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Goat Weigh-In
Sunday, May 1, 2016 from 3 p.m. - 6 p.m. at the Fairgrounds
All goats must be castrated, dehorned and have a scrapie tag at weigh-in.

Sheep Weigh-In
Saturday, May 7, 2016 from 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. at the Fairgrounds

Pig Tagging
4-H Administrative Leaders will be responsible for tagging all swine projects. Each member may choose from the following options:

Option A: Each exhibitor may tag three hogs. Each exhibitor may bring up to two hogs to the fair to be shown.

Option B: Within the immediate families having more than 1 exhibitor, each member may tag two pigs. One separate pig may be tagged as the “family alternate”.

Each exhibitor may bring only two animals to the fair to be shown. The “family alternate” must be designated and recorded with the superintendent.

Tagging must be completed and recorded by Saturday, May 7th.

4-H Royalty Court Contest
The 2016 - 2017 applications are now available at the MSU Extension office. Dates related to the contest are as follows:
April 1 = packets available.
April 10 = informational meeting
May 2 = completed application packets due
June 12 = interviews
July 10 = court announcement reception

All related times and locations for the above listed dates are available as part of the application paperwork - please refer to it for specific details.

All Isabella County youth, aged 9 - 19, are eligible for this excellent opportunity. We are looking forward to working with 4-H members who wish to represent Isabella County 4-H before, during, and after fair week. It is a very rewarding program and we hope you will consider applying to be one of our ambassadors. For additional questions, please contact Julie Willoughby (989-330-9119) or Angie Coldwell (989-330-1106); we would love to talk with you further!
**Broiler Chick Orders**
Time to order your broiler chicks! Orders need to be placed at the Extension office by April 29. Approximate cost per bird including shipping is $1.71 each if we are able to order 100 birds. Call the Extension office for order forms. If you have any questions, call Darlene at 828-4618 or Wanda at 828-5833.

**Scrapbooking/Crafting Day**
Saturday, April 9
9:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
First Church of Christ, Mt. Pleasant

Kim Vogel is sponsoring a fundraising event. The focus will be on scrapbooking, but if you have other craft projects, this would be a great opportunity to work on 4-H projects in general. All proceeds raised will be donated to the fair board's building project for the fairgrounds, and the day is organized in such a way to give participants over 10 hours to focus on whatever goals they set for the day. All food will be prepared for you, there will be gifts, and it is possible you could use the make and takes as an additional fair project. The original registration deadline was April 2, but if you are still interested, call Kim to see if there is still room available -- chances are, she would love to have you join the group!

**Isabella County Rabbit & Cavy Show**
Saturday, May 28
Isabella County Fairgrounds

This year we will be holding our 4-H show in conjunction with the Western Michigan Rabbit club on May 28, at the fairgrounds. We will be offering the educational classes/opportunities, and breed classes will be judged as part of Western Michigan's double show. Basically, it's a day filled with several opportunities to get comments about your animal, as well as compete in educational classes.

Registration is from 7:30 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. and you will purchase entry cards only for those classes in which you will compete. Check out the flyer (on page 12) for more details. If you need additional information, please contact Angie Coldwell at (989) 828-6229.

**Swine Project Members - PQA Plus Training**
Wednesday, April 20
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Isabella County Building (room 320)

All swine project members must be Pork Quality Assurance (PQA) Plus certified in order to exhibit your animal at the 2016 Isabella County Fair. Please RSVP to the MSU Extension office.
Small Animal News
All Isabella County small animal members (goat, poultry, rabbit) are invited and encouraged to attend any and all of the showmanship clinics sponsored by the Small Animal Association. Information that is used during fair judging is shared and it is a great time to ask questions. Even if your club also offers a clinic, it would be very beneficial for members (and even leaders) to stop by the small animal barn during any of the dates/times listed below. Rabbit members also need to attend at least one of the last three dates offered for fair entry verification purposes. If you are unable to do so, please call Angie Coldwell (989-828-6229) after June 23.

Showmanship Clinics
- June 8, 7:00 p.m. - 8:15 P.M.
- June 14, 7:00 – 8:15 P.M.
- June 20, 7:00 – 8:15 P.M.
- June 26, 3:00 – 5:00 P.M.
- July 8, 7:00 – 8:15 P.M.
- July 14, 7:00 – 8:15 P.M.

