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Kroger of Monroe had their Grand Re-opening Celebration on Wednesday, January 20, 2016. Kroger had the opportunity to choose a school or non-profit organization in the community to donate money toward and they picked the Monroe County 4-H Program!! They presented us with a check in the amount of $5,000.00 which will be put toward programming for our youth throughout the year.

Thank you Kroger for your generous donation!!
God’s Lighthouse 4-H Club is a newer club started in 2014 by Wendy Henes as their club leader. It was her goal to get more kids interested in 4-H who otherwise would not have the opportunity to participate. All 17 members of the club are students at God’s Lighthouse School, which is a homeschool based atmosphere and range from explorers to high school. There are 8 volunteers who help out with the club as they meet weekly to work on projects. The members are enthusiastic and eager to learn about the many different areas available to them.

This year some of the animals they are beginning to work with are guinea pigs, rabbits, chickens, ducks, mini pigs, and goats. It has been exciting learning how to care for these animals and the amount of responsibility it takes to maintain healthy livestock. Crafts is one of the club’s favorite activities. Last year with their creative projects many ribbons, honors, and trophies were earned.

As they learn about 4-H they understand the importance of community service. God’s Lighthouse helps run a food drive every 3 months which supplies over 50 families with groceries to provide for their household. They are getting ready to prepare their second box of supplies for the soldiers overseas. They have painted wood crosses to take to a nursing home. Twice a year the club sets up a petting zoo for Foundation Stone Church. This summer they will be volunteering to help with yard work for our seniors in the area. Fair 2015 was their first experience with barn set up, barn duty, kitchen duty, and pitching in wherever they were needed. Mrs. Henes said they all worked very hard and enjoyed meeting other 4-H clubs. They learned quickly how much work fair is but also how much fun it is.

The goal for God’s Lighthouse this year is to participate more in the communications area. Extemporaneous, public speaking, demonstration, and storytelling seem to be their favorites to work on. Mrs. Henes says her members are awesome to work with because everything is new and exciting to them. “They are a great group of kids who love trying new things and helping others. They have set goals for themselves and it will be exciting to see all of their accomplishments at fair this year”.

The Monroe County 4-H Program will be awarding scholarships again this year to high school seniors, and members and leaders who are currently enrolled in higher education. Applications will be available in the Extension Office and online after February 5 at [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/monroe/monroe_county_4_h_1](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/monroe/monroe_county_4_h_1). Applications are due on April 15 via email (seitzsa1@anr.msu.edu), mail, or may be dropped off at the Extension Office. All applicants for the scholarships will need to complete a form and meet with the evaluators for a formal interview. All interviews for the 4-H scholarships will be conducted on April 19, 7:00pm at the Extension Office. Recipients will be chosen by the committee and award certificates will be presented to the scholarship winners at their High School Honors Programs, or at other appropriate programs. Questions may be directed to Sara Lewis.

**Larry Kreps Memorial Scholarships**

**Mark Schuon, Jr. Memorial Scholarship**

**Charles Knabusch Memorial Scholarship**

**4-H Academic Scholarship**

**Robert Manwell Memorial Scholarship**

**Marie Siebarth Memorial Scholarship**

**Larry See Memorial Scholarship**

**Larry Hammons Memorial Scholarship**

**Paul McGuire Memorial Scholarship**

**Suzette Velliquette Memorial Scholarship (NEW)**
Kelsey Yarger, recipient of the 2016 Neil Kentner Memorial Scholarship

Congratulations to Kelsey Yarger who was recently recognized at the 2016 Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions annual banquet as a recipient of the Neil Kentner Memorial Scholarship.

Kelsey was the first recipient of this newly formed scholarship fund following the passing of Mr. Neil Kentner over the holiday season. Neil was a well-known man in the Michigan State University Extension community and served for many years as the poultry judge at our Monroe County Fair.

