



# Macomb County 4-H Email Blast

Michigan State University Extension - Macomb County, Michigan

## Macomb County 4-H Youth Council Nominations

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2014-15 Macomb County 4-H Youth Council. Consider running for an office or nominating a fellow 4-Her to lead in this role. It's an opportunity to develop your leadership skills, make a difference in Macomb County 4-H, and of course, have fun!

Nominations should be sent to [macomb.4h@macombgov.org](mailto:macomb.4h@macombgov.org). Please include the member's name and club, along with the desired office by October 9th.

Nominations to date are:

President: Karalee Jerse, K-9 & Kompany

Treasurer: Maggie Bohm, Pirates

The Youth Council is made up

of an officer team of up to seven 4-H members: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Reporter, Service Officer, and Sergeant of Arms.

For more information, visit [http://www.macombcountymi.gov/msuextension/documents/YouthCouncilElections2014-15flyer\\_000.pdf](http://www.macombcountymi.gov/msuextension/documents/YouthCouncilElections2014-15flyer_000.pdf).

## 4-H Horse Program Committee Meeting

The next Macomb County 4-H Horse Program Committee meeting is on Monday, September 22, 2014, at 6:30 p.m. at Camp Rotary, 20505 29 Mile Road, Ray Township.

**Save the date! The Macomb County 4-H Horse Program Committee's 2014 Recognition Banquet is Sunday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m.**

## 4-H Leader Meet Scheduled for October 21st

Leaders, please mark your calendar for the Macomb County 4-H Leader Meet scheduled for Tuesday, October 21 from 6:30-8 p.m. at the

Camp Rotary Activities Building. Leaders are invited to come at 6:00 pm for dinner and a chance to socialize with fellow leaders. Stay tuned for more information!

## Call for CCAs for Exploration Days 2015

Exploration Days will take place June 24th-26th 2015 and we are looking for one female adult and one male adult to take the awesome leadership role of County Conference Assistant.

County conference assistants receive free meals and lodging during the conference, including Tuesday lodging and Wednesday breakfast if they wish to arrive early.

During the event, CCAs will:

- 1) Serve as a communication link between conference General Headquarters (State 4-H staff) and all members of the county delegation working through the assigned residence hall's Head Confer-

ence Assistants (HCAs).

- 2) Coordinate the activities of the county delegation.
- 3) Serve as the go-to person for all chaperones and share information and provide assistance accordingly.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Dequindre Bell at [belldequ@anr.msu.edu](mailto:belldequ@anr.msu.edu) or (586) 469-5979.

## 2014-15 4-H Club Enrollment Update

Club enrollment for 2014-15 will begin on October 1st this year. We will soon have information to share regarding instructions for the new enrollment system, 4-H Online. Thank you for your patience!

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## Last Chance to Claim Armada Fair Projects



Last chance! Projects and club display items left at the Armada Fairgrounds after the 2014 Armada Fair may be picked up at Macomb County MSU Extension through Friday, September 19, 2014.

**Shooting Sports Instructors: Renew Certifications**  
Don't let your 4-H shooting sports certification lapse! Instructors wishing to renew their certification(s) must have completed paperwork to the county MSU Extension office by October 15th. Certifications will not be granted once they have lapsed - No Exceptions. Contact Marinda Ochs, 4-H Program Coordinator, at 586-783-8163 or [ochsmari@anr.msu.edu](mailto:ochsmari@anr.msu.edu) if you have any questions.

## 2014 State 4-H Horse Show Placings Announced, Macomb Youth Fare Well

Placings from the 2014 State 4-H Horse Show held at MSU have been announced. Congratulations to all participants!

### Elizabeth Barone

5th Photography, 13-15 years  
4th Keyhole Race, 13-14 yrs., 2nd split  
7th Pole Bending Race, 13-14 yrs.  
3rd Speed & Action, 13-14 yrs.  
5th Indiana Flag Race, 13-14 yrs., 2nd Split

### Abigail Donahue

4th 3rd Split Hunt Seat Pleasure, 16 yrs.  
2nd Showmanship, 16 yrs.  
5th Western Horsemanship Championship, 16-19 yrs.  
5th Champion Showmanship Sr. Exhibitors  
2nd 2nd Split Western Horsemanship, 16 yrs.  
3rd Western Pleasure, 16 yrs.

### Amber Gillis

3rd Hunter Hack, 15 yrs.  
6th 2nd Split Hunt Seat Equitation, 15 yrs.

