Another Gladwin County Fair has come and gone. Congratulations to all the youth members for all their hard work and efforts. We are so proud of you all. Thank you to all the volunteers and families that put in their time to make it such a great program and event! Thank you to the Gladwin County community for your continued support of all the 4-H youth! The large animal and small animal auctions were both up from last year!! Large animal total: $172,800. Small animal total: $11,210. Watch for pictures in next week’s Gladwin County Record of the all the winners.

Winners of the following club activities will receive a check from the Gladwin County 4-H Leaders’ Council for a group pizza party.

- 4-H Club Booth Winner: Berg’s Barnyard Kids
- 4-H Parade Float Winner: Gettin’ Down on the Farm

Checks from the livestock and small animal auctions will be issued once payment from your buyer has been received and processed. Please be patient, it will be coming soon.

Buyer pictures will be available soon. Watch your email and the Gladwin County 4-H Facebook page for notification when they arrive. Don’t forget to send you buyer a thank you!! Need tips? Check out page 4.

Fall Awards Nominations Due to the MSU Extension office August 22nd!!

Visit: http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/gladwin/4_h_club_forms

Wanted: Gladwin County 4-H Concession Stand Coordinator

Job Description: Must be approved through the Michigan State University and 4-H volunteer application process, required to have Serv Safe Training (4-H will cover the costs if needed,) must have knowledge of health department requirements and state of Michigan health laws, coordinate menu during week of fair and rodeo weekend, organize, cook, buy supplies, keep inventory of all stock and equipment, set up work schedules for concession stand. Will work closely with 4-H Leaders’ Council Treasurer and 4-H Program Coordinator. Need to be people oriented and able to work with all ages. Please submit one page resume, highlighting your qualifications, and a statement on why you would like to hold this volunteer position by August 31, 2016.

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Fun at 4-H Camp!
4-H Fall Awards

- Did you know that each year, awards are given to Gladwin County 4-H youth members, volunteers and friends?
- Did you know that anyone can submit a nomination for these awards?
- Did you know that even “friends of 4-H” are eligible for an award?
- Submit a nomination for outstanding 4-H youth, your leader, parents, 4-H supporters and more!!
- Forms available from your club leader, the MSU Extension table in the Still Exhibit barn, or on the Gladwin County MSU Extension website

Awards Available:

- Outstanding young member rosettes (ages 9-11)
- Outstanding young member project medals (ages 12-19)
- 4-H Leader of the Year 4-H Key Club Award
- 4-H Parent of the Year I Dare You Award
- 4-H Alumni Award Bill Mercer Award
- Friend of 4-H Award Lawrence Lemke Award
- Joel James Horse Award Years of 4-H pins

All nomination forms due to the MSU Extension Office by Monday, August 22nd. The 4-H Fall Awards banquet will be on Sunday, October 2, 2016 at the K of C Hall in Gladwin.

Special Thanks to the Fall Awards Committee: Julie Jines, Andie Fisher, Carol Hoag, Jeremy Fisher, Kristie Simrau, and Norma Maxwell

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MSU is an affirmative-action, equal-opportunity employer. The university actively encourages applications and/or nominations of women, persons of color, veterans and persons with disabilities.
Don’t Forget to Thank Your Buyer!!! Need help writing a letter? Use the tip sheet below.

The Seven Steps to a Great Thank-You Note

Why should you write a thank-you note?
- To show appreciation for someone supporting you
- To acknowledge a gift, donation or service
- To provide recognition to someone who has done a good deed

When should you write a thank-you note?
- After receiving any type of gift
- After attending a job interview
- For someone doing a favor in a cause in your name
- After someone goes above and beyond the expected

How should you write a thank-you note?

1. Address the recipient correctly
2. Write a genuine message
3. Include a personal story
4. Remember your gratitude
5. Avoid formal language
6. Review your note

Example: Dear [Name],

Thank you for the wonderful sweater you sent me! It is truly appreciated. We look forward to seeing you at the holiday party. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

The Seven Steps to a Great Thank-You Note Examples...

1. **Basic Note**
   - Thank you for attending my open house.
   - I am glad to see you in attendance.
   - I was pleased to have such a good turnout.
   - Thank you for coming.

2. **Personal Note**
   - Thank you for attending my open house.
   - I am glad to see you in attendance.
   - I was pleased to have such a good turnout.
   - Thank you for coming.

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   - Thank you for attending my open house.
   - I am glad to see you in attendance.
   - I was pleased to have such a good turnout.
   - Thank you for coming.