If you do not already have your small animal purchase arranged, you should do so now. For example, there are only a couple of rabbit shows before the May 1 deadline and if you haven't placed an order or made contact with someone, it may be too late to get the breed you would like to have. If you wait until April 15 or later, it will be very difficult to have your animal by May 1.

The next Small Animal Association meeting will be Thursday, April 21, at 7:00 pm, at the Isabella County Building, Room 320.

**NEW** Auction Rule
To sell a small animal at the fair, 4-H & FFA members must be a resident of Isabella County and a member in good standing in an Isabella County Club. 4-H & FFA members who do not reside in Isabella County must be granted approval from the Small Animal Association.

4-H and FFA members requesting to enter into the Isabella County Fair to sell a small animal must not have sold at another county fair for a one year period. The requesting individual must have made contact with the Small Animal Association on or before May 1st of the year they are requesting to sell a small animal in Isabella County.

Tractor Supply Spring Paper Clover Promotion
April 13 - 24, 2016

Help is needed for the spring Tractor Supply Company Spring Paper Clover Campaign that will run April 13 - 24. TSC is a great supporter of 4-H! We are asking members, families, and clubs to help promote the event at our local Tractor Supply Store. Contact the MSU Extension office if you or your club are interested in participating in the promotion at the store.

4-H Renewable Energy Camp
June 27 - July 1

Explore how Michigan’s abundant natural resources and growing agriculture industry are changing the face of energy and what it means to your family, Michigan and the world! For youth ages 13 - 19. For more information:
http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4_h_renewable_energy_camp

4-H Camp House For Rent
4-H Camp Association is looking for a renter for the house located at the 4-H Camp. The house is a 2 bedroom, 1 bathroom, with a 1 car attached garage, and will be available to rent in March.

If you have any questions, please call Don Kistler at (989) 621-0447.
2016 Isabella County Shooting Sports County Events

*Please call or email the Extension Office to pre-register for the event!*

Shooting Sports Informational Meeting
Saturday, April 16
4:30 p.m.
Sportsman’s Club (Winn & Millbrook Roads, 2872 W. Millbrook Road)

All members enrolled in shooting sports are invited! The 4-H Shooting Sports Programming Committee will do an overview of the shooting sports program and answer any questions you may have about the project. We will be having hot dogs over a bonfire. Please RSVP to the Extension office by April 14 if you plan to attend.

DATES FOR 2016 PROGRAM YEAR

April 16 – Qualifying Shoot - registration from 12 pm - 1 pm; shoot from 12:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.
May 14 - Qualifying Shoot
June 4 - Qualifying Shoot
July 9 – County Shoot
July 11 – make-up date for County shoot, if needed

Cost per event *may be subject to change based on market prices for supplies
$5.00 registration fee
$7.00 registration fee (if you are shooting trap & 22)
$3.00 registration fee for Cloverbuds (age 7 & 8)
Bring your own safety equipment (eye & ear protection)
4-H member is responsible for buying own shells for trap; they are available for sale at the shoots

4-H Shooting Sports Age Policies

- 4-H Shooting Sports Programs are open to young people aged 7 through 19. The “4-H age” will be determined by a young person’s age as of January 1 of the 4-H program year.
- 4-H Cloverbud members ages 7-8 may participate in BB gun and basic archery training. Participation is at the discretion of the Certified Instructor and the participant must be under direct adult supervision (one on one). Cloverbuds do not participate in the County Shoot.
- Cloverbuds (4-H ages 5 & 6) must wait until they reach the 4-H age of 7 to participate in shooting sports.
- Hunter safety certification is required for members age 12 & older
- Members ages 9 – 11 are limited to shooting BB & archery at competitive events
- Youth must attend one qualifying shoot in order to compete at the county shoot

Qualifying Shoots and County Shoot are held at the Isabella County Sportsman’s Club at the Corner of Winn & Millbrook Roads, 2872 W. Millbrook Road, Mt. Pleasant - 989-866-2505.