### Kelsey Greene

5th Dressage Training Level Test II, 16-19 yrs.  
5th Dressage Test Championship, 16-19 yrs.  
7th Dressage Training Level Test 1, 16-19 yrs.

### Melanie LeDuc

1st Saddle Seat Equitation, 16-17 yrs.

1st Championship Saddle Seat Pleasure, 16-19 years  
1st Championship Saddle Seat Equitation  
1st Saddle Seat Pleasure, 16-17 years

### Jamie Maurice

7th Hunt Seat Pleasure, 19 yrs.  
1st Western Horsemanship, 19 yrs.  
3rd 2nd Split Hunt Seat Equitation, 19 yrs.  
5th Showmanship, 19 yrs.

### Gailynn Mayer

1st Creative Writing, 16-17 yrs.  
7th Hunter Hack, 18-19 yrs.  
4th Hunt Seat Equitation, 18 yrs.  
8th Hunt Seat Pleasure, 18 yrs.  
4th Dressage Trng. Level Test 1, 16-19 yrs.

### Evah Newman

4th Western Pleasure, 13 yrs.  
3rd Western Horsemanship, 13 yrs.  
4th Hunt Seat Pleasure, 13 yrs. Outside

### Gabrielle Oddo

5th Dressage Trng. Level Test III, 16-19 yrs.  
1st Saddle Seat Pleasure, 18-19 yrs.  
2nd Championship Saddle Seat Pleasure, 16-19 yrs.  
2nd Saddle Seat Equitation, 18-19 yrs.  
3rd Championship Saddle Seat Equitation

### Megan Opheim

3rd Keyhole Race, 16-17 yrs.

### Brandy Paton

7th 2nd Split Western Horsemanship, 13 yrs.  
5th Champion Showmanship, 13-15 yrs.  
1st Showmanship, 13 yrs.  
7th Trail, 13 yrs.

### Adrienne Roeder

3rd Cloverleaf Barrell Race, 15 yrs., 2nd Split  
7th Keyhole Race, 15 yrs.

### Brianna Seymour

1st Hunter Hack, 15 yrs.  
3rd Photography, 15 yrs  
1st Championship Hunter Hack, Jr. Exhibitor  
1st Dressage Seat Equitation, 15 yrs.  
2nd Champion Dressage Seat Equitation

### Sarah Sowinski

5th 2nd Split Hunt Seat Equitation, 19 yrs.  
2nd 2nd Split Western Pleasure, 19 yrs.

### Emily Veith

2nd 2nd Split Western Horsemanship, 15 yrs.  
1st Championship Western Pleasure, 15 yrs.  
1st 2nd Split Western Pleasure, 13-15 yrs.  
4th 2nd Split Hunt Seat Pleasure, 13-15 yrs.  
1st Champ. Western Horsemanship, 13-15 yrs.

## 2014-15 Winter Horse Projects Announcements

Have you ever wondered what on earth the judge was looking for at the horse show? Thinking about a possible career in the horse industry or veterinary medicine? Or maybe you just devour all the horse books, magazines, and websites that you can get your hands on?

Whether you've shown for 10 years already, just got your first horse, or just dream about them, we've got a 4-H program for you! Come join us to work on some "winter projects": horse judging, hippology, horse bowl, and communications. Any Macomb and St. Clair County 4-Hers are welcome.

**Horse Judging:** You can learn what judges are looking for in a variety of conformation and performance classes, how to make quick, but rational decisions, and how to discuss and defend your preferences. Understanding how a judge thinks can definitely help you show wisely, and this project will certainly improve your writing and speaking skills as well. If you choose to compete in the state competition, the Equine Educational Expo (E3), you will judge and place eight classes of live horses, write down answers to some questions about the classes, and give 1-3 sets of reasons, where you explain your placings to a judge,

one on one.

**Hippology:** This is the study of everything horse—really everything. From breeds, colors, and anatomy to tack, equipment, disciplines, feeds, history....you name it, you study it. All aspects of the state competition (E3) are written (multiple choice test, matching stations, and slides) except in the senior division where teams will discuss "team problems" with a judge.

**Horse Bowl:** Are you a gamer or otherwise have really quick reflexes? Combine that with some horse knowledge and this could be the project for you. It's just like it sounds, quiz bowl about horse facts, so being quick on the buzzer is a huge plus!

**Communications:** In this project, you'll develop an individual speech and/or work as a team to develop a demonstration on a horse related topic of your choice. You'll give this speech/demonstration to a panel of judges at the state competition (E3).

