Last call for Fair Premium & Auction Checks!

ALL checks must be cashed within 60 Days! Checks not cashed within 60 days will become void!!

If you did not attend the JLA or SAA Banquet, you will need to pick up your check at Monroe Bank & Trust Ida Branch. Checks will not be mailed out.

These must also be cashed within 60 days of printed date or checks will roll back to JLA/SAA!!

Want to be reminded about upcoming meetings and events? Join our group by:

**TEXT MESSAGE**

**STEP 1** Text this code: @monroe4h to 81010.

**STEP 2** Reply to the message from the Remind team with your first & last name.

**MOBILE APP**

**STEP 1** Download the Remind app on your Android or iPhone.

**STEP 2** Create a student or parent account with your e-mail address.

**STEP 3** Search for our group by entering code @monroe4h.

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Monroe County, MI 4-H

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November 2017

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Annual Mitten Tree

The Holiday Season is quickly approaching, and that means we are again preparing to decorate the Mitten Tree. Pat Webb, Project Chairman will set the tree up on November 14th, in the lobby of the MSU Extension Office. We encourage all clubs, families and interested community Members to donate hats, scarves and mittens to decorate the tree.

Items must be dropped off to the MSU Extension Office no later than December 12th, as that is the day the tree comes down. The gifts will then be wrapped, and distributed to youth across the country.

SAVE THE DATE

Mini Expo—March 10, 2017

Rabbits:
1st Anthony Vandermeer
2nd Alexis Fisher
3rd Brandon Fisher
4th Ethan Harbaugh
5th Jaren Schmidt
6th Elianna Serratos
7th Camden Schmidt
8th Brandon Vandermeer
9th Emily Leonard
10th Isabella Oberly

Pocket Pets:
1st Katelyn Voyles
2nd Nathan Voyles
3rd Kayleigh Adams
4th Paige Sweet

Cavy:
1st Kayleigh Adams
2nd Austin Arting

Poultry:
1st Jacob Zilka
2nd Stephen Wiesler
3rd Kerri Kraftchick
4th Alanna Colpaert

Dogs:
1st Grace Herkimer
2nd Mason Shippe
3rd Isabella Oberly

Cats:
1st Karissa Lomas
2nd Joshua Marimpietri
3rd Gabby Flowers
Junior Livestock Association Elects New Officers

President: Alexus Smith
Vice President: Benjamin Kittendorf
Secretary: Kerrie Kraftchick
Treasurer: Jenna Pittman
Adult Treasurer—Kevin Kittendorf

Small Animal Association Elects New Members

Poultry: Kerrie Kraftchick, Katrina Lomas, Sarah Ouellette, and Paige Sweet
Rabbits: Alexis Fisher, Ben Miller, Claudia Paddy and Anthony Vandermeer
Cavies and Pocket Pets: Kayleigh Adams and Ethan Harbaugh
Adult: Maureen Spotts

Officer Election Results:

President: Kerrie Kraftchick
VP: Ben Miller
Recording Secretary: Katrina Lomas
Corresponding Secretary: Anthony Vandermeer
Youth Treasurer: Sarah Ouellette
Adult Treasurer: Therese Ouellette
Historian: Claudia Paddy
Early this Friday (November 3rd), your State Champion Monroe County 4-H Hippology Team consisting of Alicia Bondar, Rachele Cate, Paige Funchion, and Matti Barnier, led by Coach Elizabeth Kotus, will begin their journey to Louisville, Kentucky to compete at the Eastern National 4-H Roundup. They have studied diligently since April and are well versed in genetics, reproduction, breed standards and judging, parts of the horse, wellness & disease, soundness, confirmation, nutrition, harness parts, bridle and saddle parts, etc. Many thanks to our 4-H Community for your support in our fundraising efforts (bottle/can drive & photo sale) and for having such a knowledgeable coach to inspire and bring this team together. Please keep a good thought for your team for safe travels, sharing of their knowledge, calm nerves, and a bit of fun, too!!

- Rosemary Cate
In response to concerns regarding communications on policies, deadlines and upcoming events are not getting relayed back to the clubs and to the 4-H members whom it most effects, on October 9th, 2017 the Horse and Pony Board approved the following additions to the Monroe Co. 4-H Horse & Pony Program Rules:

2. In order for 4-H members to be eligible to exhibit within the Horse and Pony project area they must be an enrolled member of a Horse and Pony Board approved club. If a member is not enrolled in a Horse and Pony Board approved club as of May 1st they will NOT be allowed to exhibit in the Horse and Pony project area at the Monroe County Fair.

