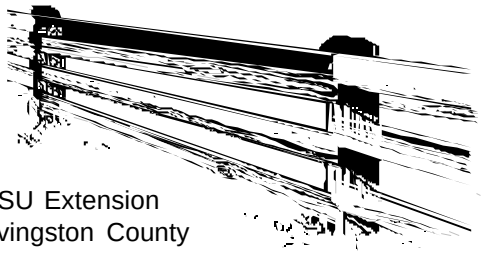

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The 4-H Corner Post

September-October **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

4-H Re-Enrollment for 2008-09

November 3, 2008
9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

MANDATORY

MSU Extension Office
Livingston County East Complex (west entrance)
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Mark Your Calendar Today!

Plan to stop by anytime on November 3 and re-enroll your 4-H club for 2008-09.

Re-enrollment Packets ready for pick-up September 29.

Administrative Leaders will be notified by post card

Packet Includes:
Leader Re-enrollment Forms
Member Re-enrollment Forms
New Member Forms
New Leader Forms
Club Financial Statement

MANDATORY

All Re-enrollment and Financial Statements Due November 3

Making the Move East!

Some of you may be aware of the recent announcement that the Livingston County MSU Extension Office will be relocating in mid-September, 2008. All facets of MSUE operation, including the 4-H program, will continue at its new location in the Livingston County East Complex Building, 2300 East Grand River Avenue, just 1/4 mile east of our current location. The office is located at the corner of Grand River and Chilson Roads. County administration has authorized the existing MSUE building to be either leased or utilized for county storage.

The MSU Extension telephone and fax line numbers will still be operational at our new location. The MSUE staff invites all 4-H leaders, participants, families and friends to visit us just down the street after September 22nd! The offices will be closed from September 17th through the 19th for the move. Our new address: 2300 East Grand River Avenue, Suite 111, Howell, Michigan 48843.

Donate your old eye glasses for a great cause

Gusty Acres 4-H Club is collecting unwanted eye glasses to be given to the Lion's Club. The glasses are then cleaned, inspected and given to people who cannot afford glasses. If you have eye glasses you **would like to donate, you may drop at the Extension office or get in touch with Paula Klein at 517-545-1778.**

Great job, Gusty Acres for another wonderful community service project. Livingston County 4-H clubs set the bar for other groups when it comes to community service and that makes us all proud. Thank-you to all our clubs who go above and beyond to help others.

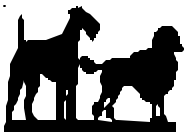
2008 State 4-H Dog Show Results

The 2008 State 4-H Dog Show was held at the MSU Pavillion on August 16th. Over 170 youth from 28 counties participated. Several Livingston County 4-H youth received the following awards:

AGILITY

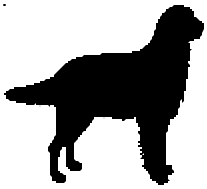
Beginner A. Ages 9-10:
5th - Katya LaViola
Beginner B, Age 14:
3rd - Adam Parent
Intermediate B, Ages 10-13:
1st - Cantel Olschanski
Intermediate B, Ages 14-16:
4th - Kristina Wright

HIGH POINT INTERMEDIATE AGILITY:
Chantel Olschanski



RALLY:

Novice A, Ages 9-10:
4th - Katya LaViola
Novice A, Age 11:
4th - Aimee Masters
Advanced A:
1st - Kristina Wright



SHOWMANSHIP

Open, Age 11:
2nd - Aimee Masters
Open, Age 16:
5th - Kristina Wright

Complete results can be accessed online by going to: http://web1.msue.msu.edu/cyf/youth/aniscipr.html#Companion .

Congratulations to all those who participated and to our local county winners!

2008 State Horse Show Results

Livingston County 4-H club winners in the recent State horse show include:

Emily Berger	Showmanship - 17 yrs	8th place
	420 2nd Split - Eng Equitation Hunt Seat 17 yrs	5th place
	412 2nd Split - Eng Pleasure Hunt Seat 17 yrs	1st place
Kristen Charleville	Pole Bending - 13-19 yrs Pony	3rd place
	Cloverleaf Barrels - 13-19 yrs Pony	7th place
	Speed & Action - 13-19 yrs Pony	5th place
	Keyhole Race - 13-19 yrs Pony	6th place
Morgan Currier	Sat - Scrapbook - 16-17 yrs	4th place
Brittany Lang	432 3rd Split - Western Pleasure - 16 yrs	3rd place
	413 3rd Split - Eng Pleasure Hunt Seat 16 yrs	1st place
Morgan Miller	532 2nd Split - Western Pleasure - 13 yrs	4th place
	505 2nd Split - Showmanship - 13 yrs	10th place
Kimberly Perry	Dressage Training Level Test 3 - 16-19 yrs	7th place
	Dressage Training Level Test 4 - 16-19 yrs	7th place
	435 2nd Split - Stock Seat Equitation - 18 yrs	8th place
Kathleen Petchell	403 2nd Split - Showmanship - 16 yrs	7th place
	Eng/Western Riding 16-19 yrs	7th place
	437 2nd Split - Stock Seat Equitation - 16 yrs	3rd place
Emily Suhre	Pole Bending Championship - 16-19 yrs	5th place
	Pole Bending - 16-17 yrs Horse	4th place