Kelsey has been an active member of the Country Kids 4-H Club for 10 years where she has participated and excelled in a variety of project areas including leadership and communications. She is a great role-model and certainly deserving of this award. Kelsey plans to attend Central Michigan University in the fall studying pre-med. Good Luck, Kelsey.
2 MONROE COUNTY TEENS AWARDED $2,000 MSU PRE-COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Hannah Vincent, a ninth grader at Dundee High School and Sarah Ouellette, a ninth grader at Huron High School, have each been awarded a $2,000 Michigan State University Pre-College Achievement Scholarship. Students in 8th to 10th grades for 2015-16 who attended an MSU summer pre-college program last year were eligible to apply for this award last fall. Both Hannah and Sarah participated in Exploration Days, one of six pre-college programs offered by MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development.

MSU pre-college programs are great for helping youth explore possible career interests. They are great fun, very educational, and help connect young people with university faculty and other resources. MSU pre-college programs also help youth envision their future so they can wisely choose their high school classes and prepare for college.

Selection for this scholarship is based on academic ability and potential, demonstration of extra-curricular and community service experience, demonstration of leadership and teamwork skills, ability to overcome obstacles, teacher and program director nominations and strength of student essay. The scholarship is applied toward the student’s first year at MSU as a degree-seeking student.

The pre-college programs annually offered by MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development are: 4-H Capitol Experience, 4-H Renewable Energy Camp, 4-H Exploration Days, 4-H Great Lakes & Natural Resources Camp, 4-H Animal & Veterinary Science Camp, and the Michigan 4-H Youth Conservation Council. For more information on these 4-H pre-college programs as well as other MSU pre-college programs, please visit Spartan Youth Programs at http://www.spartanyouth.msu.edu. You'll find a multitude of programs that can help youth develop valuable skills, make new friends and taste college life.

Congratulations, Hannah and Sarah!
General Rules:
All exhibits must be 4-H suitable. NO ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, OR DRUGS PRODUCTS ALLOWED.
Saturday Entries new start time 9:30 a.m. till 2:00 p.m.
If project needs watering, it is the responsibility of the member.

Seed Art: seeds do not have to cover the whole background for a design or picture.
Needs a very strong hanger. NOT A PAPER CLIP.

Floral Arrangement:
4-H member may be present for judging if they wish.

Roadside: No glass container to be used. Container is to be from the roadside.

Herb Garden: are judged on the Herbs not the container

Hanging Basket: Height of 36 inches from top of hook to bottom of basket or pot, unless it is a thin vine below the basket. Max. height is 48 inches.

Indoor Garden:
Terrariums must have 3 or more plant varieties. Planted in a glass container. Chiefly or wholly enclosed with or without a lid. Using miniature plants.

Dish gardens must have 3 or more plant varieties. Planted in a flat open container.

Fairy Gardens: Container measurement must be 18 inches or less in width, height, or length. Using 3 or more plants varieties suitable for a fairy garden with a dainty look. Accessories are needed, but don’t have to be of the fairy type.

Cactus Garden: Containers Measurement must be 15 inches or less Width, height or length.

Vegetables: Big Change: Number on the plate will be reduced.
Where the number exhibited was 5 now it is (3); where it was 12 is now (6): where 1 will still be (1).

Patio Tomato Plants: pot not to exceed 12 inch diameter.

New Department and Section will be added
Patio Vegetable Planter:
Pot not to exceed 12 inch in diameter.
Must have 3 different types of vegetables or 2 vegetables and 1 herb, be suitable for a patio.
Ride with Slow Spokes!

Have you heard about the group of 4-Hers who ride their bikes to East Lansing each summer? At 44 years strong, Monroe County 4-H members and chaperones have endured the 100+ mile trek to Michigan State University. The trip is made over three days, with overnight stops in Manchester and Leslie. Some parents ride, others drive vehicles to haul equipment and pick up tired bikers and disabled bicycles.

If you would like to be a part of, or find out more about the trip, please attend the 2016 Slow Spokes Planning Meeting to be held at the 4-H Activity Center on March 15. Scott Wiesler, group coordinator, will begin the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Registration materials, rules and expectations will be addressed at this meeting. Questions will be answered and committees will be formed for the planning process of this year’s event. Be thinking if this is something you’re interested in as it would be a great leadership opportunity for our youth members. Everyone is welcome to attend. This is a fun activity, which will give you the opportunity to make many new friends. The practice rides, the trip, and Exploration Days all combine for a great experience.