3. In order for a club to be Horse and Pony Board approved, each club must be represented by a club delegate(s) in attendance at a minimum of 5 Horse and Pony Board meetings per project year (September 1st- August 31st. There are no meetings in August or December) AND notify the Extension Office that they will be offering Horses as a project area. Clubs that are not represented at a minimum of 5 meetings will disqualify ALL of its members from exhibiting in the Horse & Pony Project Area at the Monroe County Fair.
   a. New clubs approved during Spring Enrollment (May 1st deadline) must attend 2 Horse and Pony Board Meetings to qualify its members to exhibit in the Horse and Pony Project Area.

These policies are effective immediately. If your club will be offering horses as a project area, please notify the extension office ASAP. It will be the responsibility of the club leaders to make sure a delegate is in place and that the delegate relays information back to their club. It will be the member’s responsibility to make sure they are enrolled in an approved Horse & Pony club.

The Horse and Pony Board meets the 2nd Monday of every month (except August & December) at 7pm in the 4-H Activity Center. Other Horse and Pony Board Updates can be found at http://monroecounty4-hhorsenpony.webs.com/ and on the facebook– Monroe County 4-H Horse and Pony

If you have any other questions please direct them to Ashley Frye (734-240-3188) or Tenley Hauser (419-367-7991).
**Dates and locations**

Group discussion workshops will be held at 3 locations.

All meetings are from 7-9:30pm

**November 1st**

Jackson County MSU Extension  
1715 Lansing Ave.  
Jackson, MI 49202

**November 2nd**

Livingston County MSU Extension  
2300 E. Grand River Ave.  
Howell, MI 48843

**November 9**

Washtenaw County MSU Extension  
705 N. Zeeb Road  
Ann Arbor MI 48824

**Directions**

**Jackson**

From I-94 East bound: Take Exit 138, turn left onto 177 S. 177 S. turns into West Ave. Turn left onto Andrew Ave. Turn right onto Lansing Ave.

From I-94 West bound: Take Exit 138 turn right onto 127 South. 127 South turns into West Ave. street. Turn left onto Andrew Ave. Turn right onto Lansing Ave.

**Howell**

From I-96 East bound: Take exit 133. Turn right onto I-96BL E/W Grand River Ave.  
Once on Grand River Ave, location is approximately 4 miles and will be on your right.

From I-96 West bound: Take exit 141 towards Howell. Turn Left onto Grand River Ave. In 3 miles, the location will be on your left.

**Ann Arbor**

From I-94 East bound: Take Exit 169 for Zeeb Road. Turn left onto Zeeb Road. In 0.5 miles your destination is on the left.

From I-94 West bound: Take Exit 169 to N. Zeeb Road. Turn right onto Zeeb Road. In 0.3 miles your destination is on the left.

**Topics**

- **Horse Health:**
  Vaccinations: How important are they, really?
  Dr. Judy Marteniuk, MSU Equine Extension Veterinarian

- **Forage:**
  Interpreting a hay analysis report.
  'Mike Metzger, MSU Extension Forage Educator

- **Toxic Plants:**
  Build skills to identify harmful plants.
  Tom Guthrie, MSU Extension Equine Educator
Michigan State Fair Youth Council 4-H Group

The Michigan State Fair Youth Council 4-H group is looking for youth members ages 7 and up. The group was formed last year by Michigan State Fair scholarship winners from all over the state. The new group consists of past and current scholarship winners who would like to invite other 4-H youth to be a part of their group. The mission of the group is to connect rural and urban agriculture and provide leadership opportunities for youth. Applications are due Friday, 11/17/2017. Contact Ashley Frye at the Extension office for questions and the application.
Trunk r’ Treat & “All Star” Kids Day

Teen Ambassadors held their 2nd annual Trunk or Treat in conjunction with Kids Day on October 14th. We had an awesome turnout of 4-H Clubs, 4-H Members, Leaders and volunteers.

We welcomed over 300 trunk or treaters that afternoon and recognized many youth at the conclusion of the afternoon. A good time was had by all!

