Thoughts From Kristi

Fair Etiquette, Comportment and Sportsmanship

Isabella County’s Youth and Farm Fair will be here before we know it! I am very excited to watch our youth participate in the vast array of venues that our fair offers in which they will be demonstrating their leadership, showmanship, life skills, and arts and crafts, among other talents.

When you are a member of 4-H, or a parent of a 4-H’er, being a role model, is part of an expectation, “to make the best better.” When you are at the fair, you represent more than yourself, your club, your family, your community. Perhaps consider your attire. It can be very hot and uncomfortable in the heat of July, but try to dress in a manner that reflects the spirit of what the fair is about - good clean fun for the entire family. When you are not in your showmanship attire, you may be misread if you choose your clothing unwisely. Additionally, in the extreme heat, people can become more irritable and emotional, especially when competition is present. No one can win all the time; people need to accept wins and losses graciously. Congratulations and smiles should always be offered to the winner. Consider how you communicate with people. The words we choose the tones we use, the non-verbal communication that we all read very well, can make or break a person’s experiences. 4-H’ers, you are examples to our Cloverbuds, parents and grandparents you are the examples to our youth. Be positive.

Good 4-H animal project sportsmanship is defined by Michigan 4-H Youth Development in the following manner:

- **Displaying respect for animals.** This means exercising good animal management through proper healthcare and nutrition, as well as fair training practices. Animals deserve humane treatment in exchange for what they provide.

- **Displaying respect for opponents.** Sportsmanlike competitors recognize and appreciate a well prepared, challenging opponent who can bring out the best in them and share that appreciation with their opponents.

- **Displaying respect for “the game.”** This includes respecting and following the rules of the event. It also includes always trying one’s best, using skill and training to achieve positive results, and appreciating the training process.

- **Displaying respect for others.** Judges, show managers, parents, trainers, coaches and leaders deserve respect as well. If one is feeling frustrated, it is important to find an appropriate location and time to vent, or show this frustration.

I show dogs. I understand competition, and wanting to win. When I am competing with my dogs, I never go to lose. . .But, even if I don’t go home with the blue ribbon or trophy, I NEVER lose. Instead, I LEARN. Isn’t that what 4-H Youth Development and life in general is all about? Continual education and the love of the process are the true rewards of competition.
CLUB CORNER

Barn Yard Kids - In June we had our mandatory meeting to fill out paperwork for fair, settling some last minute thoughts and ideas and had a cook out during a rain storm. Lots of help and lots of information. Looking forward to FAIR! We also had a dairy feeder showmanship clinic at the Bendele's with a fantastic turn out and lots of learning. Some of our kids went to the open beef show in Ithaca the following weekend and placed very well. Adrienne placed 3rd in showmanship and received reserve grand champion with her steer!

Evergreen - For our May meeting, we had members turn in their entries for a club “Thank you “ card decorating contest. Katie Elliott was the winner. We discussed plans for having a float in the Rosebush Red, White and Blue Parade. We had guest speakers talk with the club on bees and participated in a Honey Bee Challenge, which ended with members making a honey bee robot and navigating through a map of a farm. Our club had another successful bake sale fundraiser (the car wash was cancelled due to the weather), thanks to those who supported this event.

4-H Food Stand Clean-Up
Sunday, July 17
1 p.m.

We are looking for clubs and volunteers to help clean and spruce up the 4-H food stand in preparation for the fair. Help is needed to unload the shed, wash dishes, etc.

Contact the Extension Office if you can help. In case your club missed the 4-H camp clean ups, 4-H Council agreed to have the food stand clean-up also count towards the honor club requirement for this year.

Bring brooms, buckets and wash rags, work gloves, & rubber gloves. Cleaning products will be provided. If anyone can bring a power washer or a shop vac please let us know. Thanks!

Help Needed
Food Stand & Still Exhibit Building Shifts
Help is needed in the 4-H Food Stand on Thursday, July 28 from 7 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. and there are a few open shifts in the Still Exhibit Building.

Please contact the Extension Office if you can help. Thank you!

Still Exhibit Release Day
Still Exhibits will be released on Saturday, July 30 from 8 p.m. - 10 p.m. Please plan to pick-up your projects at this time. If you aren’t available to pick them up, you may send someone else to get them. Thank you!

Royalty Announcement
July 10, 2016
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
4-H Camp at Coldwater Lake
(1415 N. Littlefield Rd., Weidman)

Please join us in recognizing and thanking the royalty court members that have served as 4-H ambassadors over the past year. This will also be an exciting event as we reveal the names of our new representatives. Come support this kick off to fair week whether the candidates are your friends, family, or co-club members; they will truly appreciate the support!