4-H State Shoot
August 6 – at Centerline in Calhoun County (23100 13 Mile Rd., Bellevue, MI 49021)

Spring Hunter Safety at the Isabella County Sportsman’s Club
April 30 & May 1 - To register, contact Dave Randall at 989-304-1089 (cell) or 989-967-3355 (home). Please call between 5pm and 9pm. Class size is limited and pre-registration is required. The cost is $15 and lunch is provided on Saturday and Sunday.
Teen Representative Opportunity for 4-H Council
If you are interested in being a teen representative on 4-H Council, please submit an application to the Extension Office. Teens must be enrolled in a teen leadership project. Click here for the application.

Interested in Cats?
Do you own a cat? Are you crazy for cats? If so, sign up for the cat project now! New vaccination guidelines will be coming soon.

If you have any questions about the cat project, contact MaryAnne Tompkins (989) 948-0535.

4-H Day at Comerica Park
Sunday, April 24, 2016
Join fellow 4-H’ers from across Michigan as we watch the Detroit Tigers take on the Cleveland Indians at Comerica Park, 2100 Woodward Ave, Detroit, MI.

Your admission includes a Detroit Tigers T-shirt which includes the 4-H Emblem.
Packages: (includes ticket and shirt)
- Upper Reserved - $25.00
- Upper Box Infield Package = $34.00
- Lower Baseline = $40.00

Purchase tickets at: www.tigers.com/4h
For further information contact: Glenda Weiss at weissgle@anr.msu.edu or 734-729-3632 Ext. 101

Camping
2015 Fair Campers Watch Your Mail. On April 1, 2016 you should receive your registration form. Remember, we must receive your camping registration form and payment before April 29, 2016. On Saturday, April 30 the fair office will be open 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for any available camp sites.
Last year’s (2015) campers have until the April 29 to reserve and pay for their camping for this year’s fair, sites not reserved will be open to first paid, first reserved at the Fair Office (500 N. Mission) on April 30. If you cannot be at the Fair Office on April 30, you may send a representative.

Amusement Ride Passes - AMUSEMENT RIDE PASSES WILL BE AVAILABLE ON April 30!
Passes will be available to 4-H and FFA families on April 30 at camping sign-up and the month of May only. Price is $8.00 per pass and may be used any day of the fair.
- One pass, per day, per person.
- You may purchase as many passes as you would like.
- We accept cash, check or Visa/Mastercard/Discover (3% fee for credit card payment)

Mail orders to: Isabella County Fair, PO Box 28, Mt. Pleasant 48804-0028.
For more information, call Deb at (989) 465-6660 after April 5, 2016.
Scholarship Opportunities

Isabella County 4-H Scholarship
Isabella County offers two $500 scholarships to 4-H members or former members each year. The scholarship recipient must be enrolled at an institution of higher learning and have been involved with 4-H in Isabella County. The scholarship is not limited to college freshmen.

To get an application, click here: Isabella County 4-H Scholarship or you may pick one up at the Extension office. Applications are due back to the office by April 30. The scholarship recipients will be notified by May 15.

Kathryn Methner Fike Scholarship
For high school seniors and current college students. Thank you to the family of Kathryn Virginia Methner Fike for establishing a $1000 scholarship in her name to benefit 4-H members in Isabella County.

Kathryn Virginia Methner Fike was born on the farm of her parents in northeast Wise Township, Isabella County on Nov 21, 1918. Except for a few winters in Florida, she spent all most 96 years within 5 miles of her birthplace. She married Lester Fike on March 29, 1936 and spent over 60 years on what became the Fike Centennial Homestead. In her childhood years, she was a member of a 4-H sewing club lead by her mother, Daisy Methner. After having children of her own, she became a leader, too. She served in this capacity for many years. Kathryn took great pride in the accomplishments of her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren in their 4-H activities.

4-H has been a top priority in Kathryn’s family for 5 generations and so it is with pride that her family is honoring Kathryn’s many years of dedication to 4-H education in Isabella County with this scholarship.

Application is available at: http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/isabella/isabella_county_4_h
2016 Livestock Rules Committee Changes

These are the rule changes for the 2016 fair. If you have any questions, please contact Jerry McDonald (772-7160) or Tom Recker (828-5606).

