FINANCIAL LEADERSHIP: 13-19

4-H Activity Center Monroe County Fairgrounds Raisinville Entrance

SR ENTREPRENEUR: 13-19

4-H Activity Center Monroe County Fairgrounds Raisinville Entrance

**4/23
6:30PM**

**5/22
6:30PM**

FINANCIAL FUTURES: 8-12

4-H Activity Center Monroe County Fairgrounds Raisinville Entrance

JR ENTREPRENEUR: 8-12

4-H Activity Center Monroe County Fairgrounds Raisinville Entrance

**6/7
4PM**

RSVP TODAY



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EXTENSION



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Monroe County 4-H Entrepreneurship Program & First Merchants Bank Partnering to Help Our Community Prosper

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SLOW SPOKES 2025

JUNE 15TH - JUNE 17TH
MAYBEE MI TO MSU



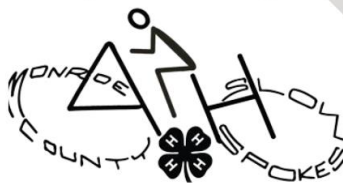
From Monroe County to MSU Exploration Days, 4-Hers are challenged with 120 miles of biking. Since 1972 groups of teens have went beyond the traditional to have the most fun challenge of a lifetime!

Most Memorable: Friendships, Swimming in the Lake, Picnic, Games, Awards Night, Adult Leaders, Biking Big Bertha

“On the bike trip we played volleyball, card games, swam at the lake and many more activities. When we arrived at Michigan State for Exploration Days, I had already knew so many people from my county and didn't feel awkward as I did last year. ... Overall, the bike trip and Exploration Days have helped me to create amazing friendships with people in my county!” -Corinna Aulph

CHALLENGE
ACCEPTED

Since 1972



Monroe County
4H Slow Spokes



4-H Scholarships

2025 MONROE COUNTY 4-H SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN

 **APPLY BY**
April 14th 2025

 **INTERVIEWS INPERSON & ZOOM**
April 22nd 2025

 **RECOGNIZED & AWARDED**
4-H Graduation & JAN 26



[Link](#)

FOR MORE INFORMATION
 butte301@msu.edu
 734-240-3174

<https://bit.ly/Monroe4HScholar25>

Ag Day Volunteers Needed

Agriculture Awareness Day VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



MAY 2ND, 2025

MONROE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
YOUTH AND ADULT VOLUNTEERS
PLEASE USE QR CODE TO SIGN UP





Don't miss out on this opportunity

register at: <https://www.canr.msu.edu/driven-for-the-future/index>



Driven for the Future: Empowering Michigan's Next Auto Tech Workforce

Website:

<https://bit.ly/3ONTYI3>



Questions:

Laurie Rivetto

RivettoL@msu.edu

734-727-7224



TOYOTA MOTOR
NORTH AMERICA

Research &
Development

Through the partnership of Toyota and Michigan 4-H, youth will experience a variety of career paths in the automotive industry as well as build crucial workforce readiness skills during this five webinar series. Skilled trade careers and apprentice experiences will be highlighted.

Any attendee who attends all five webinars (live or recorded) with submission of contact information will receive an incentive.

This program is FREE and open to all, though geared towards middle school students, high school students, and recent graduates.

January 23, 2025 at 6pm EST– Gear Up for Success through Apprenticeships in Automotive Research and Development

February 13, 2025 at 6pm EST– Ace the Interview

March 20, 2025 at 6pm EST– Rev Up Your Future: Careers in Automotive Performance and Evaluation

April 10, 2025 at 6pm EST– Drive Success with Workplace Professionalism

May 1, 2025 at 6pm EST– Engineer the Future with Careers in Integrated Vehicle Systems

For more information and registration:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/driven-for-the-future/>

Sponsors:

Incentives and program are free thanks to generous support from Toyota Motor North America Research and Development

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Pre-Fair Meeting



Club Leaders



Pre-fair Meeting scheduled for May 01, 2025 7pm @ AC

LEADERS ALL CLUBS MUST BE REPRESENTED AND STAY FOR THE FULL MEETING.

Fair Paperwork turn in June 16th 1pm to 7 pm in the AC. All fair paperwork will be turned in at stations in the AC.

Kitchen and Guard Duty

*** We can Not do it with out you! Importance of Kitchen and Guard Duty

Thank you for the time, commitment, and leadership you provide for our 4-H youth. Your time and effort is greatly appreciated.

