



FEBRUARY 2023

4-H Family News

ROSCOMMON COUNTY



SO MANY GREAT OPPORTUNITIES

Jumping into 2023, we have so many things to mention. The 4-H Tubing event is being held this Saturday (February 4th); with temps in the middle 20s it should be a blast. After tubing we'll have hotdogs and hot chocolate around a bonfire. We still have a few openings, but registration closes Thursday at noon.

After last year's record-breaking year, we broke a new record of participants in the 4-H Cross Country Ski Club for 2023. We have a new local 7-week series of classes on how teens can start a business – now or into their adult life. The Blazed Trail 4-H Biz Club will kick off with a tour of local businesses on February 9th. It's \$10 to join, with scholarships available to those unable to participate due to cost.

We are kicking off the 4-H Leader Dogs for the Blind Puppy Raiser Project later this month. If you'd consider adopting a puppy for a short period of time for a greater-good purpose, this program is for you. We are also hosting the 4-H Teen Fun Night again in March. We are promoting 4-H Exploration Days for late June and have some great plans for the Middle Michigan 4-H Forestry Camp, hosted right here in Roscommon County. The variety of field trips alone is eye-popping.

The Roscommon County 4-H Interstate Exchange Club is off and running with many new ideas. Planning that Super Bowl Party? If you have cans you would like to donate, you can make arrangements and we will pick them up the weekend after the Super Bowl to help support this 4-H club that hosts guests from Idaho this summer.

Honorable mention - international hosting experiences, 4-H Capitol Experience, travel to Washington D.C. through 4-H, and our Volunteer Webinar Series.

John Wurm
4-H Program Coordinator

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STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4-H Day at the Breslin & 4-H Alumni Tip-Off Reception



Make plans for a fun day in East Lansing on February 12! Join with other members of the 4-H community for 4-H Day at the Breslin and cheer on the MSU Women's Basketball game as they take on Penn State.

Attendees will also enjoy 4-H games and activities around the concourse. Tickets are free to 4-H youth and their families as well as 4-H volunteers and their families. Learn more at www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-day-at-the-breslin.

4-H alumni can also take part in a special pre-game event: the 4-H Alumni Tip-Off Reception. Enjoy networking and fun with other 4-H alumni before the game. Learn more at www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-alumni-tip-off-reception.

February 14: Wild Spartans Series – Black River Lake Sturgeon Facility, Management of a Threatened Species

Online

Meet Doug Larson, research assistant at the Black River Sturgeon Facility. Learn about his field work, and the education and career path he followed to get there.

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

February 25: 4-H Leader Meet

MSU Campus, East Lansing

Enjoy a variety of fun and interactive sessions, informative presentations, and useful tips for meetings. Open to adult and teen leaders in Ionia, Montcalm, Gratiot, Clinton, Eaton and Ingham.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-leader-meet-2023

February 28: Michigan 4-H Volunteer Webinar – Building the Value of Your 4-H Club

Online

A webinar series that will provide Michigan 4-H volunteers with a variety of learning opportunities to help them grow as a volunteer and support Michigan 4-H'ers.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series-building-the-value-of-your-4-h-club-7pm

March 3-5: Michigan 4-H Dairy Conference

Ralph A. MacMullan Center, Roscommon

This weekend workshop will focus on all things dairy cattle nutrition. MSU and MSU Extension faculty, industry partners, and MSU students will lead educational sessions. Open to MSU Extension Gold Volunteers and 4-H youth (ages 12-19). Register by Feb. 8.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/2023-michigan-4-h-dairy-conference

March 4: 2023 Michigan 4-H Livestock Workshop

MSU Campus, East Lansing

This one-day workshop is designed for 4-H teens ages 12-19 and adult volunteers in the beef, sheep, goat and swine project areas.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-livestock-workshop

March 4: 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Certification Workshop

Ralph A. MacMullan Center, Roscommon

Interested in leading shooting sports with a 4-H club? Become a certified instructor at this one-day, hybrid workshop! Register by Feb. 15.

www.canr.msu.edu/events/4-h-shooting-sports-instructor-certification-workshop-ram





STATEWIDE 4-H NEWS

Register today for Michigan 4-H Capitol Experience!

At Michigan 4-H Capitol Experience, teens learn how to change the world for the better through engagement in Michigan's state government and public policy process. The 4-H Capitol Experience program, scheduled for March 12-14, in Lansing, has been described by past participants as "amazing", "life-changing", and "an opportunity unlike any other".

