Dear 4-H Members, Parents, and Leaders,

It's May, yay! With Cinco de May, Mother's Day, Spring Prom and Memorial Day- there are so many important dates and people to celebrate this month- we hope you keep in mind all the important 4-H activities and events as well. The mandatory Exploration Days Orientations on May 29th & June 7th and the upcoming Face to Face Volunteer Trainings are just a couple to mark down, please see the articles below for more events, important dates and details.

All Club leaders who have not yet turned in re-enrollment paperwork will need to submit their club paperwork by 5/30 in order to remain active for this year. Club paperwork for 2013-2014 will not be accepted after the 5/30 deadline. If you have yet to submit your club paperwork, please make arrangements with Milaina Macklin to do so.

Remember for current and up to date information about Wayne County 4-H, visit us on Facebook at: MSUE 4-H Wayne County.

Sincerely,

Wayne County 4-H Staff

Program Evaluation Notice
As a participant in the 4-H program your child may be asked to help with the evaluation of the program. Your child may be asked to complete a short survey about what he/she learned or did as a result of the program. Surveys could be given before the program begins and/ or after the program has ended. Surveys take no more than 10 minutes to complete. All surveys are confidential. Youth are not required to participate in the evaluation. If you or your child does not wish to participate it will not affect involvement in any programs of Michigan State University.

If you do not want your child to participate in program evaluations or have questions about the evaluation, contact Laurie Rivetto at 734-729-3632 or rivettoL@msu.edu.
We would like to extend a warm welcome our new staff member, Glenda Weiss, who began her role as a 4-H Program Coordinator on April 14th. She is housed at the Western-Wayne MSUE Office on Venoy Rd. To learn more about Glenda, please read her introduction below.

“I graduated from Michigan State University majoring in Agribusiness and Natural Resources Education. I have spent the last 29 years teaching middle and high school students vocational agriculture, science, and computers. I grew up in Ingham County’s 4-H Program during my youth. For the past 18 years I have been an administrative leader in Lapeer County along with serving as the county 4-H’s Council President, Livestock President, Rabbit Superintendent, Exploration Days CCA and Overall Livestock Superintendent. I have also served over 10 years on the State 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Show Committee, raising money for the Rabbit and Cavy Scholarship. I have a passion for the traditional 4-H club along with science education. I am excited to begin my second career in the Wayne County 4-H Program. If you have new programming ideas that you would like to discuss I would love to hear from you.”

- Glenda Weiss

We are currently looking for interns to help facilitate and plan some of our summer programming. We have the following internship opportunities available:

- 2-working with youth ages 5-8. These interns will help to facilitate a summer Cloverbud/Intro to 4-H Program.
- 1-working with middle school aged youth. This intern will help facilitate a 4-H program that focuses on STEM, art, gardening & robotics.
- 1-working with high school youth. This intern will help with the 4-H goLead Institute program.

If you know any college students looking for an internship this summer, please have them contact Milaina Macklin, 734-720-7689 X 112 or macklin3@anr.msu.edu, to receive more information about the positions and how to apply.
Upcoming Activities, Events & Programs

Registration for Exploration Days 2014 is now closed!

Exploration Days will be June 18-20, 2014. Letters with orientation, session and balance information will be sent out soon. Please contact Milaina Macklin, 734-720-7689 X 112 or macklin3@anr.msu.edu, if you have any questions about the event. If you are registered please see the information about the mandatory orientation below.

Exploration Days Orientation:
All participating youth and a parent/guardian are required to attend a mandatory orientation before going to Exploration Days, even if you have previously attended. You must attend and stay for the entire orientation (start to finish) or be unable to attend the event. The orientation will last approximately 2 hours.

- All remaining balances are due at this time.
- A picture of each youth participant MUST be brought for the Participant Portfolio.

If you do not attend orientation, you will not be able to participate in Exploration Days 2014. If you have not already attended an orientation, please come:

Thursday, May 29th 6:30 PM @ MSUE Western Wayne Office 5454 Venoy, Wayne MI

Saturday, June 7th 11:00 AM @ MSU Detroit Center, 3408 Woodward Ave, Detroit, MI

If you have any questions or concerns about orientations, please contact Milaina Macklin 734-720-7689 X 112 or macklin3@anr.msu.edu.

Upcoming Kettunen Center Workshops

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For more information on Kettunen Center workshops, check out: http://4h.msue.msu.edu/4h/4_h_volunteer_training_workshop_schedule
Day of Service

Community service opportunity for youth ages 12-19
June 17th 11am-1pm
Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries

In collaboration with 4-H youth from Dickinson County a day of service has been created to allow youth to give back to the Wayne County community, while connecting with youth from Dickinson County. The day of service will consist of assisting in a soup kitchen or garden at a Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries site.

Dickinson County is located in the Upper Peninsula. The youth from Dickinson County will also be attending Exploration Days, so it is also a great opportunity for youth to meet new friends to experience Exploration Days with.

Space is limited and you must RSVP for this event by Friday, May 30th.
If you are interested in participating, please contact Milaina Macklin 734-720-7689 X 112 or macklin3@anr.msu.edu

4-H goLEAD Institute
Ages: 13-19
MSU Detroit Center
Cost:$60

This summer program will give youth the opportunity to complete a 30 hour program focused on: leadership development, team building, reflection and a capstone service project.

