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Macomb County 4-H Email Blast

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Jerse, Bohm Elected to 4-H Youth Council



Karalee Jerse, left, and Maggie Bohm, right, were elected to the Macomb County 4-H Youth Council on October 9, 2014.

Macomb County 4-H Youth Council officer elections were held at Camp Rotary on October 9th. Congratulations to your new president, Karalee Jerse of K-9 & Kompany 4-H Club and to your new treasurer, Maggie Bohm of Pirates 4-H Club! The Council still has openings for Secretary, Vice President, Reporter, Sergeant at Arms and Service Officer. Call (586) 469-6431 if you're interested in these positions.

Macomb County 4-H Youth Council Survey

The Macomb County 4-H Youth Council needs your input! By determining the needs and interests of our community, the Council can develop and offer meetings and programming to fit those needs and interests. Current members, alumni, parents, volunteers, and the entire 4-H community are invited to take a short survey to help guide the work of the Council. Visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/4hyouthcouncil> to share your input. Please respond by December 1, 2014. Leaders will receive copies of the survey at the Leader Meet to disperse within their clubs.

The Macomb County 4-H Leader Meet is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 21 from 6:30-8 p.m. at the Camp Rotary Activities Building. Leaders are invited to come at 6 p.m. for dinner and a chance to socialize with fellow leaders. Please R.S.V.P. by Oct. 20th to (586) 469-6431.

Macomb County 4-H Volunteers Featured in 4-H Today

Joe and Theresa Whitenight, 4-H volunteers in Macomb and Saint Clair counties, are featured on the 4-H Today web site as part of MSU Extension's 4-H volunteer profile series! Their many years of leading Dresden Outdoor Adventure Challenge 4-H Club in Macomb County and Rimrock Acres 4-H Club in St. Clair County, as well as their passion for youth and 4-H Outdoor Education & Recreation projects, made the Whitenights ideal candidates. Volunteer profiles, part of MSU

Extension's new 4-H volunteer recruitment campaign, are designed to provide potential volunteers who visit the 4-H Today web site with an opportunity to look deeper into the benefits and rewards of volunteering, as well as gain a better understanding of what volunteerism looks like and how it is a unique experience for everyone. The Whitenights were nominated by Elizabeth Duran, Macomb County 4-H Program Coordinator. Read their profile online at <http://bit.ly/1vNpVE5>



Joe & Theresa Whitenight

4-H Club Enrollment

County offices expect to have more information to share with families about club reenrollment soon. What we know is:

- 1) Families will be entering their own data online.
- 2) Payment options will include cash, check or credit card.
- 3) A temporary enrollment form has been developed for groups that want/need them now, however, those who use it will be required to reenter their information later using 4-H Online.

For this program year, the enrollment deadline for returning members has been extended to December 1st. We will continue to update families with information as it becomes available.

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Interim District 11 Coordinator Named

Macomb County MSUE welcomed Richard Wooten, Interim Coordinator for District 11, on Oct. 1st. Wooten brings years of experience to the position and looks forward to working with staff and community stakeholders in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Macomb County 4-H Bids Adieu to Barczyk



Barczyk

Joe Barczyk finished his year of AmeriCorps service to the South-eastern Michigan 4-H Tech Wizards

program on Wednesday, October 14, 2014. Joe volunteered through Access to Mentoring to help build capacity for the 4-H Tech Wizards program and to recruit caring adults to mentor underserved youth in Macomb County. His focus was on military youth and families and he coordinated sites at the Detroit Arsenal and L'Anse Creuse Middle School Central in conjunction with the U.S. Army Children & Youth Social Services afterschool program. The 4-H Tech Wizards team is grateful for his dedication to the program. We wish him well in all his future endeavors.

Officer Roles & Parliamentary Procedure Training



Interested in learning more about officer roles? Want to gain knowledge in parliamentary procedure? Save the date for our upcoming 4-H Officer Roles & Parliamentary Procedure Training on Saturday, November 1. This free training, presented by the Leadership and Civic Engagement Workgroup from MSU Extension, will take place from 10 a.m.-noon at the Wolcott Mill Farm Center Classroom, 65775 Wolcott Road, Ray Township.

Please call (586) 469-6090 or email Macomb.4h@macombgov.org to register.

Trunk or Treat Community Service Opportunity for Clubs



4-H Clubs are invited to help with a trunk or treat event in the downtown parking structure at Market and Main streets in Mount Clemens

from 12-3 p.m. on October 25th. Organized by the Mount Clemens Optimist Club, the annual event benefits Turning Point.

Last year over, 4,500 people turned out to participate in the festivities. Businesses, high schools, community organizations and caring citizens decorate their cars and pass out candy. It is also a wonderful opportunity for businesses to market their services.

"My club attends as a community service project," states Anita Cipa, leader of A Little Tacky 4-H Club. "We take our truck, decorate it for Halloween, and my club puts on their cowboy hats and boots to hand out candy to all the trick or treaters in Mount Clemens. We are asked each year to bring at least 1,500 pieces of candy – and it ALL goes!"