The three-day event, open to high-school-aged youth, includes tours of the Michigan Capitol, interactions with state legislators, meetings with state agency staff, lobbyists and state-level experts and learning how policy is made. During the program, youth work in small teams to draft legislation on agriculture, civil rights, education, energy, environment and natural resources, health or law enforcement and corrections.

The cost to register in 2023 is \$365, which includes meals, material fees and lodging at the Radisson Hotel in downtown Lansing. Please contact your local 4-H program coordinator to inquire about local funding opportunities. Scholarships may also be available through your local Farm Bureau office.

Registration is open until February 13. To find out more, visit https://www.canr.msu.edu/4_h_capitol_experience/.



World Food Prize Michigan Youth Institute registrations 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. Held May 11 in East Lansing, or by participating from anywhere else using Zoom video/web conference technology, the event seeks to inspire and prepare 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 one of 20 key factors that affect food security. At the event, youth present and discuss their papers with other attendees and research and industry experts. They also participate in interactive activities related to global food challenges and engage with area experts to discuss solutions to global hunger and poverty.

The top performing students at the WFP MIYI will be selected to attend the World Food Prize Global Youth Institute in Des Moines, Iowa, in October. For more information, visit <https://www.canr.msu.edu/wfpmiyi/>. Registrations and papers are due March 15.



citizenship
WASHINGTON FOCUS

Learning about our nation's history empowers today's youth to forge a brighter future. What better place to do that than Washington, DC! Youth ages 14-19 have the opportunity to experience our nation's capital like never before or ever again!

“CWF was absolutely a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity! I experienced new places and learned about their importance to our nation's history. I met 4-Hers from all around the country, discovered differences and similarities between our 4-H experiences, and strengthened my resolve to use my voice to help others,” Halle Graves- 2022 CWF Delegate.

Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) is a premier week-long 4-H citizenship and leadership experience. CWF brings 4-H delegations from around the country together to experience our Nation's Capital!

The Michigan 4-H Delegation will leave by bus on Saturday, June 24 with the first stop at the Flight 93 Memorial in Pennsylvania. Traveling on, the delegation will stay Saturday night in Gettysburg. Sunday the group will tour the battlegrounds and then travel on to the Hyatt Regency in Bethesda, MD for 6 days of eventful programming, including meetings with our Senators and Representatives, tours of many monuments provided by a licensed DC tour guide, and incredible workshops that teach life skills like civil discourse and critical thinking.

The total cost is \$2,000.00 (includes transportation from East Lansing or Coldwater, all lodging, conference costs, and most meals) plus 7 meals and spending money per participant. A \$500 deposit per delegate is due by January 9, 2023.

For additional information, go to the website at:
https://www.canr.msu.edu/citizenship_washington_focus/index

To sign up, contact your county MSU Extension 4-H Program Coordinator. You can find your staff person at: <http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county> or Liana Pepin at deisenro@msu.edu.

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LOCAL PROGRAM!

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Extension

4-H Tubing Day 2023

DATE & TIME:

Saturday, February 4, 2023
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm

LOCATION:

Hansen Hills Recreation
7601 Old Lake Road
Grayling, MI 49738

AFTERPARTY:

The home of 4-H Volunteer,
Terri Cook
334 Woodlawn Ave.
Roscommon, MI 48653

COST: \$5 (actual cost is \$14) Sponsored by your Roscommon County 4-H Council.

Note: \$15 cancellation fee for those who sign up and fail to cancel within 48 hours of event. Those who cancel before the 48 hours are not charged any fees. You must cancel by noon on Thursday, February 2nd.

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WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Youth ages kindergarten through high school. (Must be 5 years old by January 1, 2023.) **Event is limited to 30 participants**, so be sure to register early to reserve your space.

DESCRIPTION:

Join us for some outdoor winter fun and see what 4-H has to offer as we hit the slopes of Hanson Hills for a tubing adventure! One of our 4-H volunteers will also host an afterparty with bonfire and snacks.



REGISTER IN 3 EASY STEPS:

Prior to the Event:

1. Youth need to be enrolled in 4-H: v2.4honline.com
2. Youth need to be registered for the 4-H Tubing Day event: v2.4honline.com
3. Payment needs to be made. **Payment by credit card is recommended and may be completed when registering at v2.4honline.com.**

If you wish to pay by check or cash, these are also options.

Questions: MSU Extension - (989) 275-5043





LOCAL PROGRAM!

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Extension

Blazed Trail 4-H Biz Club

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Youth ages 12-15 (older are also welcome). **Club is limited to 10 participants**; register early to reserve your space.