For more information on this program and how to register, please contact: Jessica Cotton, cottonj2@msu.edu 313-412-2616 X 107
Interested in Animal Science events?
and check out the 2013-2014 Animal Science Youth Events Calendar for a complete listing of upcoming dates and Events.

Livestock Opportunities throughout the State
Many opportunities for involvement and learning occur across the state. If you are interested in further developing your skills or competing against youth members from across the state, refer to the following list. Please contact Glenda if you have questions (weissgle@anr.msu.edu)

- Livestock Fitting Clinic (beef, sheep, swine), May 10th, MSU Livestock Pavillion – contact Glenda for a flyer (weissgle@anr.msu.edu) Sponsored by Family Farm and Home
- Blue & Gold Goat Jackpot – May 24; 10:30 a.m. @ Barry County Fairgrounds, Hastings, MI (http://michiganboergoat.org/miboer/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/2014_BlueGold-Goat-Show_Showbill.pdf)
- Blue & Gold Lamb Jackpot – May 24 @ 12:30 p.m. @ Barry County Fairgrounds, Hastings, MI (http://www.misheep.org/2014%20Blue%20&%20Gold%20Showbill%20Sheep%20Show.pdf)
- Blue & Gold Swine Jackpot- May 25 @ 11:00 a.m. @ Barry County Fairgrounds, Hastings, MI
- MSU Block and Bridle Lamb Show – June 8 @ MSU Pavilion, East Lansing, MI (http://www.ans.msu.edu/uploads/files/BB_Sheep_Show_Entry_2014.pdf)
- Michigan Livestock Expo – July 16-20 @ MSU Pavilion, East Lansing, MI (http://www.milivestock.com/)
- Livestock shows and judging contests at MSU (http://www.ans.msu.edu/youth_extension_programs/livestock_youth_programs)
- Rabbit and Cavy Expo (entries due in the Wayne MSUE office by May 9th) ([http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events/event/4_h_rabbit_and_cavy_expo1](http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events/event/4_h_rabbit_and_cavy_expo1))
- Kent County Rabbit and Cavy Show and Clinic, May 31, Lowell, MI ([http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events/event/kent_county_4_h_rabbit_cavy_clinic_and_show](http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events/event/kent_county_4_h_rabbit_cavy_clinic_and_show))
- Oakland County Fun Dog Show, May 17, Davisburg, MI, Contact Glenda for a flyer (weissgle@anr.msu.edu)
- State Goat Show, June 28, MSU Livestock Pavillion, Contact Glenda for a flyer (weissgle@anr.msu.edu)

Youth Pork Quality Assurance (PQA) Plus has rolled out a new online system. Instead of having youth or adults call in to request an account be set-up for them, they can simply go online and register themselves to complete the online tutorial ([https://www.pork.org/Account/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fAccount%2fLoggedInHome.aspx](https://www.pork.org/Account/Login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fAccount%2fLoggedInHome.aspx)) developed by the Pork Checkoff program at [www.pork.org](http://www.pork.org). The attached document helps walk adults and/or youth step-by-step through creating an account. Additionally, MI Youth PQA Plus has a new website. Information can be found at the [MSU Extension Pork Quality Assurance - Certification](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/quality_assurance_certifications) page: [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/quality_assurance_certifications](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/quality_assurance_certifications). The page features a calendar of face-to-face Youth PQA Plus Training Dates as well as a link to the Youth PQA Plus Handbook.

4-H Volunteer Training

Online Volunteer Training:

Here in Michigan, all new 4-H volunteers will be required to complete the four training modules before they are accepted as official 4-H leaders. New volunteers will receive instructions on using this tool when they submit a new volunteer application.

The Wayne 4-H Staff feels strongly that the content of these online modules is excellent, and we would like to have all of our current volunteer leaders complete the modules.

Please follow this link to complete the online volunteer training modules: [http://4h.wsu.edu/volunteertraining/course.html](http://4h.wsu.edu/volunteertraining/course.html)

To use the online system, you will need a high speed internet connection for your computer, a tablet device or a smart phone. Even if you do not have these, you have several options. A friend or family member may let you use their computer, most libraries have computers available for use and the Wayne MSU Extension Office will also provide a computer for volunteers to use if they wish. For more information contact your MSUE Wayne County Program Coordinator.
Face to Face Volunteer Training:

The website for the 4-H Volunteer Trainings is always open! Check it out and register for the series today! The modules do not have to be taken in order but Module D cannot be taken without A and B. The trainings are FREE and very inspiring and beneficial to a volunteer in the organization, whether new or experienced!

Upcoming Face to Face Volunteer Trainings:

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Upcoming trainings will be posted as they are scheduled and will be located across Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb County. Please check for any new dates and register for the training at: http://4hvolunteertraining.eventbrite.com

Wayne County 4-H Horse and Pony News

May 20th, 7:00pm: WCHP Committee Meeting (WCHP meetings are the 3rd Tuesday of every month, except August and December.)

Important Upcoming Dates are available at the website at: http://www.waynecountyhorseandpony.com/

Wayne County Fairground News

More information can be found by contacting the Wayne County Fairgrounds at 734-697-7002 or visit: www.waynecountyfairgrounds.net

Wayne County 4-H Livestock Developmental

May 6th, 7:00pm: Livestock Committee Meeting (Livestock meetings are the 1st Tuesday of every month, unless otherwise noted)

For more information check out the new Wayne County 4-H Livestock Developmental Committee website at: http://waynecounty4hlivestock.weebly.com/
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