HOW TO "WINTERIZE" YOUR HORSE

Dr. Rob VanWessum, equine clinician at the MSU Veterinary Teaching Hospital, will address the issue of what equestrians should do to down-train their horses in preparation for the winter layoff on Saturday, October 11, 2008 at 10 a.m.

"Many Michigan equestrians are faced with the problem of not being able to ride their horses very often during the winter, explains vanWessum. "It is important for owners to learn how to gradually slow down from the busy summer training schedule when cold weather arrives. Down-training the horse in the fall will help prevent injuries during the winter and the following spring. Plus proper diet changes from summer to winter will help prevent the horse from becoming overweight."

He will also address issues of winter riding and what do do in order to prevent injuries during cold temperatures, and will describe what kind of exercises should be done to keep horses flexible and strong, and provide deworming and dietary advice.

The seminar will be held in E-100 Veterinary Medical Center, East Lansing, from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Free admission. Please RSVP to Denise Bennington (517) 353-31782, beningde@cvm.msu.edu or Judy Lessard (517) 355-0001, lessardj@cvm.msu.edu. Refreshments will be served.

The Veterinary Medical Center is located at the intersection of Wilson Road and Bogue Street on the MSU campus. Maps and directions can be found at http://www.msu.edu/maps/index.html.

4-H Clothing & Textiles Volunteer Opportunities

Clothing and Textiles Workshop

The Kettunen Center, Michigan 4-H Foundation Leadership Training Center is sponsoring a workshop on October 11 and 12, 2008 for adult and teen leaders (13 years and older). Reservations must be received at your MSU Extension office by September 26, 2008, and are on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Over 38 session choices for the two day period will be offered; registrants are asked to indicate top two choices for each session. Carpooling is encouraged. Every county is responsible for designation of chaperones for youth coming to state off-campus 4-H events.

Felting Workshop

The Clothing and Textile Committee is planning a felting workshop on Saturday, November 15. Instructor will be Rhonda Coffelt, and participants will be making a felted purse from recycled sweaters. The cost is $12.00, with a maximum participation of 30 leaders, parents and teens. The class is four hours long and will be held at the LESA Building in Howell. Time to be announced. Registration and pre-payment will be taken at the MSU Extension Office, 2300 East Grand River Avenue, Suite 111, Howell 48843.

Congratulations Gold Ribbon Participants!

Gold ribbon participants representing Livingston County at the Michigan State Fair for 2008 were:

Lindsey Chamberlain	Beef, 6th place
Sarah M. Frank	Poultry
Jordan Kennedy	Swine, 5th place
Devin Marriner	Sheep, 4th place
Kristina Wright	Rabbits

LOOKING FOR A RABBIT?

A Lion-head male rabbit, 6 months old, is looking for a home. He is tortoise colored, and very friendly. If interested, please call Kay, at 517-546-3249.

2009 Michigan Week Youth Photo Contest

Youth invited to photograph Michigan historic sites

Get out your camera and photograph a favorite Michigan historic site while you still have lots of sun and foliage. A historic site can be a building (such as a firehouse, house or barn); a structure (such as a bridge); an area (such as neighborhood or fairgrounds); or an object (such as a monument) that is 50 yers or older. All Michigan youth are invited to participate in the 2009 Michigan Week Youth Photo Contest. This is a prestigious youth photo contest sponsored by Michigan 4-H Youth Development, Michigan Department of History, Arts and Libraries and Michigan History for Kids Magazine.

Youth aged 9-19, as of January 1, 2009, are eligible to submit up to two photos of a historic site. These photos can be two different perspectives of one historic site or two different historic sites. The entry submission deadline is February 15, 2009.

