Dear 4-H members, leaders, parents, and supporters,

Summer is coming to a close. Everyone is home from the fairs, camps, vacations. September 1st starts a new 4-H year and since last year we had many new members join and participate in 4-H. Please spread the word about 4-H to your friends, family, and anyone you may know so we can keep growing. The annual 4-H Awards Banquet is right around the corner; it will be held on October 22nd in the Reed City High School Cafeteria at 6:00 p.m. featuring a catered dinner, awards, the 4-H video, door prizes, and a great time with fellow 4-H families. Be sure to RSVP with the 4-H office by October 16 if you plan to attend.

As you reflect on the past year’s events, think about people who helped make your memories possible. These people could be fellow 4-H members, leaders, businesses or individuals who sponsored awards, superintendents, fair board members, or anyone who made an impact on you. Maybe you noticed a youth who worked very hard, but did not receive an award at the fair or other shows. Consider nominating one or more of these people to be recognized at the 4-H Awards Banquet. A list of available awards and a nomination form are included in this newsletter. Youth must be 9 to be eligible, and nomination forms are due to the 4-H office by October 2, so do it today! Nominations can be submitted by email, fax, drop-off, or mail.

Along with the nominations forms I am looking for pictures for the 4-H video. We had many different events take place for the whole year and this can be reflected by sending pictures in. Pictures for the video are due to my office by October 7, 2017.

This year there will be a 4-H Round-up held at the Posse Grounds on Sunday, October 1. The 4-H program needs clubs to volunteer and showcase what 4-H has to offer. Please consider attending this event to help recruit new 4-H members. Call the office to sign-up.

4-H Enrollment begins September 1st and will be handled online this year. Upcoming trainings are being scheduled to help families and leaders with enrolling; read more about 4-H enrollment inside.

I am extremely proud of 4-H in Osceola County. We had a great year and I am excited for a new one to start. I hope to see you at an upcoming 4-H event during the fall season.

We have a new phone system at the county and some of the numbers have changed. If you have called me at 231-832-6143, this number no longer working. Please call 231-832-6139 and follow the automated system to reach me. Thank you for your patience during this time of transition.

Sincerely,

Jacob Stieg
Osceola County 4-H Coordinator
GENERAL 4-H NEWS

National 4-H Week - October 1-7, 2017 - is a great time to promote 4-H in your community. Maybe you could give a presentation on your 4-H experience to groups at your school, church, or other organization around the county that you are involved in. The following link provides tips for working with the media, information about the 4-H emblem and proper usage, as well as press release templates, flyers, fact sheets, ads, promotional videos, photographs and more. http://www.4-h.org/resource-library/promotional-toolkits/

Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions offers a scholarship opportunity for youth. The criteria for youth eligibility are:
- Each year six scholarships of $1000 may be awarded, one being the Neil Kentner Memorial Scholarship.
- Scholarship is open to applicants that are high school seniors or currently enrolled in an institution of advance learning such as a college, university or trade school. (If applicant is a high school senior they must have submitted an application to an advanced learning institution.)
- Application must be RECEIVED by October 1, 2017.
- Scholarship winners will be announced at the Annual MAFE Convention.
- Recipients may apply each year he or she is enrolled in the Institution, but shall not be eligible to receive a scholarship more than 6 years. Preference for awarding of scholarship each year will be to first-time applicants.
- The scholarship can be used for any and all expenses related to the applicants’ continued education.
For an application, please contact the 4-H Office.

Wednesday, October 4th at 7:00 p.m. all leaders are asked to attend a Leader Update meeting at the Reed City Middle School Cafe. Please ensure your club is represented with at least one leader. The new 4-H enrollment process will be discussed at the leader update meeting.

