Hello 4-H Members,

I do believe that the 4-H Fish Fry that was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall was a huge success. I was told that 4-H made well over a $1,000.00. Sitting and observing the 4-H members that were there volunteering was a wonderful sight to see. I did not hear one complaint. The kids really seemed to enjoy themselves.

Interviews have taken place for the new 4-H Program Coordinator position and the hiring committee will be making a decision very soon. Stay tuned for an introduction.

Sincerely,

Jenny McKillips

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4-H Exploration Days

June 21-23, 2017

Michigan State University

Registration and Fee need to be turned in at the Gladwin County MSU Extension office. Classes are on a first come first serve basis and fills up fast.

Registration begins at 9:00am on March 15, 2017.

Registrants will be entered in the order that they were received. You can pick up the booklets at the MSUE office or go to this link:

http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/4_h_exploration_days/registration_information.
Attention: All Youth Raising Market Animals for shows or the County Fair!

Do you have market animals on your farm that you raise for the county fair or to show at exhibition? Is there medication mixed into the feed you give your animals?

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) who oversees the use of animal medications has changed how you can buy various different medicated feed products. Some antibiotic medications, which are important to human medicine, are used for animal feed. After January 1, 2017, these medications will require a Veterinary Feed Directive (VFD) order to be used in a medicated feed, which you will have to get through a licensed veterinarian. If you would like to know more about the changes to these rules, please visit the resource page created by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development at www.michigan.gov/vfd or contact your local MSU Extension office with questions.

If you have questions or would like the Power Point emailed to you. Please call or email the office.
Michigan State University Extension
Challenge U 4-H FunFest

When and where:
March 11, 2017- March 12, 2017
Kettunen Center, 14901 4-H Drive, Tustin, MI 49688

Who:
Any youth age 9-13 (as of January 1st) and chaperones.

What:
Are you ready to accept the challenge? Youth and adults who attend Challenge U 4-H FunFest will spend 2 days learning about food science and healthy living while meeting youth from around the state. Challenge U 4-H FunFest will challenge participants and chaperones in hands-on sessions that range from physical fitness, snack making, dancing, and more.

Cost:
- 4-H Members and Volunteers—$70.00
- Non 4-H Members and Volunteers—$119.00
- Registration fee includes meals, lodging and resources. Persons canceling without a replacement by Friday, February 24, 2017, will be charged a $40.00 cancellation fee. Persons who do not cancel within 48 hours prior to the start of workshop will be billed the full amount.
- Not a 4-H member? Contact your county MSU Extension office today!

Registration information:
- The deadline to register for this event is Friday, February 24, 2017
- To register, visit https://events.anr.msu.edu/challengeu17/

Find out more...
Visit the registration site for additional details. For more information, contact your county MSU Extension office or call Michelle Neff at 989-539-7805 or hydemich@msu.edu. Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested on your registration form.
Michigan State University Extension

Michigan 4-H Dairy Conference

When and where:

March 17-19, 2017
Kettunen Center, 14901 4-H Drive, Tustin, MI 4968

Who:

4-H members age 13-19 (as of January 1) and volunteers interested in dairy cattle and dairy cattle reproduction science.

Cost:

- 4-H Members and Volunteers—$95
- Non 4-H Members and Volunteers—$191.00
- Registration fee includes meals, lodging and resources.
- Not a 4-H member? Contact your county MSU Extension office today!

Registration information:

- The deadline to register for this event is March 3, 2017 or until registration is full.
- To register, visit https://events.anr.msu.edu/4HDairyConference17/
- Persons canceling without a replacement after March 3, 2017, will be charged a $29.50 cancellation fee. Persons who do not show up at the workshop, do not have a replacement, or do not cancel to events@anr.msu.edu within 48 hours prior to the start of workshop will be billed the full registration fee.

Find out more...

Visit the registration site for additional details.

For more information, contact your county MSU Extension office or call Melissa Elischer, 4-H Dairy Youth Educator at 517-432-4306 or elischer@anr.msu.edu.

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

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MICHIGAN 4-H
ROBOTICS WORKSHOP

When and where:
March 18-19, 2017
4-H Kettunen Center, 14901 4-H Drive, Tustin, MI 49688

Who:
4-H members age 13-19 (as of January 1) and volunteers interested in robotics (sign up for a specific track: LEGO Mindstorms EV3, VEX Robotics, Underwater ROVs, Unmanned Aerial Systems, Younger 4-Hers: Robotics & STEAM, and Junk Drawer Robotics).

