4-H Program Coordinator’s Message

I hope that you all enjoyed your 4th of July! As many of you are preparing for the Clare County Fair, I would like to remind you that there are many 4-H award winners chosen not only during the Fair, but also throughout the 4-H year. All adult volunteers need to pick up award nomination packets in the MSU Extension Building on the Fairgrounds the week of the Fair. Any adults or teens are able to nominate people for awards. Each club will also need to pick up Year End Paperwork at this time and place which is to be turned in by September 1, 2017.

There are many fun activities for 4-H Families and clubs to participate in that are happening this month. Please take the time to read through this newsletter for information about those activities and the Clare County Fair.

I hope you all have a great Fair week!

Alex Schunk
4-H Program Coordinator

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**4-H FUN NIGHT: Tuesday, July 25, 2017 at 7pm at the T-Barn**

Dinner is at 7pm with games to follow inside the T-Barn. Dinner is provided by M & M Meats, 4-H Council and all 4-H Families are asked to bring a dish to pass based on the first letter of their last name.

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9pm to Midnight, in the Grove behind the T-Barn. 4-H members need to provide $3 donation/member OR a bag of chips/cookies OR a 2 Liter of Pop/Juice.

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Making jelly at Summer Camp Blast.
4-H Workshops

August 11-13: Kayaking, Outdoor Adventure Challenge Level 2
Little Bay de Noc, Gladstone

August 18-20: Flat-Water Canoeing, Outdoor Adventure Challenge Level 2
Manistee River near Kingsley

August 26-27: Global Village and Global Gateway Experience With 4-H
http://howellnaturecenter.org/programs/heifer-global-village/global-gateway
Howell Nature Center, Howell

Other 4-H Events

July 13: Michigan 4-H/FFA Livestock Judging Contest
http://msue.anr.msu.edu/resources/michigan_4_h_ffa_livestock_judging_contest
MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

July 17-21: 4-H Youth Dairy Days
http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/michigan-dairy-expo-and-4-h-dairy-days
MSU Pavilion, Lansing

July 21: Michigan 4-H/FFA Meat Judging Contest
Anthony Hall, MSU, East Lansing

July 24-28: 4-H Renewable Energy Camp
https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=95D877C85D23203A
MSU, East Lansing

July 30-August 3: National 4-H Forestry Invitational
http://4hforestryinvitational.org
Jackson’s Mill State 4-H Conference Center, Weston, West Virginia

August 2-4: 4-H Health & Food Science Camp
https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=A11B8C3CF0D2FB86
MSU, East Lansing

August 11-13: State 4-H Horse Show
http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs
MSU Pavilion, Lansing

August 19: Lansing Lugnuts 4-H Night!
http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/lansing_lugnuts_4_h_night
Cooley Law School Stadium, Lansing

August 20: State 4-H Miniature Horse Show
http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs
South Barn, MSU Pavilion, Lansing

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events
2017 State 4-H Dog Show
This event – presented each August by Michigan State University (http://www.msu.edu) Extension (http://msue.anr.msu.edu) 4-H Youth Development (http://bit.ly/12NxjLN) – allows participants to:

- Present dogs in the following classes:
  - Leader Dog/Service Dog Puppy
  - Freestyle
  - Junior Showmanship
  - Obedience
  - Rally
  - Agility
  - Brace
  - Teams
  - Cloverbud

- Display honesty, respect for others, good sportsmanship, understanding of the humane and ethical care and treatment of animals, and their ability to follow 4-H policies and procedures

- Participate in free Educational Posters and Photography Contests

Who Should Attend?
Exhibitors must be Michigan 4-H'ers (but not necessarily enrolled in a 4-H dog project) aged 9 to 19 years, as of January 1, 2017. Cloverbud division youth must be 5 to 8 years old, as of January 1, 2017. 4-H members can show up to two dogs (5 months or older) of any breed. Naturally, spectators are welcome!