4-H Enrollment will again be handled online this year through 4-H Online. 4-H Online is the 4-H enrollment data management system for MSU Extension. The online system allows families and youth to enroll themselves and keep their information up to date throughout the year by managing their enrollment profiles online. The system also allows 4-H volunteers and club leaders to enroll online and manage their club members’ information. In the event that a family can not enroll online at home; the 4-H Office will have computers available and will assist families with enrollment. Enrollment deadline is December 1, 2017! Current 4-H families already have an account set-up in 4-H Online but will need a new password. New families will need to create an account. User guides can be found at the following website: https://mi.4honline.com/Login.aspx?403D4057396649715A4238754E6B3D

Fall is the time for each 4-H Club to complete and submit the Annual Financial Report to the 4-H Office, along with a copy of your bank statement, an inventory list, and one set of minutes from one of your club meetings. The form is included in this newsletter. These reports are due to the 4-H office by October 1, 2017. If your club has not raised any money, just write “No Funds on Hand” across the form. Feel free to contact the 4-H office if you would like help in completing the forms. Remember to include your youth treasurer in this process.

The 4-H Participation Fee for the upcoming year is $20 per member, or $60 per family if there are more than 3 siblings. Half of the funds stay in our county for programming, and half goes to the State 4-H office for state programs. Several Osceola 4-H clubs raised this fee through club fundraisers last year. This is certainly encouraged. There are also a limited number of scholarships available as well. I would like to remind each of you to keep in mind that no youth should miss out on 4-H because of this fee! Please contact Jacob with questions or to find out about possible options.

BEEF

If you plan to purchase a steer this fall, be sure to ask the seller to put in the electronic ear tag before you bring it home. These tags are required by law for any movement of cattle, and should originate from the original herd. The beginning weigh-in for beef will be December 2, 2017, at the Marion Stockyards from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All beef will be weighed and tagged! Again this year, steers for Cadillac will also have to be weighed and tagged at this weigh-in. Steers must be castrated and dehorned prior to weigh-in.

DAIRY

A huge thank you to all dairy youth and families. With the number of animals the barn, milk parlor, and booth stayed clean and well maintained. Clean up day the barns were done early. Thank you from Dave & Kathy Elder-Dairy Barn Superintendents!!

HORSE

The Osceola County 4-H Horse Committee meets the 3rd Thursday of each month, beginning September 21st at the MSU Extension office at 7:30 p.m. All horse leaders, members and parents are invited and encouraged to attend. This group plans horse events, and sets guidelines for the horse program. We need you!!
The **Horse Developmental Committee** also sponsors participation awards in 3 age groups: 6-9, 10-14, and 15-19. Application forms must be completed by the individual applying for the award, and are available from the 4-H office.

The **Proud Equestrian Program (PEP)** for handicapped riders will begin in September. This is a six week program that we do jointly with Mecosta County 4-H. Volunteers are needed to serve as side walkers or to lead the horses. Anyone who has helped in the past knows that this is a very rewarding experience. The riders and their parents are a pleasure to work with, and appreciate the chance to actually ride a horse — something we may often take for granted. Consider becoming a volunteer this year — it’s only one night a week for six weeks, and I guarantee you’ll get much more from the experience than you put into it!

**LIVESTOCK**

The **Osceola Livestock Committee (OLC)** meets on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. 4-H members must attend 3 OLC meetings per year in order to show and sell a market beef, sheep, or swine at the Osceola County Fair. Meeting dates are:

- October 9  
- November 13  
- December 11

- January 8  
- February 12  
- March 12

- April 9  
- May 14  
- June 11

- July-September: no meetings

**SMALL ANIMAL NEWS**

The Osceola County **4-H Small Animal Association** plans and carries out the small animal events in the county, as well as helps establish rules and policy for the fairs. Come and be a part of the process and find out what is available for your members or clubs. Meeting time is 6:00 pm and dates are:

- September 11  
- October 9  
- November 6

- December 11

- January 8 (Turkey order meeting for all fairs)

- February 12

- March 5 (Chicken order meeting for all fairs)

- April 9  
- May 7  
- June 4

Please note that the following dates **Small Animal** meets at 6:00 p.m. followed by **OLC** at 7:00 p.m.

- October 9  
- December 11  
- January 8

- February 12  
- April 9

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**Kettunen Center Workshops 2017/2018**

**Michigan 4-H Small Animals Workshop, Septem-ber 23-27, 2017.** The conference is open to 4-H adult leaders and members (11 years of age as of Jan. 1, 2017 and older) interested in rabbits, cavies and/or poultry projects who are willing to share the information and experiences gained at the conference with others in their counties. Staff is welcome. We encourage individuals to car pool. Contact your county office for names of other persons attending the workshop.