So, come check it out, and see if there's a winter project that's right for you. Meetings will be held the first Monday of every month from October through April at the Goodells County Park Community Building, 6:30-8 p.m. You'll learn lots of new horse information and have a great time in the process.

There are some small scholarships available to the top placing individuals at the state competition (E3). Several of the highest placing teams also qualify to move on to national competitions at shows such as the Eastern National Round-up, Quarter Horse Congress, and Arabian Nationals.

Leaders:

Lucy Brown, Judging  
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Heather Mudge, Hippology & Horse Bowl  
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dancer16\_03@hotmail.com (put "horses" in the subject line)

Marianne Moskal, *Non-Competition Learning*  
810-305-9834

## Explore Leadership Skills and Citizenship at Citizenship Washington Focus

Michigan 4-H youth will again have the opportunity to attend the Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF) program at the National 4-H Center, Chevy Chase, Maryland, from June 13th through June 20th, 2015. (Exploration Days does not conflict with this trip.)

It is a National 4-H program, so delegates have a chance to interact with youth from all over the nation while they are learning leadership skills and exploring what citi-

zenship means. As a Michigan delegation, we will also travel to Gettysburg, PA to visit the National Civil War Museum and the Gettysburg battle fields, before we finish traveling to the National 4-H Center.

The total cost of the trip is \$ 1,250.00 per delegate. The first deposit of \$200.00 per delegate is due by November 15, 2014. This first deposit is non-refundable. The second payment of \$525.00 per delegate is due January 15,

2015, and the third payment of \$525.00 per delegate is due by March 15, 2015. Scholarships to attend CWF may be available through the Macomb County 4-H Youth Council. Members may also organize fundraisers specifically to support this trip.

Reserve your spot by contacting the Extension Office! For more information about CWF, visit <http://www.4hcenter.org/youth-conference-center-overview/educational-programs/citizenship-washington-focus/>.

## 4-H Visual Arts, Crafts, Sewing & Textiles Workshop

The 4-H Visual Arts, Crafts, Sewing and Textiles Workshop is October 18-19, 2014 at Kettunen Center in Tustin, Mich. The conference is open to teens, 4-H members and non-members aged 12 (by Jan. 1, 2015) and older. The conference is also open to 4-H staff, adult 4-H volunteers and adults who work with youth in a variety of educational settings. The 2014 conference is for individuals who are willing to re-teach the skills they learn and knowledge they gain in their communities.

CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES: The 2014 4-H Visual Arts, Crafts, Sewing and Textiles Workshop objectives are for participants to 1) Get energized with lots of new ideas for working with youth in visual arts, crafts, sewing and textile projects; 2) Learn how youth can develop life skills

by participating in the arts; 3) Support and encourage creativity in 4-H projects; 4) Discover how leadership, citizenship, entrepreneurship, career development, and science skill development can be a part of your projects; 5) Meet and share ideas with 4-H teen and adult volunteers from around the state; and 6) Develop a county plan of action for using the new knowledge and skills back home.

The cost for 4-H members and screened volunteers is \$58.05. Non-members pay \$108.50. To register or access a copy of the program announcement, go to <http://events.anr.msu.edu/4HVisualArts14/>. Adults volunteers and those receiving scholarships must register through the county Extension office or will be charged the non 4-H rate.



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### MI 4-H Poultry Workshop November 1-2, 2014

The 2014 Michigan 4-H Poultry Science Teen and Adult Workshop is November 1-2, 2014 at Kettunen Center in Tustin, Mich. The workshop is for 4-H adult leaders and teen leaders who are ages 13 or older as of January 1, 2015 who are interested in the poultry project and who are willing to share the information and experiences gained at the conference with others in the county.

Conference objectives:

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

Register online at <http://events.anr.msu.edu/4HPoultry14/> by October 22, 2014. 4-H members and volunteers pay \$58.00.

Non-members pay \$101.75. **Volunteers and those receiving scholarships must register through the county Extension office or will be charged the non 4-H rate.**

### Volunteer at Wolcott Farm Center

The Wolcott Metropark Farm Center will be offering Pumpkin Patch Wagon Rides during the month of October. We are looking for volunteers to help with pumpkin sales, collecting tickets for the corn maze and distributing cider and donuts. The hours on Saturdays and Sundays will be 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Any help will be appreciated. Just call us at the number below and ask for Carol Detloff or anyone can help you.