General Rules

Out County Participation
To sell livestock at the fair, 4-H and FFA members must be a resident of Isabella County and a member in good standing in an Isabella County Club. 4-H and FFA members who do not reside in Isabella County may be granted approval from a committee of:
- Livestock Producers Committee President
- Livestock Producers Committee Vice President
- Livestock Producers Committee Treasure
- Livestock Producers Committee Secretary
- Chairman of the Rules Committee

4-H and FFA members requesting to enter into the Isabella County Fair to sell livestock must not have sold at another county fair for a one year period. The requesting individual must have made contact with the president of the livestock producers committee on or before January 1st of the year they are requesting to sell livestock in Isabella County.

Swine
Weight parameters:
Hogs must weigh between 220 and 300 pounds to qualify as an exhibit. Hogs weighing less than 220 pounds and over 300 pounds will not be allowed to remain in the hog barn and must be removed at the time of weigh-in. Exhibitors that have hogs under or over weight parameters may use another exhibitor’s animal for the purpose of showmanship. Hogs weighing more than 275 pounds will not be paid for weight exceeding 275 pounds.

Sheep
Drenching of lambs:
No Drench feeding or medicating of lambs. Any lamb requiring drench medication must be approved by a veterinarian and supervised by a superintendent. Drench hydration of water is allowed under the direct supervision of a superintendent. Tampering and/or misrepresentation of age, ownership, and any other irregularity in showing will be considered fraud and deception. Violation will result in the forfeiture of sale privileges. Unethical fitting shall include the following: The addition of wool or wool like substances. The cutting, tearing or gluing of the hide or underneath the hide or removal of tissue to alter the shape of the animal. The injection of any gas, solid or liquid under the hide to alter the normal conformation. Any attempts to disrupt or change the normal dental development of the animal.

Beef
Weigh-In:
Beef weigh-in date shall be determined by the superintendent and limited to beef breeds only.
Still Exhibit Auction Update!

Date: Saturday, July 23, 2016
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Where: Livestock Arena

Committee Members: Rebecca Crampton, Annette Ullom, Danielle Cole, Katherine Squire, Kathy Ball

Exhibitors will be able to pre-register in June at their club meeting when filling out fair entry forms. On Saturday, July 23rd after projects are entered/judged exhibitors will need to finalize their entry for the auction. There will be a table set up in the Still Exhibit Building.

PLEASE send letters to potential buyers (businesses, family and friends) inviting them to the auction. Let them know that the auction is new this year!

IDEAS - be creative with your display for the auction- baskets for your canned goods or food project, etc. Example - are you going to do a recipe for grilling chicken? Bring your grill to the sale and finish the recipe there.

Still Exhibit Auction Rules

- An exhibitor may sell one lot in this sale.

- Exhibitors must enter the Still Exhibit Auction at the time and location listed in the schedule. Exhibitors who fail to register by the time listed may still sell with a $25 late entry fee. Late entries will sell last and may not be included in any printed sale materials.

- All food items to be sold must be a duplicate of what the exhibitor had judged. All food items must be whole or at least a full dozen and must have a recipe card attached. The attached recipe card should be normal sized (3.5” x 5” or 5” x 7”) card. All food items must have been properly stored (kept refrigerated if needed.)

- If you are selling a still exhibit you may make a duplicate item to be sold and given to the buyer the night of the sale. If you choose not to make a duplicate item for the sale you will need to tell the superintendent of the department at the time of judging that you will be removing the item for the sale. The buyer will not be given the item after the sale (unless you made a duplicate item). The still exhibit item must be returned to the exhibit building and remain at the fair. It is your responsibility to pick up the item when exhibits are released and take the item to the buyer. Exhibitors who do not deliver sold projects forfeit their sale proceeds.