Agricultural Awareness Day Helpers NEEDED!

Planning is in full swing for the 2016 Ag Awareness Day, hosted by Monroe County Farm Bureau, Monroe County MSU Extension, and Monroe County Fair Association. The event will be held Friday, May 6 on the Monroe County Fairgrounds. First through Fourth grade classrooms from across the county are invited to attend as it presents a resourceful means to educate youth about agriculture and 4-H.

We are in search of volunteers, both teens and adults who would be willing to teach, work as guides, scoop ice cream, or help with the set-up and clean-up. If you would like to be a part of this event, please call the 4-H Office at 734-240-3170.
Animal Tagging information!

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MSU Extension and U.S. Department of Agriculture offer Bird Biosecurity Training in Monroe County

EAST LANSING, Mich. – As the poultry industry continues to recover from the worst avian influenza outbreak in history, biosecurity remains a key tool in preventing the spread of the disease. To help area poultry producers and backyard enthusiasts learn more about the avian influenza epidemic and effective biosecurity practices, Michigan State University (MSU) Extension will partner with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to offer a free training in Monroe on Feb. 10.

The workshop, to be held at the Monroe County Fairgrounds 4-H Building, will provide valuable information about avian influenza, disease transmission and prevention, and proven biosecurity measures that any bird owner can implement. Poultry producers, owners of backyard flocks, 4-H and FFA members and volunteers, as well as anyone interested in poultry and biosecurity are encouraged to attend.

“Avian influenza is a devastating disease that can destroy entire flocks,” said Katie Ockert, animal science educator for MSU Extension. “Although the spread of the disease appears to have slowed for now, we know it is likely to flare up again and Michigan is at high risk because wild birds frequently migrate across our state. These trainings will help provide Michigan poultry producers with all the knowledge and tools necessary to help protect their birds, as well as the poultry industry in our state.”

The Monroe County bird biosecurity training will begin at 7 p.m. at 3775 S. Custer Road in Monroe. The driveway to the 4-H Building is located on S. Raisinville Road. For those unable to attend the session in person, a live virtual connection will be available, with an opportunity for questions and answers with the training instructors.

Although the training is offered free of charge, all attendees, including those who join online, are asked to register at http://events.anr.msu.edu/APHIS/. Additional information about avian influenza and biosecurity can be found at msue.msu.edu/avianinfluenza. If you have questions or would like additional information about the biosecurity training, please contact Katie Ockert at 517-432-5270 or ockertka@anr.msu.edu.
2016 4-H and Youth Safe Tractor and Machinery Operation Program

By Ned Birkey, Ag Advisory Council

birkey@msu.edu

The National Safe Tractor and Machinery Operation Program was developed and designed for 14 and 15 year-olds seeking employment in production agriculture. This project is funded by the USDA, National Institute of Food and Agriculture and administered by Pennsylvania State University.

The Monroe County Extension 4-H and Youth Program is offering this program so youth in Monroe, Lenawee, Washtenaw and Wayne counties can be eligible to work on property not owned, leased or operated by their parent or legal guardian. Other local sponsors include the Monroe County Farm Bureau Promotion and Education Committee and Agriculture Advisory Council for Monroe County and southeast Michigan.

This ten week course will be offered on Thursdays starting March 3 and will finish on Saturday, May 14. The cost to participate is $30 per youth, which includes a comprehensive manual and certificate for those who successfully pass a final written exam, pre-driving skills test and the driving test. Thursday classes will run from 6:30 to 9:00pm and will be held at the 4-H Activity Center on the Monroe County fairgrounds and several local machinery dealers. There will not be a class held during the Spring Break week of Thursday, March 31.

