Hello 4-H Family,
Can you believe we’re 6 ½ weeks away from fair??!! How are all of your projects coming along? We’re anxious to see what you’ve been working on and are looking forward to a great week at fair! There’s also a lot of other great events coming up this summer! If you have any comments or questions about fair or other events, please feel free to call the office at 810-667-0343. MSU Extension is wishing all of you a Happy Father’s Day!
Thanks for all you do! –Kathy George

4-H is a community of young people...across America...and the world who are learning leadership, citizenship, and life skills.

UPCOMING EVENTS/DEADLINES

4-H Goat Showmanship Clinic June 14th
MSU Exploration Days June 18-20th
Citizenship Washington Focus June 22-29th
4-H Renewable Energy Camp June 23-27th
4-H Vet Science Camp June 23-27th

Fair Registration Dates (9am-4pm) Milk Marketing Tour June 25-26th
(12pm-4pm) June 27th
(9am-4pm) June 28th
Horse Shows 4-H Camp Registration Deadline June 27th

4-H Weekend Dates at Fairgrounds State 4-H Goat Show June 28th

4-H Day Camp July 1st
4-H Overnight Camp July 14th
4-H Mentoring Weekend, Kett. Ctr 6:00pm
Indoor Fair Judging 7:00pm
Fair Dates July 15-16th

Indoor/Livestock Superintendent Meeting July 16-19th
Indoor/Livestock July 18-20th
Meeting July 26th

Milk Marketing Tour July 29-Aug. 2nd
**FAIR NEWS**

**Online Registration**
You may register for fair online at [http://registration.easternmichiganstatefair.com/](http://registration.easternmichiganstatefair.com/) until June 30th. You can drop off the payment to the Fair Office or mail in with a postmark date of June 28th. You may also register in person at the fair office at the dates specified above in the calendar. If you have any registration questions, please call 810-724-4145 for the Fair Office, or 810-667-0343 for 4-H.

**Superintendent Openings for Fair**
- Crops & Gardens
- Conservation & Entomology
- Photography
- Visual Arts – need a second person to work with Barb Linck
- Passport to Understanding

If you or someone you may know (they do not have to be involved in 4-H) has an interest in these areas and would like to participate in this fun activity, please contact the office with their name and contact information, so that we may send them some information about the position. Indoor Superintendents meet only a few times before the fair and judging takes place on one day – Saturday, July 26th.

**Fair (Rides) Wristband Indoor Project Contest!**
Once again, we will be offering 1-Day Fair rides wristbands to 10 lucky winners! For every 5 indoor projects entered at fair, your name will be entered for a drawing on indoor judging day, July 26th, for one of 10 rides wristbands, donated by the Imlay City Fair Board. If you’re one of the lucky winners, make sure to thank one of the fair board members! Good luck!

**Set Up Times**
Announced at the June 9th Livestock Committee meeting - Setup for swine is Friday at 6pm and Poultry is Thursday and Friday at 5pm as long as tents are up. There is no Poultry Design Contest this year, but the pen sheets are due June 23rd to the Straight’s.

**Indoor/Livestock Superintendents’ Meeting**
We will be forgoing the potluck dinner usually held at this meeting before fair for a quicker meeting that will be on the same night as Livestock Committee, so it will be one trip to the office rather than two. I will be posting the agenda and any other materials usually printed off for this pre-fair meeting and putting it on our website for your review BEFORE the meeting. I will also be projecting any materials on a screen instead of hard copies, with the exception of any forms that a hard copy is required. This will cut down on printing costs, which are very high. I would like to move forward in this paperless direction for meetings in the future, but will provide a transition period and options for those families who cannot access items online.