4-H Winterfest, February 3-4, 2017. 4-H Winterfest is a hands-on educational program that is open to youth ages 8 to 12 years old as of Jan. 1, 2018. Youth spend two days learning about many different project areas while meeting youth from around the state. Winterfest offers participants an opportunity to experience Kettunen Center in an overnight camp setting. Youth participate in hands-on sessions that range from crafts to shooting sports. Winterfest is also an opportunity to spend time outdoors enjoying all that Michigan winters have to offer! Participants enjoy outdoor time sledding/tubing, snow shoeing, and cross-country skiing and also learn from experts from around the state about many different topics.

4-H Veterinary Science Teen and Adult Leaders Workshop, February 16-17, 2018. Explore animal systems and learn about animal health for a broad array of animals species. Come prepared to learn from others, share information and experiences, ask questions and quiz veterinarians about their careers. You will also participate in hands-on demonstrations that will teach attendees how to help members recognize healthy, sick, and/or injured animals. Meet other youth and leaders who have developed outstanding veterinary science projects and gain ideas to help others start their own vet science projects. New resources will be provided to all attendees. Open to adult and teen volunteers ages 13 (as of Jan. 1, 2018) and older.

4-H Beef, Sheep and Swine Teen and Adult Leaders Workshop, February 17-18, 2018. This workshop is designed for both teen and adult leaders who are involved with beef cattle, sheep and swine projects. Topics include animal health, management, care and nutrition. In addition, breakout sessions will include livestock and meat evaluation, animal management and more. Interaction with leaders from different counties is encouraged for exchanging of ideas and programs and connecting with other volunteers in the same project areas. The workshop will also offer ways to enhance communication and teaching skills as well as learn about the many opportunities available for those interested in the beef, sheep and swine industries. Resources will be available for all attendees. Open to adult and teen volunteers ages 13 (as of Jan. 1, 2018) and older.
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2017 OSCEOLA COUNTY 4-H & FFA FAIR RESULTS

Grand Champion Market Goat..................................Karley Eager
Res Champion Market Goat..................................Gabe Mosher
Best Homegrown Market Goat................................Alexandra Mosher-Kunin
Market Goat Rate of Gain......................................Tiffany Todd

Sr. Market Goat Showmanship.........................Mariah McNeilly
Int. Market Goat Showmanship.........................Daryin Reagan
Jr. Market Goat Showmanship.........................Karley Eager
Beg. Market Goat Showmanship.........................Olivia Bobon
Jr. Dairy Goat Records....................................Dani Soper
Int. Dairy Goat Records..................................Tyler Lindquist
Sr. Dairy Goat Records...................................Ciara Laramore
Jr. Market Goat Records.................................Aubrey Vandawater
Int. Market Goat Records.................................Kathryn Keller
Sr. Market Goat Records..................................Mariah McNeilly
Best Overall Records.....................................Tyler Lindquist

POULTRY

Grand Champion Market 3 Broilers....................Taylor Chatel
Res. Champion Market 3 Broilers......................Gavin Hubbard
Grand Champion Single Broiler.......................Ben Tucker
Reserve Champion Single Broiler.....................Charlie Moore
Grand Champion Cornish Hens..........................Taylor Chatel
Reserve Champion Cornish Hens......................Elizabeth Shannon
Grand Champion Turkey..................................Parker Henry
Reserve Champion Turkey................................Amber Eastman
Best Overall Poultry Records.........................Amber Eastman

Jr. Chicken Showmanship.................................Ashlyn Chatel
Int. Chicken Showmanship...............................Seth Belleville
Sr. Chicken Showmanship.................................Riley Drilling
Jr. Turkey Showmanship.................................Autumn Rueffer
Int. Turkey Showmanship.................................Mikala Hudson
Sr. Turkey Showmanship.................................Riley Drilling
Jr. Duck Showmanship....................................Andrew Kiaunis
Int. Duck Showmanship...................................Abbigail Kiaunis
Sr. Duck Showmanship....................................Riley Drilling

Special Needs Poultry...................................Desiree Reed
Top Poultry Showmanship...............................Riley Drilling
Top Turkey Showmanship...............................Parker Henry
Outstanding Exhibitor.................................Riley Drilling