Youth aged 13 through 19 are eligible to sign up for the program. Youth must be 14 by the day of the driving test (May 14) to receive the certificate. Youth 16 and older do not need a certification but are welcome to participate in the program. Sign up is through the Monroe County 4-H Office, 963 South Raisinville Road, Monroe, MI 48161. Registration with payment must be received by the 4-H office by Thursday, February 18, 2016.

The Community Lead Instructor will be Ned Birkey. Assistant Instructors will include; Bob Ferencz, Dennis Langland, Gene Brost and Richard Janssens. Additional course instruction will be provided by personnel of several participating local agricultural machinery dealers.

The curriculum includes 24 hours of intensive instruction covering 48 core tasks. Students who have completed the instruction and pass the written exam, skills and driving tests will receive a certificate that allows them to work for hire in agriculture as 14 and 15 year-olds.
The 4-H Cat Board is now meeting!

The Board will meet every 3rd Monday of each month, starting February 15th, 6:00pm at the Activity Center. Agility practice will follow right after business meeting.

*(Those who show cats at fair are encouraged to attend)*

The Cat Clinic, hosted by the board, will be May 24th, 6:00pm-8:00pm, at the Activity Center.

Please read the 4-H Premium. The Cat area has been updated. The new Fair Cat Show date will be July 26th at the Activity Center.
We are still in need of volunteer cooks to take over the 4-H Activity Center during fair week!

As many of you know Cindy Andrews and Karen Bash both have stepped down after 20 years of heading the kitchen. We would like to thank these 2 ladies for their wonderful service to us for the past 20 years.

If anyone is interested in volunteering please contact the extension office at 734-240-3170.

Thank you!
COMMUNICATIONS DAY — DON’T MISS IT!!

The popular Communications Day sponsored by REAACT will be held at the Extension Office on Saturday, March 12th. Registration will begin at 8:30 am. Be watching for a flyer soon!

Included this year will, again, be a community service project. Each participant is asked to bring a canned good or non-perishable item which will be donated to a local food bank.

All topics must relate to the environment. Project areas will include: photography, drawing, painting, demonstrations, public speaking, extemporaneous, food with a healthy benefit, an educational display, recyclable art, and job interviews.
Spring Garage Sale-March 12, 2016
Communications Day–March 12, 2016
Mini Expo–March 19, 2016
4-H at the Piston’s–March 19, 2016
Officer Training-March 24, 2016
Bedford Spring Achievement–April 16, 2016
Airport Spring Achievement–April 23, 2016
Custer/Dundee Spring Achievement–April 30, 2016
Pre-Fair Meeting-May 5, 2016
Ag Awareness Day–May 6, 2016
County Share the Fun–May 14, 2016
Monroe County Fair July 31–August 6, 2016
Calder Dairy Farm is looking to hire seasonal help for the Spring/Summer season at their farm in Carleton. Must be at least 16 years of age and must have their own transportation. Pay starts at minimum wage, and the shifts are from 10 am to 3 pm and 3 pm to close (which will get later as the weather improves). Peak season hours will also include a 1 pm to 8 pm shift. Those interested may send their resumes to Calder Dairy Farms: calder-dairy@provide.net or can be filled out at the farm at 9334 Finzel Rd. Carleton, MI.

Jobs fill-up quickly so please don’t wait! Interviews will be by appointment only.
DETROIT RED WINGS
2015-16 GROUP TICKETS

Dallas Stars vs. DETROIT RED WINGS
Sunday, November 8 at 3:00 p.m.
Kids Sling Bag Giveaway (First 2,500 kids 12-Under)

Philadelphia Flyers vs. DETROIT RED WINGS
Wednesday, April 6 at 8:00 p.m.

Special 4-H Ticket Prices:
- Regular – Rows 13-21 – $37
- Preferred – Rows 6-12 – $52
- Upper Level Seating

The Detroit Red Wings and the Wayne County 4-H have teamed up for two fundraising nights during this season. Exclusive ticket savings are available for all supports, as well as their family, friends and co-workers.

FREE T-Shirt
Each ticket will include a free Red Wings edition 4-H t-shirt for you to pick up at the game.

Support A Great Cause
The Red Wings will donate proceeds from each ticket sold back to Wayne County 4-H.