Thank you,

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Wolcott Mill Metropark Farm Center  
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MSU Extension encourages clubs & individuals to volunteer for community service hours!

### WORLD OF HERBS & HERBS OF THE WORLD

MSU Extension is offering the class "The World of Herbs and Herbs of the World" with Troy Huffaker of DTL Herbs, Ltd. on Monday, September 29, 2014 from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m., at the MSU Extension office, 21885 Dunham Rd., Clinton Twp., 48036. In this class we will explore how different cultures have contributed to the herbs we commonly use in this country today, and explore some of the herbs that are commonly used today in other countries around the world. Cost is \$7 per person.

Please register by Friday, September 26 by calling 586-469-6440.





## 4-H Families are Invited to Watch MSU Volleyball

4-H group members are invited to watch the Michigan State Volleyball Team vs. Western Kentucky on September 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. *free of charge* at the Jenison Field House, 223 Kalamazoo Street, East Lansing. 4-H families that are interested in attending should contact Andrew Frey at [freyand2@ath.msu.edu](mailto:freyand2@ath.msu.edu) or (517) 432-2607 with their names and the number of tickets they need. Tickets can be claimed at the entrance to the event.

## 4-H Project Snapshot Sheets Available Online

These 4-H project snapshot sheets are now available online at [http://4h.msue.msu.edu/resources/michigan\\_4\\_h\\_project\\_snapshot\\_sheets](http://4h.msue.msu.edu/resources/michigan_4_h_project_snapshot_sheets):

- Michigan 4-H Dog Project Snapshot (4H1610)
- Michigan 4-H Goat Project Snapshot (4H1611)
- Michigan 4-H Poultry Project Snapshot (4H1612)
- Michigan 4-H Rabbit Project Snapshot (4H1613)
- Michigan 4-H Horse & Pony Project Snapshot (4H1614)
- Michigan 4-H Dairy Cattle Project Snapshot (4H1615)
- Michigan 4-H Horticulture Project Snapshot (4H1616)
- Michigan 4-H Photography Project Snapshot (4H1617)
- Michigan 4-H Swine Project Snapshot (4H1618)
- Michigan 4-H Sheep Project Snapshot (4H1619)
- Michigan 4-H Biological Sciences Project Snapshot (4H1622)
- Michigan 4-H Robotics Project Snapshot (4H1623)
- Michigan 4-H Animal Evaluation Project Snapshot (4H1628)
- Michigan 4-H Beef Project Snapshot (4H1629)
- Michigan 4-H Entomology Project Snapshot (4H1631)
- Michigan 4-H Veterinary Science Project Snapshot (4H1633)
- Michigan 4-H Proud Equestrians Program Snapshot (4H1636)
- Michigan 4-H Physical Sciences Project Snapshot (4H1639)
- Michigan 4-H Cat Project Snapshot (4H1640)
- Michigan 4-H GPS and GIS Project Snapshot (4H1653)
- Michigan 4-H Llama Project Snapshot (4H1627)

Project snapshot sheets are project-specific informational pieces that outline project objectives and various project resources. They can be useful to members, volunteers and families interested in becoming involved in 4-H.

## People, Pets & Vets

Macomb Community College  
Center Campus, Building E  
**Saturday, November 8, 2014**  
11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

**FREE ADMISSION!**

Bring your stuffed animal for a free check-up!

Talk to veterinarians & learn how to care for your pet!

More information is online at:  
<http://www.michvma.org>

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4 - H NATIONAL YOUTH SCIENCE DAY  
**ROCKETS TO THE RESCUE**  
OCT 8, 2014

### Seeking Youth to Lead 4-H National Youth Science Day

4-H National Youth Science Day (NYSD) is an exciting, interactive learning experience that engages thousands of youth across the country in conducting the National Science Experiment. This year's experiment is Rockets to the Rescue!, which focuses on aerospace engineering. We are seeking 4-H members and volunteers to be a part of the Macomb County NYSD planning committee. This committee will plan, promote, and facilitate a county-wide event to conduct the Rockets to the Rescue! experiment. This is a great fit for members in the aerospace, rocketry, science, and engineering project areas. Contact Marinda Ochs at [ochsmari@anr.msu.edu](mailto:ochsmari@anr.msu.edu) or [586-783-8163](tel:586-783-8163) to sign up or for more information.

**National 4-H Science Day information:** <http://www.4-h.org/4-h-national-youth-science-day/>