Cost:
- 4-H Members and Volunteers—$75.00
- Non 4-H Members and Volunteers—$130.00
- Registration fee includes meals, lodging and resources.
- Persons canceling without a replacement by Feb. 24, 2017, will be charged a $20.00 cancellation fee. Persons who do not show up at the workshop, do not have a replacement, or do not cancel to ANR Event Services at events@anr.msu.edu within 48 hours prior to the start of workshop will be billed the full registration fee.
- Not a 4-H member? Contact your county MSU Extension office today!

Registration information:
- The deadline to register for this event is Feb. 24, 2017.
- To register, visit https://events.anr.msu.edu/4HRobotics2017/

Find out more...
Visit the registration site for additional details, including the event handbook.
For more information, contact your county MSU Extension office, Jan Brinn at 269-673-0370 or brinn@anr.msu.edu or Kristy Oosterhouse at 517-543-2310 oosterh6@anr.msu.edu

Accommodations for persons with disabilities may be requested on your registration form.
Michigan State University Extension

4-H Shooting Sports Instructor Training Workshop

When and where:
April 28 - 30, 2017
Kettunen Center, 14901 4-H Dr., Tustin, MI 49688

Who:
Adults and teen 4-H volunteers who have been approved by their county MSU Extension 4-H Staff person to work with 4-H Shooting Sports Programs and who have at least a basic working knowledge of and experience in the discipline in which they wish to participate. Teens must be at least 16 years old as of Jan. 1, 2017.

Cost:
- 4-H Members and Volunteers—$120.00
- Non 4-H Members and Volunteers—$216.00
- Registration fee includes meals, lodging and resources.
- Not a 4-H member? Contact your county MSU Extension office today!

Registration information:
- The deadline to register for this event is Sunday, April 16, 2017
- To register, visit https://events.anr.msu.edu/ShootSportWksp2017/
- Persons canceling without a replacement after Sunday, April 16, 2017, will be charged a $35.00 cancellation fee. Persons who do not show up at the workshop, do not have a replacement, or do not cancel to ANR Event Services at events@anr.msu.edu 48 hours (April 26, 2017) prior to the start of workshop will be billed the full registration fee.

Find out more...
Visit the registration site for additional details, including the event handbook.
# 4-H Exploration Days Registration Form

Parental approval is required for youth under age 18 to participate in 4-H Exploration Days activities.

This form, along with the Authorization Form and deposit, must be completed and returned to your local MSU Extension office before anyone—youth or adult—can participate in the event. (See Cost section on page 3.) The registration deadline may vary from county to county (it’s typically the end of April), but don’t wait—some sessions fill quickly on a first-come, first-served basis. Please type or print clearly.

4-H club or group

Full legal name

Street

City

ZIP

Phone

Email address:

County

Sex: □ Male □ Female

Number of times you’ve attended this event before:

STATUS (Must check one):

☐ Youth – Not a 4-H member

☐ Field staff

☐ Youth – 4-H member

☐ Other adult (Only for bus drivers needing housing or adults with disabilities that prevent them from taking chaperone roles.)

Number of years:

☐ Chaperone (aged 21 & up)

Please check all that apply:

☐ County conference assistant

☐ Instructor – session #

☐ Helper – session #

*Selected through staff and committees with statewide 4-H responsibilities.

☐ Disability – wheelchair user

☐ Disability – physical/non-wheelchair user (please indicate):

☐ Disability – learning or functional (please indicate):

☐ Special dietary needs (please indicate):

ADULT T-SHIRT SIZE (must check one):

☐ Small

☐ Medium

☐ Large

☐ XXX-Large ($5 fee payable through your local MSU Extension office)

RESIDENCE DESCRIPTION:

☐ Urban

☐ Rural, but not on a farm

☐ Suburban

☐ Farm

RACIAL-ETHNIC CATEGORY (Optional):

Select the category that best describes you:

☐ White

☐ Black

☐ Hispanic/Latino (All races)

☐ Asian/Pacific Islander

☐ Multiracial, please indicate__________

☐ American Indian/Alaskan Native

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YOUTH ONLY:

4-H age on 01/01/2017: ______ Age on 06/21/2017: ______

High school graduation year: ______

Name of high school you attend or will attend: ______

School city: ______

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REGISTRATION CHOICES (check one):

☐ 4-H Exploration Days participant only

☐ Both 4-H Exploration Days and State 4-H Awards Program participant

PAYMENT

A deposit must be sent in with the registration form to your MSU Extension office. Please make your check or money order payable to MSU. For specific amount due, see page 3.