A special THANKS to the Teen Ambassadors for planning such a cool event and thank you to 4-H Council for providing support for the recognition of each of these members.
When:

Arrival/Check-in: Saturday, Nov. 18, 2017, 9-10 a.m.
Adjourn: Sunday, Nov. 19, 2017, following lunch around 1 p.m.

Cost:

$75.00 - Registered 4-H members and volunteers and MSU Extension staff who bring youth and/or volunteers
$135.00 - Non-registered 4-H members and volunteers and MSU Extension staff who do not bring youth and/or volunteers

Persons canceling without a replacement on or after Monday, Oct. 23, 2017, will be charged a $45.00 cancellation fee. Persons who do not show up at the workshop, do not have a replacement, or do not cancel to Jan Brinn at brinn@anr.msu.edu or Tracy D’Augustino at daugustt@anr.msu.edu on or after Nov. 3, 2017 will be billed the full registration fee.

Registration Deadline: Nov. 3, 2017

Who:

The conference is open to teens, 4-H members and non-members aged 12 (by Jan. 1, 2018) and older. The conference is also open to 4-H staff, adult 4-H volunteers and adults who work with youth in a variety of educational settings. The 2017 conference is for individuals who are willing to re-teach the skills they learn and knowledge they gain in their communities.

Objectives:

The 2017 4-H Visual Arts, Crafts, Clothing and Textiles Workshop objectives are for participants to:

- Get energized with lots of new ideas for working with youth in visual arts, crafts, clothing and textile projects.
- Learn how youth can develop life skills by participating in the arts.
- Support and encourage creativity in 4-H projects.
- Discover how leadership, citizenship, entrepreneurship, career development, and science skill development can be a part of your projects.
Michigan 4-H Day
at the
Breslin Center
January 20, 2018

What: Celebrate MSU Extension’s 4-H youth with the MSU Women’s Basketball team as they take on the Indiana Hoosiers.

When: January 20, 2018. Southwest Harrison Gate will open for 4-H and MSU Extension guests at 2:30 p.m. Game time is scheduled for 4:00 p.m.

Why: To celebrate Michigan 4-H youth, 4-H volunteers and 4-H programs!

Who: 4-H youth and their families, 4-H volunteers, and MSU Extension staff with their families.

Cost: Tickets are FREE for the guests listed above.
      Tickets are available through your county MSU Extension office.

Transportation & parking: FREE for school buses, all other buses are $20. Cars are $5. Contact your county Extension office to confirm if transportation may be coordinated.

Attire: Show your pride by wearing your green and white 4-H or MSU Extension apparel.

Extras:
• Hear fellow 4-H’ers lead the 4-H pledge.
• Explore the wide range of 4-H programming with games and activities on the concourse.
• Take photos with Sparty.

Get in the game!
Let your 4-H leader know you (and how many of your family members) want to attend, or contact your county Extension office.

For more information:
msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_day_at_the_breslin_1
Contact your county MSU Extension office OR email Jane Love at lovejan@anr.msu.edu

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Monroe County 4-H
Spaghetti Dinner and Holiday Auction

Saturday, November 18, 2017
4-H Activity Center-Monroe County Fairgrounds
Dinner: 4:00-7:00 pm
(Dinner includes entrée, salad, breadstick, drink, and dessert)

Adults $8.00    Children 3-9 years $4.00    Children 2 & under FREE

Silent Auction starts when the doors open!
Live Auction will begin at 6:30 pm

***Bake Sale***    ***Pick-A-Prize***    ***Kids Grab Bag***

All profits benefit youth members of Monroe County 4-H through scholarships, recognition, and year-round programming!

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
Please give spare change to help buy Hams

Pennies For Turkeys!

Due by Thanksgiving

Collect with your home club and bring back to the extension office or Contact Sara Lewis at 240-3174

Hosted by: Teen Ambassadors

The club that earns the most money will receive a treat!

Pre-rolling the pennies is appreciated
Monroe County 4-H Terra Quest invites you to our 1st annual

Breakfast with Santa

SATURDAY
December 9th, 2017
9:30 – 11:00 am

Event Includes:
Sausage & Pancake Breakfast, Door Prizes, Fun Activities, Arts & Crafts

Tickets:
Kids ages 2 and up
Pre-Sale - $5
At the Door - $6

Please bring unwrapped toys to donate to the Toys – For – Tots program

Location of event is at the 4 – H Activity Center
3775 S Custer Rd, Monroe MI, 48161
(Please use Rasinville Rd entrance)

Questions please call: 734 – 240 – 3170
The Monroe County 4-H Youth Leadership Board is hosting...