- The exhibitor must be present to sell their project. (Adjustments will be made for exhibitors showing Dogs and Cats)

- A 6% commission will be deducted from all sale lots by the 4-H Council. The sale lots are assigned alphabetically with even years starting with “A” and odd years starting with “Z” and going in reverse.
**STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

### 4-H Workshops

**April 22-24:** 4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Workshop  
[http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=177B0A9F83561B7C](http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=177B0A9F83561B7C)  
Kettunen Center, Tustin

**June 3-5:** 4-H Companion Animal Spring 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 Tuhsmehta, Greenville

### Other 4-H Events

**April 6:** 4-H Night at the Joe (Red Wings)  
Joe Louis Arena, Detroit

**April 10:** 4-Hairy Horse Benefit Show  
[http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs](http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs)  
MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

**April 16:** 4-H Pattern-O-Rama Horse Show  
[http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs](http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs)  
MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

**State 4-H Goat Expo**  
[http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?folder=goatexpo](http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?folder=goatexpo)  
Anthony Hall, MSU, East Lansing

**April 22-23:** 2016 Equine Educational Expo  
Anthony Hall & MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

**April 23:** 4-H Day at the West Michigan Whitecaps  
Contact Kristi Ayers (bowerskr@anr.msu.edu)  
Fifth Third Ballpark, Grand Rapids

**Small Animals Day**  
[http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/small_animals_day_1](http://www.canr.msu.edu/events/small_animals_day_1)  
MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

**April 24:** Michigan 4-H Day at Comerica Park  
[http://m.mlb.com/det/tickets/info/4h?partnerId=AJKJ4G0Y7RU1Y112](http://m.mlb.com/det/tickets/info/4h?partnerId=AJKJ4G0Y7RU1Y112)  
Comerica Park, Detroit

**May 12:** World Food Prize Michigan Youth Institute  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/world_food_prize_michigan_youth_institute](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/world_food_prize_michigan_youth_institute)  
Michigan State University

**May 20-21:** State 4-H Poultry Show  
[http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_poultry_palooza1](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/4_h_poultry_palooza1)  
Eaton County Fairgrounds, Charlotte

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If you already receive [MSU Extension News](http://msue.anr.msu.edu) digests, update your subscriber settings to add these new topics. However, if you’re a new subscriber, simply text “MSUE” to 22828 or visit [http://msue.anr.msu.edu](http://msue.anr.msu.edu) and click on “Newsletter Sign-Up.”

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to [http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events](http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events)
Making $en$e of Money for People of All Ages

On the National Financial Educators Council’s (https://www.financialeducatorscouncil.org) website, it observes that: “Money is a fact of everyday life, and learning to manage money well is critical to achieving freedom, independence, and success.” Yet, while financial education and money management are important, it can be difficult to find good resources to discuss saving, spending, sharing and preserving money with our children and youth.

April is Financial Literacy Month (bit.ly/2ItSp9G). Originally the National Endowment for Financial Education (NEFE) (http://www.nefe.org) (pronounced knée-fee) began this observance as Financial Literacy for Youth Day. It was an activity of NEFE’s High School Financial Planning Program (http://www.hsfpp.org). When NEFE turned Financial Literacy Day over to the Jump$tart Coalition (http://www.jumpstart.org), that organization expanded the program and its final change was from one day to a month designated to recognize the need for financial literacy for individuals of all ages. With this year’s theme, “Envision a Financially Literate Future,” the Jump$tart Coalition seeks to acknowledge the importance of preparing young people for their future. In 2016, Money Smart Week (http://www.moneysmartweek.org) will be held from April 23 to 30.

Michigan 4-H Youth Development (http://msue.anr.msu.edu/topic/info/4_h) offers many opportunities for young people to learn about personal finance, including fund-raising for their club or a community service project, participating in clubs dedicated to investment, and selling their own entrepreneurial products or their own market animal at the fair. There is a Michigan 4-H Youth Money Management web site (bit.ly/1U7i9KA) filled with:

- New articles. For example, did you know there is a retirement account that young people can set up (http://msue.anr.msu.edu/news/myra_a_smart_first_step_in_investing_for_teens)?
- Upcoming events. This includes 4-H Exploration Days (bit.ly/1PaxPEI), which will feature six sessions in all (including everything from coin collecting and thinking through buying a first car to how to spend money without risk) and
- A collection of important resources (bit.ly/1Rmah0F). Since teaching money skills to people starting at the very early stages of life is important, did you know this web site points to a collection of 53 activities (bit.ly/1TNNOQz) based around children’s literature that has money as a theme?