The exhibit schedule is full with currently 20 plus exhibit site which will display the submissions. Viewing locations through June, 2009 include:

- Depot Days, October 4-5 and National 4-H Week (Arenac County) October 5-11
- MSUE Fall Conference, October 13-16
- SW Region 4-H Leader meet - November 1, Kellogg Biological Station
- Hillsdale Library, November
- St. Mary's School (Leelanau County) December 3-31
- Macomb County 4-H Awards Banquet
- Clinton-Macomb Library, January 2009
- SE Region 4-H Leader meet, Frankenmuth, January 17
- Central Region 4-H Leader meet, Mt. Pleasant, February 6
- Graciot County, February 7-28
- Michigan Barn Network Conference, MSU, March 13-14
- Charlevoix County March 15 - April 24
- Ontonagon County muticple sites, May, 2009
- MSU Museum and 4-H Exploration Days, June, 2009

2008 4-H Calendar of Events

Livingston County 4-H Schedule

September 2008

15 Clothing & Textiles General Meeting
16 Extension office move to East Complex
16-19 Extension office closed
**(after 9/17 - all meetings will be at new location)*
22 Horse Leaders Meeting
24 Experienced Leaders Orientation
29 Enrollment Packets available for pick-up

*New Location: 2300 East Grand River Avenue, Suite 111, Howell, MI 48843 (same phone & fax)

October 2008

4 Horse N' Around 4-H Fun Dog Match
6 Award forms due from members
4-H Awards Committee Meeting
7 Market Livestock General Meeting
8 Small Animal General Meeting
13 4-H Council Meeting
27 Horse General Meeting

MSU Pavilion Schedule

September

11 MSU Polo Match
18-21 MQHA Breeders Futurity
27-28 Block & Bridle Little International
27-28 Apple Blossom Classic

October

1 Standardbred Sale, 8 am - 8 pm
3-5 BHAM Futurity & All American Buckskin Congress
4 Michigan Angus Association Fall Sale
9-11 GL Haflinger Futurity, Show & Sale
12 MSU Livestock Judging Contest
16-19 MI Great Lakes Draft Horse Show & Pull
24-26 Paint Horse Show
31-11/2 ASHAM Horse Show

For a complete calendar go to www.pavilion.msu.edu

Horse N' Around sponsored 4-H Fun Dog Match

Horse N' Around invites you to their Fifth Annual 4-H Fun Dog Match on Saturday, October 4th, 2008 at the Fowlerville Fairgrounds. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m., with judging starting at 9:00 a.m. Entries, class fees and health papers are due upon check-in! There is a one-time $3.00 entry fee for ALL handlers. No aggressive dogs allowed. Categories include classes in Handling, Obedience, Agility, Rally, and Fun Classes. All classes are $3.00 per class except for fun category which is $2.00 per class. For more information, contact show secretary, Karen Vaden, at 734-878-5268.

Canine Health Reminder!

All dogs must have proof of rabies or current license and proof of DA2PPV + L2 or DHLPP.

KETTUNEN CENTER EVENT CALENDAR

OCTOBER

11 & 12 4-H Clothing & Textiles Volunteer Workshop
18-19 4-H Proud Equestsrian Program Instructor Workshop
24-26 4-H Goat Teen & Adult Volunteer Leader Workshop
(registration deadline Thursday, Oct. 9)

NOVEMBER

1-2 4-H Visual Arts and Crafts Workshop
21-23 4-H Teen Horse Volunteer Leaders Conference

For a complete calendar and list of events, go to www.KettunenCenter.org

Livingston County 4-H Outreach Project

Show the Spirit *Share the Fun*

National 4-H Week
Beginning October 6

Show the Spirit . . Your 4-H Club Can . . . . . .

* Paint a store window
* Place a 4-H display in a business or school
* Decorate a store window with posters and pictures

Share the Fun . . Your 4-H Club Can . . . . . .

* Show your community what 4-H is all about
* Encourage youth to join a 4-H Club
* Encourage adults to become 4-H volunteers

Contest Rules:

1. Each window or display must follow a Halloween theme and include one dozen **(12) Official 4-H Clovers** and the message **To Join Livingston County 4-H Call 517-546-3950**.
2. Each club must secure a window or space for their display or painting.
3. All entries must be in place on or before October 5, 2008 in time for National 4-H Week and remain in place until October 31. Judging will take place during National 4-H Week.
4. Each club who enters and completes the criteria will receive $20.00.
5. 4-H Club winning the Grand Prize will receive $50.00.
6. Recognition will also be given for: Best Use of 4-H Clovers, Best Halloween Theme, Best of What is 4-H?

Entries Due October 3, 2008 - MSUE - 2300 East Grand River - Howell

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Club Name _____

Contact Person _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Location of Window or Display _____

Name Address Town Phone

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Hold Sunday, January 25, 2009 , for the fourth annual MSU Extension 4-H Youth Development Day at the Breslin Center, as we cheer on the MSU Spartan Women's Basketball team as they play Wisconsin. **MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW!**

Newsletter Information

If you have a meeting, announcement, special activity, news about your event, or need volunteers, etc., for 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, for publication 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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