Jr. Chicken Records.................................Judah Frederick
Int. Chicken Records.................................Seth Belleville
Sr. Chicken Records.................................Macey Wallace
Jr. Cornish Hen Records...............................David Shannon
Int. Cornish Hen Records...............................Kalina Spicer
Sr. Cornish Hen Records...............................Tanner Ryan
Jr. Turkey Records.................................Amelia Ward
Int. Turkey Records.................................Grace Ward
Sr. Turkey Records.................................Amber Eastman
Best Overall Poultry Records.........................Amber Eastman
Jr. Cornish Hen Records...............................David Shannon
Int. Cornish Hen Records...............................Kalina Spicer
Sr. Cornish Hen Records...............................Tanner Ryan
Jr. Turkey Records.................................Amelia Ward
Int. Turkey Records.................................Grace Ward
Sr. Turkey Records.................................Amber Eastman
Best Overall Poultry Records.........................Amber Eastman

HORSES

Western Showmanship Age 15-19.....................Emma Borntreger
Western Showmanship Age 10-14....................Rachael Miller
Western Showmanship Age 6-9.......................Karley Eager
English Showmanship Age 15-19....................Brandy O’Neil
English Showmanship Age 10-14....................Ryleigh Adams
English Showmanship Age 6-9.......................Kelsey Nelson
& Britton Nowland
Top Showmanship.................................Emma Borntreger
Bucky Walters Award.................................Paige Bobon

Horse Costume Class 1st Place........................Justin Stellini
Horse Costume Class 2nd Place......................Gracie Ward

Jr. Horse Records........................................Andrew Kiaunis
Int. Horse Records.....................................Ryleigh Adams
Sr. Horse Records.....................................Rebekah Battle
Best Overall Horse Records........................Andrew Kiaunis

Grand English Horse Exhibitor.....................Emma Borntreger
Grand Novice Horse Exhibitor.......................Staci Case
Grand Western Horse Exhibitor.....................Emma Borntreger

Reserved English Horse Exhibitor..................Ryleigh Adams
Reserved Western Horse Exhibitor...............Rachael Miller

LLAMA/ALPACCA

Sr. Showmanship..........................Alexis Fehrenbach
Int. Showmanship..........................Nickolas Fehrenbach
Jr. Showmanship..........................Branden Ebels
Best Overall Showmanship....................Alexis Fehrenbach
Special Needs Showmanship.....................Desiree Reed
2017 OSCEOLA COUNTY 4-H & FFA FAIR RESULTS

RAABBIT/CAVY
Grand Champion Pen of 3 Rabbits..........................Heidi Bitler
Reserve Champion Pen of 3 Rabbits..............Konner Workman
Grand Champion Single Rabbit..........................Analiese Fredin
Reserve Champion Single Rabbit......................Thomas Plummer
Grand Champion Roaster..........................Seth Reister
Reserve Champion Roaster.....................Gabriele Mosher
Best in Show (Rabbit)...Heidi Bitler
Reserve Best in Show (Rabbit)..........Makenzie Lamond

Jr. Rabbit Showmanship..........................Alaina Hanson
Int. Rabbit Showmanship..................Analiese Fredin
Sr. Rabbit Showmanship..........................Troy Todd
Special Needs Showmanship............Desiree Reed
Overall Cavy Showmanship......................Troy Todd
Top Showmanship (Rabbit)..............Analiese Fredin
1st Place Rabbit Costume....................Analiese Fredin
2nd Place Rabbit Costume...............Zoe Marnick
Jr. Rabbit Records..............................Ayla Fredin
Int. Rabbit Records............................Analiese Fredin
Sr. Rabbit Records............................Amber Eastman
Overall Rabbit Records.....................Analiese Fredin
Overall Cavy Records.........................Troy Todd

SHEEP
Supreme Champion Ewe..............................Wyatt Boyd
Mkt Weight Lamb Plaques Class 1...............Ryleigh Adams
Mkt Weight Lamb Plaques Class 2...............Jacob Boyd
Mkt Weight Lamb Plaques Class 3..............Liam VanScoyoc
Mkt Weight Lamb Plaques Class 4..............Ayla Fredin
Mkt Weight Lamb Plaques Class 5..............MacKenna Geeseman