SESSION SIGN-UP

Some sessions fill quickly so sign up early! Reservations are made on a first-come, first-served basis. Be sure to select eight choices. See page 5 for more information on how to complete this section. You may take one full session or two half sessions. State 4-H Awards Program delegates will sign up for the Assembly as their first-half session and are not eligible for full sessions. See the following samples. List session numbers (not titles).

KEY: 1st-Half: #100 to #117 and #500 to #528

2nd-Half: #200 to #266 and #600 to #628

Full: #300 to #311

Awards Assembly: #900 to #918

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FOR LOCAL MSU EXTENSION OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date / / Amount $__________

Receipt #__________

Adults: Continue to page 24 for host sign up.
A parent or guardian of a youth participant must sign sections 1 through 3. Youth participants must sign section 1 and complete section 4. Adult participants must sign section 1 and complete section 4.

4-H EXPLORATION DAYS, JUNE 21-23, 2017
This form (fully signed) is due to your local MSU Extension office with your registration form and fee deposit by April 26, 2017 (may vary slightly by county).

County __________________________

SECTION 1 - EVENT RULES
(required for all youth and adult participants)
I have read and agree to abide by the Michigan 4-H Code of Conduct and 4-H Exploration Days Rules (see pgs 20 to 21).

Participant's signature __________________________
Date __________________________

(ALL youth and adults attending the event must sign.)

I expect my child to abide by the Michigan 4-H Code of Conduct and 4-H Exploration Days Rules. I understand that if my child does not do so, I may be asked to pick up my child early.

(Parent or legal guardian's signature) __________________________
Date __________________________

SECTION 2 - PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT
(required for all youth participants)
I hereby grant permission for (print participant’s name) __________________________
to participate in all educational and social activities of 4-H Exploration Days 2017 sponsored by Michigan State University Extension's 4-H Youth Development.

I understand that some sessions take field trips and that some sessions, campus facility tours, and other recreation activities have special risks. I have read the session descriptions and approve of my child's session selections. I accept any risks associated with their assigned session(s) and selected recreational activities.

I will make a note of any special needs or health concerns on the Personal Data Sheet that is collected at the county pre-event orientation meeting or at another time designated by the county.

Name of Parent/Guardian or of participant aged 18 and up (please print):

Signature: __________________________ Date: __________________________

SECTION 3 - 4-H OVERNIGHT HOUSING PERMISSION FORM
I understand that my child may be sharing lodging with an unrelated adult (21 or older) who has been through the MSU Extension Volunteer Selection Process, and with at least one other young person. By signing this form I give my permission for my child to attend this event under these lodging conditions.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: __________________________ Date: __________________________

SECTION 4 - 4-H MEDIA AND MEDICAL RELEASE FORMS
ALL youth and adult participants attending the event must check the appropriate box below to indicate whether they have completed the 4HOnline enrollment process:

☐ Yes, I have completed the 2016-17 4HOnline enrollment process.

☐ No, I have NOT completed the 2016-17 4HOnline enrollment process. (If you answer “no,” you must contact your local Extension 4-H staff to complete the 4HOnline enrollment process.)

ADULTS: Please remember to sign up for host roles on page 24.
4-H EXPLORATION DAYS HOST REGISTRATION CHOICES

Adults who attend 4-H Exploration Days must serve as either a session host or an activity host if they are not serving as CCAs, session instructors, or session helpers. (Many CCAs, instructors, and helpers also double as session or activity hosts.) If each of the nearly 400 adults who attend this event each year takes on just one of these support roles, there will be more than enough people to fill every assignment. For more information on adult roles at this event, please see the “Adult Opportunities and Roles at 4-H Exploration Days” section on page 18.