Date and Location of the Show: August 19, 2017, the MSU Pavilion (http://bit.ly/2pPWBd1)

What Is the Cost of the Show?
The nonrefundable registration fees are $6 per dog and $10 per class. Camping is available at the MSU Pavilion for $30 per night (Friday and Saturday only)

How Does Someone Register?
Registration forms (for participants and show sponsors) are available in the show catalog found on the Michigan 4-H web site (http://bit.ly/2qBtgHy). Youth must fill out entry forms completely and take the documents to the local MSU Extension office (http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county) by July 21, 2017. To be accepted, entries must have the following:

1. A complete entry form, found in the 2017 State 4-H Dog Show Catalog (http://bit.ly/2rw96aC)
2. A copy of proof of vaccination (this is generally an itemized receipt or certificate from the veterinarian) for each dog entered (participants may bring up to two dogs)
3. Payment of class fees (to ensure all applicable fees are paid, check the math on the entry form).

More information about this show is available from:
- The 2017 Michigan 4-H State Dog Show Catalog (http://bit.ly/2rw96aC)
- Your local MSU Extension 4-H staff (http://bit.ly/u0f9E3)
- Katie Ockert (ockertka@anr.msu.edu), Michigan 4-H Animal Science Educator
- How to Measure Your Dog for the 4-H Dog Show (http://bit.ly/2qwzFy7), by Dr. Elizabeth Wells

LEGISLATIVE BREAKFAST
THANK YOU
In June, Clare and Gladwin County Farm Bureaus hosted a Legislative Breakfast at the Harrison City Market. Clare County 4-H had the opportunity to prepare and serve breakfast to event attendees. Thank you to Clare and Gladwin County Farm Bureaus for the monetary donation to 4-H and Donna Thompson, Mary Ellen Coldwell, Dewey Family, Osterloh Family, and Vanessa Foster for your time spent helping with the event!!
HELP WANTED

The 4-H Foodstand Committee is in need of volunteers for Cleaning Day, July 10, starting at 5pm and Cooking Day, July 15, starting at 10:30am. Every club is expected to participate in both days. There is a lot of work to be done both days, any amount of time that you are able to volunteer will be appreciated! Also, each club MUST work in the Milk Booth and Foodstand. Schedules can be found in this newsletter.

4-H Camp at Camp Neyati

Thank you to all of the campers that attend the 4-H Cloverbud Day Camp and Overnight Camp! Thank you to Cindy Dietsch for volunteering your time at camp and Leah Canal and Brady Fruge’ for being camp counselors!!

Top: Clare County Cloverbud Day Campers, Middle: Clare and Midland County Overnight Counselors, Bottom: Clare and Midland County Overnight Campers
Home Arts Information:

Youth Home Arts: Judging is Friday, July 21, 3-7pm at the Grand Stands and Home Arts Building, this includes Cloverbuds. Clubs can clean their booth spaces until Friday, July 14. Tags for projects can be picked up at the Fair Office starting Monday, July 17.

Teens are needed to help clerk the Home Arts Judging. Contact Donna at 989-539-9011 at the Fair Office if you are interested in volunteering.

Livestock Information:

Weigh-In Times: Sunday, July 23
- Swine: 8am-12pm 220 pound minimum weight
- Beef: 12pm-1pm 900 pound minimum weight
- Dairy Feeder: 12pm-1pm
- Sheep: 1-2 80 pound minimum weight

Horse Information:

Horses need to be checked in to the fairgrounds by 4pm on Sunday, July 23. Original Coggins paperwork must be on hand at this time.

Fair Information:

Saw Dust Day: Saturday, July 15, starting at 9am, Clare County Fairgrounds. Every family is expected to participate in Saw Dust Day, helping to prepare for the fair the following week.

Check-In Day: On Sunday, July 23, all animals must be checked in from 8am to 4pm (some species have specific times). They also are required to be brought in through the back entrance of the Fairgrounds off of Townline Road.

Camping: Balance of $125 is due on Saw Dust Day, July 15. After that date campers will be charged a $25 late fee per a site. Campers can be brought in on Saturday, July 15, but electric cannot be plugged in until Saturday, July 22.