All Clubs are assigned a specific time and number of volunteers to be provided for their time slot. Working in the kitchen is a big responsibility and requires a great deal of care toward safety. **All Adult Volunteers for Kitchen Duty are required to be Gold or Silver level approved volunteers with the 4-H Program. 4-H members 16 or older may also volunteer.**

All Clubs are assigned a specific time and volunteers are to be provided for their respective time slot. Our 4-H youth create wonderful projects that the spectators are very tempted to pick-up or touch in order to get a "closer look". We appreciate the public's admiration of the projects but we want to keep them from possibly being damaged or stolen! **The volunteer guards** must be able to keep focused on their task at hand and deal cordially and responsibly with the variety of visitors to our buildings. Therefore, to gain the respect from the spectators, **ALL VOLUNTEER WORKERS SHOULD BE ADULTS!**

Point of Contact for Guard Duty and Kitchen Duty Patti Wartinger at pattiwartinger@gmail.com or by phone at 734-777-0493

Thank you to Patti for all you do in scheduling shifts!



CALLING ALL

CUSTER DISTRICT YOUTH MEMBERS

Custer District is offering a \$25.00 4-H Exploration Days Scholarship to Custer District members who send a brief description of how they participated in Monroe County 4-H in 2024 by May 1st

SEND DESCRIPTION TO:

Michelle McLaughlin at
michelleduffey@hotmail.com



Call 734-740-7114 with any questions



TERRA QUEST PRESENTS

Spring Tea



Celebrate the Kentucky Derby with the whole family at our third annual Spring Tea! Enjoy different teas, finger foods, and activities for all ages! Come dressed in your Sunday best with your favorite derby hat! Prizes for the best derby hats! Space is limited, please RSVP by April 25th.

SUNDAY

MAY
4
2025

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Cost: \$25/Pair (1 Adult & 1 Child)

\$5 for each additional child after a pair

\$10 for each additional adult after a pair

OR

\$15/Adult Attending

4-H Activity Center

3775 N. Custer Rd, Monroe MI, 48161



For Tickets, please call:

Becki @ 734 - 775 - 7992

Kerrie @ 419 - 309 - 2593



TERRA QUEST 4-H CLUB PRESENTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 19, 2025

EGG DROP



50 eggs 35\$

100 eggs 65\$

HAVE THE TERRA QUEST EASTER BUNNY REPRESENTATIVES BRING EGGS FILLED WITH CANDY AND TOYS TO YOUR YARD TO HIDE IN THE WEE HOURS OF THE NIGHT! BRING JOY TO YOUR CHILDREN'S HEART WITH A PERSONALIZED LETTER FROM THE EASTER BUNNY AND TONS OF COLORFUL EGGS ON EASTER MORNING! ALL PROFITS SUPPORT MEMBERS FOR OUR TRIP TO WISCONSIN IN AUGUST!

TO ORDER YOUR EGGS, CONTACT:
BECKY: 734-775-7992
KERRIE: 419-309-2593

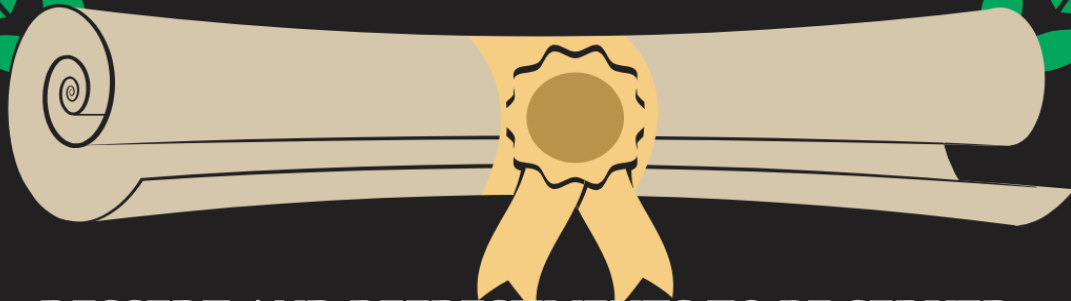
OTHER DATES AVAILABLE BY REQUEST
RSVP BY: APRIL 13, 2025





Graduation

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES
CLASS OF 2025



DESSERT AND REFRESHMENTS TO BE SERVED

May 14th

6:00pm

Activity Center

RSVP: by May 10TH



bitly



Volunteer/ leader Corner

Link to Volunteer Central become a 4-H volunteer

<https://msu.samaritan.com>

Leaders, please take the time to review updated Financial Manuals. These manuals will answer many of your club questions related to finance.