To purchase tickets, visit:
www.DetroitRedWings.com/4h

Clark Rowekamp
Group Sales Manager
Clark.Rowekamp@Hockeytown.com
313.471.7546
Save the Date!

March 19, 2016

4-H at the Piston’s

- Leadership workshop for all youth (two age division sessions)
  - 4-H T-shirts
  - High 5 Tunnel (as players run out of the tunnel for warmup)—for selected youth
  - On Court Photo (postgame)
  - Shot on the Court (postgame)
  - Sideline Kids (sit behind Press Row during player warmups)—for selected youth
  - Anthem Buddies (join the team on the court during the national anthem)—for selected youth
  - Honorary Captains (join in the referee meeting with the captains & NBA officials)—for selected youth
Poultry

Enthusiasts Are Encouraged to Sign up for MSU Extension News

Although the cancellation of poultry shows was recently lifted, another outbreak of avian influenza could lead to the ban’s reinstatement. MSU Extension encourages poultry enthusiasts to subscribe to the MSU Extension Poultry News digest to ensure you have the most up-to-date information on avian influenza and state poultry show activity.

MSU Extension News digests are electronic newsletters of recent articles and events published on the MSU Extension website. They are available in a number of interest areas, including poultry and other 4-H topics. Generally delivered once a month, the newsletters are a key communication tool when emergent issues arise. Ensure you receive this information as soon as it is available by subscribing to the MSU Extension Poultry News digest. Simply text “MSUE” to 22828 or visit [msue.anr.msu.edu](http://msue.anr.msu.edu) and click on “Newsletter Sign-Up.”

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**4-H Animal and Veterinary Science Camp**

Michigan 4-H Animal and Vet Science Camp is for youth who are interested in exploring animal and veterinary science-related projects and activities. This five-day precollege program is offered in partnership with Michigan 4-H Youth Development ([http://4h.msue.msu.edu](http://4h.msue.msu.edu)), Michigan State University (MSU) Department of Animal Science ([http://www.ans.msu.edu](http://www.ans.msu.edu)) and MSU College of Veterinary Medicine ([http://cvm.msu.edu](http://cvm.msu.edu)).

At this fun and interactive camp, participants will:

- Engage in numerous hands-on learning activities, ask questions and problem solve.
- Gain animal-handling experience.
- Have the opportunity to visit and explore MSU farms and facilities.
- Work their way through a veterinary science case study as a team and create a presentation to be critiqued by veterinarians.
- Explore various animal-related career fields while reflecting on their experiences and community programs.

**Who:** Participants must be ages 13 to 16 as of January 1, 2016.

**When:** June 27 to July 1, 2016

**Where:** Michigan State University ([http://maps.msu.edu](http://maps.msu.edu))

**Application**

Young people interested in applying for this camp need to complete the 2016 Michigan 4-H Animal and Veterinary Science Camp application packet ([bit.ly/1SQvdBQ](http://bit.ly/1SQvdBQ)) and send it by April 1, 2016 to:

Julie Thelen
4-H Animal & Veterinary Science Camp
Anthony Hall 1287G
474 South Shaw Lane
East Lansing, MI 48824-1039

Campers will be selected on the basis of their applications. Space is limited.

**Cost**

The cost – which includes all meals, transportation to field trips, lodging and materials – is $350.

**More Information**

Additional information is available from:

- The camp website ([bit.ly/1mYPwQV](http://bit.ly/1mYPwQV))
- A promotional flyer ([bit.ly/1mYPBnG](http://bit.ly/1mYPBnG))
- The camp handbook ([bit.ly/1SkI7Zm](http://bit.ly/1SkI7Zm))
- Julie Thelen ([thelenju@anr.msu.edu](mailto:thelenju@anr.msu.edu)), 4-H Livestock and Veterinary Science Educator
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Monroe County MSUE Staff & Resources

- The Monroe County MSU Extension office is open to the public Monday thru Friday from 9 am to Noon, and 1 pm to 5 pm. The office staff may be accessed via the main phone line at **734-240-3170**

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