Summer will be arriving soon!

The end of the school year is almost here and the long days of summer are on their way. If you're anything like me, you will be trying to fit in as much as you can when the weather is good.

Those of you who are registered in 4-H Online should have received a notice recently from our Institute Director, Dr. Julie Chapin, explaining that the participation fee will be increasing to $20 per youth with a cap of $60 per family beginning September 1, 2017 (Start of 4-H Year). Please know that this should never be a barrier for youth to participate in 4-H. If a club would like to hold a fundraiser each year solely for covering participation fees that can be done. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to reach out to me at the office.

We have a lot of fun planned for this summer, be sure not to miss it. There will be a Geocaching club, Sewing club, Science in the Park, Engineering boxes at the Libraries and of course the Northern District Fair. We have some great 4-H events coming to the fair this year. Check out the schedule of events included in this newsletter.

4-H would like to welcome two new volunteers to our team. Roxanne Ansorge has joined 4-H as a co-leader for the sewing club. Cindy Swope has joined 4-H as a leader for the Model Train Club that we are developing. Welcome Roxanne and Cindy, we hope you share our excitement in making Wexford County 4-H the best we can be! If you see Roxanne or Cindy at any meetings or around town, be sure to introduce yourself and welcome them to Wexford County 4-H.

We have 5 youth attending 4-H Exploration Days this June. I can’t wait to hear about their experiences when they get back!

There is still plenty of time to get items entered at the Northern District Fair. Make the most of your membership and join the sewing club to make a new entry.

For those youth doing a macroinvertebrate collection for the fair, starter collection kits will be available at the 4-H office soon. Watch Facebook for availability.

See you Soon!

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Wexford County 4-H Happenings

June 5th  
4-H Exploration Days Mandatory Meeting  
6:30 – 7:30 p.m. at the Lak City MSUE Community Room, 6180 W. Sanborn Rd., Lake City. Youth that are participating in 4-H Exploration Days are required to attend with an adult from their family.

June 14th  
Livestock Council  7 pm, Wexford MSU Extension Office Suite 300

June 15th  
Fair Board  7 pm, Fair Office at the Fairgrounds

June 20th  
4-H Council  6:30 pm, Wexford MSU Extension Office, Small Conf. Room

Science in the Park will be offered again this summer in partnership with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources at the Carl T. Johnson Center. Watch for updates on the schedule.

Library Engineering Boxes: When you are in your local library branch look for the fun engineering activity boxes supplied by 4-H and enjoy a short activity while you are there.

Rabbit Tattoo Clinic: Wexford County 4-H will be offering a tattoo clinic for people who need to tattoo their rabbits before taking them to fair. The clinic will be held at the small animal barn of the fair grounds on Saturday July 22, from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Northern District Fair News

Poultry Orders: If you ordered broilers you will be able to pick them up at Northwoods Feed on June 13th.

Cornish will need to be ordered by June 13th and will be available for pickup on July 11th.

The last Sunday in July is the deadline for entering fair exhibits for both youth and adults.

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**STATEWIDE NEWS AREA**

### 4-H Workshops

June 2-4: Michigan 4-H Companion Animal Camp  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan_4_h_companion_animal_camp_1](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan_4_h_companion_animal_camp_1)  
Camp Tuhsmeheta, Greenville

June 16-18: Southern Michigan Outdoor Recreational Education Symposium (SMORES)  
Contact Denise Noble (nobledenise@rocketmail.com)  
Camp Tuhsmeheta, Greenville

June 17: Project FISH Instructor Training  
Contact Mark Stephens (steph143@msu.edu)  
Camp Tuhsmeheta, Greenville

### Other 4-H Events

June 3: 4-H Day at Michigan’s Adventure  
Michigan’s Adventure, Muskegon

June 10: State 4-H Rabbit & Cavy Expo  
[https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=D18688A80648792D](https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=D18688A80648792D)  
Anthony Hall, MSU, East Lansing

June 18: Michigan 4-H at the Tigers  
[http://m.mlb.com/tigers/tickets/special-events/4h](http://m.mlb.com/tigers/tickets/special-events/4h)  
Comerica Park, Detroit