Grand Champion Market........................Wyatt Boyd
Res. Champion Market..........................Jacob Boyd
Rate of Gain..................................Liam VanScoyoc
Best Home Grown..............................Emily Ruppert

Beginner Market Showmanship...............Carson Elder
Jr. Market Showmanship..................Ayla Fredin
Int. Market Showmanship...............Wyatt Boyd
Sr. Market Showmanship..................Wyatt Boyd

Jr. Breeding Stock Showmanship............Kiera Elder
Int. Breeding Stock Showmanship...........Wyatt Boyd
Sr. Breeding Stock Showmanship...........Emily Ruppert
Top Showmanship..........................Wyatt Boyd

SWINE
Grand Champion Market Hog......................Karley Eager
Res. Champion Market Hog..............Kathryn Keller
Best Home Grown............................Isaac Szymanski

Market Weight Class 1......................Cy Eichenberg
Market Weight Class 2....................David Todd
Market Weight Class 3......................Lane Nadig
Market Weight Class 4..................MaCayla Eichenberg
Market Weight Class 5......................Karley Eager
Market Weight Class 6......................Eric Todd
Market Weight Class 7......................Asher Ducham
Market Weight Class 8.......................Brooklyn Decker
Market Weight Class 9.....................Ethan Nicklas
Market Weight Class 10......................Kathryn Keller
Market Weight Class 11......................Emily Ruppert
Market Weight Class 12......................Megan Jones

Top Showmanship..........................Allyssa Johnson

Jr. Swine Records..............................Isaac Szymanski
Int. Swine Records..........................Sarah Storey
Sr. Swine Records..........................Tyler White

Best Overall Records..........................Tyler White

Livestock Costume 1st Place...............Abigail Lewis
Livestock Costume 2nd Place..............Lane Meese
2017 OSCEOLA COUNTY 4-H & FFA FAIR RESULTS

Sweepstakes
Large Animal Sweepstakes..........................Emma Borntreger
Small Animal Sweepstakes............................Mariah McNeilly

Still Exhibits
Best Farm Crop Exhibit..............................Megan Jones
Best Vegetable Exhibit.............................Jacob Taylor
Best Floriculture Exhibit..........................Ryleigh Adams
Best Pie Exhibit.......................................Sarah Storey
Best Any Other Baked Goods.......................Reace Tucker
Best Decorated Cake.................................Alianna Sanford
Best Canning Exhibit...............................Ryleigh Adams
Best Frozen Food......................................Desiree Reed
Best Sewing Exhibit................................Logan Kindig
Best Needlework Exhibit............................Isaac Szymanski
Best Ceramic Exhibit...............................Kynnedi Williams
Best Leather Craft..................................Desiree Reed
Best Creative Craft..................................Sadie Gilmore
Best Woodworking...................................Tyler Lindquist
Best Photography Exhibit.........................Sara Atteberry
Best Vet. Science Exhibit..........................Brett White
Best Litter Barrel....................................Jorja Ray
Top Boy Exhibits......................................Liam VanScoyoc
Top Girl Exhibits.....................................Desiree Reed

2017 NORTHERN DISTRICT FAIR RESULTS

BEEF/BREEDING STOCK

Beef Grand Champion.................................Javan Cuddie
Beef Reserve Champion..............................Jacob Cuddie
Best Home Grown.....................................Jon Stahl
Beef Rate of Gain.....................................Matt Kniss
Breeding Stock Showmanship.....................Alex Johnson
Jr. Beef Showmanship...............................Jacob Cuddie
Int. Beef Showmanship.............................Ella Cousino
Sr. Beef Showmanship...............................Javan Cuddie
Feeder Steer Showmanship.........................Austin Leibzeit
Int. Beef Records.....................................Alyza Grover
Sr. Beef Records.....................................Matt Kniss

DAIRY BEEF

Dairy Beef Grand Champion.........................Mariah McNeilly
Dairy Beef Reserve Champion......................Paige Bobon
Dairy Beef Best Home Grown.......................Brock Gingrich
Dairy Beef Rate of Gain.............................Brock Gingrich
Int. Dairy Beef Showmanship......................Paige Bobon
Sr. Dairy Beef Showmanship.......................Mariah McNeilly
Sr. Dairy Beef Records..................Mar...
2017 NORTHERN DISTRICT FAIR RESULTS