Extra Help Needed for Still Exhibit Building Set-Up
We are looking for additional help to set-up the Still Exhibit Building on Thursday, July 16 at 5:30 p.m. Your help would be greatly appreciated!
Small Animal News
Showmanship clinics are scheduled for July 8 and 14, from 7:00 - 8:15 pm, in the small animal barn. Rabbit members that were not available for the June 26 clinic are encouraged to attend one of these dates so final counts can be confirmed for cages needed during fair week.

Small animal members that turned in auction entry forms should begin inviting potential buyers soon; July 27 is closer than you think. Giving people plenty of time to make arrangements to come support you will be helpful to them. Small animal barn set up is Thursday, July 21. Goat and poultry members begin at 7 p.m.; rabbit members begin at 7:45 p.m.

Remember, you must complete a project record for all small animal species. If you did not enter the actual project for judging (Dept 17, Sec 3, and whatever class matches your species), you need to do the one page simple form. Both the "long" and "short" forms can be found on the MSU Extension website under the fair forms link.

County Shoot
Saturday, July 9
Isabella County Sportsman’s Club

Registration: half hour before your scheduled time
Shooting begins: 9:00 a.m.
Cost: $5.00 registration fee or $7.00 for Trap
Bring your own eye & ear protection.

Pre-registration is required. Please contact the Extension office if you haven’t registered.

State Shoot
Saturday, August 6
Centerline in Calhoun County
(23100 13 Mile Rd., Bellevue, MI 49021)

Participants must participate in the County Shoot in order to qualify for participation in the State 4-H Shooting Sports Tournament.

To register or for more information, visit: http://events.anr.msu.edu/4HShootingSportsTournament16/

National 4-H Congress
November 25-29, 2016 in Atlanta, Georgia

“Excite, Spark, Ignite” and participate in National 4-H Congress! 4-H youth ages 14-19 are invited to apply for this leadership, citizenship and community service event. In this capstone 4-H youth leadership event, 4-H youth from across the U.S. will come together to experience an exciting program, full of educational, service and leadership opportunities as well as local cultural tours and experiences.

For more information: http://national4-hcongress.com

Barn Set-Up Dates
Monday, July 18
Beef Barn - 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 19
Dairy Barn - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 20
Swine Barn - 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, July 21
Still Exhibit Building - 5:30 p.m.
Sheep Barn - 6:30 p.m.
Small Animals - 7:00 p.m.
Dairy Feeder Barn - 7:00 p.m.

Creative Writing Project Members
A few reminders:
1) Projects are due at Extension Office by Friday, July 15.
2) Project record sheets are due with projects.
3) Members must meet with the judge on entry day, Saturday, July 23 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Late projects and/or members who do not meet with the judge will not be eligible for awards.
STILL EXHIBIT AUCTION INFORMATION

*If you haven’t already pre-registered it’s not too late. You can email ic4hstillexhibitauction@gmail.com with your name, address, parents name, club name and the project you would like to enter.

*On Saturday morning when you come to pick up your entry tags for your projects please stop by the Auction Table to finalize what you will be selling. You will be given a colored sticker to put on your entry tag for the item you would like to sell so it will be easier for buyers to see what will be in the auction. If you don’t stop by and finalize the paperwork your name will be removed from the sale bill.

*Be creative with your items…. Example: if you are selling cookies put some small bottles of milk and have a small cooler available for the buyer to put the milk in. Selling a basket, put something in it to show what it will be used for. Canning, put in a basket or wire basket. Add a little extra something to make it appealing.

*You may sell one item in each auction if you have animals too. Just make sure you are entered in each one if it applies to you. (Still Exhibit, Small Animal, and Livestock)

*Please arrive in the Still Exhibit Barn at 5:30 p.m. for a brief meeting, if you made a duplicate item to sell, please bring with you at this time.

*If you need help carrying your item into the sale ring you are more than welcome to bring someone with you at 5:30 p.m.

*Volunteers please arrive at 4:00 p.m. to help set up.