June 21-23: Michigan 4-H Exploration Days  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4_h_exploration_days](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4_h_exploration_days)  
MSU, East Lansing

June 23-25: State 4-H Trail Ride & Family Camp Weekend  
D Bar D Ranch, Chase

June 24-July 1: Citizenship Washington Focus  
[http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=8B79FA950153A0AF](http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=8B79FA950153A0AF)  
National 4-H Conference Center, Chevy Chase, Maryland

June 25-June 30: National 4-H Shooting Sports Championships  
[http://4h.unl.edu/4hshootingsportsnationalchampionships](http://4h.unl.edu/4hshootingsportsnationalchampionships)  
Grand Island, Nebraska

June 26-30: 4-H Animal and Veterinary Science Camp  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4_h_animal_veterinary_science_camp](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4_h_animal_veterinary_science_camp)  
MSU, East Lansing

June 27-28: MMPA 4-H Milk Marketing Tour  
[https://www.mimilk.com/events/mmpa-4-h-milk-marketing-tour](https://www.mimilk.com/events/mmpa-4-h-milk-marketing-tour)  
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For the most up-to-date events listing, go to [http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events](http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events)
This exciting, hands-on opportunity – presented by Michigan State University (http://www.msu.edu) Extension (http://msue.anr.msu.edu) 4-H Youth Development (http://msue.anr.msu.edu/topic/info/4_h) – will provide participants with opportunities to (1) demonstrate their knowledge and skill in showmanship and (2) take part in classes such as dairy, fiber, Boer, pygmy and specialty breed, as well as driving and pack classes. The show has wonderful judges who focus on educating youth as they compete. It’s a great show for youth to attend!

Who Should Attend?
- Exhibitors must be Michigan 4-H’ers who are 9 to 19 years old, as of January 1, 2017.
- To participate in the Cloverbud Division, youth must be aged 5 to 8 as of January 1, 2017.

When Is the Show?
June 24, 2017

Where Will the Goat Show Be Held?
MSU Pavilion (http://www.canr.msu.edu/ans/facilities/pavilion) South Barn

How Can Someone Register?
Registration forms (for participants and show sponsors) are available on the Michigan 4-H website (http://bit.ly/2qoglny). All entries and entry fees must be submitted online (http://bit.ly/2qoTGaA), using a credit or debit card. The online registration site will close on June 2, 2017. Participants should print and bring a copy of their registration confirmation to the event.

What Is the Cost of the Show?
The nonrefundable fees are:
- $6 per person for all State 4-H Goat Show participants
- $10 per goat (The individual goat can be entered in all appropriate classes for its age, breed and sex)
- $25 Pavilion camping (Friday night only)

More information about this event is available from:
- Katie Ockert (ockertka@anr.msu.edu), Michigan 4-H Animal Science Educator
- Your local MSU Extension county 4-H staff (http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county)

How much do I join 4-H??
Who: Youth ages 5-19
What: Choose a club and register at www.4honline.com
When: Join anytime, however some of the animal clubs do have deadlines for fair participation.
How Much: A $10 enrollment fee covers your membership in 4-H for the entire year! (Scholarships are available)
Free Events

WEXFORD COUNTY 4-H

Schedule of Events
At the Northern District Fair
August 13 – 19, 2017

Tuesday, 4-6 p.m. Nutrition Wheel: Spin the Wheel and win a prize.

Wednesday, 2-4 p.m. Smoothie Bike: Take a ride on the smoothie bike. Then sample a healthy treat.

Thursday, 1-7 p.m. Scavenger Hunt: Participants can begin anytime but must register first at the 4-H booth. All correct entries will be entered into a prize drawing.

Friday, 4-6 p.m. Commodity Carnival: Try your hand at the commodity carnival challenge and win a prize.

Saturday, 9:30 a.m. AG OLYMPICS!!!
Registration begins at 9:30 a.m.. Events will start at 10:00 a.m.. Participants must pre-register. Join a team and join the fun with a variety of events. Chicken Flickin, Water Bucket Brigade, Sack Race, Tug of War and MORE!

ALL WEEK LONG!
Check out the Embryology Display in the Small Animal Barn and see if the chicks are hatching!

These 4-H Events are free to youth ages 5 through 19. You do not have to be a 4-H Member to participate.

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