[Financial Manual for 4-H Volunteers - 4-H Volunteering & Mentoring \(msu.edu\)](#)

[Financial Manual for 4-H Treasurers - 4-H \(msu.edu\)](#)



Michigan 4-H

**WINTER/
SPRING 2025
VOLUNTEER
WEBINAR
SERIES**

For more information:
<https://www.canr.msu.edu/volunteering/mi-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series>

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Please visit:

<https://www.canr.msu.edu/volunteering/mi-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series> for full details on the series and registration links. The titles and dates are below:

- The Heart of 4-H: Cultivating Developmental Relationships with Youth: March 18, 2025
- 4-H Club Fundraising 101: April 16, 2025
- Fueling or Squashing the Rumor Mill: May 15, 2025
- Engaging Parents in 4-H Experiences and Implement Shared Leadership in 4-H Clubs



Exploration Days 2025



EXPLORING NEW HORIZONS THROUGH 4-H MICHIGAN 4-H EXPLORATION DAYS

Mark Your Calendars for 4-H Exploration Days Registration which opens March 20th at 7 pm! Sessions fill quickly so we recommend being ready to register when it opens.

This precollege program welcomes youth ages 12-19 to explore their future, try new things and experience college life! During this three-day event, youth will gain confidence and independence through hands-on learning and make friends for a lifetime. Youth stay in the dorms and eat in the cafeteria while attending sessions and engaging in exciting free time activities. This year there will also be career tracks where youth get to pick sessions related to career areas.

If you are interested in attending, check out the session descriptions and learn more on the website: https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days/

If you are interested in a scholarship to help offset the cost of the event, please contact Chelsea at butle301@msu.edu or call 734-240-3174



Superintendent Agreements

Attention

calling all

2025

Fair Superintendents

*Superintendent Agreements will be
emailed the first week in April
Please sign and return your agreement by
May 1st, 2025*

Looking forward to another successful fair
and appreciate all that you do as a
superintendent!





PLEASE RSVP BY MAY 12 VIA GOOGLE REGISTRATION

Communications Day

Sunday, June 1

4-H Activity Center

1:00PM-4:00PM

Special gifts for participants! -

hosted by Airport District 4-H

**Extemporaneous Speaking, Demonstrations,
Show and Tell, Posters and information on
other communications categories!**





STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Support 4-H with the TSC Spring Paper Clover Campaign



From April 21 – May 5, Tractor Supply Company (TSC) customers across the nation will have the opportunity to support 4-H youth by purchasing a \$1 paper clover at checkout, both online and in stores.

Funds raised will support county, state and national 4-H programming. To learn more regarding the campaign, visit www.tractorsupply.com/tsc/cms/4h.

April 10: Driving Success with Workplace Professionalism

Online

Through a partnership with Toyota, youth will experience a variety of career paths in the automotive industry as well as build workforce readiness skills. This webinar will provide insight on professionalism in the workplace.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/workplace-professionalism

April 16: Michigan 4-H Volunteer Webinar - 4-H Club Fundraising 101

Online

This webinar will provide an overview of Michigan 4-H fundraising policies, ensuring that your efforts align with guidelines and best practices for success.

- **12 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-4-h-club-fundraising-101-noon
- **7 p.m. session:** www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-4-h-club-fundraising-101-7pm

April 24: 4-H Fly Fishing Series

Adrian, Michigan

Learn to use fly fishing equipment, practice fly casting techniques and tie a variety of knots. Learn about environmental and water quality concerns, as well as a fish's ecosystem as you practice imitating insects and other water critters. Registration deadline is April 18.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-fly-fishing-series

April 30: Make the Most of Your Market Animal Project – Goal Getters

Online

Learn how to set SMART goals to enhance your livestock marketing success. This session will provide practical strategies to develop a goal, stay focused and achieve it.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/market-animal-project-webinar4-30

May 1: Engineering the Future with Careers in Integrated Vehicle Systems (IVS)

Online

Through a partnership with Toyota, youth will experience a variety of career paths in the automotive industry as well as build workforce readiness skills. This webinar focuses on careers in IVS, the backbone of advanced safety in automobiles.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/careers-in-ivs

May 3: Spring 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Workshop for Adults and Teens

Owosso, Michigan

Learn about 4-H Shooting Sports mission policy, risk management and safety, discipline-specific equipment use and care, how to teach shooting fundamentals to youth, range set-up, and more.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/spring-2025-4-h-shooting-sports-instructor-workshop-for-adults-and-teens





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Registration open for 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp

4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp mixes summer fun and hands-on science education. The camp will be held July 27 – August 2 on the shores of Lake Esau at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle and is open to youth ages 13-15 during camp.

During this enriching MSU Extension educational program, campers will increase their science literacy and stewardship as they learn from natural resource experts in fields such as Great Lakes coastal and fisheries management, limnology, wildlife, forestry, geography, geology and environmental education. In addition to hands-on learning, attendees also enjoy exciting natural resources recreation activities such as kayaking, swimming, sailing, archery, fishing, snorkeling, evening campfires and more!

