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Teen Council at the High Ropes Course on 8/12
Check out our Livingston County Teen Council members in the high ropes course at the Howell Nature Center! This activity really focused on teamwork as each member paired up with a ground partner to help them safely maneuver through the course. Thanks to everyone who helped with the Teen Council Lock-in events. That fundraiser made this teambuilding event possible.

CONGRATULATIONS to our State 4-H Horse Show Delegates
Congratulations to ALL of our Livingston County delegates that attended the State 4-H Horse Show August 15-17th. It’s a big honor to be selected and we were lucky enough to be able to send 12 riders this year. (Michaela Carnevale, Jolene Deyoung, Hannah Frimodig, Emma Fyke, Kelsea Goulah, Rachel Longhi, Jackie Manson, Jillian Mohr, Courtney Rajala, Jordan Smith, Alyssa Tarvis and Paul Tarvis) Congratulations everyone!

Michigan 4-H Youth Development Scholarships
The 4-H Rabbit/Cavy Scholarship is the only scholarship available through this application for 2014. Those who will be college freshmen in Fall 2014 may apply. Students must have been enrolled in a 4-H rabbit or cavy project for at least three years and have financial need. The Michigan Rabbit/Cavy 4-H Scholarship Award amount varies. Two to four scholarships are awarded annually.

Michigan State University 4-H Scholarships
4-H members who are high school seniors may apply to MSU and submit the MSU 4-H Scholarship Application by November 1 of their senior year. Applicants must meet the standard admissions requirements of the university and be accepted to MSU. The MSU 4-H Scholarship Award amount is $2,500 annually for four consecutive years of full-time study at MSU. Six scholarships are awarded annually.
2014 Best Kept Club Results

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**FREE flight cage available**
Interested in a free flight cage for small birds? Contact Randy Murdock at 517-402-0700. The cage is roughly 42” wide x 30” tall x 18” deep. There’s enough room for a nesting box in the cage as well. He used it to raise canaries and said it’s really good condition, so he’d hate to throw it away. He’s hoping someone in 4-H might have use for it.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS/WORKSHOPS:**

**Archery Workshop Beginners & Intermediates – September 15**

**Starts Monday, September 15th** – Meets every Monday night for 4 weeks.

Beginners: 6pm – 7pm; Intermediates: 7pm – 8pm

**Fowlerville Fairgrounds**

Shooting Sports Instructor, Bob Redinger is hosting an archery workshop for four weeks at the fairgrounds. The Beginner Class will focus on parts of the bow, basic technique and target practice at 5-15yds. The Intermediate Class will focus on form, more advanced technique and longer distance target practice. Call the MSUE office today to sign up (517)546-3950. 10 slots will be filled on a first-come/first-served basis. When you call, please tell us if you have your own recurve or beginner bow. NO CROSSBOWS. Participants should also bring finger grips & arm guards. Instructors may be able to provide some equipment for beginners to borrow, but please bring your own if possible. There will not be enough for everyone. It’s open to any 4-H member, age 9-18yrs old. The cost of the workshop is $10
"Role Reversal" Fun Match for 4-H Dogs
September 28
Fowlerville Fairgrounds
Awesome Paws 4-H club is having a ‘Role Reversal” Fun Match as a club fundraiser. Proceeds will first be used to purchase a coffee maker for the Livingston County 4-H kitchen. Parents will show dogs and they will be judged by 4-H members. Entries must be a 4-H dog and shown at level the dog would normally be at. There will also be a class for non 4-H adults & dogs and classes will not have an age breakdown. Showmanship-Obedience-Agility-Rally $5.00 per class. Proof of vaccines is required.

Registration is at 10:00am. Judging begins at 11:00am. For more information, contact Kerri at kelav4@gmail.com or call her at 734-652-8801.

Connecting Entrepreneurial Communities
OCTOBER 8-9
DOWNTOWN EAST TAWAS
Join other like-minded communities as we learn programs and resources, share best practices and ideas, empower ourselves and others to assist entrepreneurs grow our local communities at the annual Connecting Entrepreneurial Communities (CEC) Conference. You will have the opportunity to learn about and experience tips and tools, best practices and success stories for fostering entrepreneurship in your community. With break-out sessions embedded in shops and venues throughout the downtown, the conference offers the unique opportunity to not only learn about, but experience an entrepreneurial community.