For more information, you may contact:

- Your local 4-H program coordinator (http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county)
- Barbara Duvall, Senior Extension educator, by email at duvall@msu.edu or
- Laurie Rivetto, Extension educator, by email at rivettol@msu.edu
2016 4-H Horse Clinic
Presented by Isabella County Teen Horse Leaders

Come and learn about Horses and Showing! You do not need to own a horse to attend this camp. This horse clinic will give you a general base of knowledge of your animal, equipment, showing and how to be safe. This will be a great learning experience geared towards novice and beginning riders, including youth horse lovers who have never owned/own a horse.

Show Grooming  Tack  Horse Show Etiquette
Western Riding and Showing  English Riding and Showing
Showmanship  Trail Class  Speed Classes

WHEN:  Saturday, May 14, 2015  WHERE:  Isabella County Fairgrounds
TIME:  9:00 am – 5:00 pm  AGES:  All Beginner and Novice horse loves
COST:  Register by May 6th: $25– horseless/ $35– if you bring your own horse
(parent/guardian must stay if you bring your own horse)
After May 6th the cost will go up $5.
For more information contact the Isabella County Extension Office

Name of Horse Lover:_________________________  Age (as of 1/1/16):________ Gender: M  F
Address:__________________________________________
        street   city   zip
Phone:(_____)_________________  Email:________________________

Are you currently a 4-H member? Yes__  No__  If yes, what county?________________________
Residence:  ____Farm  ____Town Under 10,000  ____Town/city w/population of 10,000-50,000  ____Suburb
Racial-Ethnic background: (for statistical purposes only)
_____White, not of Hispanic origin  _____Asian or Pacific Islander  _____Hispanic
_____American Indian or Alaskan Native  _____Black, not of Hispanic Origin

Disability-learning or functional (please indicate)_______________________________________
Any restrictions on activities?________________________________________________________

Registration Deadline:  Friday, May 6th
Make check payable to:  Teen Horse Leader’s
Return form and check to:  Isabella County MSUE, 200 N. Main Street, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

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Isabella County 4-H Teen Horse Leaders

**Speed**

Payback Show

Isabella County Fairgrounds, Mt. Pleasant

May 15th
10am

1. Poles 20 & over
2. Poles 16-19
3. Poles 12-15
4. Poles 9-11
5. Poles 5-8 Cloverbud
6. Expo-Poles
7. Speed and Action 20 & over
8. Speed and Action 16-19
9. Speed and Action 12-15
10. Speed and Action 9-11
11. Speed and Action 5-8 Cloverbud
12. Expo-Speed and Action
13. Down and Back 20 & over
14. Down and Back 16-19
15. Down and Back 12-15
16. Down and Back 9-11
17. Down and Back 5-8 Cloverbud
18. Expo- Down and Back
19. Barrels 20 & over
20. Barrels 16-19
22. Barrels 9-11
23. Barrels 5-8 Cloverbud
24. Expo- Barrels
25. Indiana Flag 20 & over
26. Indiana Flag 16-19
27. Indiana Flag 12-15
28. Indiana Flag 9-11
29. Indiana Flag 5-8 Cloverbud
30. Expo- Indiana Flag

**$4 per class/$2 Expo’s**

All 4H Rules Apply

Riders 19 and under must wear an approved safety helmet

Age as of January 1, 2016

Judges Decision is final

No Refunds

No Alcohol on grounds

Negative Coggins Required

Cloverbud 7-8 must have an adult in the arena at all times

Cloverbud 5-6 must be on leadline at all times

Stalls $15 deposit, if you clean it, get $10 back

**ANY HORSE SHOWING UNCONTROLLABLE BEHAVIOR MAY BE ASKED TO LEAVE**

IC4-HHL are not responsible for any injury or damage to participant, animal or spectator.
Scrapbooking Crop 'Til You Drop
Saturday, April 9th, 2016
9 am—7:30 p.m.
At First Church of Christ
1610 E. Broadway, Mt. Pleasant

$55 WILL GET YOU:
• A goody bag worth over $20
• 4 Make and Takes
• Handmade Gifts
• Light Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner
• Your Own Table Space

BRING YOUR OWN PROJECTS AND SUPPLIES TO WORK ON!