*Please be cautious of the shoes you wear. The auction will be taking place after the Open Beef Show in the same arena.
2016 Food Stand Schedule

Saturday, July 23
8:30 am - 11:30 am - NO CLUBS
11:00 am - 3:30 pm - NO CLUBS

Sunday, July 24 CLOSED

Monday, July 25
8:30 am - 11:30 am - Circle B & Country Kids Livestock
11:00 am - 3:30 pm - Top Shot
3:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Pasture Pals
7:00 pm - 11:30 pm - Cowgirl Up

Tuesday, July 26
8:30 am - 11:30 am - Pony Express
11:00 am - 3:30 pm - Beal City Pioneers
3:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Pine River
7:00 pm - 11:30 pm - Dreamers

Wednesday, July 27
8:30 am - 11:30 am - Lincoln Center
11:00 am - 3:30 pm - Maple Clovers
3:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Pony Creek
7:00 pm - 11:30 pm - Farm Hands

Thursday, July 28
8:30 am - 11:30 am - Bowen Busy Bees
11:00 am - 3:30 pm - Evergreen
3:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Aim High
7:00 pm - 11:30 pm - HELP NEEDED

Friday, July 29
8:30 am - 11:30 am - Tally-Ho & Trail Blazers
11:00 am - 3:30 pm - Western Spurs
3:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Rural Routers
7:00 pm - 11:30 pm - Crackerjack & Clover Kids

Saturday, July 30
8:30 am - 11:30 am - Barn Yard Kids
11:00 am - 3:30 pm - Wise Workers
3:00 pm - 7:30 pm - Broomfield Valley
7:00 pm - 11:30 pm - Town & Country Maple Leaves

2016 Exhibit Building Schedule

Monday, July 25
10:00 am - 12:00 pm - Clover Kids
12:00 pm - 2:00 pm - Circle B
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm - Dreamers
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm - Crackerjack
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Food Stand and Still Exhibit Building Notes
There are a few things each family should remember...
- Still Exhibit Building shifts must include 4 people, with a minimum of 2 adults.
- Still Exhibit Building will be closed if a club does not show up to work their shift and there is nobody to guard the doors.
- Food Stand shifts must include 8 or more adults and 10-15 members.
- Plan to stay for your entire hour shift. Don’t break it into two shifts.
- Each family is to bring one fruit baked pie to the food stand at the start of their shift or 10 pies per club.
- Please report for your shift in a timely fashion. Each family has many things going on simultaneously during fair, and should be relieved from duty on time.
- Please call your Administrative Leader if you have not already volunteered to work.
4-H Award Information

Outstanding 4-H Member & Chet Brown Applications Available
Applications are now being accepted for this year’s Outstanding 4-H Member and the Chester Brown Memorial Leadership Development Award. Applications are available on the MSU Extension website at: [http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/isabella/isabella_4_h](http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/isabella/isabella_4_h) or at the Extension office. Completed applications are due at the Extension office by July 15, 2016. Eligibility requirements are as follows:

Outstanding 4-H Member
(winner will be selected to receive $500 towards CWF Trip, National Club Congress Trip, or scholarship towards higher education or $250 towards a $500 savings bond)
1. Applicants must be 15 years of age (by January 1, 2016).
2. Completed three calendar years of 4-H club work.
3. Completed 4-H projects in at least two project areas.
4. Been recommended by local leader.

Chester Brown Memorial Leadership Development Award
1. Applicants must be 13 years of age (by January 1, 2016).
2. Applicants should demonstrate leadership abilities in an activity. This activity should not be eligible for fair exhibition. Examples of eligible activities: community service project, school related activity, church activity.
3. Selection will be based upon organizational skills, number of people participating, and how they were involved.
4. Applicants will be interviewed during fair week.

NEW - Series of Educational Events and Contests at Fair
The contests will be both individual events such as quizzes and team projects such as team fitting, written problem solving, group presentations. The events will consist of short courses taught by industry professionals and experienced 4-H’ers to help kids with showing, fitting, genetics, feeding, and herdsmanship. Our goal is to encourage kids to move past just thinking about 1 project and embrace the whole farming community and the knowledge and skills it takes to succeed within it.

Contest for (Beef, Swine, Lamb, Overall livestock):
- Herdsman quiz (Jr., Int., Sr. divisions)
- Written Problem (groups up to 3 individuals, Int., Sr. divisions)
- Oral presentations (groups up to 3 individuals, Sr. divisions only)

Contest for Beef kids: Team Fitting

Educational events throughout the week: (may be subject to change)
- Cattle Fitting and showing
- Swine fitting and showing
- Sheep fitting (maybe)
- Beef and swine nutrition
- Genetics
- PQA/BQA
- Herd Health

**Schedule: (may be subject to change)**
Monday, July 25: Swine & Sheep Quiz, 4 pm - 6 pm
Tuesday, July 26: Beef Quiz, 4 pm - 6 pm
Wednesday, July 27: Dairy Quiz, 4 pm - 6 pm
Thursday, July 28: Feeding & Genetics Short Course, 10 am - 12 pm
Friday, July 29: Beef Fitting Contest, 10 am and after Livestock Judging - written & oral presentations
Fair Information & Notes

Project Record Sheets
Listed below are the individual project record sheets that are required for 4-H fair projects. Project areas not listed require a general Project Record Sheet. All of these record sheets are available at the Extension office or from your Administrative Leader.