Indoor Superintendent’s Meeting will meet at 6:00pm on July 14th in the board room. This needed to get pushed back ½ hour to accommodate the other 3 meetings taking place that evening. If this poses a problem for anyone in that committee, please let me know and I will provide you with some options. Livestock Superintendent’s Meeting will take place downstairs at 7:00pm. 7:30pm will be the 4-H Fair Committee and Livestock at 8pm.
Fun Farm Day
We will be holding Fun Farm Day once again just like last year! So teens in the livestock tents, dig out your costumes to represent your project area! For all of the committee meetings, please add this to your agenda for your next meeting to ensure you have a small group of youth to work this fun community service event. This also works to promote 4-H and provide a snapshot education of where our food actually comes from!

I will be ordering all of the goodies to pass out to the youth in the community, who come visit each of the tents with their postcards to stamp. If anyone would like to help plan this day – last Saturday of fair – or has suggestions to make this event even better, please let me know at george92@msu.edu. I would love to hear from our 4-H’ers with their ideas!!

Cavy Record Book
We now have a cavy record book for those 4-H’ers registering cavy projects at fair. Check it out at www.msue.msu.edu/lapeer. Also, here are the rest of the project books on our site:

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CAMP REGISTRATION DEADLINE
4-H Camp registration’s deadline is coming up - June 30th. Also, the Schwan’s fundraiser for camp is being extended until August 13th. Click on this link for more details about 4-H Camp: http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/lapeer/4_h_camp

AMAZING LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITY – BE A YOUTH MEMBER OF OUR 4-H COUNCIL!
Have you ever wanted to try something new and expand on your leadership skills? The Lapeer 4-H Council will be accepting new Youth Council Members for the 2014-2015 4-H year. Council is requesting applicants write an autobiography of yourself and submit it to the MSU Extension office along with a picture of yourself by July 1st. This is a major leadership opportunity and as a member of this committee, you will have input and voting rights on crucial issues of Lapeer 4-H. You must be in grades 9-12 at the time of election and an active 4-H member to apply. Please call the MSU Extension office if you have any questions.

AWESOME COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT BEING PLANNED WITH GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITIES!!
I have been working with Growth & Opportunities, Inc., a great organization in Lapeer, which provides employment and educational skill building for adults with developmental disabilities. They are wonderful people there and have a need. The front of their building on Court Street (right next to Stone Soup Food Pantry) is a little bare with just grass. We could not only brighten their days with seeing some beautiful flowers, but also provide them with a regular task to water and maintain them! I really believe our awesome 4-H’ers can make a difference for others and help plant some great landscaping and maybe a flower basket or two.

I will fund the project, but would like a group of 4-H teens and leaders to come out and spend some time planting. If you or your club is interested in working on this one day (a few hours) event, please email me and I will try to coordinate a date, maybe the week of June 23rd? Since 4-H cannot support them by becoming 4-H’ers (maximum 4-H age for special needs adults is 26), then this is a great way to give back to our community. Email me at george92@msu.edu if you are willing! To learn more about Growth & Opportunities, please click http://www.go-inc.org/.

STONEGATE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT 2014
Once again, youth and leaders from Young Pioneers went to Stonegate Senior Complex in Lapeer to help plant flowers for residents in May. It was a beautiful day and their efforts will give the residents something beautiful to look at all summer long – thanks!
**TIGERS/CEDAR POINT**

I have submitted the request for July 2\(^{nd}\) (1:08pm with the Athletics) and July 8\(^{th}\) (7:08pm with the Dodgers). Those were the most requested dates. I am currently waiting to hear back from the Tigers with the number of tickets available on those two dates. Once confirmed, the tickets will be sent to our office and you can pick them up M-F 8am-5pm (closed for lunch 12-1).

Please take only the number of tickets you will actually use. They will give us tickets next time we request them, but only the number of tickets actually redeemed this time. So, if I requested 200 tickets and only 100 actually went, we will only get 100 tickets next time.

What a great opportunity for a family day out or a group activity with your club! I am so happy that this could be offered to all of our hard working 4-H’ers and families! Go Tigers! Pick up date will be announced through email...stay tuned!