Christmas Babysitting
(For ages 5 and up)

Saturday, December 9, 2017 from 4 – 9 pm
at the 4-H Activity Center
3775 S Custer Rd, Monroe, MI 48162
(Please use Raisinville Rd. entrance)

Cost: $10 per child ($30 max for families of 4 or more)
Includes Dinner, Movie and Snacks

Parents can enjoy a night out and the kids will have a fun night watching Christmas Movies and other activities with friends and 4-H youth!

Please bring blankets/pillows to sit on while watching the movie!

For Questions please call the extension office at 734-240-3170

This event is open to the public, so invite everyone!

Please RSVP by December 4th to the 4-H Extension Office, 963 S Raisinville Rd, Monroe, MI 48161
and make checks payable to 4-H Youth Leadership Board

Child(ren) Name(s): _______________________________ Age(s): __________

Parent(s) Name: _______________________________ Home Phone #: _______________________________

Cell Phone #: _______________________________

Emergency Contact: _______________________________

Special Needs (i.e. Allergies): _______________________________
Monroe County New & Used Tack Sale

Sunday, January 14, 2018 10am—3pm
MBT Expo Center
3775 South Custer Rd., Monroe, MI 48161
$3 Admission
Free Admission for Active Duty Military Personnel and Veterans with valid ID.

All Proceeds Benefit the Monroe County 4H Program

Heated facility with plenty of parking!

Tons of Vendors!

Come out and Support Monroe County Horse & Pony Board!

Concessions!

Thank You Fair Board!

If interested in becoming a vendor please contact Christin Nowland by email at christinnowland@gmail.com or at 734-430-5377. Vendor tables are available on a first come first serve basis.
Monroe County New & Used Tack Sale

Sunday, January 14, 2018   10 AM to 3 PM

****MBT EXPO CENTER****

3775 South Custer Road, Monroe, MI 48161

$3 Admission

All spaces will be reserved upon receipt of payment and will be subject to availability based on the date of payment received. NSF checks will void your reservation. If necessary to go to a waiting list, only reservations with payment will be considered. If you are on the waiting list, notification of available space will be given after January 1, 2018.

*It is mandatory for you to check in before set up*

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE MONROE COUNTY 4H HORSE PROGRAM

A confirmation letter for confirmed spaces will be emailed to you approximately two weeks prior to the event. Set-up for 3 or less space rentals begins at 8am on January 14. If you are renting 4 or more spaces you may set up between 5 & 7pm on Saturday January 13.

Please return the bottom of this form along with payment to:

MCH&P
6432 Whiteford Center Rd.
Lambertville, MI 48144

Email: christinnowland@gmail.com or Phone: 734-430-5377

ABSOLUTELY NO TACK SALE RESERVATIONS WILL BE TAKEN OVER THE PHONE

Space will be reserved upon receipt of payment and will be subject to availability based on date payment is received

Contact Name: _______________________________ Business Name: _______________________________

Phone: _______________________________ E-mail: _______________________________

Address: _______________________________

City, State: _______________________________ Zip: _______________________________

10’x10’ Commercial Space (includes 2 Free passes per spot) _______@ $50 each = $_________

10’x10” Non-Commercial Space (includes 1 Free pass per spot) _______@ $40 each= $_________

5’x7” Non-Commercial Space (includes 1 Free pass per spot) _______@ $25 each = $_________

EXTRA TABLE(S) _______@ $5 each = _______ EXTRA WRISTBAND(S) _______@ $3 each = $_______

***************FOR OFFICE USE ONLY***************

Date: ___________ Payment Type: ___________ Amount: ___________
DATE & TIME:  
February 3-4, 2018

LOCATION:  
4-H Kettunen Center  
Tustin, MI

COST:  
$70

SOCIAL MEDIA:  
4-H Winterfest

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:  
4-H Youth 8-12 years old

DESCRIPTION:  
Youth and adults who attend 4-H Winterfest will spend 2 days learning about exciting project areas while meeting youth from around the state. 4-H Winterfest offers participants and chaperones an opportunity to experience Kettunen Center in an overnight camp setting. Youth participate in hands-on sessions that range from crafts to shooting sports!

