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Calendar

AUGUST

17 State Fair projects due to be turned in to the Extension office

24 Shooting Sports & Wildlife Ambassador applications due

25 Live-streaming of 4-H State Arts-In performance

26 Live-streaming of the 4-H Lama Costume Competition

27 - Sept. 7 Minnesota State Fair

28 Live-streaming of the 4-H Dairy and Market Goat Show

27 - Sept. 7 Minnesota State Fair

SEPTEMBER

11-13 Minnesota 4-H Shooting Sports & Wildlife Invitational

18-21 Minnesota 4-H Horse Show

26-27 Minnesota 4-H Dog Show

OCTOBER

3-4 Minnesota 4-H Shooting Sports & Wildlife Ambassador training, Perham

Message from Tim

The County Fair was a great success! While overall fair attendance was slightly down, 4H involvement was full of excitement and lots of fun. The general projects had many great entries this year, with the public being as impressed as usual at all the great things 4-H'ers have done throughout the year.

Both Livestock and Horse shows went smoothly and the hard work put into the animals showed. I was fortunate enough to be able to judge the horse costume contest and I am still telling people about the awesome entries, both riders and horses. And what about that horse barn? Great job everyone did in decorating. The superhero theme was a great choice.

Despite the "no live birds" rule from the state due to the Avian Flu, we still had strong participation in poultry this year and some great trips to State Fair awarded for them.

I also want to take a moment and thank all the volunteers and support staff for all of their hard work during the week, and the time it took to prepare. A LOT of work goes into making the fair a success.

The only negative feedback I heard about the whole event was that Lydia Herbertz didn't make twice as much of her scrumptious dessert during Food Review!

Tim Caines, SSLC 4-H Program Coordinator

State Fair Project Drop Off

For everyone showing at State Fair this year, please have your projects at the 4H office at 2503 Rice Lake Road by August 17th to make sure they get taken down. I am going to be there this year for both the general and livestock judging. See you there!

State Fair

Congratulations to our trip winners!

Approximately thirty 4-H'ers from South St. Louis County will be traveling to the State Fair with their 4-H projects. Eight of those members will be bringing down Livestock projects and four will participate in the State Horse show. The remaining members will be participating in conference judging for their General Projects. The majority will stay in the 4-H "Hilton" at the State Fair for 2-4 nights. If you are attending the State Fair this year be sure to look for our fabulous 4-H'ers' projects on display in the 4-H building.
Grand & Reserve Winners

Congratulations to all of our County Fair participants.

The following 4-H members earned a Grand or Reserve ribbon at the County Fair.

**Beef**
Grand-Bradley Johnson
Reserve- Eric Johnson

**Child and Family**
Grand-Lydia Herbertz
Reserve-Lydia Herbertz

**Citizenship**
Grand Jazzelle Waxvik

**Clothes You Make**
Grand-Abby Langlois
Reserve-Tia Broderius

**Clothes You Buy**
Grand- Jessica Waldbillig

**Crafts**
Grand-Sean Tucker
Reserve-Lydia Herbertz

**Fine Arts**
Grand-Sarah Cagle
Reserve-Sarah Cagle

**Flower Gardening**
Grand-Jazzelle Waxvik

**Foods & Nutrition**
Grand-Elyse Noe
Reserve-Elyse Noe

**Food Preservation**
Grand-Jason Mozol
Reserve-Shea Moshier

**Food review**
Grand-Lydia Herbertz
Reserve Tyler Broderius

**Forest Resources**
Grand-Ilsa Johnson
Reserve-Jazzelle Waxvik

**Geology**
Grand-Kyler Cooper

**Goat**
Grand-Shea Moshier
Reserve-Shea Moshier

**Goat Educational**
Grand-Shea Moshier

**Home Environment**
Grand-Marissa Jensen
Reserve-Reilly Albert

**Horse Trip Winners**
Kallie Baldwin
Molly Johnson
Braelyn Sathers
Fraya Webster

**Performing Arts**
Grand- Sean Tucker
Reserve-Ogista Voyageur

**Pet Show**
Grand-Kayla Haldorson
Reserve Autumn Cougar

**Photography/ Elements of photography**
Grand-Jessica Waldbillig
Reserve- Molly Johnson

**Photography/Creative and applied**
Grand-Mason Wiediger
Reserve Calvin Kinziger

**Poultry**
Grand Pigeon-Bradley Johnson
Reserve Pigeon-Laura Johnson
Grand Chicken-Laura Johnson
Reserve Chicken Ilsa Johnson