Since I received only about 20 ticket requests for the Cedar Point trip, I will hold off and revisit this after fair as a fall activity, when it’s a little less busy.

**DOES YOUR CLUB WANT TO MAKE SOME MONEY?**

4-H Horse Leaders are asking if there is a club or committee who would like to hold a concession fundraiser selling food at their horse shows on June 21\(^{st}\) and/or June 28\(^{th}\) at the fair grounds. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Courtney at cworkman24@yahoo.com for more information and to reserve a date. Quick and easy fundraiser! Don’t forget to submit a Fundraising Request form to the office, found on our website!

**SENIOR SCHOLARSHIPS**

The applications for the senior scholarships have been sent to eligible 4-H’ers. They are as follows:

- **4-H Council Scholarship** - open to all 4-H’ers
- **Tina Novotney Scholarship** - open to 4-H beef project members
- **Dawn Childers Memorial Scholarship** - open to 4-H horse project members

They are due soon, **Friday, June 20\(^{th}\)**, so if you received an application, please take advantage of this opportunity to help fund your college education!

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO POST SOMETHING IN OUR NEWSLETTER?**

We are currently reorganizing our newsletter layout into a monthly newsletter and will be offering a section for our 4-H families to send me things to put in our newsletters, such as animals for adoptions, employment opportunities, items for sale, etc. If you would like to submit something, please email me at george92@msu.edu by the 15\(^{th}\) of the month.

**TOOT YOUR OWN HORN!!**

In upcoming newsletters, there will be a section for showing what an amazing club you have (or an individual 4-H’er’s achievements), as well as what you’re doing at meetings, events and in the community. Please email me at george92@msu.edu by the 15\(^{th}\) of the month. Go ahead, you know you’re awesome, tell us about it!
FAMILY FARM & HOME – 10% DISCOUNT
Family Farm & Home in Almont is offering active 4-H youth a 10% discount on their products that relate directly to your project. Youth must be present when purchasing and you will also need to complete a form for their records. Please see store for more details.

888 North Van Dyke
Almont, MI 48003
Monday thru Saturday 8am - 8pm | Sunday 10am - 5pm.
Phone: 810-798-0105

Monthly Ongoing Meetings
1st Wednesday Fair Board – held at Imlay City Hall, 7 pm – during winter months,
moves to fairgrounds during the summer
2nd Monday 4-H Fair Committee Meeting-MSU Extension, 7:30 – 8:00 pm
2nd Monday Livestock Developmental Committee – MSU Extension, 8:00 – 9:30 pm
TBA Dog Leaders Developmental Committee – MSU Extension
3rd Monday 4-H Council – MSU Extension, 7 pm
TBA Sheep Leaders Developmental Committee
4th Wednesday Horse Leaders Developmental Committee – MSU Extension, 7 pm
TBA Rabbit Leaders Developmental Committee; call Glenda Weiss 989-795-2730
TBA Goat Leaders Developmental Committee
TBA Swine Leaders Developmental Committee – will usually meet before Livestock Committee; exact dates TBD
Quarterly Poultry Leaders Developmental Committee-MSU Extension, 7 pm
TBA Beef Leaders Developmental Committee

County Developmental Committee meetings are usually cancelled in December and August and may be cancelled at other times...please call ahead to confirm. If Lapeer Community Schools are cancelled due to weather, any meeting held at the MSU Extension is cancelled.

Lapeer County MSU Extension Staff
- Kathy George, Program Coordinator, 4-H Youth Development
- Jean Kreiner, Program Aide, 4-H Youth Development
- Tiffanie Osburn, Fundraising Coordinator
- Brenda Patrick, Office Manager/4-H Secretary
- Tina House, Receptionist/F&CS and Ag Secretary
- Phil Kaatz, Extension Educator, Forages/Field Crops
- Chris Venema, Extension Educator, Food Safety, Financial Literacy & Housing
- Sarah Carpenter, Program Instructor, Health & Nutrition

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