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Animal Care - All animals should be fed and watered each day by 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Your responsibility for your animal does not end after the animal is sold. Clean pens/stalls give a favorable impression to the public.

Entry Information
ENTRY TAGS will be computer generated from information on your entry form. You will receive your entry tag at the time of entry.

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IMPORTANT REMINDERS
- Still Exhibits will be entered on Saturday, July 23 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- Still Exhibits will be released on Saturday, July 30 from 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.
- Large Animal Project Records must be turned in at the 4-H Still Exhibit Building on Monday, July 25 between 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The superintendents will be present to accept project records and check off member’s names from the species list, so we know you have turned in your records. Records that are to be judged will be separated from the others and judged on Tuesday morning.
STATEWIDE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

4-H Workshops

July 18: 4-H Teen Spokesperson Training
http://events.anr.msu.edu/4HTeenSpokesperson
Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center, East Lansing

July 22-24: 4-H Mentoring Weekend
http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=E68499A13D2C7CE3
Kettunen Center, Tustin

Other 4-H Events

July 14: State 4-H/FFA Livestock Judging Contest
Anthony Hall, MSU, East Lansing

July 18-22: 4-H Dairy Days
MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

July 20: 4-H Robotics Challenge
https://eatoncounty4h.wordpress.com/county-programs/robotics-challenge
Barry County Fair, Barry Expo Center, Hastings

July 22: State 4-H/FFA Meats Judging Contest
Anthony Hall, MSU, East Lansing

July 31-August 6: 4-H Great Lakes & Natural Resources Camp
Camp Chickagami, Presque Isle

August 2-4: 4-H Health & Food Science Camp
http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=DB6531563678F88A
Shaw Hall, Michigan State University

August 6: 4-H State Shooting Sports Tournament
http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=3214D0FE1A77D96
Centerline of Calhoun County, Bellevue

August 13: State 4-H Dog Show
http://msue.anr.msu.edu/events/state_4_h_dog_show
MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

August 19-21: State 4-H Horse Show
http://www.ans.msu.edu/extension/horse_youth_programs
MSU Pavilion, East Lansing

For the most up-to-date events listing, go to http://4h.msue.msu.edu/events
Events Coming Soon or With Nearing Registration Deadlines

**4-H Robotics Challenge**
If you love robotics or have county robotics teams, showcase your engineering skills in a two-hour, real-time robotics (LEGO advanced Mindstorms and Junk Drawer) design challenge. Teams will design, build and program a robot to complete challenges.

**Who:** 3- to 5-member robotics teams (aged 9 to 19 as of January 1, 2016). At least 1 team member must be an enrolled 4-H member.

**When and Where:** July 20, Barry County Fair, Barry Expo Center, Hastings

**Registration:** As a team, select the challenge and division you want to participate in. Complete and return the Team Roster Form (http://bit.ly/1XZBZt9) with the registration fee ($20 per team) to the Barry County MSU Extension Office (http://msue.anr.msu.edu/county/info/barry) by July 1.

**Sources of More Information**
- Challenge web site (https://eatoncounty4h.wordpress.com/county-programs/robotics-challenge)

**4-H Teen Spokesperson Training**
Tell the world about the amazing things Michigan 4-H members are doing! Workshop includes: social media, creating dynamic messages about 4-H, planning for an interview and practicing public speaking.

**Who:** Enrolled 12- to 19-year-old (as of January 1, 2016) 4-H members, and adults providing transportation

**When and Where:** July 18 (East Lansing) and August 22 (Mackinac City)

**Cost:** $15 per person

**Registration:** Online (http://bit.ly/JWRz3Og) by the deadline given on the web site.

**Sources of More Information**
- The training web site (http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=6DA24872D3A1572E)

**Michigan 4-H Shooting Sports Tournament**
Sometimes referred to as the “4-H State Shoot,” this event allows Michigan 4-H shooting sports members the opportunity to test their skills and earn recognition.