**Rabbit**
Grand-Colten Moshier
Reserve- Jessie Berish

**Sheep**
Grand-Ilsa Johnson

**Self Determined**
Grand-Evan Larson
Reserve-Julianna Langlois

**Shop**
Grand-Bradly Johnson

**Tractor**
Grand-Brad Johnson

**Video**
Grand-Masen Wiediger
Reserve-Mason Wiediger

**Water/Wetlands**
Grand-Laura Johnson

**Wildlife Biology**
Grand Jazzelle Waxvik
County Fair Premium Checks

Checks were mailed out the week of July 27. Please cash your checks within 30 days as they may be cancelled after that time. If you have any errors please notify the office by August 5th via E-MAIL ONLY to deroches@stlouiscountymn.gov. If you are missing a premium you can still cash the incorrect check. We will issue supplementary checks after verifying any discrepancies.

Message from Dorothy

Dear 4-H families and volunteers,

It is fair season again, and I know many of you are preparing to participate in 4-H at your county fairs this summer. I know you, like I, enjoy seeing the wonderful accomplishments of our youth.

For the third year, we will be live streaming some of our 4-H events at the Minnesota State Fair!

Our goal is to provide a way for 4-H families and friends who are unable to come to the fair to see some of the 4-H fun from home. The live stream is provided on the internet, so you can watch from computers, laptops, smart phones or any mobile device with internet service. Here is the live stream event line-up:

- Dairy goat judging: 8 a.m.-2 p.m., Friday, Aug. 28
- Lama costume competition: 6-7 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 2
- Performing arts in the 4-H building: 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 26-Monday, Sept. 7

You can watch 12 hours of state fair activities live every day of the fair here 4-H.umn.edu/state-fair/4-h-live-cam/.

The Arts-In performance recording will be available on our website and on the Minnesota 4-H Youtube channel after the fair is over.

I hope those of you who can’t join us in person enjoy seeing some of our wonderful 4-H’ers who are sharing their learning and accomplishments at the Minnesota State Fair this year!

Sincerely,

Dorothy M. Freeman
Associate dean and state 4-H director

Get the app! 4-H at the Minnesota State Fair

If you have a smart phone and you’re going to the state fair, you should download our free app! It combines all of our state fair communications into one place:

- Judging results
- Public schedule
- Interactive map
- Livestock shows and general projects announcements in real time – switch on the alerts function, and you won’t even need to open the app!
  - MN4HBeeF
  - MN4HDairy
  - NEW: MN4HSheep
  - MN4HAnnounce for all other projects

State fair winners and families, volunteers, staff and all fairgoers interested in 4-H will find it useful. Download it from the iTunes or Google Play store.

If you don’t have a smart phone, you can receive these messages on your cell phone by texting “Follow MN4HAnnounce” to 40404. Text “STOP” when you want them to stop. These accounts are active during the state fair.

To join a conversation about 4-H, use the Twitter app and follow MN4H.

Thanks to the Northern Lights Club for sewing our new Entry Day flags. We had many compliments on them!
4-H alumni at the Minnesota State Fair

Do you plan on visiting the state fair this summer? The Minnesota 4-H alumni & friends community is looking for alumni who can volunteer a few hours during the fair. Volunteers who fill a 3-hour shift in either the 4-H building or the 4-H livestock areas will receive a complimentary gate ticket and alumni t-shirt (must be 19 years or older). To learn more, visit z.umn.edu/4Halumni. We’d love to see you there!

General & livestock demonstrations

$30 awards will be given to all 4-Hers who complete a 4-H demonstration during general encampment and livestock encampment. This includes livestock & general encampment, illustrated talks, and Youth in Action presentations.

New in 2015! 4-Hers doing Avian Flu demonstrations at the county fair will receive a $30 cash incentive. This includes 4-Hers who are not yet state fair eligible. There will be an additional $50 award for Avian Flu demonstrations at the state fair!

