Kelli’s Korner

Welcome everyone to the New Year and a special welcome to all of our new 4-H Families! We have had quite a few new members join since December and we are so excited to get this year started! This weekend is jam-packed with 4-H activities! Tonight at 6:00 p.m. the 4-H BB Gun Club will be holding their first meeting. This meeting will be held at the MSU Extension Office and the leaders will be going over rules and answering any questions that members and families have. If you have any questions, please call 4-H Leader Catherine Nickell-Simpson at 989-362-2644.

Tomorrow morning is the 4-H Beef Steer project weigh-in. The weigh-in starts at 10:00 a.m. at the Barnes’s Farm on Old State Road in Hale. Please remember that all steers must have an RFID tag prior to travelling to the weigh-in and that they will be receiving a county tag for record keeping purposes. Don’t forget to bring a camera to get picture for your record books!

Sunday is also the last day to register for the teen leadership training at the Kettunen Center. This is a great workshop for all youth and leaders to attend. Check out the complete information on page.

4-H Leaders’ Council Connection

The next 4-H Leaders’ Council Meeting is scheduled for January 24, 2017. At this meeting we will be doing the 4-H Volunteer Updates on the general 4-H guidelines and the new 4-H financial policies regarding sales tax. Please be sure to save the date and look for more information coming your way next week.

Fun 4-H Facts

In 1908, the first 4-H emblem was designed as a three-leaf emblem. The three H’s stood for Head, Heart, and Hands. The fourth H was added in later in 1908 and stood for Hustle. It was not changed until 1911 to Health.
Enroll now for the 2017 4-H Year!

4-H enrollment for the 2016-17 program year is now open at https://mi.4honline.com. Please remember, youth planning to market livestock at the 2017 4-H/FFA Livestock Auction held during the Iosco County Fair, must be enrolled in 4-H AND in the livestock club by January 13, 2017. All other returning 4-H members and volunteers must be reenrolled by May 1, 2017, or prior to your club start date. New for 2017- In order to ensure all 4-H members and volunteers are covered under the 4-H insurance policy, insurance fees will now be collected on the county level instead of by individual clubs. There will be an additional set fee of $2.00 per member to cover the cost of a yearly insurance policy. Much like the 4-H Participation Fee, members will only pay the insurance fee on an annual basis, regardless of how many clubs, projects, or events they participate in for the 4-H year. If paying by check, please make them payable to MSU. Your 4-H enrollment will remain “pending” until the MSU Extension Iosco County office receives your $10.00 annual participation fee and $2.00 insurance fee.

4-H Alumni Tip-Off Reception

The first annual 4-H Alumni Tip-Off Reception will be held on Sunday, January 22, 2017 from 2:30-4:00 p.m. at the Varsity S Club, 2nd floor Spartan Football Stadium at Michigan State University

This free event will provide 4-H alumni with an opportunity meet other 4-H alums in the state and engage in family fun on campus before 4-H Day at the Breslin. At the reception, attendees will be able to:

- Take a selfie with Sparty!
- Interact with other 4-H alumni and their families.
- Enjoy snacks and games before the basketball game.

Following the reception, guests are invited to head over to the Jack Breslin Student Events Center to watch the Lady Spartans basketball team take on the Purdue Lady Boilermakers. Tip-off is at 5:00 p.m., with youth activities on the concourse of the Breslin starting at 3:30 p.m. Free tickets to this event will be provided at the alumni reception. Advanced reservations are required for both activities. Please register by Jan. 11, 2017 at http://mi4hfdtn.org/4-h-alumni-tip-off-event-registration/ or by calling the Michigan 4-H Foundation at (517) 353-6692.

4-H State Rabbit and Cavy Show

We are pleased to announce that the show catalog and pre-registration site for the 2017 Michigan 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Show is now available online here! This year, we will be using a pre-registration option for youth to enter the show and avoid waiting in line to enter the morning of the show. The show will be held on January 28, 2017 at the MSU Pavilion in East Lansing, MI. Sponsored by the Michigan 4-H Youth Development Programs, the State 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Show is open to all 4-H members 9-19 as of January 1st. Events include: Breed ID, Educational Posters and Displays, Club Informational Booths, and the Gold Clover Rabbit Showmanship Award Contests. The cost is $3.00 per class.
4-H Winter Camp Registration Now Open!