Your note should be:
- Handwritten in blue or black ink
- Non-electronic
- A note card (a good quality paper)
-water proofs are a good note)
- Professional in tone

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4-H Workshops

August 22: 4-H Teen Spokesperson Training
http://events.anr.msu.edu/4HTeenSpokesperson
Bridge Vista Hotel, Mackinac City

September 14-16: Facilitative Leadership Workshop for Youth-Serving Professionals & Volunteers
http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID-FA1B845F2861118D
Loebelen Bahall School Retreat and Conference Center, Davison Township

October 5-6: Connecting Entrepreneurial Communities Conference
http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/cec
Port Huron

October 15-16: Michigan 4-H Goat Workshop
http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan-4-h-goat-workshop
Kettunen Center, Tustin

October 29-30: 4-H Visual Arts, Crafts, Sewing & Textiles Workshop
http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4-h-visual-arts-crafts-sewing-and-textiles-workshop
Kettunen Center, Tustin

Other 4-H Events

July 1-8: 4-H Great Lakes & Natural Resources Camp
http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4-h-great-lakes-natural-resources-camp
Camp Chickagami, Presque Isle

August 2-4: 4-H Health & Food Science Camp
http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID-DB6531563678FBB4
Shaw Hall, Michigan State University

August 6: 4-H State Shooting Sports Tournament
http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4-h-state-shooting-sports-tournament
http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID-3214D0FE1A177D96
Centerline of Calhoun County, Bellevue

August 13: State 4-H Dog Show
http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/state-4-h-dog-show
MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

August 19-21: State 4-H Horse Show
http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse-youth-programs
MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

August 27: State 4-H Miniature Horse Show
http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse-youth-programs
South Barn, MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

September 17: 2016 Michigan 4-H Poultry Expo
http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID-7B58B376DDF5EE9F0
Anthony Hall, Michigan State University

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events
And the Award Goes to . . . !!

Summer is a busy time when 4-H members may receive awards for their past year’s achievements. The following is news about a few of the awards for which Michigan 4-H members may be eligible.

The State 4-H Awards Program is the highest honor bestowed on Michigan 4-H youth aged 13 and up who have at least three years of 4-H experience. After careful review of the nominees’ applications by selection committees, delegates were invited to participate in either an advanced leadership development program (juniors) or competitive interviews (seniors). The 2016 winners (http://bit.ly/29UAdHT) (juniors, pictured left and seniors, pictured right) were announced at the 4-H Recognition Program during 4-H Exploration Days (http://bit.ly/1PaxPfJ).

4-H’ers who are 11 or 12 years old are eligible to apply for the 4-H Mark of Excellence Award. To enter, a young person needs to write an essay on the theme, “Because of 4-H I can . . . .” Counties select their representatives, and submit names and essays to the State 4-H Awards Committee. The 2016 winners (http://bit.ly/29UAwZd) received a certificate and a medal through the mail. Additionally, their essays will be added to the Mark of Excellence history book at Kettunen Center (http://www.kettunencenter.org) and will be used by both the Michigan 4-H Foundation (http://www.midhfldn.org) and the State 4-H Office.

We are excited that in 2016, Michigan 4-H Youth Development will award one volunteer leader and one 4-H member with the second annual Michigan 4-H Animal Science Sportsperson of the Year Award. If you know a 4-H’er (last year’s winner, Cassie Holladay, left) or an adult (last year’s winner, Mary Adams, right) who exemplifies the definition of good sportsmanship (bit.ly/1OezcJt), in any of the 4-H animal science project areas (http://bit.ly/1p3ET1v), consider nominating him or her by completing and sending in the nomination form (http://bit.ly/29yC9Cu), which includes a nomination letter and a letter of support from county 4-H staff. by October 1, 2016. Find more information from:

• These articles:

• A webinar http://www.myhorseuniversity.com/resources/webcasts/sportsmanship or

• These staff members:
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4-H’ers in grades 5 through 12 who actively volunteered within the past year, are encouraged to apply for a Prudential Spirit of Community Award (http://bit.ly/29C4FTG), sponsored by Prudential Financial (http://bit.ly/29ybMl) in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals (www.principals.org). Students can apply for the award online (http://bit.ly/29NIKyk). However, applications must be submitted first to county 4-H program staff for certification. Therefore, prior to submitting the application online, applicants should first check with their local MSU Extension office (http://bit.ly/1u09FZ3) for their county deadline. For more information, visit the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards web site (http://bit.ly/29C4FTG). Students are eligible for honors at the local, state and national levels.