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The 4-H



Corner Post

May - June

Newsletter for 4-H Families

2008

Leaders please be sure to share this newsletter with your members.  
 Members may also get the newsletter from the website at [www.co.livingston.mi.us/msuextension](http://www.co.livingston.mi.us/msuextension)

## Important Fair Information!

4-H Fair Books should be available soon. Each administrative leader will receive notice when the books are available for pick-up at the MSU Extension office. The book will also be online at [www.Fowlerville-Fair.com](http://www.Fowlerville-Fair.com)

- **Fair entry forms must be returned to the Fowlerville Fair office on the Fairgrounds.**
- **No late entries will be accepted.**
- **Always request date stamped copies of your entries.**

Because the entry deadline, June 15, is on a Sunday, we strongly encourage you to return your 4-H fair entries to the Fair office by Friday, June 13. If you bring your entries to the fairgrounds on Saturday, June 14 or Sunday, June 15 you will have to use the drop slot in the Fair Office door and stamped copies will not be available. Regular hours for the Fair Office are Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and they are closed on Saturday and Sunday. To get your **stamped copies** this year you must return them to the Fair Office on or before **Friday, June 13 by 5:00 p.m.**

Also included with the fair book letter will be club pen, stall, cage, booth and area reservation forms. **These forms are due on or before June 16 at the MSU Extension office.** Each club is requested to return on form per club. The reservation forms are very helpful to our 4-H superintendents when they are assigning club spaces for stalls, cages and pens. Make sure the forms are as accurate as possible.

Fair is fun! Make sure your club gets fair entries and forms in on time and make fair an awesome experience for everyone.

## We Need Your Help.....

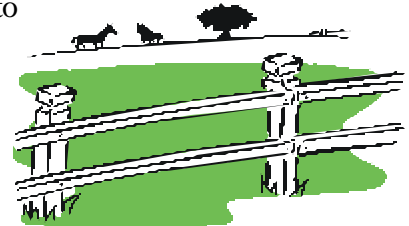
Many times there are special projects or opportunities that we need help with. We were thinking this column would be a great place to let our 4-H leaders, members and families know how they could help. Some items could be club oriented while others would be for individuals. Just give us a call if you or your club is interested in any of the following 4-H opportunities -- join in the fun and volunteer! Call 517-546-3950.

- Little Red Barn Superintendent needs clubs or individuals to help as day chairman
- 4-H Poultry Superintendents need clerks for the Pullorum testing on Sunday, July 13
- 4-H Foods Superintendent needs clerks and runners for food judging on Monday, July 14
- 4-H Dog Superintendent needs two volunteers from each club for each dog show.
- 4-H Horse Barn Superintendent will need extra help at clean-up with stall set-up
- 4-H leader or parent to help with the 4-H Parade
- 4-H leader or parent to be Day Chairman in the 4-H Kitchen
- 4-H leaders, teens or parents to be clerks for Pre-Fair Judging on Saturday, July 12
- 4-H leader or parent to be Gate Keepers for Pre-Fair Judging on Saturday, July 12
- 4-H leader or parent to be Time Keepers for the 4-H Olympics on Thursday, July 17

## 4-H Horse Program Information

### Jumping Rules

Riders are required to obtain a jumping card in order to jump at the fair. Cards will be distributed at the clinics. To obtain this card a member must participate in a Livingston County 4-H jumping clinic and successfully complete without any disqualifications any jumping class at one of the Livingston County 4-H shows with the horse that will be shown at the fair. This card must be shown to the show superintendent at fair check-in or you will be removed from the class. For the rules on these classes please see the 4-H Horse and Pony Rules and Regulations Bulletin 4H1145 (current version). Equitation over Fences Championship will consist of the top ten Equitation Over Fences riders. There will be at least seven - 2' to 2'6" vertical jumps with at least one oxer and one lead change. All jumps will have flower boxes. Baby Green over Fences riders cannot ride in this class.



### Attention 4-H Horse Participants

There have been some minor changes to the horse program rules this year including changes to the recognition program and a new year-end awards program will be offered by the Horse Teens. Please talk with your horse project leader to find out about these changes or stop by the Extension office and pick up a complete copy of the Livingston County 4-H Horse rules. There have not been any changes to the MSU 4-H Horse and Pony Rules and Regulations Bulletin 4H1145.



### Michigan State 4-H Trail Ride and 4-H Horse Family Weekend

**June 27-29, 2008**  
**Goose Creek Trail Camp**  
**Grayling, Michigan**

Here is an opportunity for 4-H members, parents and leaders to meet and become acquainted with 4-H'ers across the state. Due to DEQ regulations, this trail ride will be limited to 200 people. Reservations are due to your MSU Extension office no later than Thursday, May 29, 2008; however, the ride may fill prior to that time. Participants under 14 years of age must be accompanied by a parent, legal guardian, or responsible adult.