4-H Winter Adventure Camp is a hands-on educational program hosted by Arenac and Iosco 4-H for youth ages 8 to 12 years old. Youth will spend 2 days learning about many different 4-H project areas and participate in hands-on sessions that range from crafts to outdoor cooking. Campers will also have an opportunity to spend time outdoors enjoying all that Michigan winters have to offer! Youth will also have the opportunity to go sledding/tubing, cross-country skiing, and ice skating. Camp also coincides with Michigan’s free ice fishing weekend and campers will have the opportunity to try their hand at ice fishing.

Where: Camp Nissokone, Oscoda, MI
When: February 18-19, 2017
Cost: $125.00 for registered 4-H members
      $135.00 for non-4-H members

Who: Youth 8-12 yrs. by Jan. 1, 2017
Registration Deadline is January 29th.
No Refunds will be available.

Please call the MSU Extension Office at (989) 362-3449 with any questions!

MSU Extension programs and materials are open to all without regard to race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity, religion, age, height, weight, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, marital status, family status or veteran status.
4-H Winter Adventure Camp Registration
February 18-19, 2017

Registration Costs:
4-H Members- $125.00     Non-4-H members- $135.00
Registration deadline: January 29, 2017

Last Name: ______________________  First Name: ______________________  M.I. ________

Address: ______________________   City: ______________________   Zip: __________

Phone Number: ______________________   Email Address: ______________________

Age (as of 1/1/16): __________   Birthdate: ______________________   Gender: __________

4-H Member?    YES    NO    County of Residence: ______________________

Parent(s)/Guardian(s): ______________________

T-Shirt Size
☐ Youth Medium
☐ Youth Large
☐ Adult Small
☐ Adult Medium
☐ Adult Large
☐ Adult Extra Large

Residence
☐ Farm
☐ Small Town (under 10,000)
☐ Large Town (10,000-50,000)
☐ Suburbs of City
☐ City (over 50,000)

Race – please check all that apply
☐ Asian
☐ White
☐ Black
☐ American Indian
☐ Hawaiian / Pacific Islander

Campers may select 1 friend to bunk with. They must be of the same gender and age. Campers must be no more than a year apart in age. Requests are not guaranteed.

Cabin Mate Request: ______________________

Camper’s Signature ______________________

Parent/Guardian Signature ______________________

To Register send payment and the registration form to:
Iosco County MSU Extension Office
PO Box 599
Tawas City, MI 48764

Make Checks payable to MSU. No refunds available.

Additional registration information including packing lists, maps to camp and a complete schedule will be mailed to all campers once camp registration forms are received.
4-H Capitol Experience

When and where: 3 p.m. Sunday, March 19, 2017 to 12:30 p.m. Wednesday, March 22, 2017 at the Okemos Conference Center. Tours and agency visits will take place at the State Capitol and surrounding area.

Who should attend: High school students at least 14 years old. All participants must have pictured identification.

Cost: $350 4-H and Michigan Farm Bureau members, $360 non 4-H members. Includes all meals, lodging and material fees. All registrations must be paid in full by Feb. 10, 2017. Any registration not paid in full by this time will be canceled and the space will be offered to registrants on the wait-list.

Scholarships: Up to 12 statewide scholarships covering up to the cost of half of the full program fee ($175) will be awarded to youth participants. Please fill out the scholarship application on the Capitol Experience Registration Link. To complete your application for a scholarship, you’ll also have to provide the link above to a reference and ask them to complete the reference process. Both of these steps must be completed by January 8, 2017.

Registration process: Participation is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited to 150 total participants. Each participant will need to register online. Note that communications for this event are made via e-mail, so please provide and email during registration that is checked on a regular basis. All registration payments must be made in full by Feb. 10, 2017.

Cancellation policy: Voluntary cancellations received between Feb. 3, 2017 and Feb. 24, 2017 will incur a $30 cancellation fee. Cancellations received after Feb. 24, 2017 are non-refundable.
4-H Teen Leadership Workshop

Michigan 4-H Youth Leadership & Global Citizenship Spectacular!
January 28-29, 2017
Kettunen Center

Be part of the movement that has YOUth leading the way! Planned in the spirit of “thinking globally and acting locally”, attending the Michigan 4-H Youth Leadership & Global Citizenship Spectacular will help you become an outstanding leader who approaches life with your head, heart, and hands open to new ideas, interesting people, and diverse cultures.

The workshop features 21 incredibly fun sessions focused on youth leadership, civic engagement, global citizenship, international cultures, life skills and career exploration and workforce preparation. Sessions for the workshop have been planned, and will be led, by youth and adult volunteers and MSU Extension staff. In addition to the 21 engaging breakout sessions, additional highlight of the 2017 Spectacular include an exclusive Saturday evening performance by the Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit.