**Who:** 9- to 19-year-old, as of January 1, 2016, Michigan 4-H members, enrolled in a shooting sports group

**When and Where:** August 6, Centerline of Calhoun County, Bellevue

**Cost:** $30 per person

**Registration:** Online (http://events.anr.msu.edu/event.cfm?eventID=3214D0FE1AE177D96) by July 13.

**Sources of More Information**
- Tournament web site (http://msue.anr.msu.edu/program/info/4_h_state_shooting_sports_tournament)

**National 4-H Congress**
This five-day educational gathering includes workshops on topics such as leadership development, character education, workforce preparation, science and technology, and communication-skills development.

**Who:** 4-H members aged 15 to 19.

**When and Where:** November 25-29, Hyatt Regency, Atlanta, Georgia

**Registration:** Counties identify their delegates. Interested 4-H members should contact 4-H staff in their local MSU Extension office (http://bit.ly/lu09E3).

**Cost:** The cost (including airfare, registration fee, lodging, a tour, baggage fees, snacks, most meals, two shirts and a photograph) is approximately $1,500 per person.

**Sources of More Information**
- The Congress Facebook page (http://on.fb.me/1FGhdQH)
- Previous delegations to Congress: (http://bit.ly/1UdULq6), (http://bit.ly/1FMTFz6)

*4-H staff in your local MSU Extension office (http://bit.ly/lu09E3)
Showcase your engineering skills at the regional 4-H Robotics Challenge with this year’s theme: Space Exploration! Teams will participate in a real time robotics design challenge—designing, building, and programming a robot in 2 hours to complete challenges. Challenge details are released at the event.

Who can participate?
Robotics teams with 3-5 members, ages 9-19 as of January 1, 2016 (with at least 1 member of the team being an enrolled 4-H member)

How do I register?
As a team, select which challenge and division you want to participate in. Then fill out the Team Roster form at https://eatoncounty4h.wordpress.com/county-programs/robotics-challenge/ by July 1.
Teams on the waiting list will be invited to take open slots beginning July 13. See the team packet for more details.

Questions?
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Kristy Oosterhouse oosterh6@anr.msu.edu 517-543-2310

SAVE THE DATE!
July 20, 2016
4 p.m.—7:30 p.m.
Barry County Fairgrounds

LEGO Mindstorms Challenge
Advanced and Intermediate divisions. Teams will be provided a robot kit and laptop to use during the event. Youth should have prior experience working with the EV3 or NXT robots. Maximum of 20 teams on a first come, first serve basis.

Junk Drawer Challenge
Teams will be provided with a drawer of common materials and challenged to use them in designing a robot capable of completing a simple task. No prior experience required. No limit to the number of registered teams.
**4-H Teen Spokesperson Training**

A Communications Workshop for 4-H members, teen leaders, ambassadors, and community issue advocates

**2 Workshop Locations**

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**Who:** Michigan 4-H members (12-19 years old on January 1, 2016)

**What:** Communications workshop for 4-H members. Learn about a variety of communication tools and strategies for crafting an effective message to tell the “so what” of the 4-H message.

**Why:** Because Michigan 4-H members are doing amazing things and the world should know about it!!

**How:** Register online at [http://events.anr.msu.edu/4HTeenSpokesperson/](http://events.anr.msu.edu/4HTeenSpokesperson/) $15 registration fee; includes continental breakfast & lunch

**WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS**

- Dining etiquette
- Creating impactful messages
- Preparing for an interview

» Dress attire for workshop: Business Casual
» Participants welcome to bring technology (phones, tablets, cameras, etc)
» Families are welcome to personally make overnight arrangements at either location. Kellogg Center is located on the MSU campus; Bridge Vista offers an indoor waterpark.

» Questions: contact Betty Jo Krosnicki at nashbett@msu.edu or 810-648-2515

Project funding provided by National 4-H Council grant:

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**SAVE THE DATES**

- **Camp Counselor Training** - July 5, 2016
- **4-H Summer (overnight) Camp** - July 6 & 7, 2016
- **Small Animal Showmanship Clinic** - July 8, 2016
- **County Shoot** - July 9, 2016
- **4-H Royalty Announcement** - July 10, 2016
- **4-H Cloverbud Camp** - July 12 & 13, 2016
- **Small Animal Showmanship Clinic** - July 14, 2016
- **4-H Food Stand Clean-Up** - July 17, 2016
- **Fair Entry Day** - July 23, 2016
- **Isabella County Youth & Farm Fair** - July 24-30, 2016
- **Still Exhibits Released** - July 30, 2016
- **4-H Recognition Banquet** - October 6, 2016

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