What I’m Working On

Good afternoon,

There are some great opportunities coming up around the State and in Montcalm that are mentioned in this newsletter so, as always, please read!

If you have any questions or issues you are always welcome to contact me or come in and visit. My schedule varies from week to week due to meetings, so please call to make sure I will be in the office before you come in.

Save the Dates!
Feb. 5, 2018 – Fairboard meeting 7:00 p.m. – Ash Building
Feb. 6, 2018 – 4-H Council meeting 6:00 p.m. – MSUE
Feb. 8, 2018 – Dog Committee meeting 6:30 p.m. – Ash Building
Feb. 13, 2018 – Horse Leaders meeting 7:00 p.m. – Ash Building
Feb. 19, 2018 – Small Anim. comm. meeting 6:00 p.m. – Ash Building
   - Livestock comm. meeting 7:00 p.m. – Ash Building
March 24, 2018 – 4-H Council Breakfast & Auction – Ash Building
April 1, 2018 – Deadline for New 4-H enrollments into 4-H Online and participation fees to be into the MSU Extension office!

Thank you!
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Show your pride as a #4HGrown alum & encourage fellow alums to raise their hand to empower more kids: www.4-H.org/RaiseYourHand #MI4H
Congratulations!

We want to congratulate Hailey Olger on winning the 2018 Michigan 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Scholarship – Way to go, Hailey!

Fair

As always, Please remember that changes are being made to the Fair book and forms, so please be patient and we will get them posted on the website as we receive them. Thanks!

Superintendents

We are seeking a Record Book Superintendent for this year! Please contact us if you or someone you know is interested! Now is also a good time to start thinking about possible Junior Superintendents!

Montcalm 4-H Facebook Page

I do provide updates and information on the Montcalm County 4H page. Please LIKE the page if you have not done so already. Please keep in mind that the Facebook page is for informational purposes only and is not the place for complaints. Please remember that we have a code of conduct to follow and any complaints posted on FB will be deleted. If you have an issue, please contact your leader or myself so we can follow the appropriate procedures.

Family Events

There will be two upcoming family events at Kettunen Center in February. Follow the Groundhog (Feb. 2) will be a short interpretive hike (at night) led by our own, Gertie the Groundhog (it is Groundhog's Day, after all!). She will introduce participants to her friends along the way.

Snacks and warmup stops will be frequent and the walk itself will be less than an hour (less than 1/4 mile on our trails).

This is a new event for us and we are very excited!

The second, is Valentines Day (Feb. 14) supper followed by crafts and activities.

For more info or to register for either of these events call 231-829-3421 or email info@kettunencenter.org

4-H Events

Make sure to keep an eye on the upcoming events on the MSUE website’s 4-H Events and Workshops page! Here is the link http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/montcalm/4_h_calendar_1 There are LOTS of fun upcoming events both on campus and at Kettunen Center!
4-H Statewide Events

- Rabbit, Cavy and Poultry Clinic
  Feb 10, 2018 | Shiawassee Conservation Association 4247 N. M-52 Owosso, MI 48867
- Chinese New Year!
  Feb 10, 2018 | MSU Extension Max Thompson Family Resource Center, II370 Hupp Ave. Warren, MI 48089
- 4-H Family Fun Night
  Feb 10, 2018 | Canteen Building Bay County Fairgrounds, 810 Livingston St., Bay City, MI 48708
- RELAX: Alternatives to Anger Series
  Feb 12, 2018 - Mar 12, 2018 | MSU Extension Kent County, 775 Ball Ave NE, Grand Rapids, MI
- Nurturing Families Series
  Feb 12, 2018 - Mar 12, 2018 | MSU Kent County, 775 Ball Ave NE, Grand Rapids, MI 49503
- 4-H Veterinary Science Teen and Adult Leaders Workshop
  Feb 16, 2018 - Feb 17, 2018 | Kettunen Center, 14901 4-H Drive, Tustin, MI 49688
- 4-H Beef, Sheep and Swine Teen and Adult Leaders Workshop
  Feb 17, 2018 - Feb 18, 2018 | Kettunen Center, 14901 4-H Drive, Tustin, MI 49688
- Michigan 4-H Dog Project Leader and Judges Workshop
  Feb 17, 2018 | Michigan State University Anthony Hall 474 S Shaw Ln East Lansing, MI 48824
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- 4-H Project Medal Brunch
  Feb 17, 2018 | Memorial Healthcare Auditorium 826 W King St, Owosso, MI 48867
- Calhoun County 4-H Tractor Operator Program
  Feb 17, 2018 - Apr 21, 2018 | Stealy Farms, 16300 13 Mile Rd., Battle Creek, MI
- Berrien County 4-H Officer Training
  Feb 17 - Feb 22, 2018 | Berrien County MSU Extension Office, 1737 Hillandale Road, Benton Harbor, MI 49022
- Branch County Farmers’ Day 2018
  Feb 19, 2018 | Branch Area Career Center, 366 Morse St, Coldwater, MI 49036
- Mid-Winter Break Farm Camp 2018
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- Teen & Adult 4-H Horse Leaders’ Conference
  Feb 23, 2018 - Feb 25, 2018 | Kettunen Center, 14901 4H Drive, Tustin, MI 49688
- 4-H Celebrate the Possibilities
  Feb 24, 2018 | MAISD Career Tech Center 200 Harvey St. Muskegon, MI 49442
- Michigan 4-H Embryology Staff, Teacher and Volunteer Training—Grand Traverse County
  Feb 24, 2018 | Grand Traverse County MSU Extension, 520 W Front St, Traverse City, MI 49684
- 2018 4-H Horse Tack Sale
  Feb 25, 2018 | NEW LOCATION!, Hopkins Middle School, 215 Clark Street, Hopkins, MI 49328
- 4-H Rabbit Developmental Committee meetings
  Feb 26, 2018 - Jun 25, 2018 | Emmanuel Episcopal Church, 315 W Center St Hastings, MI 49073
- Rest Time Refresher & Evening Energizer: The Resilience Tool Box: Building Foundational Tools for Re
  Feb 27, 2018 | Webinar
- Youth Officer Training
  Feb 28, 2018 | Owosso Middle School 219 N Water St, Owosso, MI 48867

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events.