Please rank at least four choices if you sign up to be an activity host. Some of the activities (such as overseeing shuttle bus traffic) happen each day and in each time frame. Others (such as overseeing attendance and verifying the participant count at Abrams Planetarium) happen on a single day and in a single time frame. When making activity host selections, think first about which day and time period you would prefer to host, then select your preferred activities. (You may wish to coordinate this with other adults from your county so that you don’t all choose the same days and times.)

Detailed information about your assigned host role will be mailed to you in early June. There will also be a host orientation at the beginning of 4-H Exploration Days.

PARTICIPANTS SAY ...

It makes me excited to go to college. I liked staying in the dorms and eating in the cafeterias.

—Lenawee County

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<td>______ Host an MSU facility presentation or tour (not give the tour but attend, greet the guide, and keep the group together)</td>
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<td>______ Oversee ice skating attendance and verify count</td>
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<td>______ Help participants find the rooms in which their sessions are being held in hard-to-navigate buildings such as the intramural (IM) buildings</td>
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STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4-H Workshops

March 4: Spring Galaxy 4-H Horse Program Committee  
Contact Taylor Fabus (tenlenta@msu.edu)  
Anthony Hall, MSU, East Lansing

Youth Business Guide to Success . . . . Training  
https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=7BB37C00B1B518BF  
Delta County MSU Extension Office, Escanaba

March 11-12: Challenge U 4-H Funfest  
https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=4316623216B6FEE  
Kettunen Center, Tustin

March 17-19: Michigan 4-H Dairy Conference  
https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=62E0A083A0F38132  
Kettunen Center, Tustin

March 18-19: 4-H Robotics Workshop  
https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=CFBB42F26791A2C6  
Kettunen Center, Tustin

March 20: Youth Business Guide to Success . . . . Training  
https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=7BB37C00B1B518BF  
Ottawa County MSU Extension Office, West Olive

https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=7BB37C00B1B518BF  
Lapeer County MSU Extension Office, Lapeer

March 25: Youth Business Guide to Success . . . . Training  
https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=7BB37C00B1B518BF  
Menominee County MSU Extension Office, Stephenson

Other 4-H Events

March 19-22: 4-H Capitol Experience  
https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=087C25CC2694CBDE  
Okemos Conference Center, Okemos

March 26: Michigan 4-H & FFA Horse Judging Contest  
http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/michigan_4_h_ffa_horse_judging_contest  
MSU Pavilion, Lansing

April 8: Norma Agnew Memorial 4-H Hairy Horse Show  
http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/norma_agnew_memorial_4_h_hairy_horse_show  
MSU Pavilion, Lansing

April 15: State 4-H Goat Expo  
https://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=6549761B2168714F  
Anthony Hall, MSU, East Lansing

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to http://msue.anr.msu.edu/topic/events/4_h
2017 Michigan 4-H Dairy Conference

The purposes of this annual teen and adult leader workshop are to:

- Provide Michigan 4-H (http://msue.anr.msu.edu/topic/info/4_h) youth and volunteers from across the state with the opportunity to learn about Michigan agriculture
- Increase attendees’ knowledge about the Michigan dairy industry
- Develop participants’ self esteem, self awareness and leadership skills
- Help those attending to become more knowledgeable about the many issues affecting agriculture now and in the future.
- Inspire conference participants to bring new programming and ideas back to their 4-H clubs and county programs

The weekend will include many hands-on activities led by MSU Extension (http://bit.ly/1sdvYu8) staff and MSU (http://msu.edu) faculty and students.

Who Should Attend?
This training is for Michigan 4-H’ers who are 13 to 19 years old, as of January 1, 2017, and volunteers who are interested in dairy cattle and dairy cattle reproduction science.

Where Will the Conference Be Held?
Kettunen Center (http://kettunencenter.org), Tustin

When Is the Conference? March 17 to 19, 2017

Theme
This year’s theme is “Reproductive Science With Dairy Cattle”

How Can Someone Register?
Registration for the conference is available on the Michigan 4-H web site (http://bit.ly/2lch5Jj). If a registrant’s county is offering scholarships, it is important to check with the county (http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county) before registering.

What Is the Cost of the Conference?
The registration fee, which includes meals, lodging and resources, is $95 for 4-H members and volunteers and $191 for non-4-H members and volunteers

More information is available from:
- Melissa Elischer (elischer@anr.msu.edu)
- Your local MSU Extension county 4-H staff (http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county)