SWINE

Grand Champion.................................Mariah McNeilly
Reserve Champion................................Ashly Bode
Best Home Grown.................................Natalie Hernandez
Rate of Gain........................................Landon Guernsey

Jr. Swine Showmanship....................Cheyenne Swinehart
Int. Swine Showmanship......................Garrett Coan
Sr. Swine Showmanship.......................Ashly Bode

Jr. Swine Records...............................Cheyenne Swinehart
Int. Swine Records...............................Natalie Hernandez
Sr. Swine Records...............................Parker McNitt

SHEEP

Grand Champion.................................Vanessa Hoppe
Reserve Champion..............................Javan Cuddie
Best Home Grown.................................Javan Cuddie
Rate of Gain........................................Haley Swinehart

Jr. Breed Stock Showmanship.........Natalie Hernandez
Sr. Breeding Stock Showmanship........Alex Johnson
Jr. Sheep Showmanship......................Jacob Cuddie
Int. Sheep Showmanship......................Alex Johnson
Sr. Sheep Showmanship......................Javan Cuddie
Jr. Sheep Records...............................Vanessa Hoppe
Int. Sheep Records...............................Alex Johnson

SWEEPSTAKES

Intermediate.................................Alex Johnson
Senior........................................Ashly Bode

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“Osceola County Michigan 4-H”

Believing in yourself is the first secret to success.

"I Pledge my Head to clearer thinking, my Heart to greater loyalty, my Hands to larger service, and my Health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world."
OSCEOLA 4-H AWARDS APPLICATION

Name of Award ________________________________________________

Person Nominated for this Award ________________________________

Person Making the Nomination _________________________________

Is the Nominee a 4-H Leader______ a 4-H Member ______ or other ______

Which 4-H Club does the Nominee belong to? _______________________

Please write in 250 words or less why you, or the person you are nominating, should get this award.

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APPLICATION FORM DUE October 2, 2017
4-H AWARD FORMS

As we bring this 4-H year to a close, we have the opportunity to show our appreciation to the many, many volunteers who have given of their time and talents to make the 4-H program in Osceola County one of the best. Most of you have participated in at least one 4-H event in this past year. Think of someone who has supported you. It may be a 4-H leader, another 4-H member, a business owner, or a parent. You can show your appreciation by sending a thank you note, gift, or offering your time to do something for them. You may also nominate them for a 4-H award, either individually, or as a whole club. These awards will be presented at the Awards banquet on October 11, 2015.

The Friend of 4-H Award is given to an individual, group, or business who has helped give our 4-H program a boost. This award is reserved for non-4-H people or businesses. Any 4-H member or leader can nominate by October 2.

The Meritorious Service Award is given to individuals or businesses that have outstandingly supported the 4-H program. This is one of our most coveted awards. 4-H leaders, members or parents can nominate by: October 2.

The 4-H Leader of the Year Award is selected from nominations from members, parents, or fellow leaders. All of our leaders deserve this award, so no repeats have been given to date. Nomination deadline is October 2.

The Sleeping Bag Award is given by the 4-H office to an individual adult who is very helpful behind the scenes. We will take suggestions for this award until deadline is October 2.

For our 4-H youth, leaders can nominate their members 9 and over for a Project Award. Members may not win the same award in 2 consecutive years. Project awards are available in:

- Achievement
- Agriculture
- Alumni
- Beef
- Cats
- Cavy
- Child Care/Development
- Citizenship
- Clothing/Textiles
- Communication Arts
- Community Service
- Computer Technology
- Conservation
- Consumer/Family Science
- Consumer Education
- Cooking
- Dairy
- Dairy Foods
- Demonstration
- Dog Care
- Electricity
- Engines, Tractors & Field Equipment
- Entomology
- Family Lifestyles
- Fashion Revue
- Food & Nutrition
- Forestry
- Gardening
- Goats
- Health & Safety
- Healthy Living
- Hobbies/Collections
- Home Environment
- Horse
- Industrial Arts
- Judging
- Leadership
- Llama
- Money
- Outdoor Education
- Recreation
- Performing Arts
- Personal Development
- Pets
- Photography/Video
- Plant Science
- Poultry
- Public Speaking
- Rabbits
- Reporting Media
- Robotics
- Safety
- Sheep
- Shooting Sports
- Swine
- Technology/Engineering
- Vet Science
- Visual Arts
- Wildlife & Fishing
- Wood Science