For the livestock demonstration:

- Each county is allowed one additional state fair livestock trip for a livestock demonstration exhibitor.
- All livestock demonstrations must incorporate a live animal into the demonstration.
- The 4-Her must demonstrate on livestock weekend and can also participate in all other species activities (show, interviews, showmanship).
- Counties may add one additional state fair trip in the species area of the demonstration.

Minnesota 4-H Livestock Quality Assurance & Ethics (LQA&E) Policy

All youth participating as a state fair 4-H livestock exhibitor in beef, dairy, sheep, swine, poultry, rabbits, meat and dairy goat and lama must have completed the Livestock Quality Assurance and Ethics Workshop. Certification is required prior to the county fair qualifying show and is good for three fair seasons. The level of training required is determined by the grade of the youth at the time the training takes place.

Please contact your local extension office or visit 4-H.umn.edu/projects/animal-science/lqae/index.html for training near you.

EquiMania

Do you love being around people at the state fair? Want a free ticket and a cool t-shirt? Volunteer for two hours at the award-winning EquiMania! exhibit in the horse barn. Horse knowledge is not required - the exhibit activities are easy and fun for guests. EquiMania is a great opportunity for families, friends, 4-H clubs, small group and individuals to participate at the fair and have a great time doing it! The Minnesota State Fair is just around the corner...and is very much in need of volunteers for this year’s fair! Please consider volunteering for a short two hour shift! We welcome all volunteers, so please be sure to share this fantastic opportunity with your friends, families, and colleagues!

Email us at Equimania@mnstatefair.org or call 651-288-4480 today! More info at mnstatefair.org
Minnesota 4-H Dairy Showcase: Honoring Blue Ribbon Kids

This event recognizes overall achievement of Minnesota 4-H Dairy Project exhibitors that have demonstrated year-round participation within 4-H and the dairy industry including:

- success with the animal
- knowledge of the dairy project and industry
- involvement within 4-H and dairy communities
- activities in school, church and community

The Minnesota 4-H Dairy Showcase will recognize the top 25 4-H Dairy Project members that exhibit at the Minnesota State Fair. Complete details and online portfolio are available at [www.4-H.umn.edu/events/dairy-showcase.html](http://www.4-H.umn.edu/events/dairy-showcase.html).

Minnesota 4-H Poultry Prince & Princess Contest

The Minnesota 4-H Poultry Prince & Princess Contest is a scholarship program offered by Minnesota 4-H and Gold’n Plump. The Poultry Prince & Princess Contest details are available at [www.4-H.umn.edu/events/poultry-prince-princess.html](http://www.4-H.umn.edu/events/poultry-prince-princess.html).

4-H scholarship opportunities

High school seniors and college students -- check out the Minnesota Livestock Breeders Association Scholarship (MLBA) and Minnesota State Fair Scholarship Program (formally known as Hallberg Scholarship) opportunities at [www.extension.umn.edu/youth/scholarships/](http://www.extension.umn.edu/youth/scholarships/).

Minnesota 4-H is again hosting “Chef for a Day Cook-Off!”

The Chef for a Day Cook-Off will be held during all state fair encampments, and open to all 4-H state fair exhibitors. Each county will provide a team of 3-5 exhibitors for a two hour program during livestock encampment and every general encampment. The first hour will include an educational activity, and the second hour will be the Chef for a Day Cook-Off! All equipment will be supplied as well as all of the meat, and some possible ingredients. Teams may bring additional ingredients but note that no refrigeration is supplied. There will be no morning assignments -- but there will be prizes!

4-H summer employment opportunities

A variety of employment opportunities are available at 4-H state-level summer events. Applications are accepted up to five working days prior to the event. Additional details are available at [www.4-H.umn.edu/state-fair/employment/](http://www.4-H.umn.edu/state-fair/employment/).

Share the Fun reminder

State fair Share the Fun nominations/applications are available as of June 1. Rehearsal times are assigned on a first come, first served basis upon receipt of the nomination/application forms. More information can be found at [www.4-H.umn.edu/events/share-the-fun.html](http://www.4-H.umn.edu/events/share-the-fun.html).