Bunches of scrapbooking products from both the Stampin' Up! annual and holiday catalog will be available to win!

ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE ISABELLA COUNTY YOUTH AND FARM FAIR SOCIETY'S MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING PROJECT

Please include a group name, this will guarantee you are sitting with your friends. Send registration form below with your payment by check or credit card to Kim Vogel
RSVP by April 2nd
Kim Vogel, Stampin' Up!  Kim@basementbunch.com  (989) 306-1419  5788 E. Beal City Rd., Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858

Name: ____________________________  Phone: ____________________________
Group Name (if applicable): ____________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________
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27th Annual Isabella County
4-H Rabbit & Cavy Show
Isabella County Fairgrounds
500 N. Mission, Mt. Pleasant, MI
Saturday, May 28, 2016

In conjunction with the Western Michigan RBA double show

Enter the 4-H show for various educational classes including:
Showmanship, Breed ID, Skill-a-Thon, Brain Challenge, and Educational Exhibit
(classes subject to change as deemed necessary)

All classes $2 per entry
Enter by 8:30am - participation in classes will be at exhibitors’ availability

Age divisions -- use exhibitor’s age @ 1/1/16

Junior (9 - 11 years old)
Intermediate (12 - 14 years old)
Senior (15 - 19 years old)

Show Secretary: Angie Coldwell - 989/330-1106
angella.coldwell@gmail.com
Show Superintendents: Alissa Davis - 989/465-7279
Tammy Brecht - 989/828-6394

Rabbit Showmanship: Trophies to 1st place each age division
Rosettes to 1st through 10th place each age division

Cavy Showmanship: Trophy to top overall showman (all ages considered)
Rosettes to 1st through 10th place each age division

Educational Competitions: Medals will be awarded to top placings
Certificates to all participants

Cloverbuds (ages 5 - 8 yrs @ 1/1/16) may participate in showmanship for evaluation only -- participation medals will be awarded to all Cloverbuds.

Educational Exhibit: (One exhibit per participant) should be focused on educating first-year and non-rabbit members of all ages.
2016 JAPAN HOSTING
Host an international youth delegate and bring the richness of the world to your home!

Host a Japanese Youth in Summer 2016 through States 4-H International
It’s like having a sister I always wanted and a best friend
States’ 4-H Host Sibling

Open your home to an exchange student and open your lives to the world!

HOSTING PERIOD: 4 weeks - July 24 to August 20, 2016

- Japanese delegates are 12-16 years old (most are 12-14) or adult chaperones
- Youth have limited English language skills, and host families should be prepared to communicate imaginatively

HOST FAMILY REQUIREMENTS

- You must have a child of the same gender and within 3 years of the hosted youth
- Families without children of the appropriate age may host an adult chaperone
- No special activities need to be planned, these youth want to experience American culture, make new friends, and improve their English by staying with your family
- Volunteer to participate in the program
- Delegates can attend summer camps (we cover cost) with your children
- You don’t need previous involvement with 4-H in order to host

For more information, visit http://4h.msue.msu.edu/resources/japan_summer_inbound_exchange
or contact Michigan coordinator: D’Ann Rohrer - drohrer@anr.msu.edu - 231-757-4789

Please note: Host family selection is dependent on completion of an application and screening process as well as student availability and personality compatibility.

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4-H Great Lakes & Natural Resources Camp

Explore the exciting field of natural resources with one of Michigan State University Extension's premier pre-college programs! Discover more about coastal and fisheries management, limnology, wildlife, forestry, geography, geology, invasive species and wetlands with this seven-day exploration camp!

4-H Great Lakes & Natural Resources campers will stay on the shores of Lake Esau at Camp Chickagami in Presque Isle. While at camp, they'll enjoy a mix of learning experiences and recreational opportunities that may include:

- Hunting for aquatic invasive species and using technology tools to map the threats.
- Hiking the beaches and dunes of Lake Huron while exploring coastal wetlands.
- Interacting with leading scientists and professionals from MSU Extension, Michigan Sea Grant, Michigan Department of Natural Resources, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services and others.
- Studying water samples and freshwater marine biology.
- Fishing, kayaking, canoeing, swimming and snorkeling.
- Learning about future careers in the natural resources field.
- Contributing to conservation stewardship in the Great Lakes.
- Lighthouse tours, fossil hunting, archery and sailing.
- Applying the scientific process.