The 4-H Youth Leadership & Global Citizenship Spectacular will be held January 28-29, 2017 at the Kettunen Center in Tustin, Michigan. This workshop is open to current and aspiring leaders and volunteers, ages 12+ (by Jan. 1, 2017), and youth development professionals.

Participants must register by January 8, 2017. The cost is just $10.00 for losco 4-H members and $140.80 for non-members. Registration fees include superb lodging, 4 delicious, home-cooked meals and conference resources. Feast your eyes on the complete conference schedule, activities, and breakout session descriptions, and register to attend the conference, by going to: http://events.anr.msu.edu/spectacular17

Upcoming Michigan 4-H Horse Events

4-H/MQHA Clinic Weekend, February 3-4
MSU Pavilion, East Lansing, MI
Friday: Horse Judging Workshop 6:30-9 p.m.
Saturday: Practice horse judging contest in morning followed by clinics in the classrooms and arena all day. MQHA tack sale 10:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. 4-H’ers may register to ride in clinics, space is limited.
Full event details & registration forms: http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs
Purchase DISCOUNTED auditor tickets ahead of time at: https://commerce.cashnet.com/msu_3645
Register for judging workshop at: https://commerce.cashnet.com/msu_3645

Teen & Adult 4-H Horse Leaders’ Conference, February 25
MSU’s campus, East Lansing, MI
Registration for this event is limited!
4-H members age 12-19 AND adult volunteers are welcomed. Topics include horse judging, equine first aid, dissection, veterinary care, equine nutrition, and information to assist leaders in youth development, leadership skills for youth, and much more. Interactive classroom sessions in Anthony Hall will be followed by hands-on activities at the MSU Horse Teaching & Research Center.
Full event details & registration forms: [http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs](http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs)
REGISTER HERE: [http://events.anr.msu.edu/4HHorseLeaders/](http://events.anr.msu.edu/4HHorseLeaders/)

**4-H & FFA State Horse Judging Contest, Sunday March 26th**
MSU Pavilion, East Lansing, MI
Full class list, rules, registration and event details available at: [http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs](http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs)

**Norma Agnew Memorial 4-H Hairy Horse Show/Clinic, April 8**
MSU Pavilion, East Lansing, MI
Space will be limited for this event, only 100 stalls available. Judges will wear microphones and share critiques with exhibitors to help improve their performance. Audience members (free) can hear feedback as well!
Event details and showbill available after January 1: [http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs](http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs)
Purchase stalls: [https://commerce.cashnet.com/msu_3645](https://commerce.cashnet.com/msu_3645)

**Upcoming 4-H Workshops**

[https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=7BB57C00B1B518BF](https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=7BB57C00B1B518BF)
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**January 28-29: 4-H Youth Leadership & Global Citizenship Spectacular**
[https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=9AAB5C2C64F3FBF6](https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=9AAB5C2C64F3FBF6)
Kettunen Center, Tustin

**February 4-5: 4-H Winterfest**
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_winterfest_2](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_winterfest_2)
Kettunen Center, Tustin

**February 17-18: 4-H Veterinary Science Teen & Adult Leaders Workshop**
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4-h_veterinary_science_teen_and_adult_leaders_workshop](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4-h_veterinary_science_teen_and_adult_leaders_workshop)
Kettunen Center, Tustin

**February 18-19: 4-H Beef, Sheep & Swine Teen & Adult Leaders Workshop**
Kettunen Center, Tustin

**February 25: Teen & Adult 4-H Horse Leaders’ Conference**
[http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs](http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs)
Anthony Hall, MSU, East Lansing

**Other Upcoming 4-H Events**

**January 22: 4-H Day at the Breslin**
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_day_at_the_breslin_1](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_day_at_the_breslin_1)
Jack Breslin Events Center, East Lansing
January 27-29: Green & White Youth Event & Open Hog Show
http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/youth_events
MSU Pavilion, Lansing

January 28: State 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Show
https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=548EEEDFD1D9C7E0
MSU Pavilion, Lansing

February 3-4: 4-H/MQHA Clinic Weekend
http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs
MSU Pavilion, Lansing

February 17-20: National Youth Summit on Healthy Living
http://4hcenter.org/tours-programs/national-youth-summit-series/#healthy-living
National 4-H Conference Center, Chevy Chase, Maryland