Minnesota 4-H State Horse Show

Mark your calendar: The annual Minnesota 4-H Horse Show will be held **September 18-21, 2015**. Watch the Minnesota 4-H horse website for more information at [www.4-H.umn.edu/projects/animal-science/horse](http://www.4-H.umn.edu/projects/animal-science/horse).

Minnesota 4-H Dog Show

Mark your calendar: The Minnesota 4-H Dog Show will be held **September 26-27, 2015**. Watch the Minnesota 4-H dog website for more details at [www.4-H.umn.edu/events/state-dog-show.html](http://www.4-H.umn.edu/events/state-dog-show.html).
Premium book only available online

The 4-H at the Minnesota State Fair premium book will only be available online! You can access it at www.4-H.umn.edu/state-fair/resources.html.

SS&W Ambassador Program seeking applications for new Ambassadors!

The Minnesota 4-H Shooting Sports & Wildlife Ambassador Program is a leadership opportunity for youth leaders, grades 9-13, to promote and enhance Minnesota 4-H shooting sports. Ambassadors positively represent the Minnesota 4-H Shooting Sports & Wildlife Program at state, regional, and local levels. Youth must be starting grade 9-13 in the fall and be able to attend the October 3-4 training in Perham.

Program information, application, and reference forms can be found at: 4-H.umn.edu/projects/shooting-sports/shooting-sports/

Applications for new Shooting Sports & Wildlife Ambassadors are due August 24, 2015.

Fall 2015 Shooting Sports & Wildlife Leader Certification Training

The Minnesota 4-H Shooting Sports & Wildlife Program Development Committee invites you to attend a 4-H Shooting Sports & Wildlife Leader Certification! The committee recommends that leaders attend the entire certification weekend every five years. Now is your chance to attend!

The training is designed for adults and youth (grade nine and older) that lead or would like to lead training in shooting sports or wildlife. Classes will be offered in the disciplines of coordinator, archery, rifle/pistol, shotgun, muzzleloading, and wildlife.

This training meets the 4-H project leaders’ requirements for certification and recertification. Although there is range time allocated in the schedule, the majority of the training is classroom work to become an effective instructor, not to practice your own shooting skills.

The training will take place October 3-4, 2015 at the Perham Middle School and Fort Thunder Gun Club in Perham.

Registration materials are available at 4-H.umn.edu/events/shooting-sports-certification/. The deadline to register is September 18, 2015. Disciplines fill quickly, so make sure registration forms are sent in early!

Performing Arts
Grace Herbertz, Sean Tucker, and Ashlee and Jessica Waldbillig
4-H volunteer corner

4-H chaperones and the Minnesota State Fair

In the Minnesota 4-H program the state fair is recognized as the grand finale of the summer. Each year “The Great Minnesota Get-Together” provides over 6,500 4-H members with the opportunity to showcase their projects at the state level. This would not be possible without 4-H chaperones. Serving as a 4-H chaperone is an important responsibility. Prior to chaperoning any 4-H program, including the state fair, training is required. The training modules cover roles, expectations and best practices to help ensure youth have a quality educational experience. Serving as chaperones provides a valuable service and enables caring adults the opportunity to positively shape the life experiences of many young people.

The online training, 4-H chaperone policies: A guide for 4-H adult chaperones, found at 4-H.umn.edu/volunteer/online-training/, offers valuable information to help ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for the youth and the adult chaperones.

4-H Volunteer Training 24/7

4-H has a comprehensive and multi-format system of training and support for the thousands of volunteers who deliver 4-H youth development programs to young people across the state. Much of that training is provided face-to-face. But we know that providing some training opportunities online will help our volunteers more easily access the training and resources they need, when they need it. Minnesota 4-H offers a series of dynamic, interactive 30-minute online training modules to help volunteers build their skills and knowledge from home at any time of the day or night. Check out current online volunteer training topics:

- 4-H financial management
- Ensuring a safe 4-H environment
- Chaperone training
- Keeping youth in 4-H

Training modules for individual viewing can be accessed through any adult volunteer account on www.4honline.com/. A detailed user guide is available at www.4-h.umn.edu/volunteer/online-training. We're striving for 25% of Minnesota 4-H volunteers to complete at least one online volunteer training module by September 30, 2015. Which one will you try?

Livestock Projects
Laura Johnson and Shea Moshier

Horse Costume Contest