DESCRIPTION:

We'll go through the steps needed to explore if you are an entrepreneur or have the true entrepreneur spirit.

- Idea generation
- Pricing your product
- Branding
- Promotion & Marketing
- Funding & Finances
- Local Field Trips

REGISTER IN 3 EASY STEPS:

Prior to the first day of class:

1. Youth need to be enrolled in v2.4honline.com.
2. Youth need to be registered in the Blazed Trail 4-H Biz Club in v2.4honline.com.
3. Payment needs to be made. Payment by credit card is recommended and may be completed when registering for the event at v2.4honline.com.
4. Payment by cash or check are also options.

Registration is only complete when all steps are completed and payment has been made.

Questions: MSU Extension - (989) 275-5043



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DATE & TIME:

Thursdays - February 9, 16, 23, March 2, 9, 16 & 23, 2023
(This is a 7-week program)
3:00 – 4:30 pm

LOCATION:

Roscommon County Bldg
Conference Room 101
500 Lake Street,
Roscommon, MI 48653

Email:

hoffmanshands@gmail.com

COST: \$10 (This will include a notebook of resources for members to keep.)

The annual 4-H participation fee has been indefinitely waived. If the \$10 fee will prevent a teen from attending, scholarships are available.

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Open for Registration!

Local 4-H Events:

- Roscommon 4-H Tubing and Afterparty – Feb 4 (register by Feb 2)
- Roscommon Blazed Trail 4-H Biz Club – Thursdays, Feb 9 – March 23 (register by Feb 8)

How to Register for an Event in the 4-H Online System

Clubs with a participation fee are *Events* in the 4-H Online system. In order to register for a 4-H Event:

1. Youth need to be current 4-H members. Enroll in 4-H at <https://v2.4honline.com>. Previous members need only to *Renew* their enrollment. (4-H enrollment is free.)

*During Enrollment, you must select a Club and Project to move forward in the system:

A) Select Roscommon Youth - No Club Affiliation for the general enrollment Club. <https://v2.4honline.com>

B) Select Citizenship and Civic Engagement for the general enrollment Project.

2. After 4-H Enrollment has been approved, youth need to register for the 4-H Event of their choice at <https://v2.4honline.com>.

3. Payment needs to be completed:

Credit card payment is preferred, and can be completed when registering for the Event. Upon registration, our office will receive an email notification. Once registration has been approved, the credit card payment process will automatically activate. If you are registering more than one child for an Event, you will need to register and pay for each child individually.

To pay by check:

-Make the check payable to MSU Extension

-Make a Note indicating which Event the payment is for

-Include your phone number on the check

-Mail your check to our office or drop it off in person (*please call first: 989-275-5043*):

Roscommon County 4-H, 500 Lake Street, Roscommon, MI 48653

To pay by cash, call our office to arrange to drop off payment: 989-275-5043.

Please note that registration is not complete until all steps are completed.

For more information on navigating the 4-H Online system, download our Family Guide at <https://www.canr.msu.edu/resources/4-h-online-2-0-family-guide>.



Puppy Raisers are Needed!



4-H and Leader Dogs for the Blind need YOU to make a DIFFERENCE!

"Your family temporarily adopts a program puppy for eleven months until they are old enough to head off to school!"

New Launch and Rollout at our Informational Meeting

**FEBRUARY 23, 2023, AT 6:30
WILL ALSO BE HELD VIRTUALLY
FROM THE LEADER DOG CAMPUS**



APPRECIATING INDEPENDENCE

The mission of Leader Dogs for the Blind is to Empower people who are blind or visually impaired with lifelong skills for safe and independent daily travel.

CONTACT INFO:

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- 989-330-5131



LOCAL PROGRAM!

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Extension

4-H Teen Fun Night

DATE & TIME:

March 10, 2023

7:00PM-10:00PM

LOCATION:

The Northern Center &
Fox Den Restaurant
7784 Stone School Rd,
Houghton Lake, MI 48629

COST: FREE to first 50

who register in advance:
bit.ly/4-Hteenfun_march

\$5 at the door after first 50 registrants

Thank you to our host,
The Northern Center/
Fox Den Restaurant.

The annual 4-H participation fee has been indefinitely waived.

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WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

Open to youth 12-19 in Roscommon and surrounding counties. 4-H membership is not required.

DESCRIPTION:

Join us for a taco bar, serious fun time and a chance to meet new friends! Teens from Roscommon and surrounding counties are invited for a night of video games, basketball, board games, cards and multiple door prize drawings throughout the evening!

