April showers are bringing May flowers

After the long winter this warm weather is much needed, I’m excited to see what the spring season brings in the way of 4-H Programming.

I’m working hard to get some programs off the ground for sure. Our small animal committee has received the forms for fair so keep an eye out. I will send an email on when to pick up your animals.

PQA was a big success with over 50 Gladwin youth in attendance.

Pig/Sheep Weigh-In is May 13th at the Gladwin County Fair Grounds, if you are unable to attend or are tagging at home please have your Absentee paperwork with animals picture in by May 19th at the MSUE Gladwin Office.

Lastly we will be having a Concession stand clean up day on May 21st from 1pm to 4pm. Please come and help us clean up so we can get the stand into tip top shape for the summer season.

**Important Upcoming Dates**

**Dick Burg Memorial Rodeo**—Date: May 27-28, 2017 Starts at 7pm
Location: Gladwin County fairgrounds
- Looking for 4-H Helpers in the concession stand

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Important Upcoming Dates

Gladwin City Clean Up—Date: May 06, 2017 from 8:00am—TBD
Location: Gladwin City park
• Looking for 4-H Helpers

Concession Stand Clean Up—Date: May 21, 2017 from 1pm-4pm
Location: Gladwin County Fairgrounds
• Looking for 4-H Helpers

Concession Stand Clean Up—Date: June 1, 2017 Time and Location to Be Determined

Events’ Within the District

4-H Fuzzy Fun Horse Show—Date: May 6, 2017—Location: Allegan County Fairground
• This fundraising horse show to benefit the Allegan County 4-H Therapeutic Riding Program is open to all.

Open 50/50 Horse Show—Date: May 7, 2017—Location: Barry Expo Center, 5778 N Middleville Rd., Hastings, MI 49058
• Open Horse show with pleasure and speed classes.

ServSafe Ogemaw—Date: May 16, 2017—Location: Michigan Works, 2389 S. M-76, West Branch, MI 48661
• Michigan State University Extension offers ServSafe, a national certification program for those working in food service.

2017 4-H Camp Kidwell Golf Scramble—Date: May 20, 2017
Location: Cheshire Hills Golf Course, Inc, 3829 102nd Avenue, Allegan MI 49010
• Four-person golf scramble sponsored by Allegan County 4-H Clubs, Inc.

Teens as Teachers Workshop—Date: May 20, 2017 - May 21, 2017
Location: Kettunen Center, 14901 4-H Dr., Tustin, MI 49688
• 4-H teen leaders are being sought to help meet the challenge of educating the next generation of young people!!

4-H Dog, Cat & Goat Workshop—Date: May 20, 2017
Location: Clare County Fairgrounds, 418 Fairline Rd, Harrison ,MI,
• FREE workshop and youth are encouraged to bring their own animal

Small Animal Swap Meet—Date: May 13, 2017 from Noon to Four
Location: Harrison Moose Lodge, 5185 N Clare Avenue , Harrison ,MI,
• 10 Dollars a table see attached flyer for more details

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events
4-H Small Animal Swap Meet

Noon to 4pm

Saturday, May 13, 2017

Harrison Moose Lodge
5185 North Clare Avenue
Harrison, Michigan 48625

$10/Spot
Please make checks payable to
Clare County 4-H Small Animal Association
225 West Main Street PO Box 439
Harrison, Michigan 48625

ALL animal supply vendors are also welcome!
Vendors are responsible for their own setups.
Setups include: tents, tables, and chairs.

Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by contacting Alex Schunk at 989-539-7805 or schunkal@anr.msu.edu, by April 27, to make arrangements. Request received after this date will be fulfilled when possible.

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4-H Cat, Dog, & Goat Workshop

11am to 2pm
May 20, 2017
Clare County Fairgrounds
418 Fairlane Road, Harrison, Michigan

- Free workshop open to all 4-H youth age 5 to 19
- Youth are encouraged to bring their own cat, dog, and/or goat. Animals MUST be contained appropriately.
- Proof of immunization for dogs and cats MUST be provided
- All Clare County Fairground and Fair rules apply

RSVP and Questions contact the Clare County MSU Extension office at 989-539-7805 or msue18@msu.edu

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4-H Heartland Show
A Rabbit, Cavy & Poultry Exhibition Show
Saturday, June 10, 2017
Clare County Fairgrounds
418 Fairlane Rd, Harrison, MI

Registration by 8:00am
Showmanship begins at 9:00am

⇒ Sanctioned Show
⇒ Breed classes to follow immediately after completion of showmanship classes.
⇒ ARBA and APA Standards to be followed. See show rules for more information.
⇒ All birds MUST be pullorum tested prior to the show.