Fair Theme: Animated Movies. Colors—Pink, Orange, and Lime Green

Summer Camp Blast

25 campers attended Summer Camp Blast at MMCC in June and spent three days learning about Food Preservation, Cooking and Nutrition, Outdoor Survival, Robotics and Plastics. THANK YOU to the following people for your help during this camp: Michelle Neff, Dana Taylor, Carol Darlington, Stacy Carlstrom, Pete DeRoche, Cassidy Ogg, and Trisha Owens.
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For changes or availability questions call Trudy Foster at 989-350-1941 or Email @ foster3740@gmail.com
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FLOWER POT CONTEST
AT THE FAIR

- NO PRE-ENTRY
- OPEN TO ALL YOUTH AND ADULTS WITH A CONNECTION TO CLARE COUNTY 4-H
- ENTRY DEADLINE IS MONDAY OF FAIR BY 5:00 PM. ENTRIES ARE TO BE SUBMITTED AT THE MSU EXTENSION BUILDING.
- RIBBON AWARDS WILL BE ATTACHED TO FLOWER POTS AFTER JUDGING TAKES PLACE

CLASSES:

0926  6” AND SMALLER POT- YOUTH
0928  7” AND LARGER POT- YOUTH
0925  6” AND SMALLER POT-ADULT
0927  7” AND LARGER POT- ADULT

NAME: __________________________ PHONE NUMBER: __________________________

CLUB NAME: ________________________________________________

CLASS NUMBER (SEE ABOVE): __________

LOCATION ON FAIRGROUNDS. (Must be located in barn areas, NOT in the campground or midway. Draw map on back if not easy to find): ____________________________________________________________________________

DESCRIPTION: ____________________________________________________________________________

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**Participant is responsible for the care of flowers**

CLASS NUMBER: __________________________

NAME: __________________________
4-H POSTER CONTEST

- No Pre-entry
- Open to each 4-H Club
- Poster must promote 4-H to youth and/or adults on 22” x 28” poster board.
- Poster must be created by club team effort or by one or two club members.
- Bring posters to MSU Extension office on the Fairgrounds from 8 AM to 5 PM Monday of the Fair for judging at 6 PM
- Posters will be displayed in the MSU Extension office on the Fairgrounds until the last Saturday of the Fair and given back at Fall Awards Banquet.
- Cash prizes will be given to the club administrative volunteer at the Fall Awards banquet.

Prizes are as follows:

1st Place - $25.00
2nd Place - $15.00
3rd Place - $10.00

Club Name

Leader ___________________________ Phone Number ______________

Poster Description __________________________________________

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Club Name __________________________

Club Leader ________________________
4-H GLOW DANCE

Thursday, July 27, 2017
9pm to Midnight
Located in the Grove Behind the T-Barn

Open to all Clare County 4-H Members.
$3 Donation/Member OR Bring a Bag of Chips/Cookies
OR 2 Liter of Pop/Juice
Hot dogs will be provided.
4-H Members will once again make t-shirts after 4-H Fun Night on Tuesday. Youth must provide their own shirt.
Paint will be provided by the 4-H Livestock Council.

Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by contacting MSU Extension - Clare County at 989-539-7805 two weeks prior to the event to make arrangements. Requests received after this date will be fulfilled when possible.

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Games to follow in the T-Barn Arena.
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(Chicken and Water Provided)

Sponsored by M & M Meats and the 4-H Council
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Garden Keeper Sign Up

Watering and weeding flowerbeds at the 4-H Foodstand, MSU Extension Building, and Milk Booth
Keep an eye on the weather during your week. Bring your own tools (bucket, garden hose, etc.)
Week is measured from Monday to Sunday

Name

Week of May 29:

Week of June 5:

Week of June 12: Joanna Krell

Week of June 19: Katery Stoike

Week of June 26:

Week of July 3: Donna Thompson

Week of July 10: Tammie Armstrong

Week of July 17: Jennifer Lewis

Week of July 24: Jennifer Lewis

Week of July 31:

Week of August 7: Joanna Krell

Week of August 14:

Week of August 21: Penny Brewer

Week of August 28: Margaret Price

Week of September 4:
Teen “Chopped” Competition


When & Where:
*August 29, 2017 - initial meeting 6pm-8pm @ the Isabella County Building, room 320

*2 or more practice times with your team dates/location TBD by each team

*September 16, 2017 - FINAL COMPETITION 3 pm—9 pm—Isabella Community Soup Kitchen

Cost: Free

How: Complete and turn in the application to the MSU Extension office by 8/18/2017. For application, questions or more information, contact: MSU Extension at 989-317-4079 or lynchka4@anr.msu.edu