PARENTS: If you wish, feel free to enjoy some quiet time and ½ off an appetizer at The Fox Den Restaurant.

REGISTER IN ADVANCE! Get an extra ticket for a door prize drawing!

https://bit.ly/4-Hteenfun_march

Questions: MSU Extension - (989) 275-5043



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The Northern Center
Banquets & Events



Do you have post-Superbowl returnable cans and bottles?

4-H Interstate Group will be picking up cans to help raise money to host our Idaho friends this summer.

Call 989.390.7933 to schedule a pick-up for Feb 18 & 19.

4-H Interstate Can Fundraiser

You call We pick up



**CANS AND BOTTLES
RECYCLING**

Roscommon
County

Feb 18 & 19

HERE IS SOME OF THE GOOD STUFF 4-H OFFERS! CLICK ON IMAGE FOR DETAILS.



Registration Open

4-H Leader Meet

Come together with leaders from across Michigan to re-energize through networking, learning and fun!

Feb 25th, 2023

10:45am - 4:15 pm

check in 10:30am - 10:45am
MSU Campus STEM Building



More info and to register:
https://events.anr.msu.edu/Michigan_4h_leader_meet/

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ADULTING 101 JANUARY-APRIL 2023



- 1-31 @ 5pm-International Conversations
- 2-23 @ 6pm-Insurance 101
- 3-16 @ 4pm-Paycheck and Taxes
- 4-12 @ 6pm-Build & Protect your Credit

Register at:
<https://events.anr.msu.edu/AdultingW2023/>



4-H Cash Composition Contest

Essay Submissions Due By April 30, 2023



Michigan Youth
Between the Ages
9-12

Earn \$100 gift card by
Sharing Your Financial
Knowledge

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SHOW YOUR MONEY SMARTS CONTEST

AGES 13-19

REGISTER BY APRIL 13, 2023 AND COMPLETE BY APRIL 30, 2023



WIN BY TAKING AN ONLINE CHALLENGE QUIZ

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JOIN MICHIGAN JR LIVESTOCK SOCIETY & MICHIGAN 4-H

Livestock 101



March 11, 2023
University Center
80 Livingston Blvd Gaylord, Michigan
Sessions start at 9:30 am

Beef, Swine, Sheep, Rabbits, & Poultry

Educational sessions on showmanship, nutrition, breeding, selection, & general care.

Registration through 4-H Online Registration includes lunch & a shirt
Registration Fee- \$25.00

For more information contact
Kimberly Roestel at
Kimberly.roestel@gmail.com
Michelle at eagling@msu.edu
or 989-354-9870

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4-H Capitol Experience

March 12-14, 2023

Get involved in your government!



4-H GROWS HERE MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Extension



Michigan 4-H

Ages 8-19

Dog Program Learning Workshop

Feb 25 - 8:30-3:30
Mt Pleasant, MI

events.anr.msu.edu/LearningWorkshop2023



4-H ANIMAL SCIENCE CAREER QUEST

FEBRUARY 18 & 19, 2023
MSU CAMPUS, EAST LANSING



 MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Extension

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States' 4-H International Exchange Programs
2023 OUTBOUND PROGRAMS
Costa Rica · Japan · South Korea

Are you curious about daily life, culture, and youth programs in other countries? Travel abroad with States' 4-H and enter a world that most tourists rarely get to see.



MICHIGAN 4-H
VOLUNTEER WEBINAR SERIES

February 28th
Building the Value of Your 4-H Club

March 16th
Creating a Welcoming 4-H Club

April 13th
Energizing Your 4-H Club Meetings

ALL TRAININGS OFFERED 12-1PM EST AND 7-8PM EST

REGISTER HERE:
www.canr.msu.edu/volunteering/mi-4-h-volunteer-webinar-series



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
June 2023
4-H Exploration Days
bit.ly/2023_Explore_4H

WELCOME TO 4-H EXPLORATION DAYS



States' 4-H International Exchange Programs
2023 INBOUND PROGRAMS
Host a delegate in your home this summer and give your family a global perspective!

Host a Japanese youth in Summer 2023 through States' 4-H International!

Invite an international youth into your home for three and a half weeks and share an American experience. Expand your family's cultural understanding, learn about new foods and customs, and possibly a new language all while sharing your own. Your children will build lifelong friendships and will gain new perspectives on their own country too!

Host a Japanese youth in Summer 2023
Invite an international youth into your home for three and a half weeks and share an American experience. Your children will build lifelong friendships and will gain new perspectives on their own country too! Learn more: www.states4hexchange.org