HOW TO REGISTER  
Registration information will be available in early December with registration taking place through MSU Events Management.

CONTACT:  
Renee Carroll  
231-928-1056  
carro188@anr.msu.edu

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**New 4-H Science Blast activity released**

A new 4-H Science Blast activity is now available! This resource is designed to help leaders show youth how to make and place "track traps" to capture animal tracks for identification. Youth return in one to two days to the trapping area to check for the presence of animals by looking for tracks and other signs such as markings left by wings or tails. Participants take note of their findings and a discussion of animal adaptations and habitats follows.

The lesson plan is designed for 4-H'ers 8 to 12 years of age. From the activity, they will develop many life skills including problem solving, critical thinking and learning to learn.

Visit [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/resources/4_h_science_blast_activities](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/resources/4_h_science_blast_activities) to download this and other 4-H Science Blast lesson plans.

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**4-H Trainings and Workshops**

November 8: Teen Leader and Officer Training  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/teen_leader_officer_training](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/teen_leader_officer_training)  
Missaukee County MSU Extension Office, Lake City

November 11: 4-H Club Officer Training  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_club_officer_training](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_club_officer_training)  
Macomb County MSU Extension Office, Clinton Township

November 14 – December 19: 4-H Robotic Series  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_robotics_series_1](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_robotics_series_1)  
Delta Township District Library, Lansing

November 18-19: Michigan 4-H Creative Arts Celebration!  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_visual_arts_crafts_sewing_and_textiles_workshop_1](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_visual_arts_crafts_sewing_and_textiles_workshop_1)  
Kettunen Center, Tustin

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**Other 4-H Events**

November 8: Be Healthy at the Fair Meeting Series—Connecting Critical Partners in the Fair Industry  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/be_healthy_at_the_fair_meeting_series_connecting_critical_partners_in_the_f_1](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/be_healthy_at_the_fair_meeting_series_connecting_critical_partners_in_the_f_1)  
Alpena County Fair Merchants Building, Alpena

November 9: Be Healthy at the Fair Meeting Series—Connecting Critical Partners in the Fair Industry  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/be_healthy_at_the_fair_meeting_series_connecting_critical_partners_kalkaska](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/be_healthy_at_the_fair_meeting_series_connecting_critical_partners_kalkaska)  
Kalkaska United Methodist Church, Kalkaska

November 9: 2017 Fall Horse Workshop—Ann Arbor  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/2017_fall_horse_workshop_2](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/2017_fall_horse_workshop_2)  
Washtenaw County MSU Extension Office, Ann Arbor

November 18: Around the World Day  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/around_the_world_day](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/around_the_world_day)  
MSU Extension Office, Cassopolis

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to [http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events](http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events).
Michigan 4-H is Participating in International Education Week

International Education Week begins on November 13, 2017, and Michigan 4-H is celebrating the benefits that come from international education and exchange programs. As a joint initiative between the U.S. Department of Education and the U.S. Department of State, the week emphasizes gaining a global mindset through encouraging leaders to participate in education and exchange programs worldwide.

During the celebration, Michigan’s nine 4-H international year-long exchange students will be giving presentations about their home countries in their host counties. To learn more about International Education Week, visit https://eca.state.gov/programs-and-initiatives/initiatives/international-education-week.

2018 Michigan 4-H State Rabbit and Cavy Show

Every year, Michigan 4-H’ers bring their rabbits and cavies to compete at the Michigan 4-H State Rabbit and Cavy Show. This year’s event is taking place on Saturday, January 27, 2018, at the Michigan State University Agricultural Pavilion in East Lansing.

Along with showmanship and judging classes, this year’s event will feature educational contests such as breed identification and educational posters. There will also be a 15 to 20 minute judging seminar throughout the day that is free for youth and volunteers to learn how to judge like a professional.

Pre-registration and the show catalog are available at http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_rabbit_and_cavy_show. Registration will also run from 6:30 to 8:00 a.m. the morning of the event.

Save the Date for 4-H Day at the Breslin

Although ticket’s aren’t yet available, the annual 4-H Day at the Breslin is quickly approaching on January 20, 2018. Make sure to keep your calendars clear to watch the Lady Spartans take on the Indiana Hoosiers while celebrating Michigan 4-H at this fun family event!