We encourage you to invite your colleagues, coworkers, community leaders and stakeholders. Whether you work in economic development, arts and culture, government, philanthropy, nonprofit or education, we all have a part to play in supporting local businesses and entrepreneur development in our communities. Bookmark the MSU Extension CEC Website for more detailed information: http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/cec

Registration Fee: $85/person and includes opening and closing lunch, Wednesday networking reception and dinner aboard the cruise boat “The AuSable River Queen” and all the conference materials. Accommodations: There are several area hotels/motels, B&B’s and cabins in the area. For a complete list and room rates contact the Tawas Area Chamber of Commerce @ www.tawas.com or the Oscoda Area CVB @ www.oscoda.com. Register at: http://events.anr.msu.edu/CEC2014/

Michigan 4-H Goat Program Teen & Adult Volunteer Workshop
October 4 - 5
Kettunen Center
4-H adult leaders and teen leaders (13 years as of January 1, 2015 and older) interested in the goat project and who are willing to share the
Information and experiences gained at the conference with others in their counties should attend this workshop.

Workshop objectives:

- Gain fun, hands-on 4-H Goat science experiences; learn new ideas for goat projects and other fun activities.
- Explore science based information in goat management.
- Enhance youth and volunteers knowledge and skill in the Goat project.
- Share ideas with others from around the state in the goat project area.

4-H Tell Your Story Workshop  
October 11-12  
Kettunen Center

Want to tell others about your 4-H accomplishments and demonstrate your commitment to making a positive impact in your community? Then the MI 4-H Tell Your Story Workshop is for you. This workshop is being offered to help 4-H members create visibility for their efforts and tell their story in a compelling and meaningful way.

During this workshop’s three sessions, participants will learn ways to tell their 4-H story through; public speaking, filmmaking, and photography. This workshop is open to all Michigan 4-H members aged 12 (by January 1, 2015) and older, adult 4-H volunteers and youth educators and adults who work with youth in a variety of educational settings. It is designed for both those interested in starting a project to tell their 4-H story and for those who would like to incorporate those ideas into current clubs and projects. If you have any questions, please contact Gloria Ellerhorst, Michigan 4-H Youth Development, at 517-353-2922.

North American Envirothon 2015  
July 27-August 2

The North American Envirothon is North America’s largest high school environmental education competition. Reaching more than 500,000 students across North America annually, the Envirothon succeeds in its mission to develop knowledgeable, skilled, and dedicated citizens who are willing and prepared to work towards achieving a balance between the quality of life and the quality of the environment. The Envirothon is “a hands-on environmental problem-solving competition for high school-aged students in the United States and Canada. Participating teams complete training and testing in five natural resource categories: i.e., soils and land use, aquatic ecology, forestry, wildlife, and current environmental issues.
The competition is sponsored by USDA Forest Service, USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service National Association of Conservation Districts, National Conservation Foundation, and Canon U.S.A., Inc. along with many state, provincial and local organizations.

The 2015 Envirothon theme is Urban Forestry and it’s a great opportunity for us to work with young people in our states to understand and appreciate nature resource management and its importance to our quality of life. Regional and state competitions will be held spring of 2015. The national competition will be held at Missouri State University, in Springfield July 27- August 2, 2015.

Envirothon is a great introduction to environmental sciences and natural resources careers. I first worked with the Envirothon program during my work at the Logan Ranger District, in Utah. Seeing its success there I supported Keith Young with Ecotek in Detroit in hosting a team, and advised a youth group on the forest elements of the competition. The team successfully competed, scoring well at the regional competition. One of the students reflected on her envirothon experience.

“Participating in the Michigan Envirothon was the Right thing to do. I met with future environmental Scientists and working professionals. I also was able To use my experience to further develop my portfolio. Without this experience I would not know the great Opportunities that exist in the field of environmental science. I am forever grateful.” Alexis Edge, 10th Grade, Ecotek Lab, Detroit, MI. Visit: http://www.ecotek-us.com/My_Envirothon_Experience.pdf

To form a team, become a sponsor, volunteer, or general supporter of the Michigan Envirothon please contact the Michigan Envirothon Coordinator at: Michigan Envirothon c/o Michigan Association of Conservation Districts, 3001 Coolidge Road, Suite 250, East Lansing, MI 48823 517.324.5274 PH or email mienvirothon@macd.org. For more information visit: http://macd.org/ME/about-envirothon.html

MSU Pavilion calendar http://www.ans.msu.edu/facilities/pavilion/events_calendar

Kettunen calendar http://www.kettunencenter.org

Livingston County 4-H calendar http://www.livgov.com/msue/4h/Pages/default.aspx