Registration is now open! The registration fee is \$525 and includes six nights of lodging, all meals and snacks, a t-shirt and program and activity costs. Space is limited to 70 campers so register today. For more information and to register, visit www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_great_lakes_natural_resources_camp/.



Register for 4-H Exploration Days!

Join 1,000 youth from across Michigan on MSU's campus to explore YOUR future! This three-day pre-college program is designed to help you explore careers, build skills and envision your future. Choose from more than 100 fun learning sessions on a variety of topics that are led by MSU faculty, 4-H staff and volunteers, and other experts. You'll stay in and eat at MSU residence halls, attend sessions in buildings throughout campus, and of course have fun at free-time activities across the university!

4-H Exploration days will be held June 18-20 at MSU in East Lansing. Young people ages 12 to 19 are invited to join the fun! The cost for the 2025 event is \$250, which includes two nights' lodging in a residence hall, meals, learning sessions, an event t-shirt and free-time activities. Contact your local MSU Extension office to find out if your county 4-H program offers scholarships for youth participants.

Registration opened March 20 and closes April 25. You'll want to register soon – sessions fill up fast and are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis! For registration links or more information, visit www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_exploration_days/.

Get your tickets for Michigan 4-H Day with the Detroit Tigers!

Join Michigan 4-H and MSU Extension for a fun day at Comerica Park to watch the Detroit Tigers take on the Baltimore Orioles on Sunday, April 27. Michigan 4-H will be honored as the Group Charity of the Game. To celebrate, 4-H youth, volunteers, staff and their families will enjoy a discounted ticket to the game, as well as:

- Access to a pre-game, on-field opportunity. Michigan 4-H youth are invited to take a lap around the warning track of Comerica Park before the game.
- A portion of each ticket sold donated to Michigan 4-H.

There are several ticketing options available this year, in three main locations, ranging in price from \$22 - 46. In addition, each ticket purchased through the Michigan 4-H link will have the opportunity to purchase an exclusive, co-branded Michigan 4-H and Detroit Tigers jersey (while supplies last). Jerseys can only be purchased by purchasing a ticket through the Michigan 4-H link; however, there is an option to buy tickets without the purchase of a jersey. Learn more at www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-day-with-the-detroit-tigers.





2025 Schedule of Events

- Jan. 26- 4-H Tack Sale & More
- Feb. 1-2- Oddities & Horror Fest
- Feb. 8-9-Gun & Knife Show
- March 9- The Vintage Market
- March 15- Ducks Unlimited Banquet
- March 22- Garage Sale & Flea Market
- March 29- Winter Storage Removal
- April 5- Tom Blanchette Memorial Beef Show
- April 6- FCHA Tack Sale
- April 11- Soil Conservation Tree Sale
- April 13- Auto Swap Meet
- April 19- 4-H Spring Rabbit Show
- April 27- Monroe Bike Show
- May 2-Ag Awareness Day
- May 2-4- Fair Food Drive-Thru
- May 9-11- Scout-O-Rama
- May 9-11- 4-H Horse Show
- May 11- Flower & Garden Show
- May 18- Motorcycle Swap Meet
- May 24- Bedford Fire Explorer Training
- May 30-June 1- FCHA Horse Show
- June 6-8 -4-H Horse Show
- June 8– The Vintage Market
- June 12- Pending
- June 15- Monroe Hamfest
- June 20-22- 4-H Horse Show
- June 21-22- Gun & Knife Show
- July 4-6- Ann Arbor Kennel Club Dog Show
- July 12-13- FCHA Horse Show
- July 25– Fireworks
- July 27– Aug 2 MONROE COUNTY FAIR
- Aug. 16-17- Gun & Knife Show
- Aug. 23-24- FCHA Horse Show
- Sept. 7- Auto Swap Meet
- Sept. 12-13- Monroe Comic Con
- Sept. 26-28- Monroe Kennel Club Dog Show
- Oct. 4 - Winter Storage begins
- Oct. 5 - Wicked Pickin'
- Oct. 11-12- FCHA Horse Show
- Oct. 18-Garage Sale & Flea Market
- Oct. 25– Grand Day of Tournaments
- Nov. 1-2-Shipshewana on the Road
- Nov. 7-9 - Michigan Tattoo Convention
- Nov. 15- 4-H Spaghetti Dinner & Auction
- Dec. 14- The Vintage Market



**Schedule subject to change. Visit our website monroecountyfair.com for more details and updates!



Spring Garage Sale! raised \$3,103.00 Funds help defray fair ribbon Cost Thank you to everyone who assisted!



Caprine Council Stick Goat Making





Cloverbud Expo



Mini Expo





Teen Ambassadors Volunteer with Last Stop Animal Rescue in Carleton



Entrepreneurship





Recap

Service Project for Oaks of Righteousness





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Drop-In With Jean- Perler Beads



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