For more information about this event or to find out ways your club can help, call 586-463-1771 or 586-899-3634 or email jerkuhl@aol.com.

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 Conference Assistants (HCAs); 2) Coordinate the activities of the county delegation; and 3) Serve as the go-to person for all chaperones and share information and provide assistance accordingly. For more information, please call Dequindre Bell, 4-H Program Coordinator, at (586) 469-5979 or email belldequ@anr.msu.edu.

Support 4-H: Eat at Olga's on October 16th

Eat at Olga's Kitchen on October 16th and support Macomb County 4-H! Visit <http://bit.ly/1valvNc> to print a flyer. Present the flyer when you dine at Olga's Kitchen (43201 Garfield, Clinton Township) on Thursday, October 16th and Macomb County 4-H will receive a percentage of your bill!

Participate in Tractor Supply's Paper Clover Campaign!

Tractor Supply Company's Fall 4-H Paper Clover Campaign is October 8-19, 2014. Support 4-H by purchasing a paper clover or promoting 4-H at the store's Romeo or New Haven locations during that time. This is a good 4-H recruitment or fundraising opportunity for our clubs, and the 4-H staff is challenging YOU to participate. Call (586) 469-6431 for more information.

Schwan's Sales to Benefit 4-H Youth Council Through Nov. 14th

The Macomb County 4-H Youth Council has launched a Schwan's Fundraiser campaign. Through Nov. 14, 2014, Schwan's will donate 20 percent of each purchase to Macomb County 4-H. Please support Macomb County 4-H by placing a Schwan's order! Simply visit Schwans-Cares.com and enter campaign ID 14686 into the search box. Or, you can call [1-855-870-7208](tel:1-855-870-7208) and provide campaign number 14686.

4-H Outdoor Ed. & Rec. Program Committee Meeting - Oct. 30

Just like a general check-up, your pulse is taken as an indicator of your general well being, and it's time to take the pulse of the Macomb County 4-H Outdoor Education & Recreation Program Committee! Mark your calendars for Oct. 30 for our committee "check-up" meeting. All are invited — 4-H members, parents, shooting sports instructors, volunteers and project club leaders. Your attendance and participation are needed to help answer pressing questions for the committee: Where are we now? Where are we going? How will we get there?

What: Macomb Co. 4-H Outdoor Education & Recreation Program Committee Meeting

Date: Thursday, Oct. 30, 2014

Time: 6-7 p.m.

Place: MSU Extension, Assembly Rm. A, 21885 Dunham Rd., Clinton Twp.

For more information, please contact Marinda Ochs at (586) 783-8163 or ochsmari@anr.msu.edu.

**SAVE
THE
DATE**



**The Macomb County
4-H Horse Program
Committee's 2014
Recognition Banquet is
Sunday, Nov. 16 at 1 p.m.**



SAVE THE DATE!

The annual 4-H Day at the Breslin women's basketball event at MSU's Breslin Center in Lansing is January 18, 2015. MSU Lady Spartans will host Iowa State at 2 p.m. 4-H families are invited to attend FREE of charge. Details will follow as they become available.

Great Lakes Agricultural Fair Gold Ribbon Scholarship Program

4-H members of any age who have participated in their county fair in 2014 are invited to complete an application for the Great Lakes Agricultural Fair Gold Ribbon Scholarship Program. This program was started in 2013 and will again award two scholarships (\$1,000 and \$500) to youth involved in three different categories – Large Livestock, Small Animals, and Static Exhibits. Written applications are due by November 1, 2014 and should be sent to Steve Thelen, 7821 Weber Road,

Saline, MI 48176. Up to one applicant in each category from each fair will then be selected to give an oral presentation and be interviewed during the Michigan Association of Fairs and Exhibitions meeting in Grand Rapids on Saturday, January 10,

2015. The six winners will be selected based on their application, presentation and interview. The scholarship recipients will be announced on January 10th in Grand Rapids. An application can be found online at www.miglaf.org.

Stay informed!

To receive information about youth opportunities, grants and scholarships, and 4-H programming, sign up to receive newsletters from National 4-H at [http://www.4-h.org/newsletters/!](http://www.4-h.org/newsletters/)

People, Pets & Vets

Macomb Community College
Center Campus, Building E
November 8, 2014/11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
FREE ADMISSION!
<http://www.michvma.org>

State 4-H Horse Leaders' Conference

November 21-23, 2014 at Kettunen Center in Tustin, Mich.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Older Youth (teen leaders—ages 14 to 19 (as of January 1, 2015) and adult volunteers (chaperones) interested in the 4-H Horse Project and activities. Those who attend should be willing to share the information and experience gained at the conference with others in their counties. Counties are encouraged to give first priority to new leaders and teen leaders, or those for whom this is their first Kettunen Center Conference.

CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES:

- To present information and ideas for club meetings and activities
- To provide subject matter that will help 4-H teen horse leaders become more effective leaders
- To exchange ideas on 4-H horse programs and events
- To provide an opportunity to meet 4-H members and leaders from other parts of the state
- To learn

The cost for this event is \$83 per person (4-H rate) or \$170.50 (non 4-H rate). Register online at <http://events.anr.msu.edu/4HHorseLeaders14/> by November 12, 2014. 4-H volunteers and those receiving scholarships must register through the county Extension office or will be charged the non 4-H rate.

STATE 4-H RABBIT & CAVY SHOW



Classes:

Rabbit and Cavy breed classes ONLY. Judging by ARBA Standards (breed, fur, meat). No showmanship classes offered.

Other events during the show:

- » Breed ID
- » Educational Posters and Displays
- » Club Informational Booths
- » Supply Vendors
- » Scholarship Auction
- » Gold Clover Rabbit and Cavy Showmanship Award Contests

Cost:

\$3.00 per class

Who can participate:

Open to all Michigan 4-H members 9-19 years of age (as of January 1, 2015). A non-competitive Cloverbud division for 5-8 years of age is also available.

Want to become a 4-H member? Contact your county MSU Extension Office today!

Find out more...

For more information and event catalog, contact your local MSU Extension office or visit the website at: http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events/event/4_h_rabbit_and_cavy_show

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January 31, 2015

MSU Pavilion,
East Lansing, MI

On-site registration
begins at 6:30 a.m.

The Michigan 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Show is sponsored by Michigan 4-H Youth Development Programs, Michigan State University Extension.

4-H Advisory Group Retreat - Nov. 21-23

The 4-H Advisory Group Retreat is November 21-23, 2014 at Kettunen Center in Tustin, Mich. This event is for 4-H adult leaders and teen leaders currently serving

Citizenship Washington Focus - June 13-20, 2015

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 doesn't 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 citizen-

Leadership Washington Focus

Leadership Washington Focus (LWF) is a 4-H leadership program for youth entering 7th-9th grades. The program takes place at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center, near the Washington, D.C. border. For more than 50 years, 4-H'ers have participated in the high school program, Citizenship Washington Focus. Now, LWF has been introduced for middle school 4-H'ers. These delegates will 1) Build confidence in their ability to motivate and direct others in meaningful action; 2) Practice effective communication with others through group discussion and public speaking; 3) Work with others to create and accomplish goals; 4) Develop an understanding of their own personal leadership style; 5) Exchange ideas, practice respect, and form friendships with other 4-H'ers from across the nation; and 6) Experience hands-on learning using the historical backdrop of Washington, D.C.

Tuition cost for LWF is \$582.00 (including tax). Tuition includes 1) One free chaperone for every eight delegates when signed contract and 25 percent deposit received by October 1; 2) One free chaperone for every 16 delegates when signed contract and 25 percent deposit received by December 1; 3) Lodging at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center; 4) Meals during the program; 5) Site visits during the program; 6) Transportation during the program, not including travel to or from the Center; and 7) LWF bag, LWF T-shirt, and LWF water bottle. Delegates will learn by doing and leave LWF with the experiences, tools, and connections to be leaders in their communities. LWF 2015 dates are June 15-19, June 22-26, July 6-10 or July 13-17.

on 4-H advisory groups, councils, or committees, or those interested in serving in this capacity in the future and who are willing to share the information with others

ship 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 Poultry Science Workshop

The 2014 Michigan 4-H Poultry Science 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 & 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.

in their counties. Conference objectives include: 1) Renew energy and enthusiasm for advisory group purpose, 2) Build a sense of team among advisory group members, 3) Make advisory group meetings focused and productive, and 4) Enhance youth voice on 4-H advisory groups. The cost is \$90 (4-H) and \$177.50 (non 4-H). Register by November 12th. Visit <http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?/folder=4HAdvisoryRetreat14> for more information or to register.

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(586) 416-0300

43201 Garfield - Clinton Township, MI

WHAT:

Present this flyer to have a percentage
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Macomb County 4-H Fundraiser

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information and to print more flyers.*

Visit olgas.com for location information.



A Ride for Jenna

Come enjoy a summer ride on Wolcott Mill's Equestrian Trails at Camp Rotary. Meet up with old friends and make new ones as we remember the wonderful life of Jenna Balabuch, a past member of Ray's Riding Rascals 4H Club and rider of these equestrian trails.

When: Saturday, November 1st

Time: 10am, lunch at 12:30pm

Where: Camp Rotary, 20505 29 Mile Road (at Wolcott Road)

Bring your own drinks and lunch along with a dessert to pass. There is no specific route planned, just come and ride at your own leisure on 10 miles of trails. Bridle tags and waivers will be provided for those who do not already have them. Also, donations will be accepted to go towards a scholarship in Jenna's honor. If inclement weather, use your good judgment.

Please RSVP just so that I may get an estimate of how many riders to plan for. Last year there were about thirty riders, let's get even more out this year to celebrate the memory of such a wonderful person. And if you don't have a horse but would like to come anyways, please feel free to show up! So tell and invite your friends, print up and post fliers and come have a good time.



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