Pick up a registration packet from the MSU Extension office.

### Two Upcoming Events:

**Teen Leaders**  
**"Warm & Fuzzy"**  
**Instructional Clinic**  
and  
**4-H Jumping Clinic**  
**May 17, 2008**

These events will be held at the Cohoctah Park, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Cost is \$20, and includes lunch.

The jumping clinic will be lead by clinician, John McMichael. Remember that all riders **MUST** wear a SEI-approved helmet with a chin strip; all riders **MUST** be able to canter; proof of negative coggins **MUST** be presented before unloading your horse. A parent/guardian **MUST** be present any time that rider is on a horse unless the rider is over the age of 18. The Warm & Fuzzy Instructional Clinic will also be held on May 17 at Cohoctah Park. No formal attire is necessary for this clinic but all 4-H rules do apply.

Sign-Up Forms with classes for the Warm & Fuzzy Show and also the Jumping Clinic are available at the MSU Extension office. For more information contact Cody Monarch at 810-623-8322.

## Therapeutic Horseback Riding VOLUNTEERS Needed!

Volunteers are an essential part of the Grand Equestrians Horseback Riding Program. Without volunteers, the students will not be able to ride. No horse experience is necessary. Volunteers age 13 and older will work with children and horses. Help is needed two times a week for six weeks on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-9 p.m. Sign up at orientation for the days and times you wish to volunteer.



**ORIENTATION/TRAINING DATE  
is MAY 20, 2008 from 6-9 P.M.**

For more information contact Kathy at 517-223-3134.

## 2008 4-H Horticulture and Entomology Contests



**July 11, 2008**

These contests are open to 4-H members age 5 - 18 years. Packets with information and registration are available at the MSU Extension office. Stop by and pick up your copy.

## Fowlerville Fair 4-H Kitchen

The 2008 Fowlerville Fair begins July 12! Everyone in 4-H benefits from the money raised by the 4-H Kitchen. Proceeds are used toward a variety of things, including year end pins, leader recognition, Exploration Days, Spring Achievement, and special awards. Proceeds are also used to pay for utilities, and to replace tables, chairs, and other items as needed for the 4-H Building. The 4-H Kitchen needs the help of every 4-H club, including clubs that do not participate in the Fair. Parents, members, and leaders are needed to help in the Kitchen. It takes 6-7 adults and 6-7 members for each shift; there are 39 shifts during the week of Fair.

Small clubs may need to work with another club to provide enough support to keep things running smoothly in the Kitchen. Clubs with 20 or more members need to provide workers for at least two shifts.

Due to safety issues, members 5-8 years of age are not allowed to work in the Kitchen, but can help with pre-Fair and post-Fair clean-up. These clubs can also provide adults to cashier, work in the Kitchen, wash towels, or be a day chairman.

Cashiers, as well as a day chairman is needed for each day of the Fair. The day chairmen will make sure that clubs working in the Kitchen understand their duties, as well as answer questions.

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To sign up for your shift(s) call Judy Paulsen at (810) 632-3369. Please leave a message with your desired shift and a phone number where I can reach you. You will be called to confirm your shift. If you have any questions, please contact me. Thanks again to everyone for making the 4-H Kitchen a success!!

## Summer Opportunities

### 4-H Camp Kidwell



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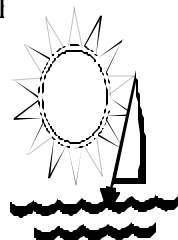
Located in southwest Michigan, about 30 miles south of Kalamazoo, Camp Kidwell is owned and operated by Allegan County 4-H Clubs Inc. and accredited by the American Camp Association. With 60 years of experience, 4-H Camp Kidwell offers both day and resident camp programs to children ages 5 to 16, and continues to offer programs that are rich in tradition. Scholarships are available for 4-H members across the state. This year's theme is "Making Memories". For more information, go to the Camp Kidwell website at [www.campkidwell.org](http://www.campkidwell.org).



Come into the MSU Extension office to pick up your application packet for Camp Chickagami, the 4-H Great Lakes & Natural Resources Camp, which runs from July 27 to August 2, 2008. For information on scholarship opportunities go to:

<http://web1.msue.msu.edu/4h/scholar.html>. The 4-H Great Lakes and Natural Resources Camp is open to youth ages 13 to 15 during camp (if you'll be entering eighth grade in the fall but have a late summer or fall birthday so you'll only be 12 during camp, you may still apply).