The I Dare You Award is given to 1 boy and 1 girl each year who demonstrates outstanding leadership ability. The award consists of a hard cover book entitled I Dare You, and a scholarship to attend the I Dare You Camp the following summer. Members must be 12 and up to be nominated for the award, but must be 16 to 18 to attend the camp. Nomination deadline is October 2.

The Horse Developmental Committee also sponsors participation awards in 3 age groups: 6-9, 10-14, and 15-19. Application forms must be completed by the individual applying for the award, and are available from the 4-H office. Deadline is October 2.

Two Garry Stieg Memorial Swine Awards will be given to outstanding swine members who have participated in the swine project in the current 4-H year. They must be nominated by a 4-H leader or barn superintendent.

Nelly Straathof Memorial Award (Dairy) will be given to outstanding male and female dairy members who have participated in the dairy project in the current 4-H year. They must be nominated by a 4-H leader or barn superintendent.

Take some time right now to nominate someone who you have appreciated this year. The award application form is in the newsletter. Call the 4-H office at 231-832-6139 with any questions.
# Annual Summary Financial Report

For the Period September 1, _____ to August 31, _____

Club or council name: _________________________  EIN: __________________________

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Prepare by: ___________________________ Date: ______________

Reviewed and approved by: ___________________________ Date: ______________

Approved by MSU Extension: ___________________________ Date: ______________

*If the Sales Subtotal (B) is less than $5000, you don’t have to figure sales tax because your 4-H club or group owes no sales tax. If the Sales Subtotal (B) is $5000 or more, divide the Sales Subtotal (B) by 17.67 to get the amount of sales tax your group must remit.
All 4-H clubs that handle money must follow the financial record keeping procedures outlined in the Michigan 4-H Treasurer’s Record Book (4-H 1203). This book is available in the 4-H office or on the county website. A summary follows:

1. It is expected that the 4-H members will play key roles in the financial matters of the club.

2. If any funds earned will not be spent within a short period of time, a bank account must be opened. In order to open a bank account, an Employer Identification Number (EIN) must be obtained from the IRS. The form to request this number is Form SS-4 and is included in the Treasurer’s book. Do not use a personal social security number to open an account! Report your EIN number to the bank and the 4-H office.

3. A bank account should contain 2 adults’ names and the youth treasurer’s name (with none of the 3 being related). Remember to keep the bank signature card current as club officers change.

4. For incoming monies, use a numbered receipt book.

5. For outgoing payments, use a check or a money order, not cash.

6. The club treasurer should make regular financial reports to the club membership. A sample form for a treasurer’s report can be found in the Treasurer’s book. It is also a good idea to include a copy of the current bank statement.

7. By October 1st of each year, 4-H clubs (whether they had financial activity or not, must complete the 4-H Annual Summary Financial Report. 4-H clubs with a bank account must attach a copy of their last bank statement. Clubs that didn’t handle any money that year need to state that on the form and sign and date it. A copy of one set of meeting minutes must also be submitted.

8. If a 4-H club plans to do a fundraiser, they must complete and submit a Fund Raiser application prior to the event, and obtain approval from the 4-H office. 10 days after the event, the Fund Raising Report form must be submitted to the 4-H office. Both forms are found in the Treasurer’s Book.

9. All 4-H groups with annual activity of $2,500 or more, or a balance of $2,500 or more, must have their bank statements sent directly to the 4-H office, where they will be copied and then sent on to the respective treasurers.

10. If a club is disbanded, any money or property will be turned over to the Osceola County 4-H Council, with the club’s recommendation for its use.
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4-H Enrollment is **ONLINE** only and Deadline For New and Returning Members is December 1, 2017

4-H Newsletters will now be sent out electronically only. If you are not receiving a 4-H newsletter by email and would like to continue to receive the 4-H newsletter, please call the office to add your email to the contact list.

4-H Newsletters can be found online at: http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/osceola/osceola_county_4_h