Cost: $2.75 per rabbit or cavy
       $2.75 per bird

Extra Events: $1.00 each entry
            Costume Contest
            Educational Posters
            Photography (5x7 matted or framed)
            Breed I.D.
            Question Challenge

Cloverbud Events: NO CHARGE
(Non-competitive events for youth ages 5-8 years old)
            Coloring/Display
            Costume Contest
            Showmanship

Showmanship Class Ages:
  Junior — ages 9-11
  Intermediate — ages 12-14
  Senior — ages 15-19

Questions?
Contact the Show Superintendent, Brenda Spivey at 231-429-4230 or
Clare County MSU Extension 989-539-7805 msue18@msu.edu

Concessions
Silent Auction
Animal Auction

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4-H Heartland Show Rules

1. This is a carry case show. Coops/cages will not be provided. Carry cases must have leak proof bottoms. No tables available.

2. Cloverbuds (youth age 5-8 years old as of Jan. 1 of current year) may participate in showmanship and non-competitive classes. Show sponsors will follow the Michigan 4-H Age Policy.

3. Rabbits and cavies will be judged by the current ARBA standards. Pre-juniors will be accepted in breeds as recognized by the ARBA. No mixed breeds. Poultry will be judged by the current APA standards.

4. Animals must be entered in proper breed, color, sex and class. All entries must be made by 8:00am.

5. Exhibitors may enter in as many breeds and animals as they wish.

6. All rabbits must have a legible and permanent earmark. Cavies must have an ear tag or legible and permanent tattoo. Poultry may have leg bands but it is not required.

7. Exhibitors must be present for showing their animals and are responsible for transporting their animals to and from the show table. Each exhibitor who is showing more than one breed at the same time may have another youth exhibitor help show.

8. No classes will be re-judged due to late arrivals.

9. All animals must be shown in their natural state. No trimming, plucking or otherwise altering the normal appearance of the animal.

10. No animals showing signs of illness or disease will be removed from the event.

11. The show sponsors and/or property owners are not responsible for losses due to theft, fire, accident, etc. However, every precaution will be taken to eliminate any danger or mistake in the showroom.

12. Exhibitors will be allowed to advertise and sell their stock during the show.

13. Animals will be released upon the completion of judging of the breed. However, we suggest that all BOB winners stay for the judging of the Best in Show and Reserve Best in Show competition.

14. NO ALCHOLIC BEVERAGES allowed. NO SMOKING allowed in the show building or surrounding area.

15. Showmanship will be judged first. Age divisions are classified as Cloverbuds (age 5-8 years), Juniors (age 9-11), Intermediate (age 12-14), and Seniors (age 15-19). Age is determined as of January 1st of the current year.

16. Educational posters must be on a poster board or display board. Exhibit should focus on educating first year or non-members of all ages. Age divisions will be the same as showmanship classes.

17. If you have any questions about the rules, please contact the Show Superintendent, Brenda Spivey, at 231-429-4230.
Discover the culinary arts, robotics and wilderness survival skills during this interactive summer camp experience for ages 7 - 11.

June 27 - 29
9am - 3pm
Mid Michigan Community College
Houghton Room
Harrison Campus • 1375 S. Clare Avenue, Harrison

June 27
Master Chef Junior Day
Campers will learn chef techniques in the kitchen, make jelly preserves, and get involved in a cook-off competition with other campers.

June 28
Survival Day
Learn how to be “smart” when in the woods. Campers will build a shelter, take part in a scavenger hunt and much more.

June 29
Robotics Day
Find out what junk works best as you make a Junk Drawer Robotic Car. Discover engineering through Legos.

Registration is open NOW through June 14 or until the camp fills. Maximum Enrollment is 25!

Sign up today! midmich.edu/summerblast

ONLY $45 per participant!