For more information, and to pick up a registration packet, stop by the MSU Extension office.



## Showing and Fitting Prizes for Clinic Needed

Would your club be willing to sponsor prizes for our 4-H Fitting and Showing Clinic on June 20 at the Fairgrounds. Teens on the Small Animal Committee thought it would be a great idea to offer drawings for fitting and showing items for each of the species at the clinic this year. Each 4-H member who attends would be given one ticket at registration, and the opportunity to place that ticket in a container of their choice for fitting and show items specie specific.

We need fitting and showing items and equipment for the following species; total amount should not exceed \$20.00:

- |         |                |
|---------|----------------|
| Beef    | Rabbit         |
| Poultry | Swine          |
| Horse   | Sheep          |
| Goat    | Pocket Pets    |
| Dairy   | Llamas/Alpacas |
|         | Dogs           |

Suggested items to purchase could be lead ropes, shampoo, brushes, show stick, hog whips, buckets, books, nylon halters, show sheen, hoof picks, tail combs etc. Give Teena a call at the MSU Extension office if your club is willing to purchase items for a particular specie. Your club name will be listed as a sponsor. 517-546-3950.

## 100 Years Young Happy Birthday Michigan 4-H!

The 4-H story began in Iowa and Ohio where in 1902 local school educators connected with their respective agricultural colleges to start a program to teach young farm children the basics of home and farm management. Michigan got on board six years later in 1908, and started boys corn clubs in Muskegon and Mason Counties. For the next 30 years, the 4-H movement gave birth to the clover as corn, sheep, poultry, potato, canning, baking and livestock clubs were started across the state. In 1922 the Farmer's Institute in Howell advertised a corn raising contest for boys and this contest evolved into the first boys corn club in the county.



The History of 4-H in Livingston County is available for sale at the MSU Extension Office for \$5.00.



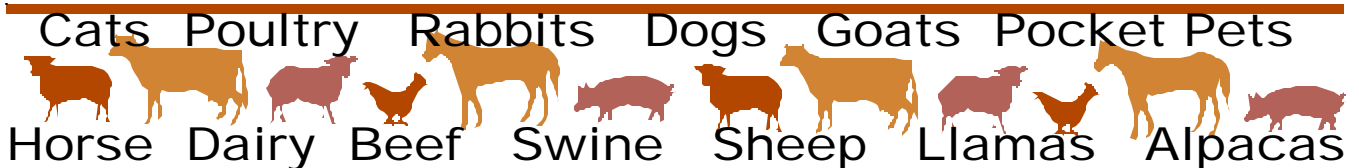
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# 4-H Fitting and Showing Clinic Friday, June 20, 2008

Fowlerville Fairgrounds Livestock Arena  
5:30-8 p.m.

Join in the Fun and Learn About Fitting and Showing Your 4-H Animals!



Knowledgeable Resource People Available for Each Specie  
Demonstrating Fitting and Showing Techniques and Answering Questions

Hot dogs, chips, cookies and drink will be served from **6:35-7:00 p.m.**  
Compliments of Market Livestock and Small Animal Committees

## Fitting and Showing Sessions Begin at 5:30 p.m.

- 5:30 -6:00 p.m. All species!**
- 6:05 – 6:35 p.m. All species!**
- 6:35 – 7:00 p.m. Hot Dog Dinner and Drawing**
- 7:05 – 7:35 p.m. All species! (Dependent on Attendance)**



### Location of Sessions

Horse and Beef - Horse Arena  
 Dogs and Cats - Sheep Barn  
 Sheep and Swine - Swine Barn  
 Rabbit and Poultry- Livestock Arena  
 Goats, Llamas and Alpaca-  
 Livestock Arena



### 4-H Silent Drawing

featuring  
**Fitting and Showing Prizes**  
 Enter Your Name for Drawing  
 at Registration Table  
 Grooming Tools and Showing Equipment  
 Drawing will take place at 6:35 p.m.

# 4-H

## Rabbit & Cavy

### Expo

Saturday, July 12, 2008

Anthony Hall

Michigan State University



# 4-H forever

MICHIGAN 4-H: 100 YEARS & GROWING!

#### Events:

- Quiz Bowl
- Skillathon
- Rabbit Showmanship
- Cavy Showmanship
- Virtual Breed ID
- Quiz Contest
- Virtual Cavy Breed Judging
- Craft
- Virtual Rabbit Breed Judging
- Educational Poster

All registration forms are due to your county MSU Extension office by June 6, 2008!

Cost: \$5 per individual & \$3 per event

All exhibitors must be ages 9-19 as of January 1, 2008.

4-H Rabbit and Cavy Expo packets are available at the MSU Extension office.

Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested on your registration form.

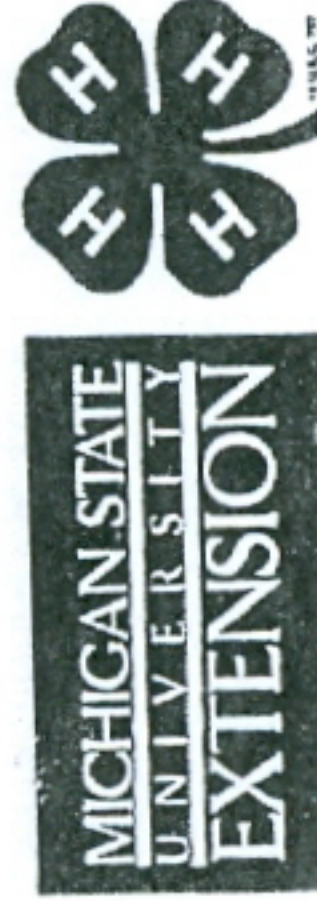
#### Divisions:

Junior (9-13) and Senior (14-19) Individual and Team



4-H Youth Development  
Children, Youth & Family Programs  
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# State 4-H Goat Show

Saturday, June 28, 2008

MSU Pavilion Show Barn

#### Classes:

- Showmanship
- Dairy Breeds
- Angora
- Pygmy
- Boer
- Market Wether
- County Herd
- Obstacle & Pack
- Driving

All registration forms are due to your county MSU Extension office by  
**May 30, 2008**

#### Cost:

- \$6 per participant,
- \$4 per goat and
- \$8 per pen.

All exhibitors must be aged 9 to 19 as of January 1, 2008.

State 4-H Goat Show packets are available at the MSU Extension office.

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## 2008 4-H Calendar of Events

### Livingston County 4-H Schedule

**May 2008**

- 6 4-H Market Livestock Committee
- 12 4-H Council
- 17 Warm & Fuzzy Instructional Show  
Jumping Clinic
- 19 4-H Clothing and Textile Committee  
4-H Horse Leaders Assoc (new date **THIS**  
month only)
- 20 Volunteer Orientation for Grand Equestrians
- 27 Grand Equestrian classes begin
- 30 Entry deadline State 4-H Goat Show

**June 2008**

- 3 4-H Market Livestock Committee
- 6 Entry deadline for State 4-H Rabbit/Cavy  
Expo
- 9 4-H Council
- 11 4-H Small Animal Committee
- 21 Leaders Day Show  
Jumping Clinic
- 23 4-H Horse Leaders Association

**For a complete calendar go to the  
4-H page of the Extension website at  
[www.co.livingston.mi.us/msuextension](http://www.co.livingston.mi.us/msuextension)**



**For a complete calendar  
and list of events,  
go to [www.KettunenCenter.org](http://www.KettunenCenter.org)**

**Need Good Homes.....FREE**

Baby Dwarf Hamsters Need a Good Home, 3 White and 3 Gray. Call Emily at 517-548-3696.

Good Natured Netherland Dwarf Rabbit, female. Would make a good 4-H project. Call Teena at 517-546-3950.

### MSU Pavilion Schedule

**May 2008**

- 1-4 Great Lakes Spring QH Circuit
- 9-11 MQHYA Spartan Spectacular
- 17 Sheep Consignment Sale
- 17-18 Apple Blossom Horse Show
- 23-25 MI Justin Morgan Horse Show
- 30-6/1 HAAM Showtime Horse Show

**June 2008**

- 27-29 State 4-H Trail Ride & 4-H Horse Family  
Weekend
- 28 State 4-H Goat Show

**For a complete calendar go to  
[www.pavilion.msu.edu](http://www.pavilion.msu.edu)**

4-H is looking for someone to mow the grass at Cohoctah Park. The park is located at the corner of Preston and Allen Roads. The area that needs mowing is within the inner farm fencing and will need to be mowed and

trimmed every two weeks from now through September. Bid should be based per mow and trim. If interested take a look at area and submit your bid in writing to the

Livingston County 4-H Horse Leaders Association and mail to 820 East Grand River, Howell, MI 48843. Deadline for bids is May 15.



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## The 4-H Corner Post

Livingston County MSU Extension

### Sending in Newsletter Information

If you have a meeting, announcement, special activity, news about your event, or need volunteers, etc., and would like to publish it in the 4-H Corner Post, please mail, fax, e-mail or drop off to any Corner Post staff no earlier than three months and no later than the third week of the month, to be published in the next month's newsletter.

Please write clearly or type your information, and be sure to include your name and phone number for clarification. Thank you!

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