**MSU PRE-COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY**

Campers who enter 8th, 9th or 10th grades following their involvement are eligible for nomination to apply for a $2000 MSU Pre-College Achievement Scholarship. Campers will be invited to apply based on criteria such as attitude, behavior and active participation. For more information, visit http://4h.msue.msu.edu/4h/4-h_scholarships.

**July 31 to August 6, 2016**

Camp Chickagami
Presque Isle, Michigan

**APPLY!**
Youth aged 13 to 15 can go to http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events/glnrc to apply. Space is limited! Campers will be selected on the basis of their applications.

**QUESTIONS?**
Contact Laura Potter-Niesen at 517-432-2963 or potterla@msu.edu to learn more.

**LOW COST!**
The cost to attend this five-day camp is just $375 ($385 for youth who are not 4-H members) and includes all meals, transportation to field trips, lodging and materials.

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CLOVER CHRONICLES

60th Michigan’s Adventure Anniversary

4-H Day! Saturday, June 4, 2016

Attention 4-H Members, Volunteers, & Families:
Come celebrate 4-H at Michigan’s Adventure!

Admission $24.00 per person. Includes UNLIMITED use of the amusement park and waterpark (with the exception of RipCord) on Saturday, June 4. Children 2 years of age and younger are free.

4-H Day Meal Tickets will be available for only $6.00 each! Meal consists of a Hot Dog, Macaroni Salad, Chips and a Soft Drink and will be served at Mary Lynn’s Group Catering Pavilions from 2:00 – 3:00pm. Purchase meal tickets when you purchase your admission tickets on June 4.

Reservations are required for admission and meal tickets by June 1, 2016: Contact the Group Sales Office directly at 231.766.9959, youthsales@miadventure.com or visit www.miadventure.com/specialevents.

Michigan’s Adventure accepts cash, money orders, VISA, MasterCard, Discover and American Express. Checks are not accepted.

Members will be asked to present a card or something representing 4-H membership. Wear a club shirt so you can be recognized as an honored guest!

There is a fee for parking standard and oversized vehicles. Full size buses park for free.

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For More Information

Visit www.miadventure.com
Make your reservation
Read the helpful Trip Tips
See a complete listing of rides and attractions
Contact a Michigan’s Adventure Group Sales Representative at 231.766.9959 or via email at youthsales@miadventure.com

Amusement Park Hours – 11:00 am – 7:00 pm
Waterpark Hours – 12:00 pm – 6:00 pm
WildWater Adventure is open on scheduled days when the temperature is 85 degrees or higher.
Michigan State University Extension
Isabella County
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Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858
Phone: (989) 317-4079
Fax: (989) 773-1622
Website: http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/info/isabella

SAVE THE DATES

4-H Qualifying Shoot
April 16, 2016

Shooting Sports Informational Day
April 16, 2016

PQA Plus Training
April 20, 2016

Goat Weigh-In
May 1, 2016

Sheep Weigh-In
May 7, 2016

Camp Counselor Training & Camp Set-Up
July 5, 2016

4-H Summer (overnight) Camp
July 6 & 7, 2016

4-H Cloverbud Camp
July 12 & 13, 2016

Isabella County Youth & Farm Fair
July 24-30, 2016 (Fair Entry Day - July 23)

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“Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested by contacting the MSU Extension office at (989) 317-4079 at least 5 days prior to the scheduled event to ensure sufficient time to make arrangements. Requests received after this time will be met when possible.”

Kristi Schreiber, 4-H Program Coordinator
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Nonie Gross, Secretary
Paul Gross, Extension Educator
Belinda Laughlin, Master Gardener Coordinator
Kara Lynch, Extension Educator

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2015 Isabella County Plat Books
NEW 2015 Isabella County Plat Books are now available for $25 each at the MSU Extension office.

Isabella County 4-H Calendar

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